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怪物がいる。暗闇に稀代の邪悪な怪物が潜む。
全てを手に入れ、その力は神をも陥らせる。
が、彼は闇の中をひたひたと捲き回している。何ものも彼の心を沸き立たせない。
人の血をすすり、肉を喰らうても、彼の寂寥は癒されない。
いや、闇の中をひたひたの正義の男がやってくる。
「奴こそ、わたしの物語だ。日常に終わりを告げてくれるかもしれない。
不敵な微笑を浮かべた白髪の子、アカギ。
後に神域の男と呼ばれ、裏社会に君臨する男——あの赤木しげるが

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ニセアカギ

かつてアカギと勝負したことがある。鷺巣麻雀に敗れて殺された。



鷺巣

権力を利用して巨万の富を築いた老人。麻雀で若者の命をもて遊ぶ。

登場人物紹介

前巻までの

あらすじ

昭和33年。チキンランを生き残った少年・赤木しげるは、初めて打つ麻雀でも異才を発揮し、ヤクザ相手の勝負に次々と勝利を収めてゆく。なかでも盲目の雀士・市川を破った夜は伝説となった。勝負の直後に、赤木は姿を消す。

昭和39年。伝説の夜に立ち会った不良刑事・安岡がニセアカギを立てたことから、次の伝説が始まった。赤木は「異端」「神域」などと称される闘牌により、またしても相手を次々と打ち破ってゆく。

昭和40年。ニセアカギが死体となって発見されたことが、新たな闘いの幕を開いた。莫大な金の代償として、若者に命を賭けさせるモンスターがいるのだ。不良刑事・安岡と稲田組の仰木は、赤木にモンスター狩りを依頼する。



仰木

稲田組の若頭。安岡の誘いに乗りアカギを使って鷲巢に挑戦する。



安岡

不良刑事。アカギを立てて鷲巢の資産5億円を奪おうとしている。

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CHAPTER 64-
第64話

SERPENT

大蛇





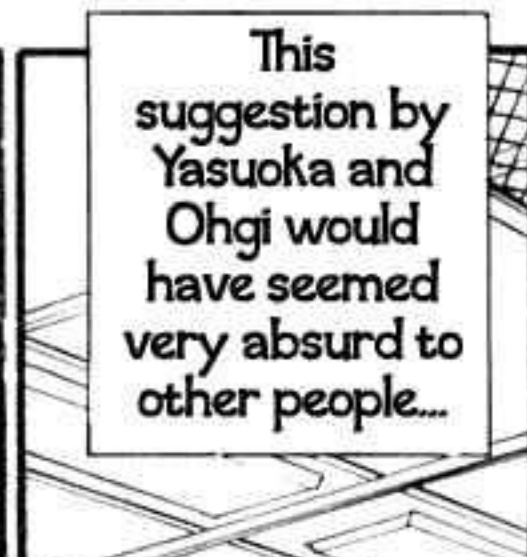
HUNTING DOWN A MONSTER

...!

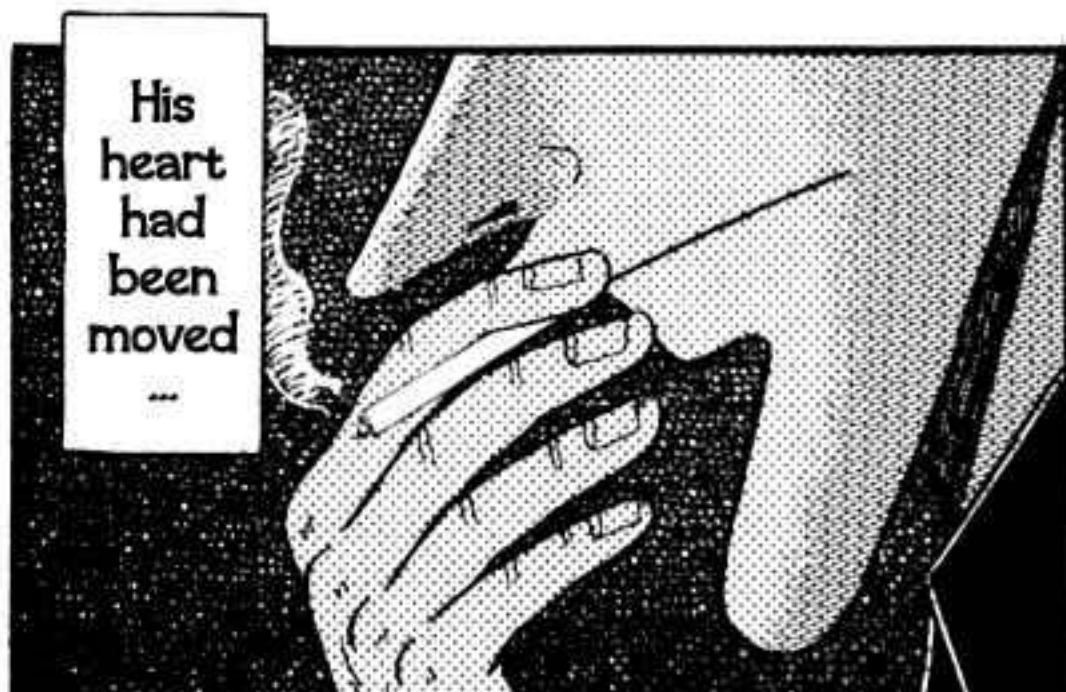


He
took it
on.

But in
the end,
Akagi
accepted
it.




This
suggestion by
Yasuoka and
Ohgi would
have seemed
very absurd to
other people...




His
heart
had
been
moved
...





By the man
he would be
facing...
by Washizu
Iwao.


And
also,
most
of all...




By the
commence-
ment of such
a gamble as
that.

By the
thought of
fighting
to the
death...

Put into
words...



A certain
feeling that
Washizu was
similar to him
in some ways.



He sensed
something
similar in
him.



HE HAS
SUCCESS,
AND THE BEST
THAT THE
WORLD HAS
TO OFFER,
AND YET...

HIS AGE
IS 75... HE
HAS MONEY,
STATUS, AND
PRESTIGE
ALIKE...



JUST
LIKE ME,
THIS MAN
IS FEELING
WEARY...!

**HE'S
WEARY
...!**

**ALONE, AND
DESPERATE.**

**HE IS LEFT
STANDING AT
THE TOP OF
THE PEAK OF
SUCCESS...**

**HE'S
WEARY
...!**



YOUR
GAME
WILL BE
OVER!

IS GOING
TO BE
ENDING
SOON
ENOUGH...

THAT
LIFE...

THAT
LIFE YOU'VE
HAD WITH
NOTHING BUT
SUCCESS
AFTER
SUCCESS...

EVEN
SO...

YOU NEED
TO BE
REPLACED
IN YOUR
POSITION,
BUT...

IT WON'T
BE ABLE TO
INTOXICATE
YOU ANY-
MORE!

AND
ONCE THAT
HAPPENS...

AS LONG
AS YOU KEEP
LIVING, YOU'LL
BE LIKE A
GIANT SNAKE
BURNING
ALIVE...

I'M SURE
YOU'RE IN
A LOT OF
PAIN...

OLD
MAN...

YOU
FIND
THAT
IMPOS-
SIBLE
TO DO...

WRITHING
AROUND
IN PAIN!

**I CAN'T
DIE...
I CAN'T
DIE...!!**

**I CAN'T
DIE...!**



**STILL
SOMETHING
MORE...!**

**STILL
SOME-
THING
THAT'S
MISSING...**

STILL!



STILL...!

**THERE'S
STILL...**

**THERE'S
STILL
MORE...!**

STILL...



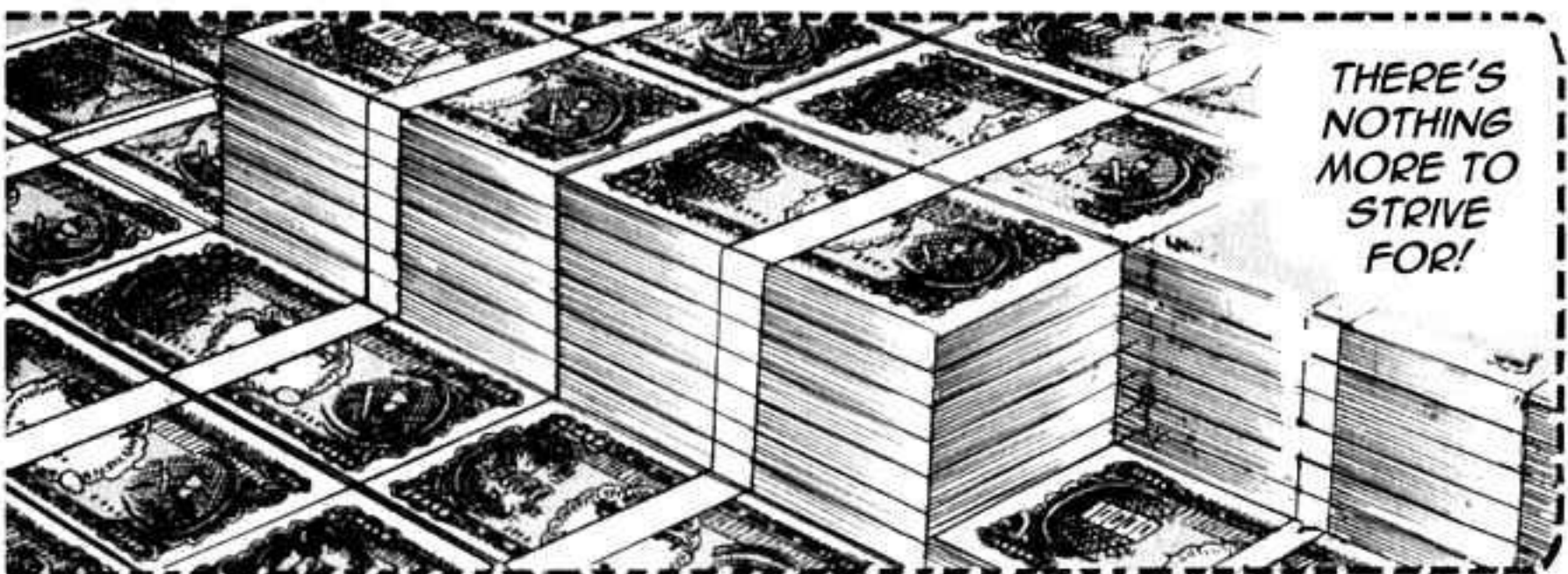
STILL... SOMETHING TO LIVE ON FOR...!



THERE'S
NOT!



THERE'S
NOTHING
MORE TO
STRIVE
FOR!

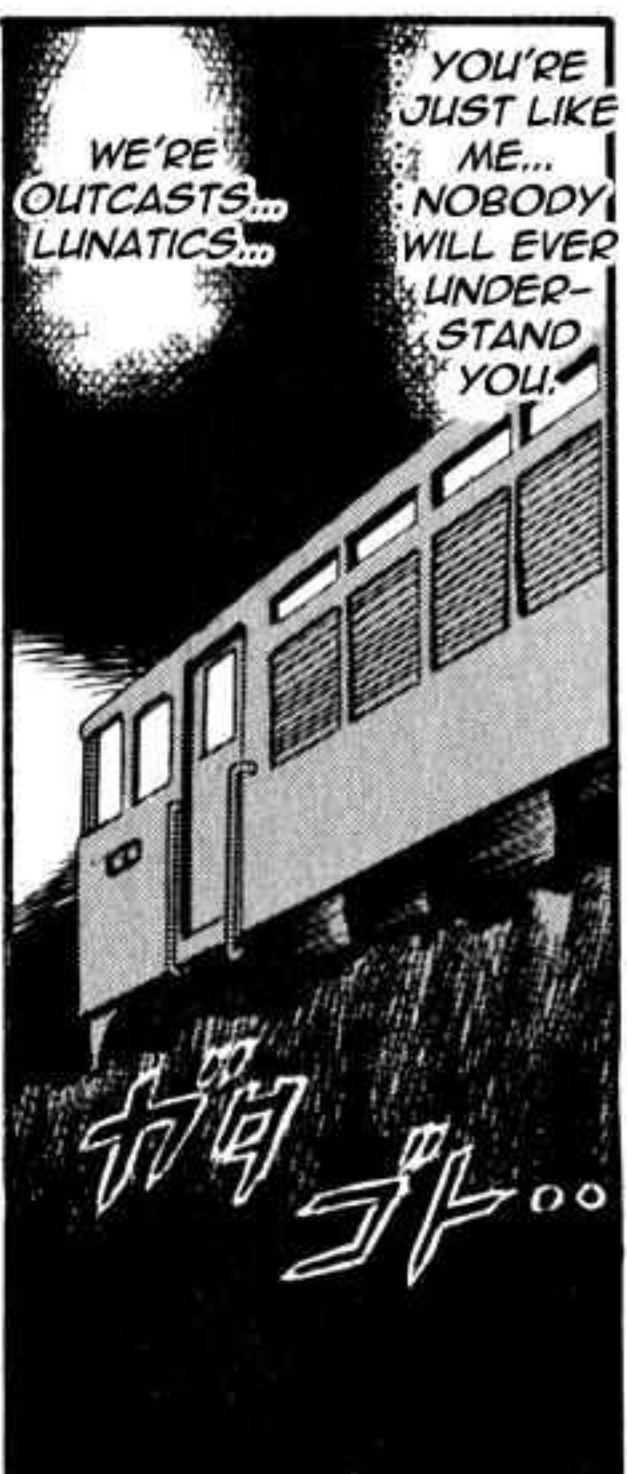


THAT'S
THE
ONLY
WAY
TO BE
SAVED...

SO JUST
DIE, YOU
HERETIC!!

IF YOU
REALIZE
THAT NOW,
THEN
YOU'LL
JUST
BARELY...

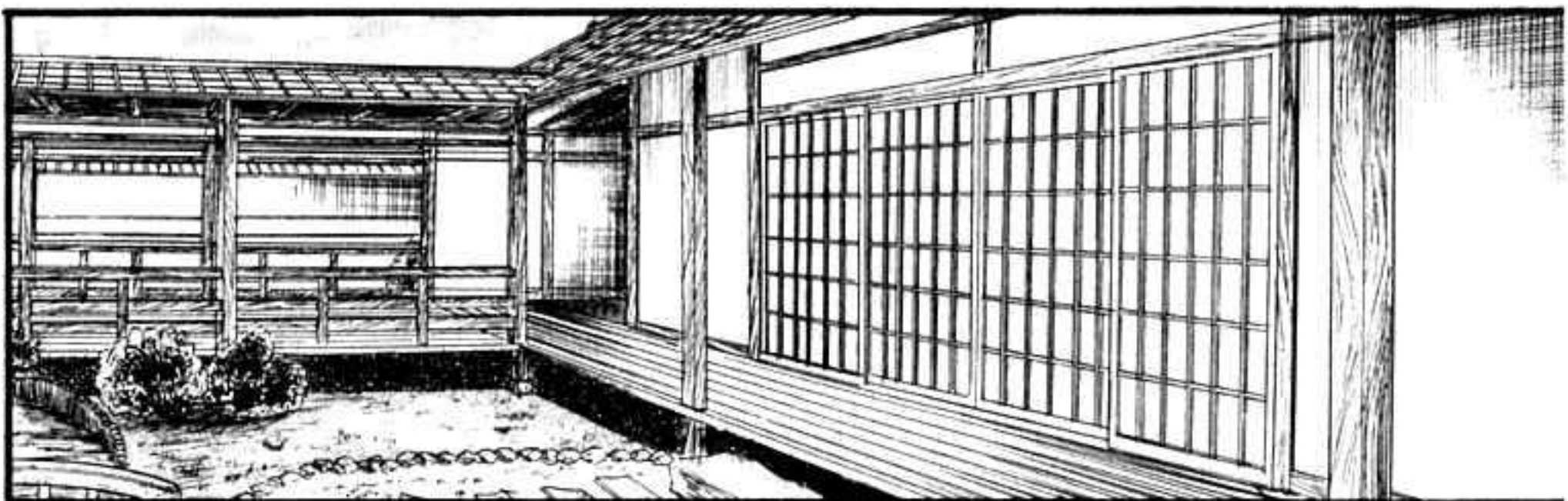
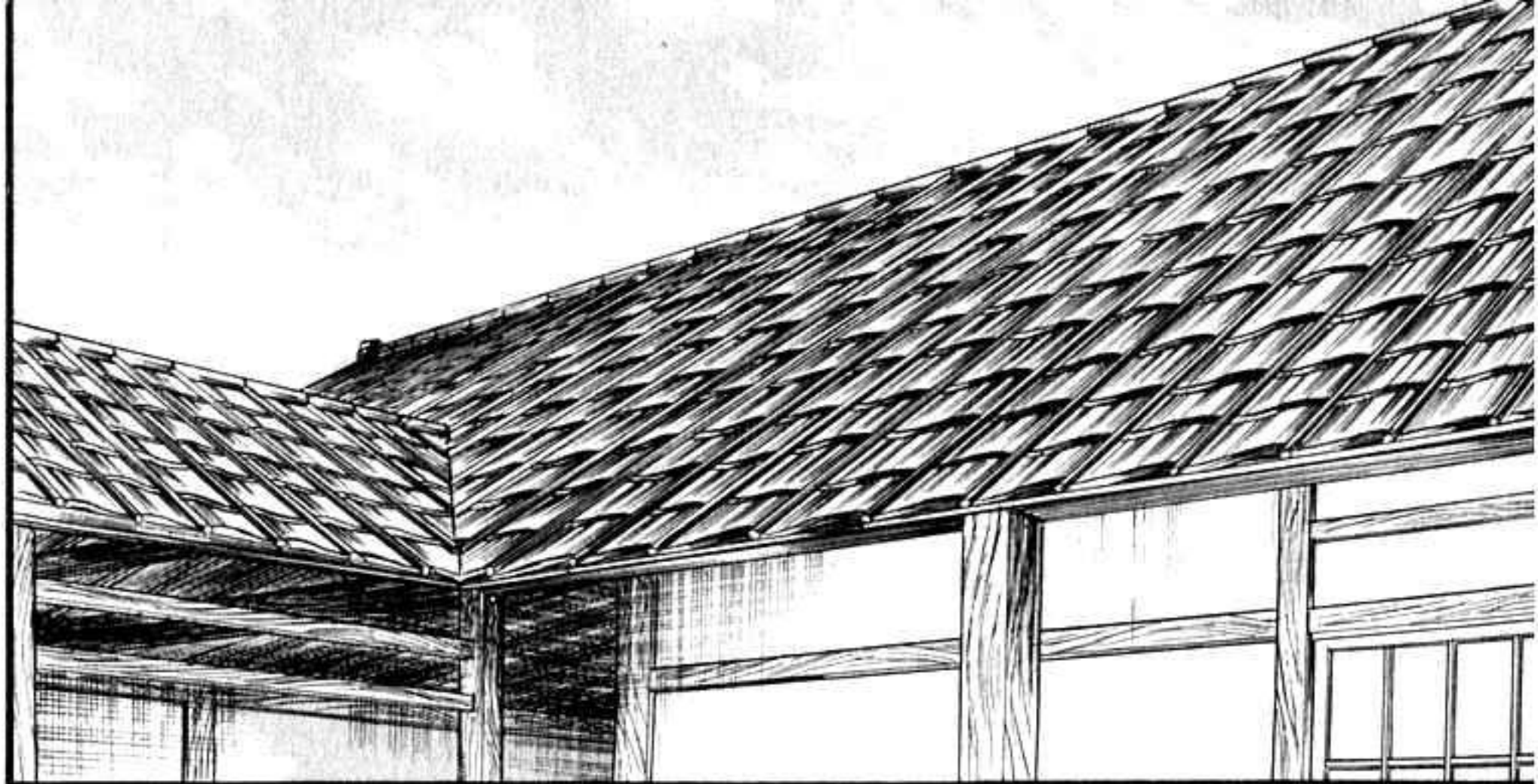
MANAGE TO BE SAVED!!



WE'RE
OUTCASTS...
LUNATICS...

YOU'RE
JUST LIKE
ME...
NOBODY
WILL EVER
UNDER-
STAND
YOU.

TWO OF THE SAME KIND...!!



A short
waiting
period...



And lodged
with the
Inada Group,
where Ohgi
was the
Underboss.



Akagi had
arrived in
Tokyo...

He would only be able to battle with Washizu after that was done.

But the arrangements had not yet been taken care of.

At the place of battle against the monster, Washizu Iwao.

He would shortly be there...

Wait for them to negotiate.

Wait for Yasuoka and Ohgi to bring him to Washizu.

So while that happened, Akagi had no choice but to wait.

HE THINKS ABOUT HIS LIFE...

And imagines what lies at his core.

Akagi imagines the man named "Washizu".

And in the midst of this waiting period...

With
his
brilliant
mind
and
ambi-
tions...

And joined
the ranks of
the police
force a the
age of 22.

Washizu
graduated
from the
Old Imperial
University
in 1912...



And in
1940, at
the age
of 50...

In 1932,
he became
superinten-
dent of the
special foces
at age 42.

And
quickly
rose above
all of his
peers.

He over-
powered
all
others...

He rose to
the position
of Chief
Commissioner
at a rapid
pace.



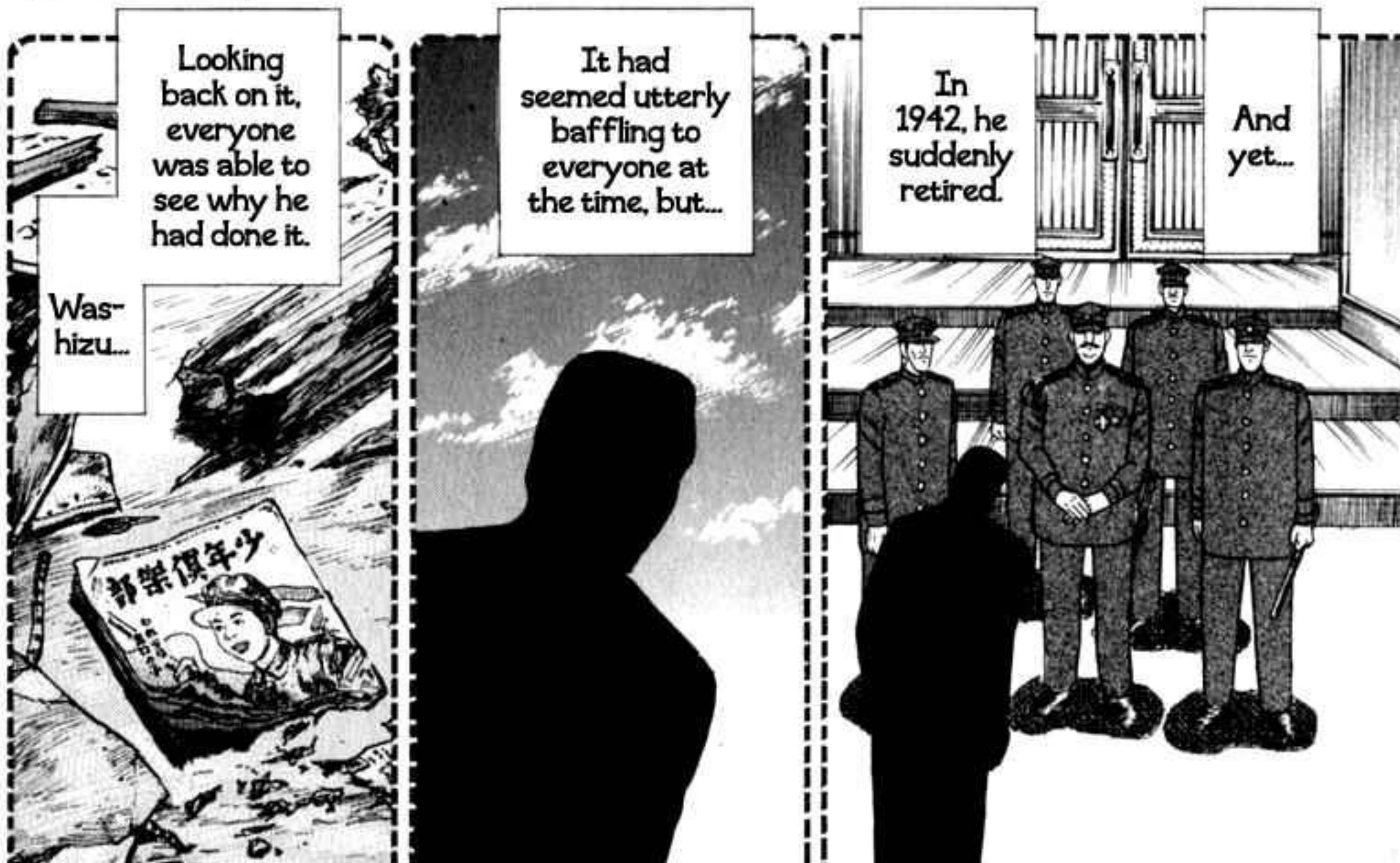
Looking
back on it,
everyone
was able to
see why he
had done it.

It had
seemed utterly
baffling to
everyone at
the time, but...

In
1942, he
suddenly
retired.

And
yet...

Was-
hizu...





Had
foreseen
the
future...
The
demise
of his
entire
country
...!




There was
nobody in
Japan that
expected
anything
less than
complete
victory.

But
in the
midst
of
that...


At this point
in time, all of
Japan was in
anticipation
for their
country's
great victory.

Yes, it goes without
saying that 1942
was a year in
which the second
World War was
well underway.



The
implications
of this
defeat made
Washizu
abandon his
position.

The
Battle of
Midway.



The
turning
point
of the
Pacific
War.


June of
1942.




Washizu
was the
first to
abandon
the pros-
pects of
that
victory.



He was able to escape responsibility for this altogether.



It was a time where the Tokubetsu Koutou Keisatsu were still performing many evil deeds in towns and cities.




And went to the streets of Japan by himself.



He retired from the police force...

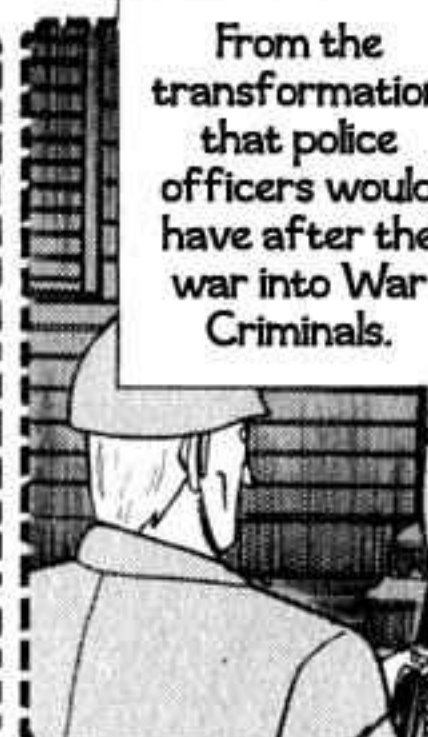
T/N: THIS REFERS TO THE SPECIAL HIGHER POLICE, A SPECIAL POLICE FORCE THAT WENT FROM 1911 TO 1945 THAT AIMED TO SUPPRESS IDEAS THAT WERE DEEMED DANGEROUS TO THE PUBLIC ORDER.




And slide out the back door before it could come to be.




Washizu was able to see this coming...




From the transformation that police officers would have after the war into War Criminals.



In other words ...




He truly is able to see one or two steps into the future.



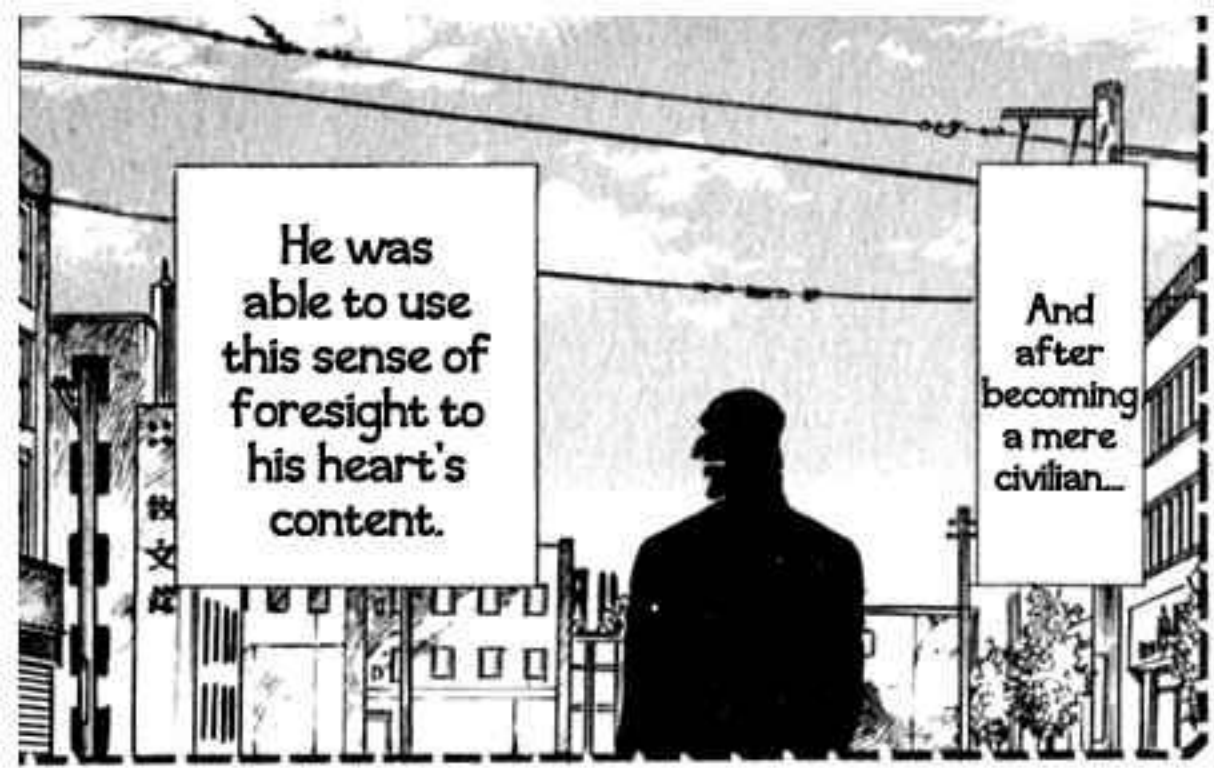
Crosses over into a place beyond what can be measured...



He secretly ...




Through means that no one is able to understand...




He was able to use this sense of foresight to his heart's content.

And after becoming a mere civilian...



A superior sense of foresight...!



Washizu continued to do things that nobody else would even consider.

After the war...



It was a time filled with negative opinions of it.

Nobody thought it could bring in any money...



And opinions began to circulate about the firm's management policies.

He set himself up as the chairman of a consultancy firm...



"Kyousei", was a big hit.

That very consultancy firm of Washizu's design...

And yet...



Everyone laughed at Washizu's "ridiculous" policies...

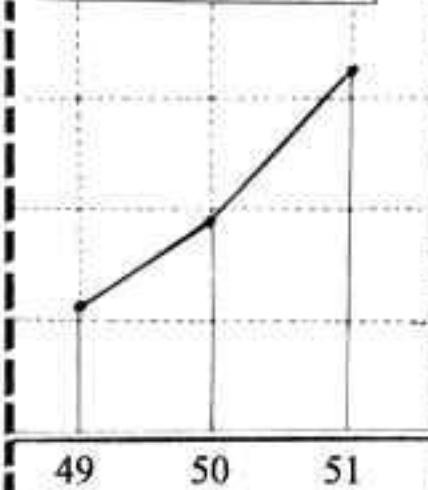
...is what he liked to say at the time, but...

This was due to Washizu's astounding ability...

And more than that, a growth of 20 or 30 percent per year in revenue... a truly massive rate of increase.

And so the company continued to grow and grow.

Washizu's advice was very much needed in this time of reconstruction...



Was very much aware of the various underhanded methods and scandals that went on among politicians.

Washizu, having spent time with the police...

In a way, it was like a fixed game.

There was a trick to this supposed sorcery.



Which places would be developed from then on...

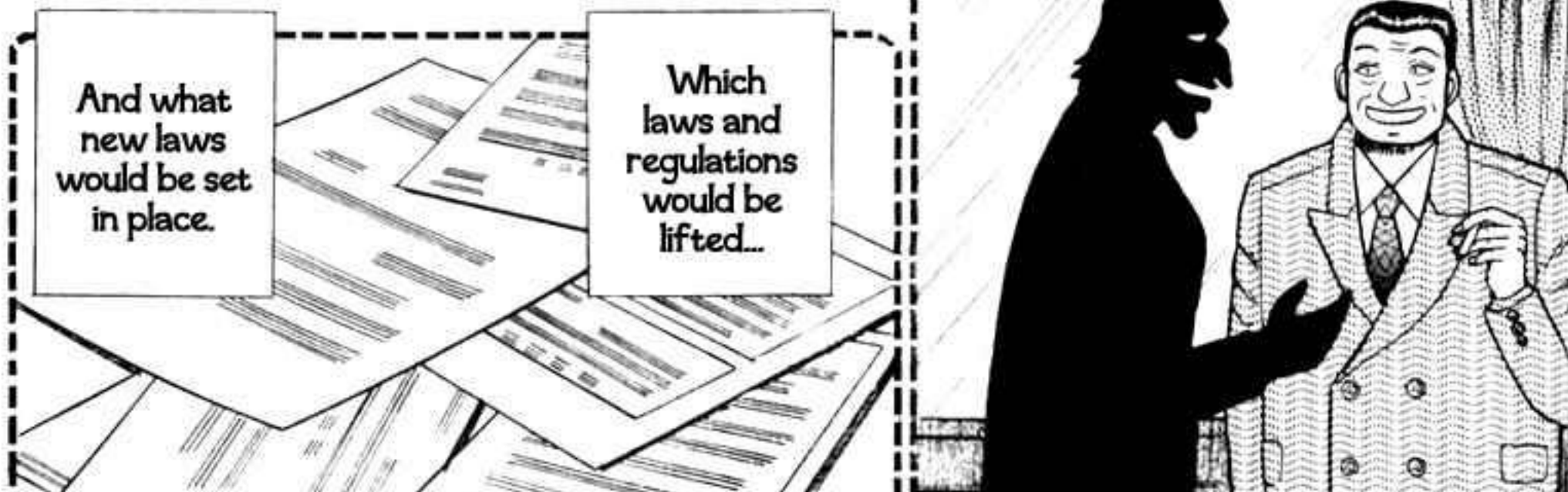
And gain insider information. Specifically...

He used that to blackmail them...



And what new laws would be set in place.

Which laws and regulations would be lifted...



It was clear that he would become successful that way.

With that known, the way he should proceed became quite obvious.

He consulted with many different firms.

Using that valuable information ...

A social outcast caught in a marsh of illegal activities...

Might be likened to an early version of a stockbroker.

His strategy of connecting the knowledge of Politicians with Business...

Looking at these acts of Washizu's alone...

Whose wealth comes with never knowing when his black-mail and extortion would get him arrested.

They were simply seen as the actions of an adviser.

Since Washizu was doing these activities under the title of a consultancy firm...

Before even that, Washizu's methods were much different from the Brokers of today.

How-
ever...

By simply using his own wits and intuition.

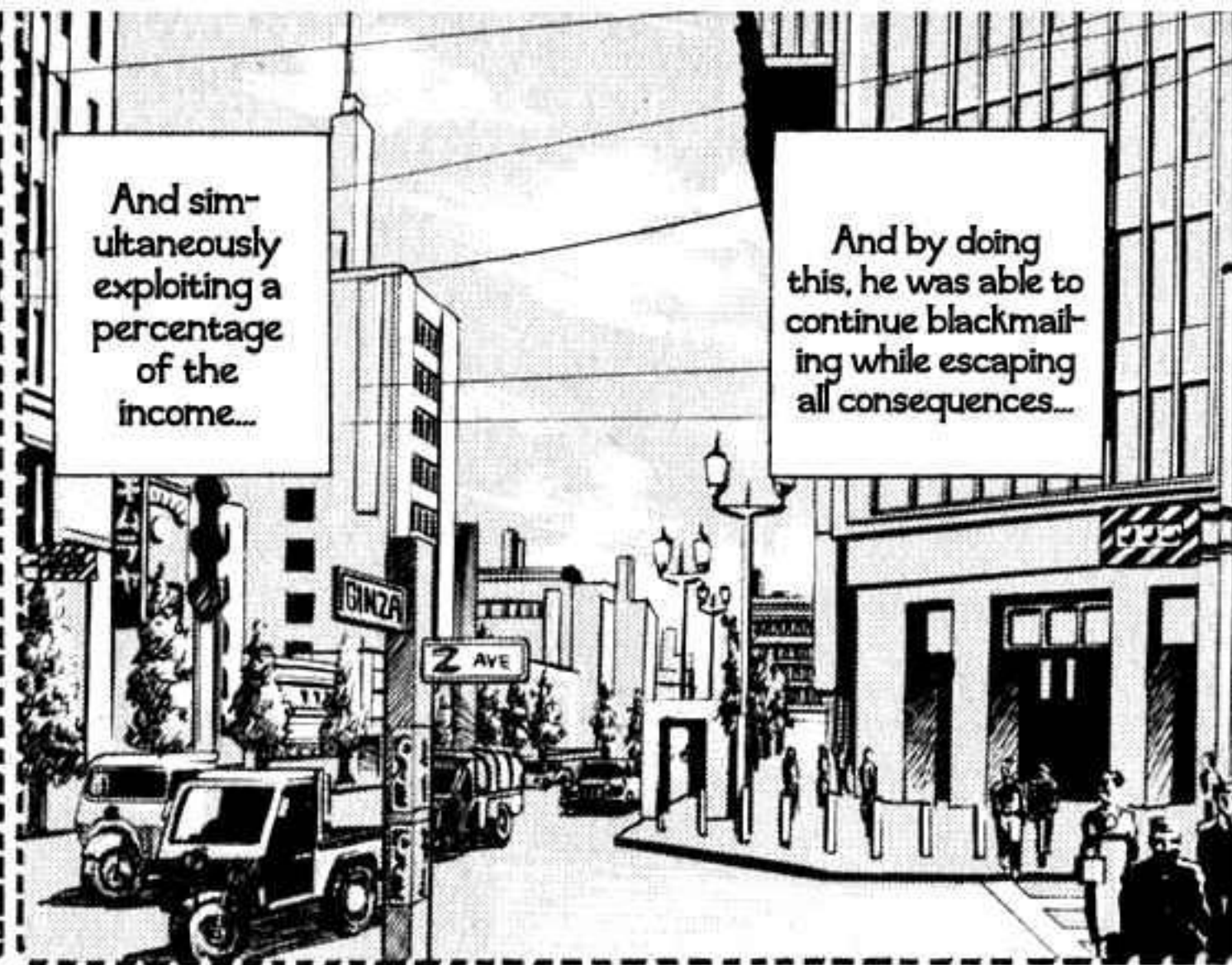
In other words, he was able to break free of the marsh of illegality...





Of the
businesses
he con-
sulted!

And sim-
ultaneously
exploiting a
percentage
of the
income...



And by doing
this, he was able to
continue blackmail-
ing while escaping
all consequences...



Transformed
in the blink of
an eye into one
whose stocks
were valued
among the
highest!

That
insignificant
company of
Washizu's
design...

As soon as that
started happening,
the Korean War
began, and by going
with the flow of the
wartime recon-
struction...



And
so...



Washizu
shot
straight
to the
top!



His sails
had caught
a strong
wind... he
rose to the
top in the
nation!



**IT
AMASSED!**



And
without
an end in
sight...

All of it
his for the
taking...

**A NEARLY
INFINITE
AMOUNT OF
MONEY!**

It was
Money that
continued
to grow
and grow!



And
before he
knew it...

It was
Money that
continued
to grow
and grow!

Money...
Money...

**HE REALIZED HE
WAS STANDING
ALONE AT THE
SUMMIT...!**

With
both his
Money
and
Power...

Of both
politicians
and those
with strong
economic
back-
grounds.

The power
of supreme
dominion
over those
with their
own
power...

With the
power
of his
money.

A king
ruling
from
the sha-
dows.

He became
the true
ruler of his
country...

He became
the ultimate
existence,
exercising
control over
all others.

Who could
point a
finger at
Washizu
for any
wrong-
doing.

There
was no
longer
one
person...



And in
Switzerland,
America, Hong
Kong, and other
such places...

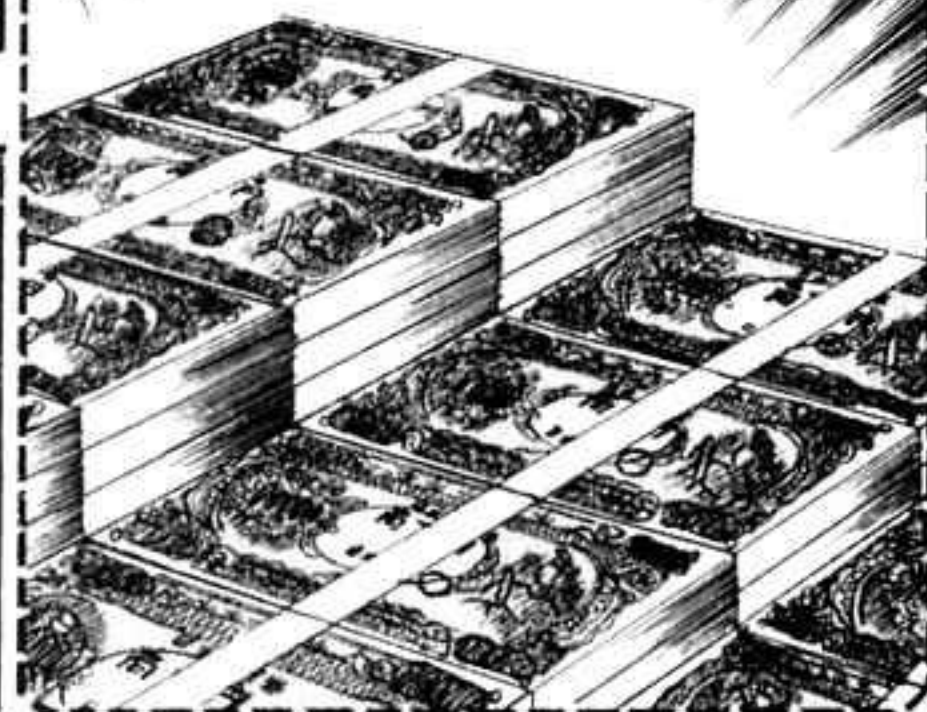
It is no less
than 500
Million Yen.
(This 500
Million in 1965
would equate
to about 5
Billion today)

And his
fortune
grew to
outclass
anyone else
in all of
Japan...



With these
hidden funds
taken into
account...

He had even
more money
spread across
various banks
around the world.



He
had truly
succeeded
for himself
and only
himself!



There was
nobody that
could so much
as guess how
much he was
really worth.



That
man who
knew no
such
thing as
defeat...

But...
After
that...



Successfully
commanding time
and controlling
all there was to
control...

That
prudent
old man
...

After
succeed-
ing in all
areas...

And
went
insane
...!

Fell
into
old
age...

That
was
likely
due
to...

Eventually
destroyed
his own
mind.

Could
never
hope to
under-
stand.

That
normal,
every-
day
people...

A
type of
unending
despair
and
anguish...

DESPAIR...!

**WHY...
MUST I
DIE...?**

**WHY
CAN'T I BE
SATISFIED
...?**



EVERY
KING MUST
EVENTUALLY
PASS AWAY
...!

YOU'LL
DIE,
WASHIZU
...

HM-
HMM-
HMM...

WAS YOUR
BIGGEST
MISTAKE.

LOOKING
AWAY FROM
THAT FOR
ALL THESE
YEARS...



**THE
POISON OF
SUCCESS!**

IT WAS YOUR
MISTAKE... AND
IS NOW YOUR
POISON!

YOUR
BELIEF IN
YOURSELF
WILL SWELL
UP MORE
THAN IS
HEALTHY
FOR YOU.

YOUR
CONFIDENCE...

THE THING
YOU HAVE
TOO MUCH
OF WON'T
JUST BE
MONEY...

IF YOU
WIN TOO
MUCH...

WHAT
IS
THIS
....?

HE'S
GROWN
TO HATE
PEOPLE
JUST FOR
BEING
YOUNG...

I BET THAT,
BY THIS
POINT...



**HOW
CAN THIS
BE...?**



HOW CAN
IT BE THAT
THIS HUMAN
SITTING
BEFORE
ME...



LIVE
SO MUCH
LONGER
THAN
I...?

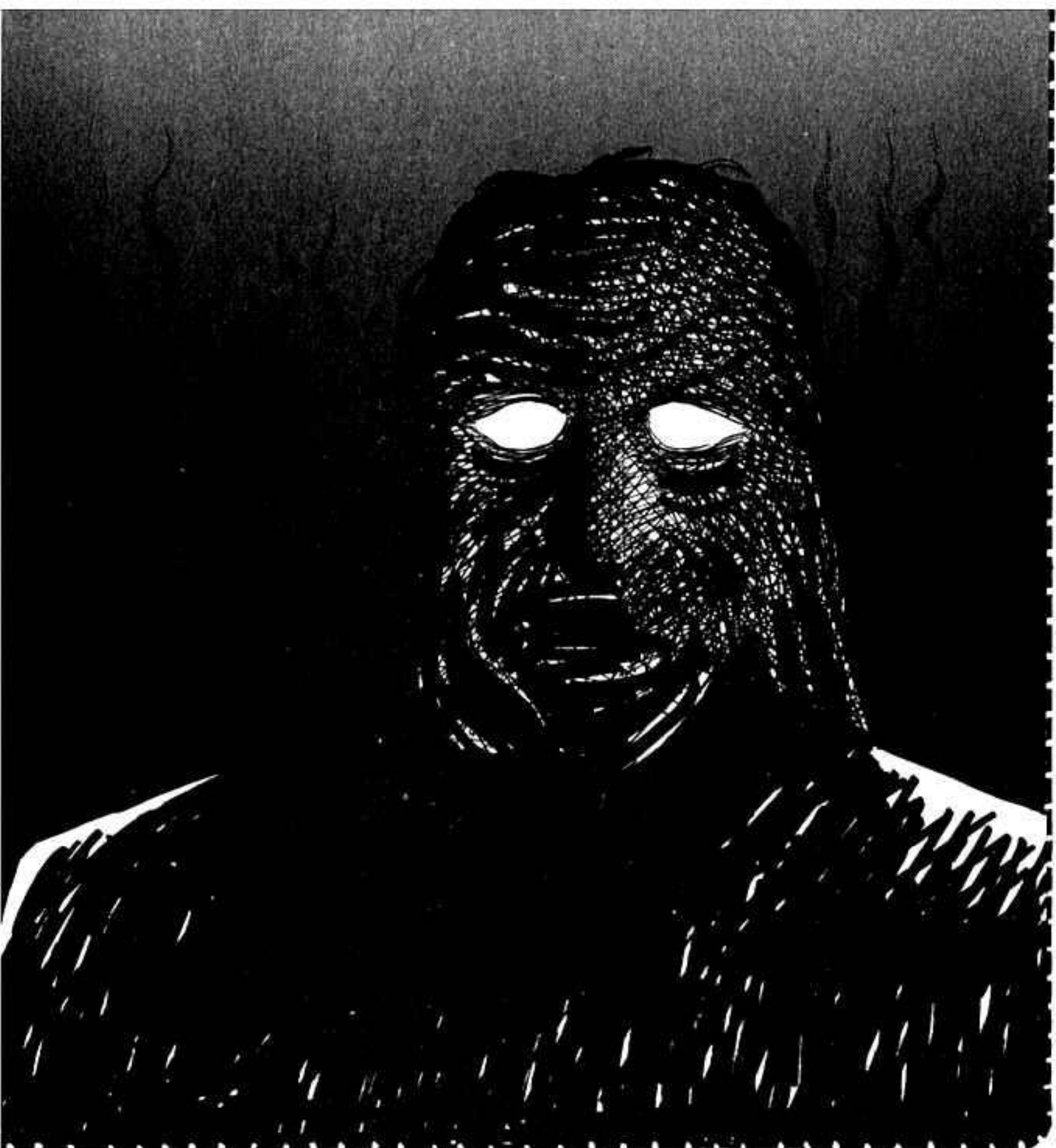
HOW
CAN HE,
OF ALL
PEOPLE
...

WITHOUT
EVEN A
SPECK OF
"TALENT"
OR
"INTELL-
IGENCE"
IN HIS
BODY...



THIS
HUMAN
TRASH
...

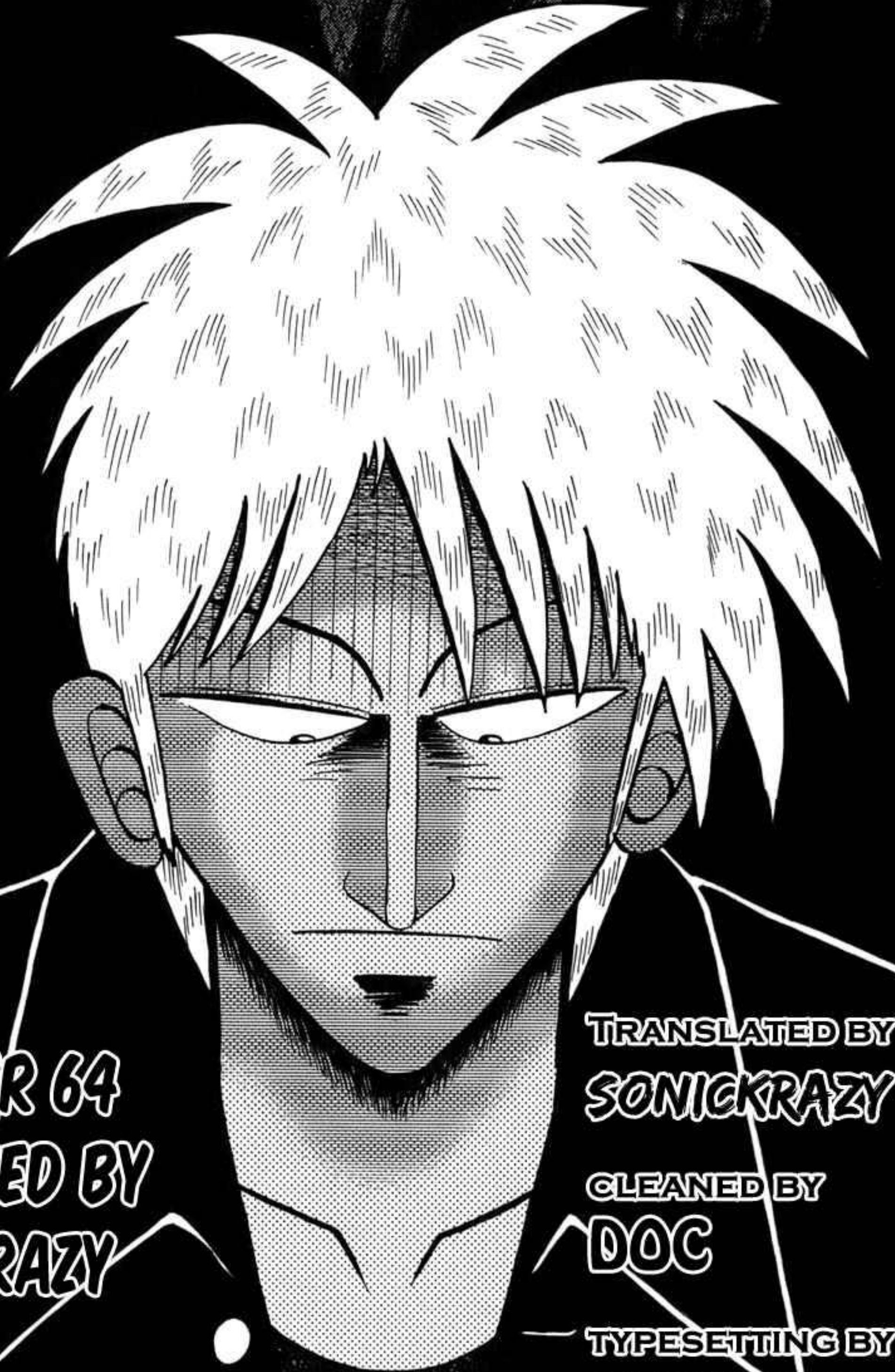
I CANNOT ALLOW THAT... I CANNOT ALLOW HIM TO OUTLIVE ME!!



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The Genius who Descended into the Darkness

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KAZUHIKO



He
had drifted
effortlessly
through the
times before,
during, and
after the
war...

Through
the usage of
his rare level of
foresight and
excellent mani-
pulation of other
people...

The
date is
August
of 1965.

And
amassed
a vast sum
of money
outclassing
anyone
else's.

In
danger!

But
this monster...
Washizu Iwao
was, for the
first time in his
entire life...

**HE WAS
BEING
CHASED!**

CHAPTER 65 - OPPORTUNITY
第65話 時機

Firstly...

Washizu was only a few steps away from being arrested.

There was much evidence found that pointed to him as the culprit.

The police's investigation of the murders was now in its final stages.

Matched the model of tools that could be found in Washizu's manor.

And also, that the evidence left over at the scene of the crime...

That the victim, Hirayama Yukio and Washizu's Men had met.

There were several witnesses that had testified to the fact...

YES...

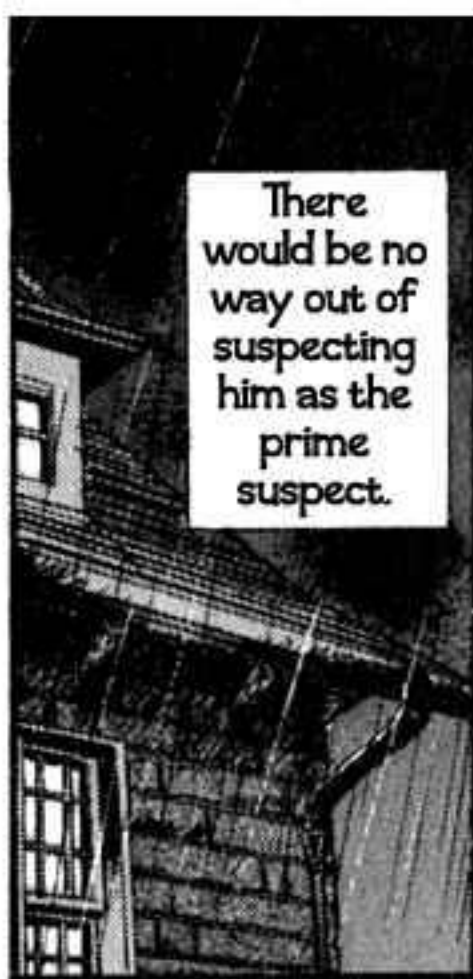
JUST THIS TIME IS FINE...

RIGHT...

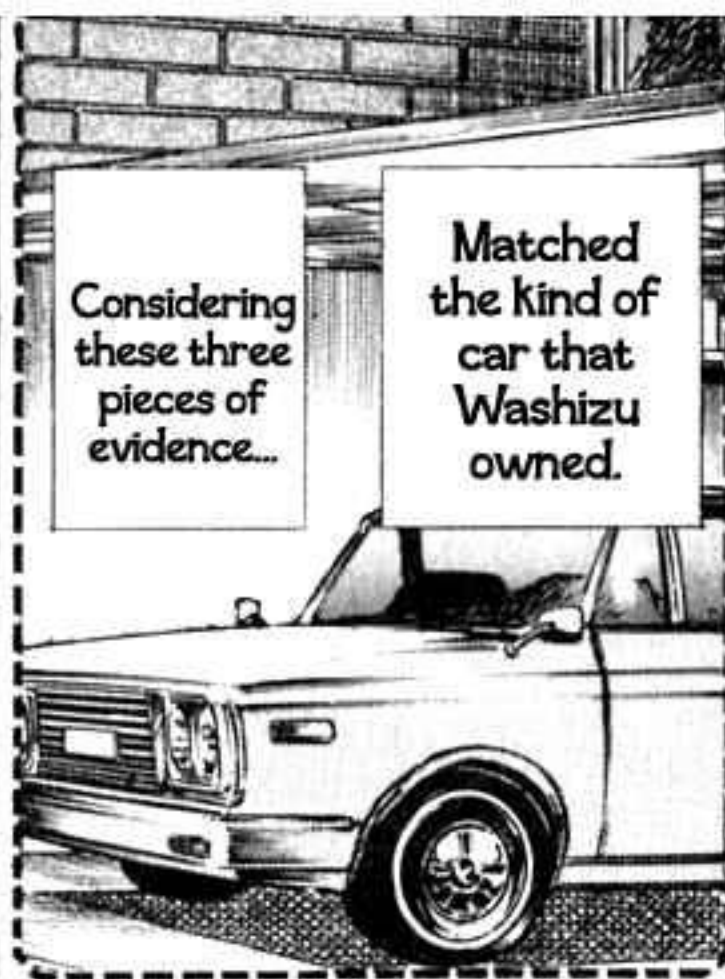
YES...

Washizu had committed those strange murders that were all over the papers.

INDEED ...



There would be no way out of suspecting him as the prime suspect.



Considering these three pieces of evidence...

Matched the kind of car that Washizu owned.



The tire tracks that were found at the scene of the crime...

And finally...



To escape from this danger.

Washizu fought prudently and persistently...



But...

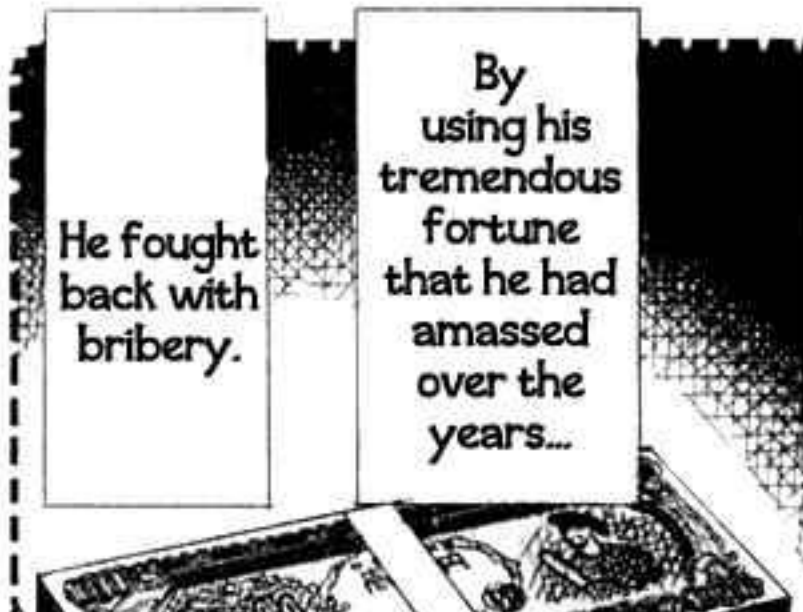
For normal people, this would be enough to commit them to prison, almost guaranteed.

T/N: THE RIKKEN MINSEITOU (CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY) WAS ONE OF THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES IN PRE-WAR JAPAN, GOING FROM 1927 TO 1940.



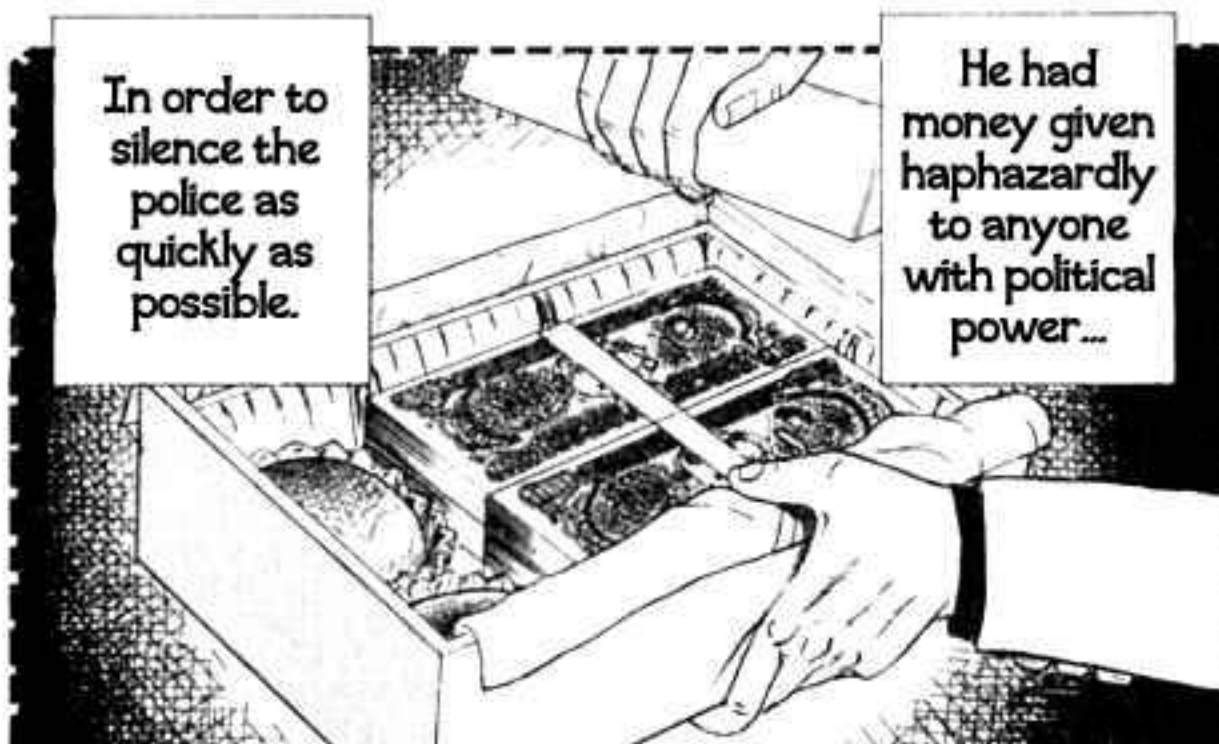
And even members of the Sayama faction, the highest faction of the Minseitou.

He bribed the police officers in charge of the crime scene investigation...



He fought back with bribery.

By using his tremendous fortune that he had amassed over the years...



In order to silence the police as quickly as possible.

He had money given haphazardly to anyone with political power...



That
were
kept
secret
from
the
public.

Washizu
had seized
information
about many
politicians and
police officers...

He also
invoked
black-
mail.

And
along with
this clear
bribery...

Was-
hizu...

By
taking both
of these
routes to
silence
them...

So he
threatened
to make all
their scandals
public if they
did not
comply.

I THANK
YOU FROM
THE BOTTOM
OF MY
HEART.

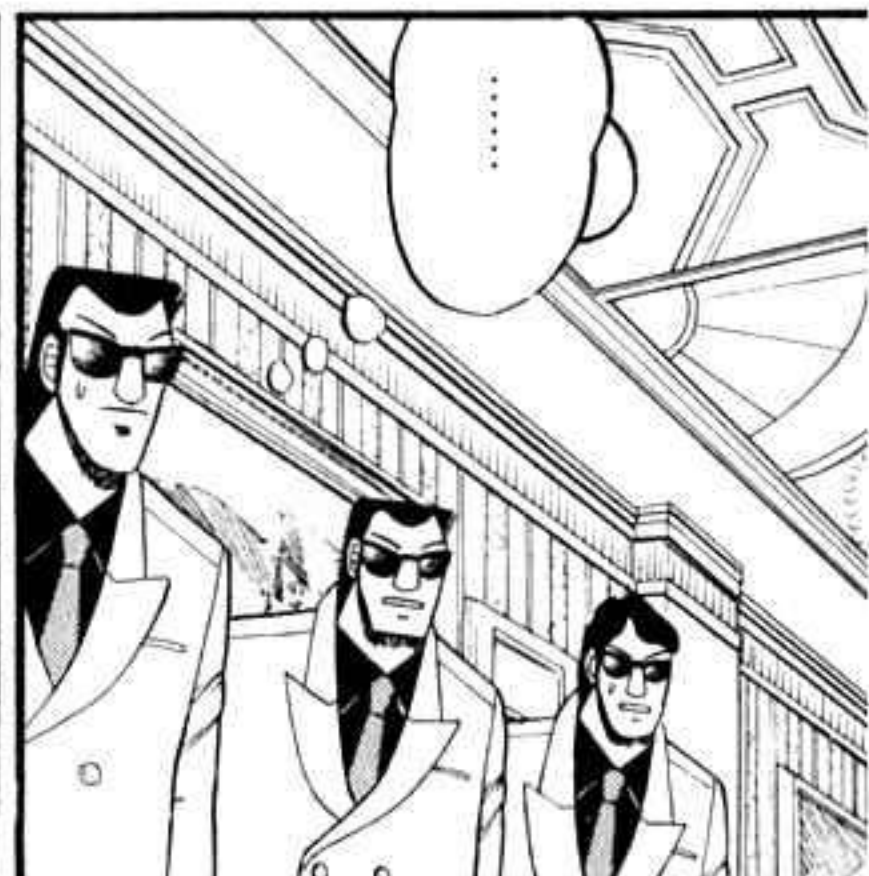
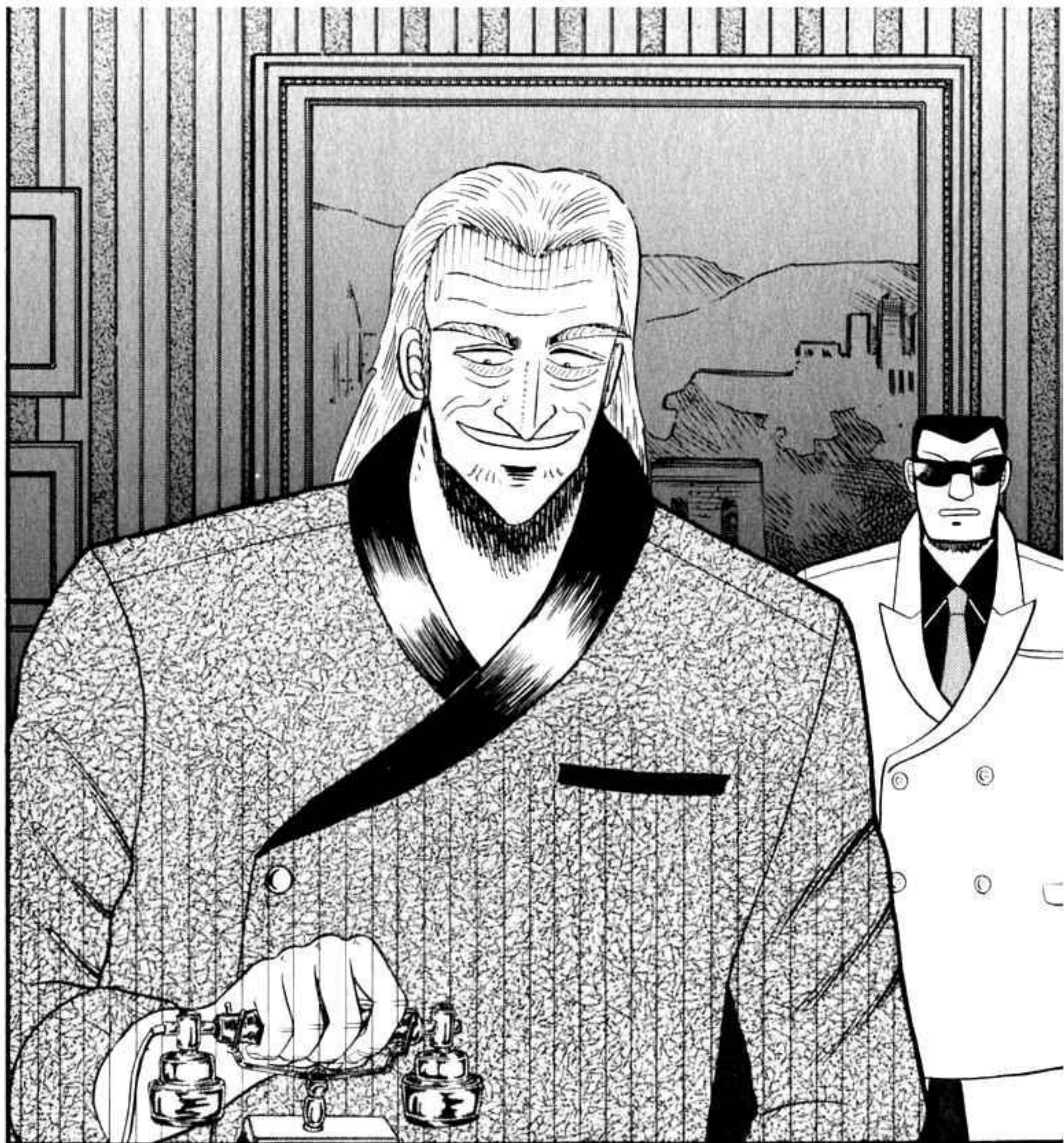
YES.

FOR
THE FINE
THING
YOU HAVE
DONE
FOR ME,
SIR.

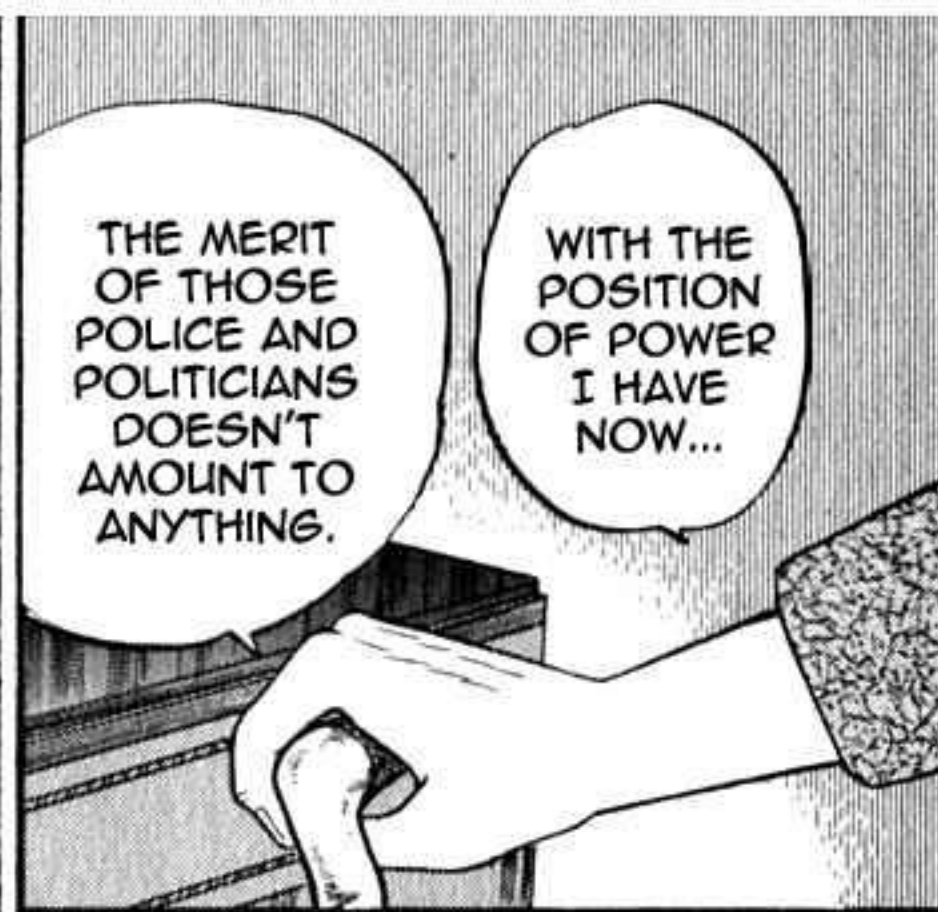
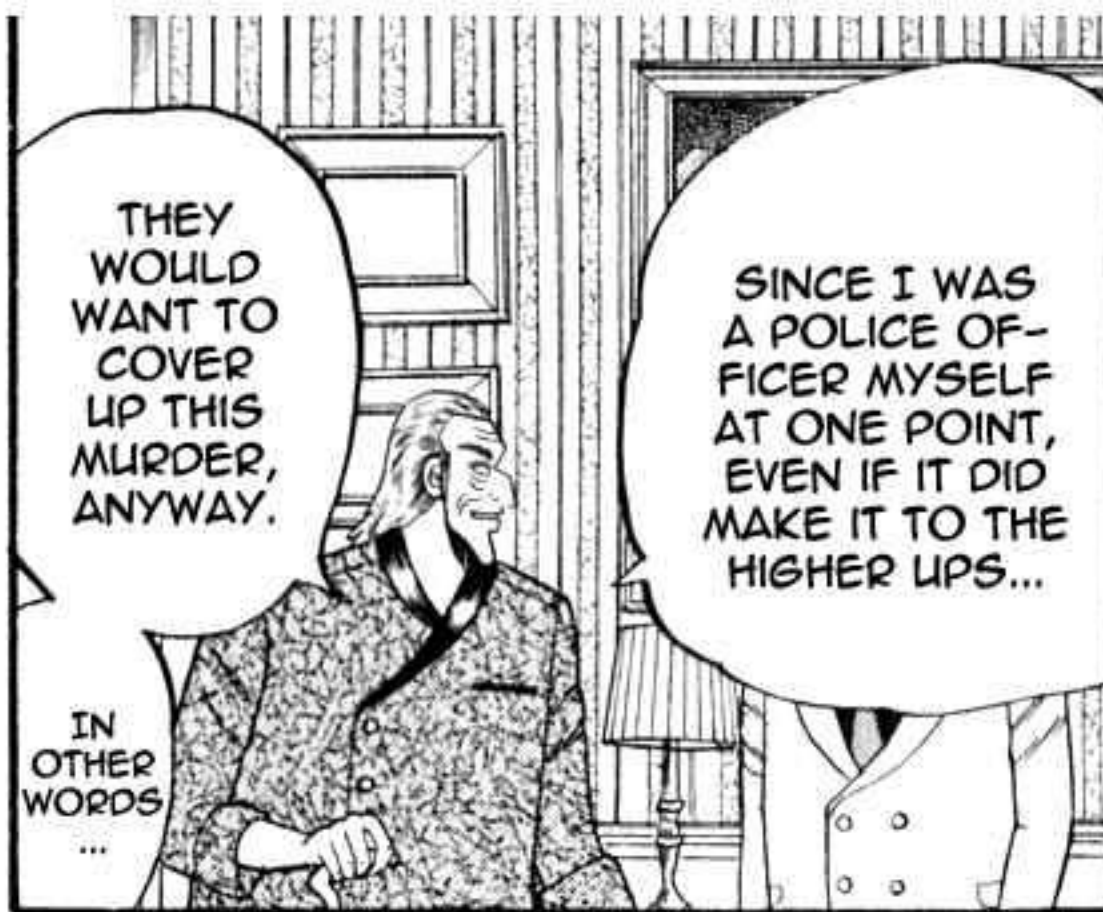
I SIMPLY
CANNOT
EXPRESS
ENOUGH
MY ADMI-
RATION...

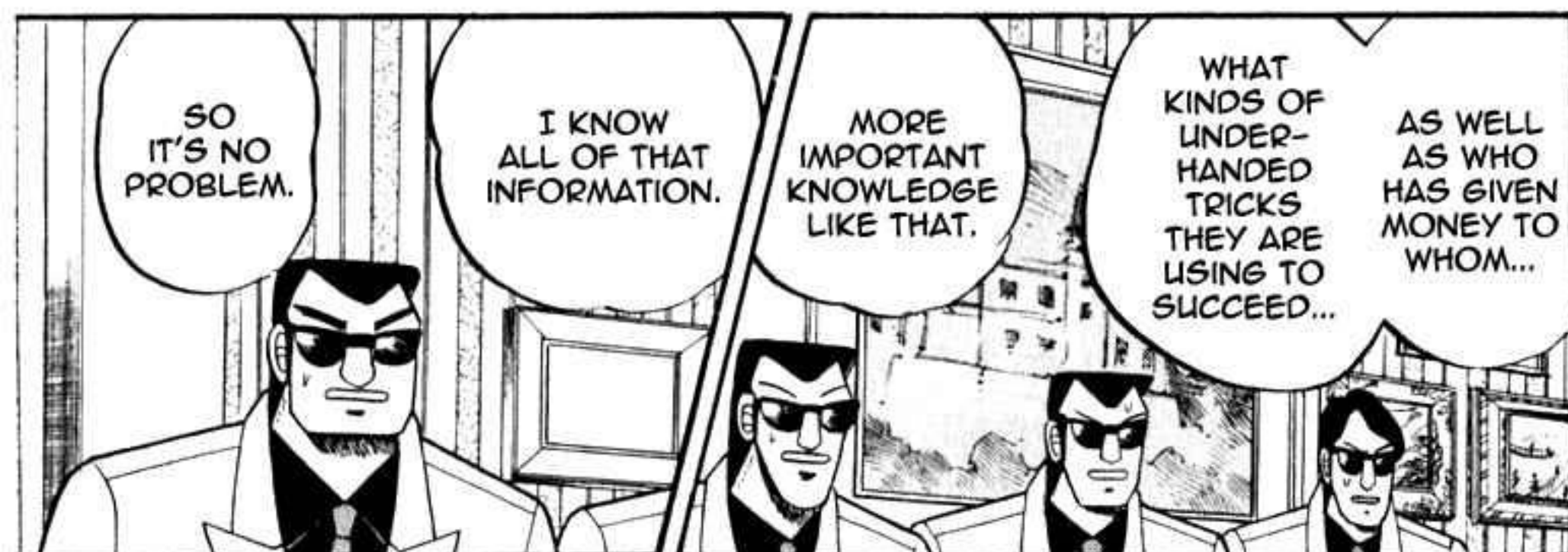
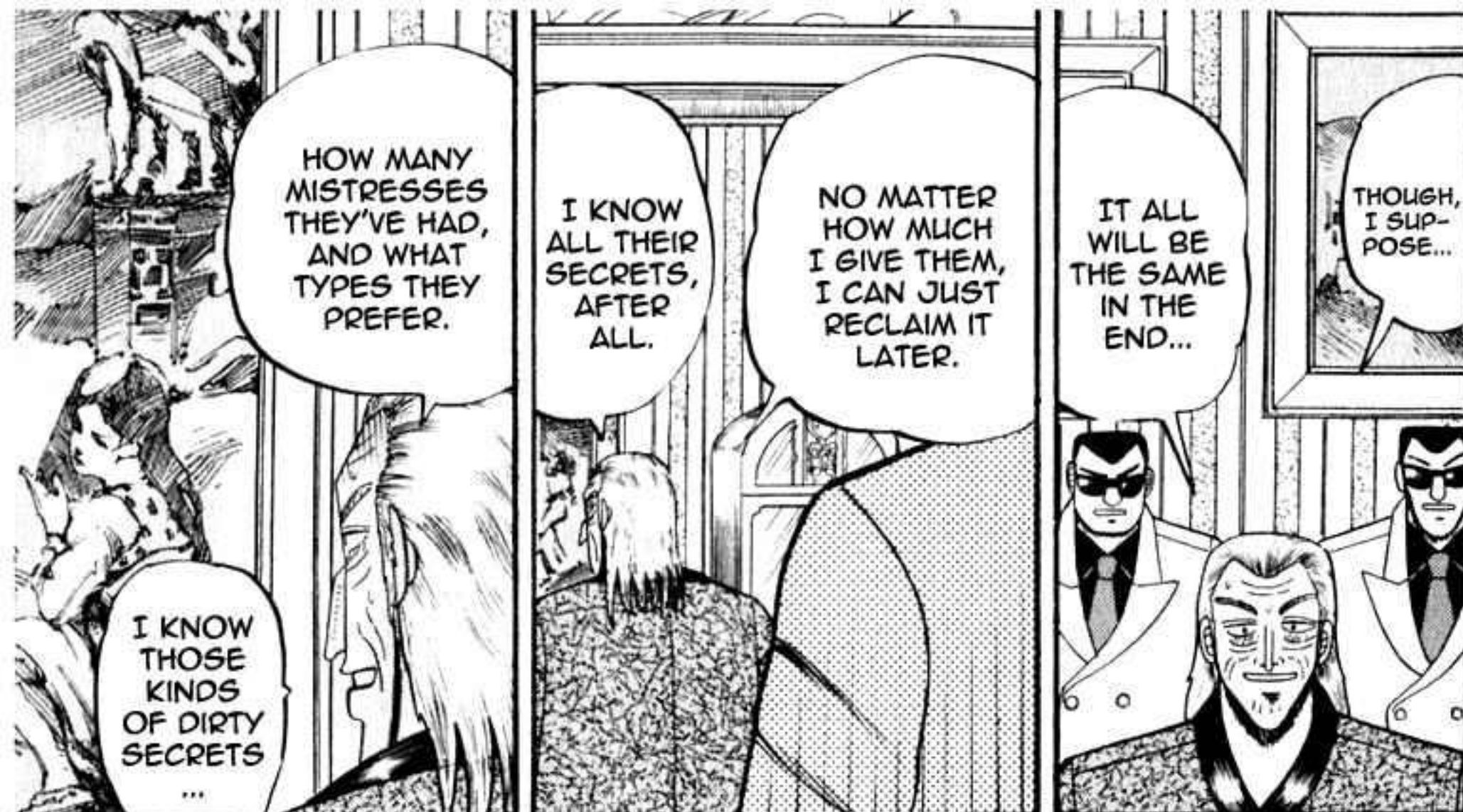
Slowly
swept that
danger under
the rug.

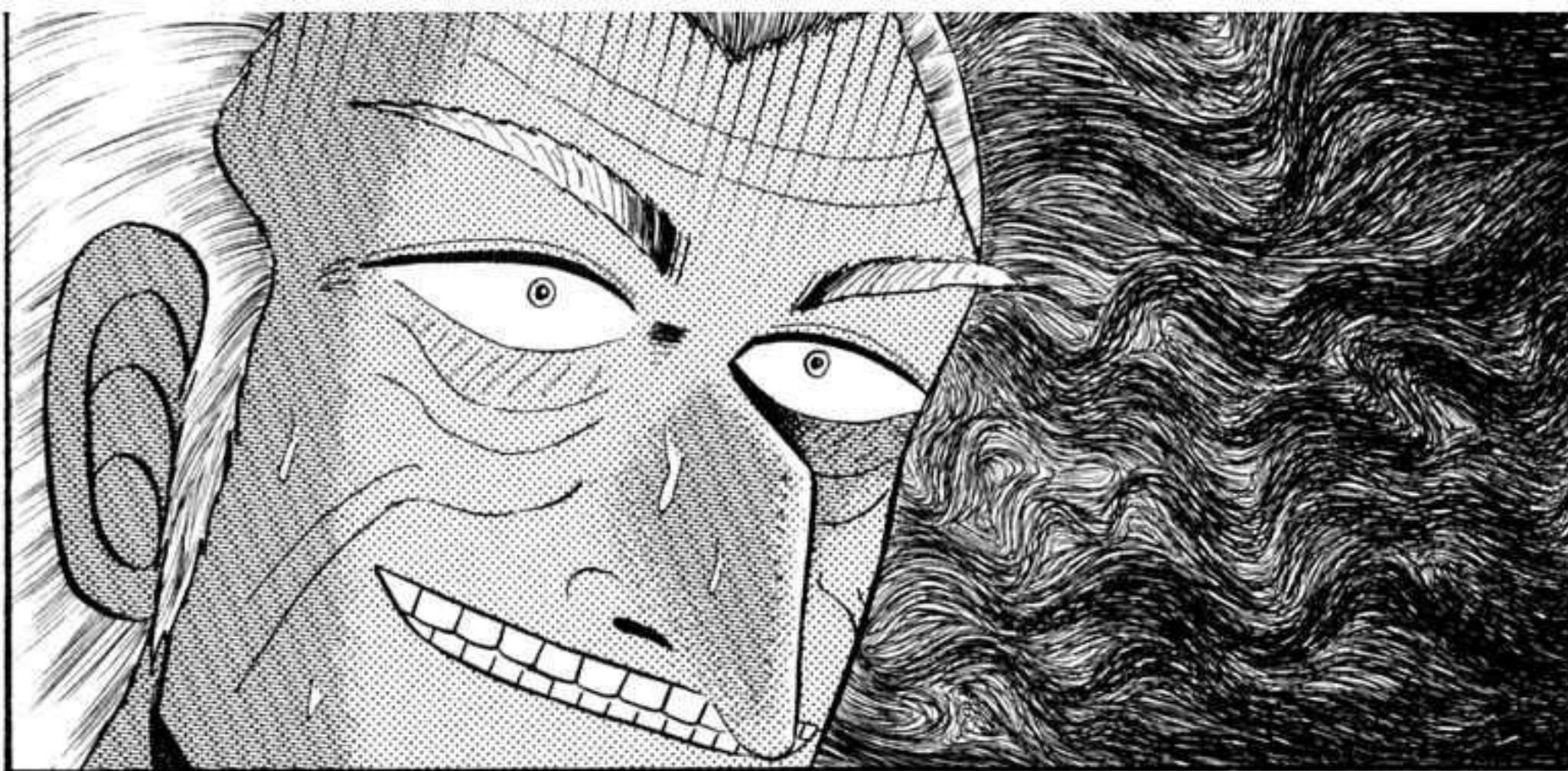
THANK
YOU
VERY
MUCH.













PRECISELY
AS WE HAD
FEARED
MIGHT
HAPPEN...

BE
THAT
AS IT
MAY...



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...




NORM-
ALLY...



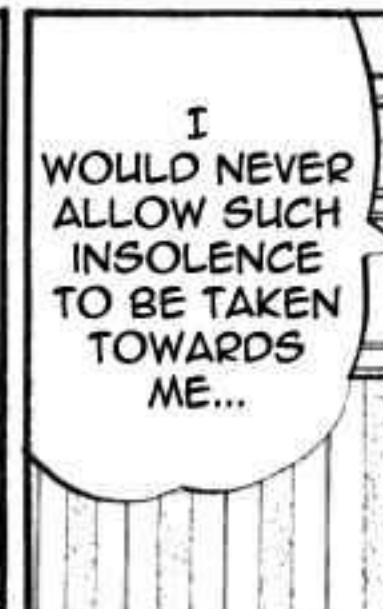
THEY
TOLD ME
THAT I MUST
LEAVE THE
COUNTRY
FOR THE
TIME BEING.




YOSH-
IOKA.




BUT...
EITHER WAY,
THE MEDIA
IS ALREADY
CLOSE TO
PIECING THE
PUZZLE
TOGETHER,
AS IT IS.



I
WOULD NEVER
ALLOW SUCH
INSOLENCE
TO BE TAKEN
TOWARDS
ME...



CONSIDERING
ALL MY VARI-
OUS CONTRI-
BUTIONS TO
THE NATION
OF JAPAN...



ALL YOUR
GOVERNMENT
BONDS HAVE
BEEN CAN-
CELED AND
RETURNED
TO YOU.




YOUR
ENTIRE
FORTUNE,
INCLUDING
THIS VERY
MANOR
WE STAND
IN...



EVERYTHING
HAS BEEN
LIQUIDATED
INTO FUNDS
YOU MAY TAKE
WITH YOU.



EVERYTHING
IS IN PLACE
FOR YOUR
DEPARTURE.



I HAVE
TAKEN ALL
THE MEAS-
URES THAT
YOU RE-
QUESTED
OF ME...



WILL
YOU
COME
ALONG,
WITH
ME?



I HAVE
NO
CHOICE
...



BUT OF
COURSE,
SIR.



YOU CAN
HIDE AWAY
SAFELY
WITH THAT
GRAND
SUM.

FOR
AS MANY
YEARS...
AS MANY
DECADES
AS YOU
NEED...



SIR
...?

YOSH-
IOKA...



I... I
APOL-
OGIZE,
SIR!!

HAVE YOU
FORGOTTEN
ALL THE GREAT
CONTRIBUTIONS
I HAVE MADE
TO THIS CO-
UNTRY?!



HUH
...?

DO
YOU REALLY
BELIEVE THAT
IT IS "HIDING
AWAY" THAT
I WILL BE
DOING...?



I
LAID
THE
FOUN-
DATION
...

BE-
CAUSE
OF MY
HARD
WORK!

THIS
GREAT
COUNTRY
HAS ONLY
RECOV-
ERED...

THE
GROUND
WORK
FOR
SUC-
CESS!



CON-
TRIBU-
TIONS!!

CON-
TRIBU-
TIONS!!

THOSE
OVER-
WHELM-
ING...



HAVE
YOU
FOR-
GOTTEN
ALL OF
THIS?!

NGH!!



THERE IS
NO PRO-
BLEM WITH
WHAT I DID
AT ALL!!

IF YOU
CONSIDER
THOSE
CONTRI-
BUTIONS
...

EVEN IF I KILLED 5 OR 6 PIECE OF HUMAN TRASH...



EVEN IF I
MURDERED
THEM....!



YOSH-
IOKA!!

I
SHOULD BE
ALLOWED
TO, AS I
WANT!



THERE
SHOULD
BE NO
PROBLEM
WITH
THAT!!



AM I
WRONG
?!!

IT'S
JUST
AS YOU
SAY...!

IT IS
NOT...
NOT A
PROB-
LEM...

NO,
SIR...

CALL UP
OHGI.

カ
ラ
ニ

**SHUT
UP!**

SENSEI,
IT'S DUE
TO THAT
GAME THAT
YOU-

SENSEI
...!

THIS
LIFE-OR-
DEATH
GAMBLE...

HE
SAID THAT
THERE IS
A PERSON
WHO WILL
ACCEPT
IT...







The time has come!

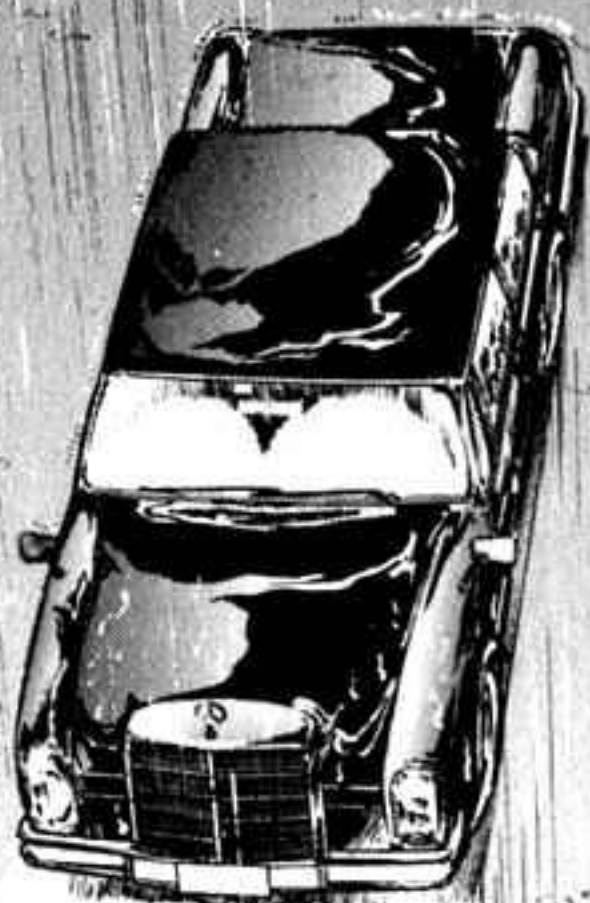


On August 31st...

Akagi has been staying with the Inada Group for 2 full weeks, and now...

AT LAST... AKAGI VS. WASHIZU...

**THAT MOMENTOUS
BATTLE IS
AT HAND!**





Carrying
the arms
needed to
legitimize
the match.

Members
from the
Inada group
are riding in
the back 2
cars...

And
in the
front-
most
car...



3 Cars
arrive from the
Inada Group
to take Akagi
to Washizu's
Manor.

The
same
day,
at
9:00
PM.



Yasuoka,
Ohgi,
and
Akagi
are
making
their
way
there...!



YEAH.

STOP
SOME-
WHERE?

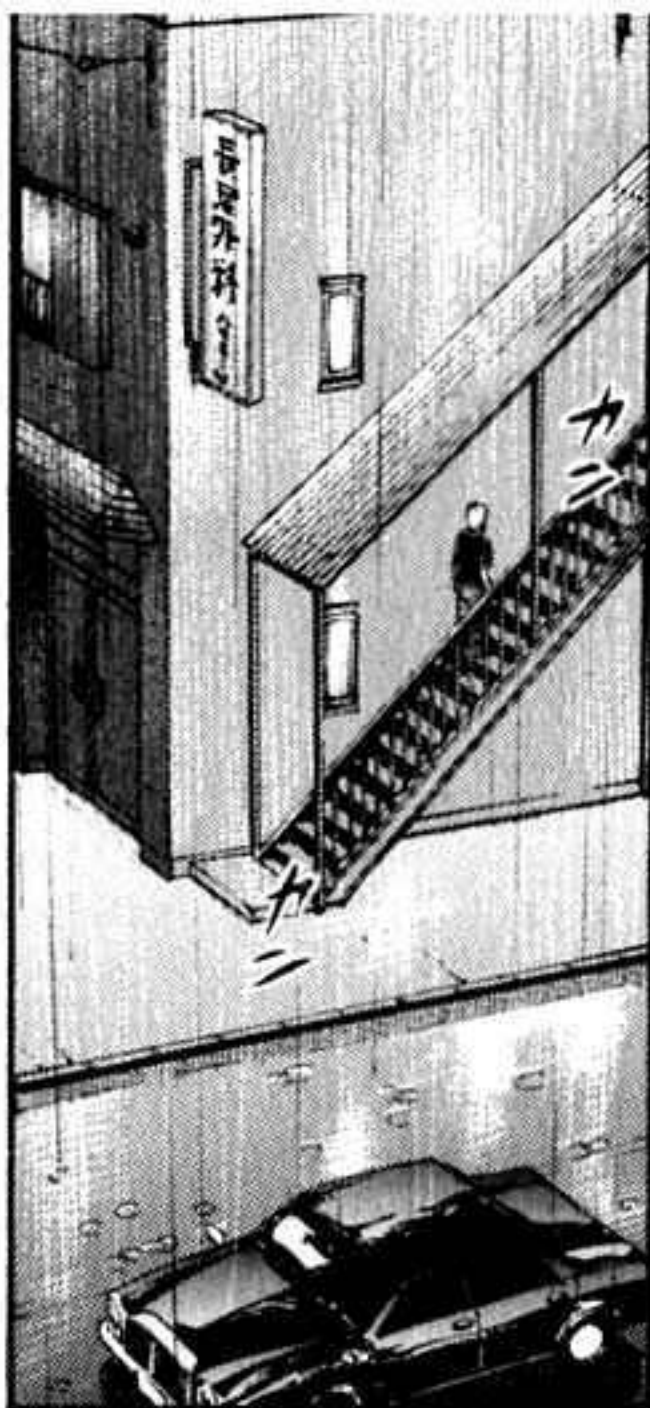


WOULD
YOU MIND IF
WE STOPPED
SOMEWHERE
ON THE WAY?



OHGI-
SAN...

HMM
?







HM-
HMM...

ENERGY
DRINKS
...?



?



THAT
THOSE
GUYS
GIVE
TO US!

I DON'T
WANT TO
DRINK A
DROP OF
ANY-
THING...



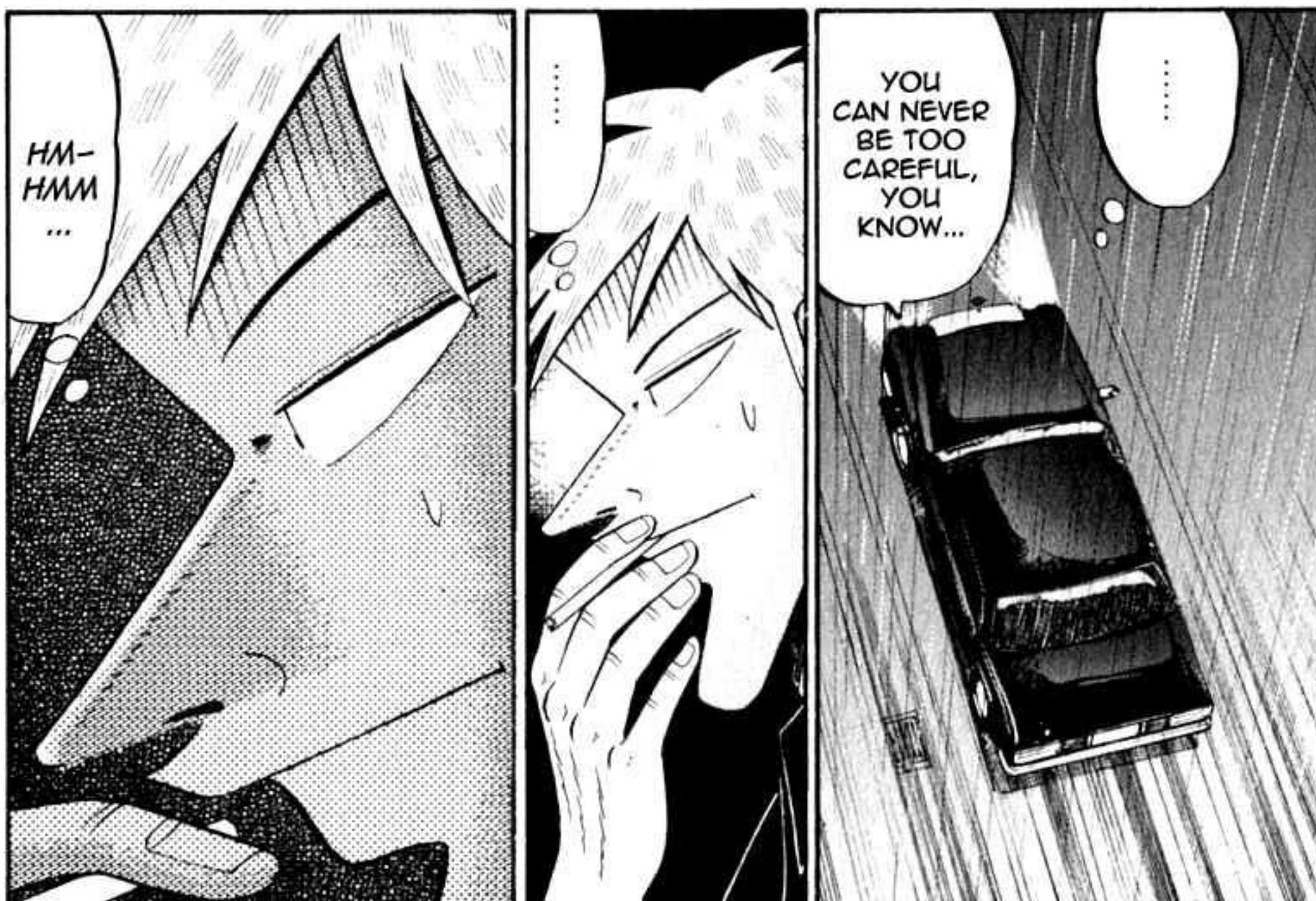
BECAUSE
TONIGHT...

AS LONG
AS IT COULD
HYDRATE ME,
I DIDN'T CARE
WHAT IT WAS...



AH
....!

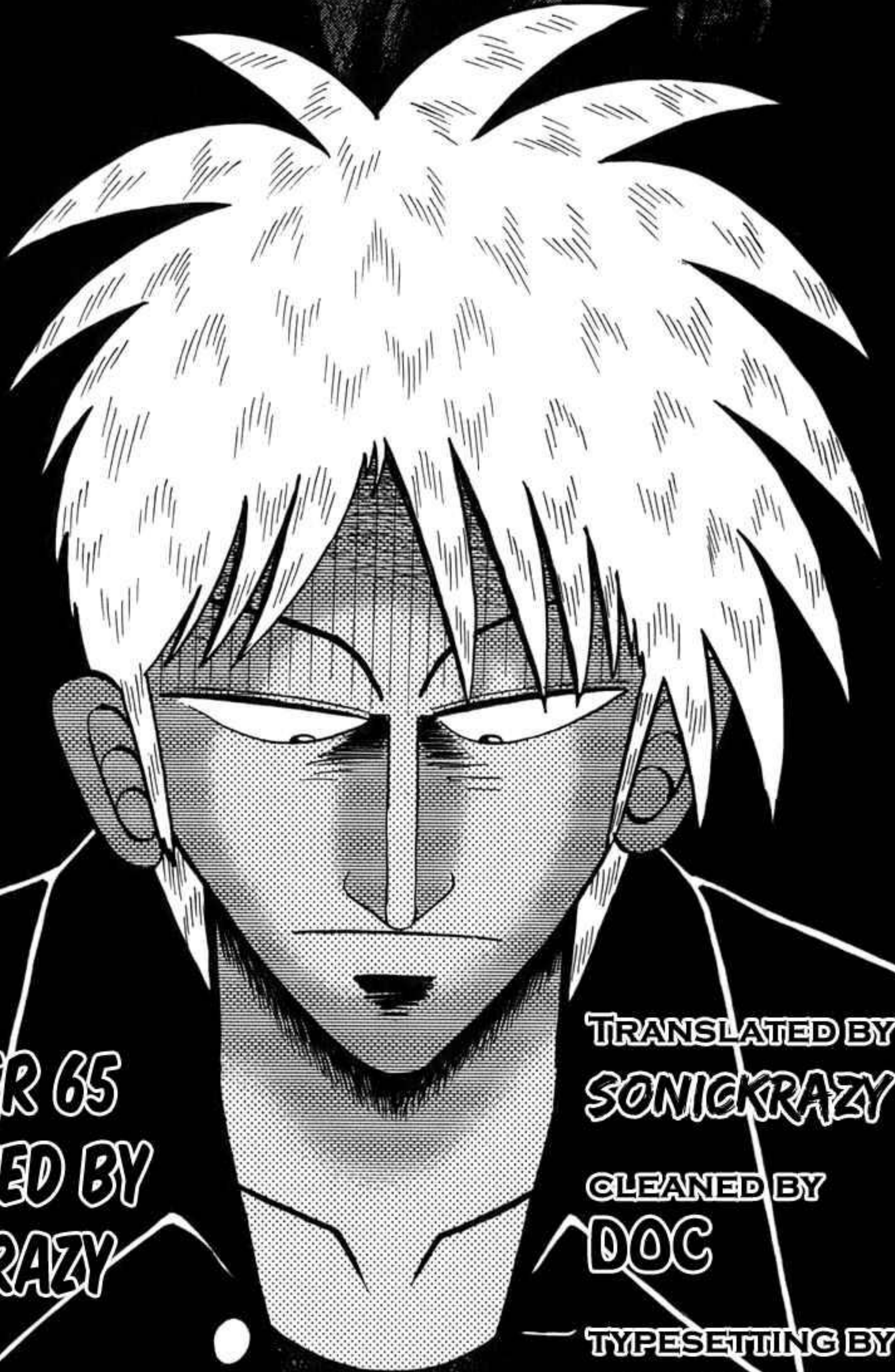




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**AKAGI
FINALLY
ARRIVES!**



At
10:00
PM.

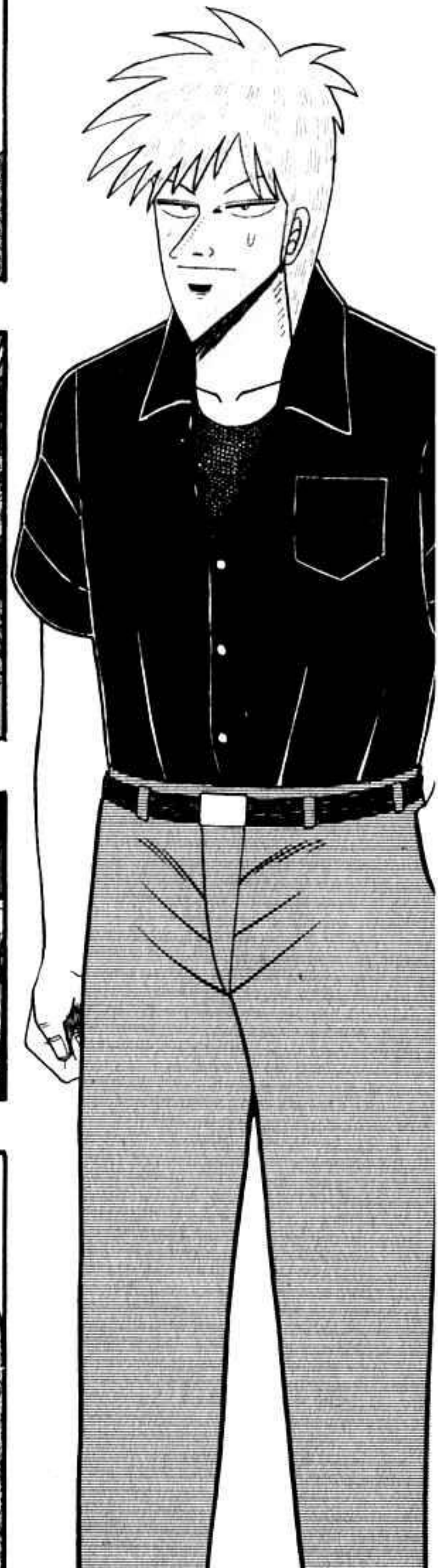
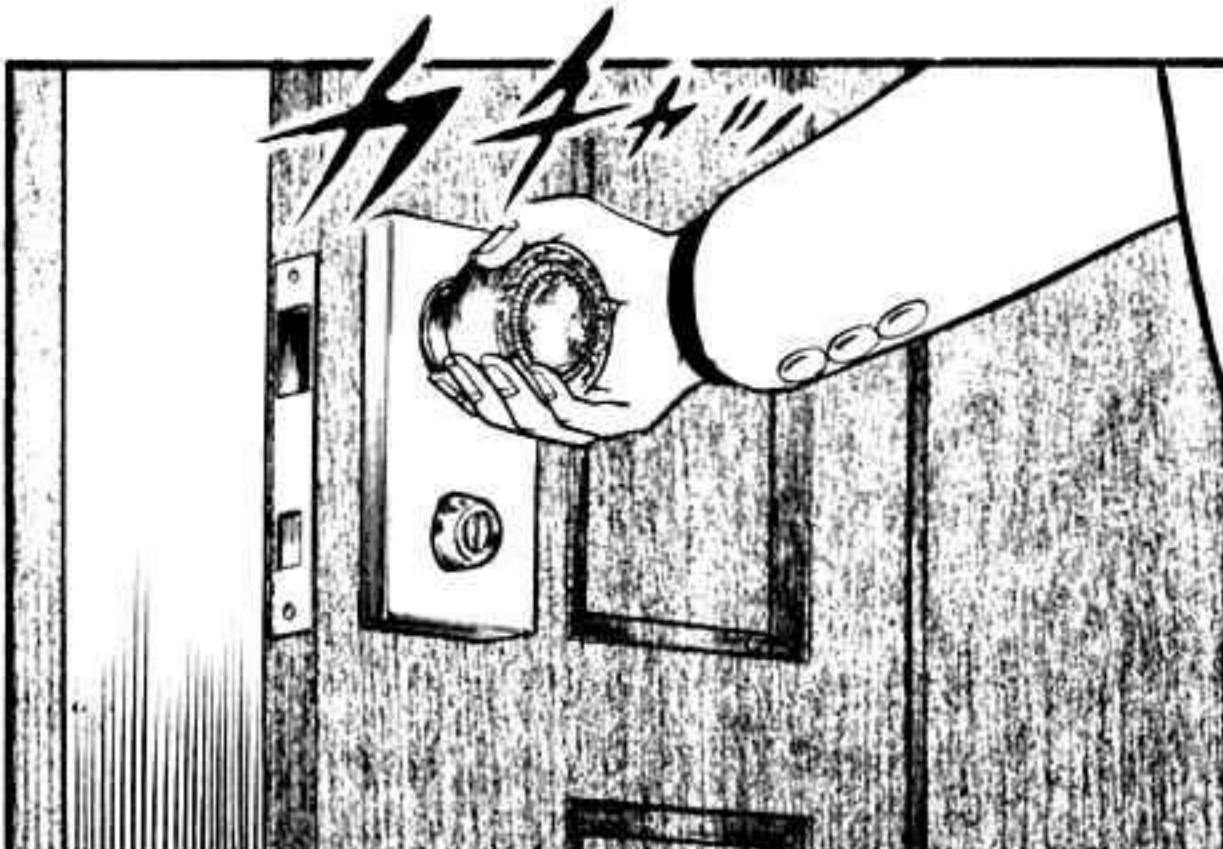


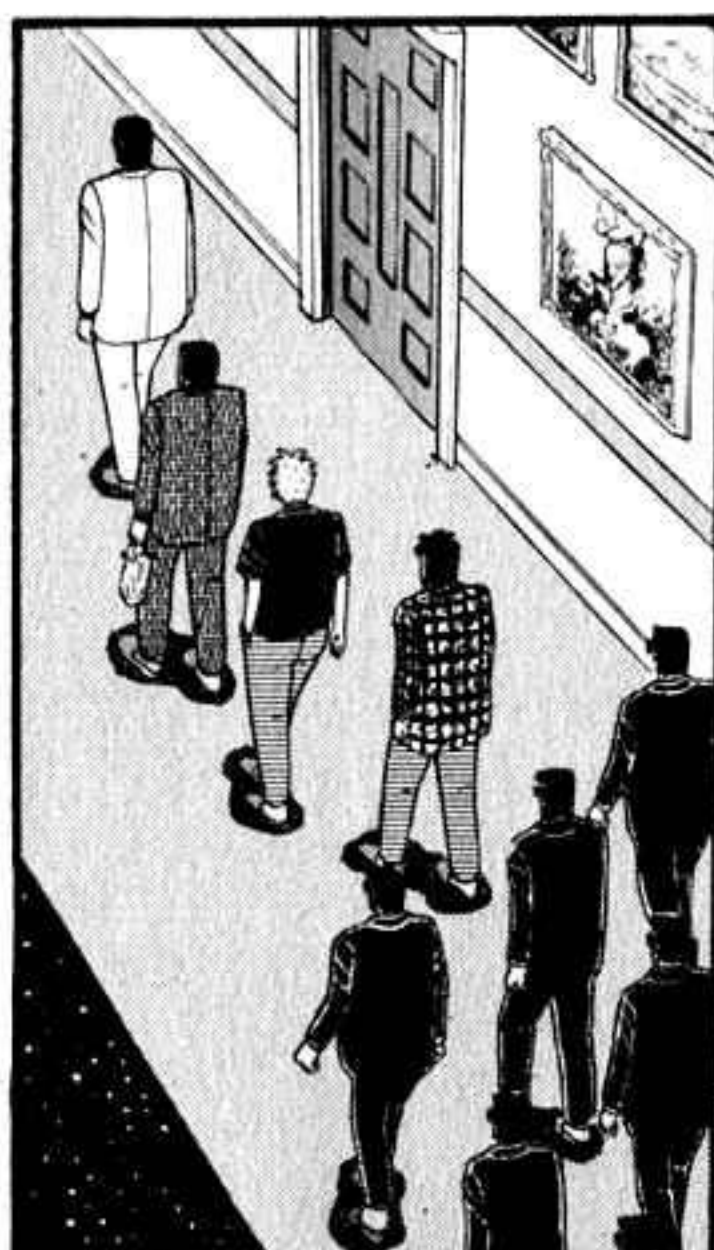
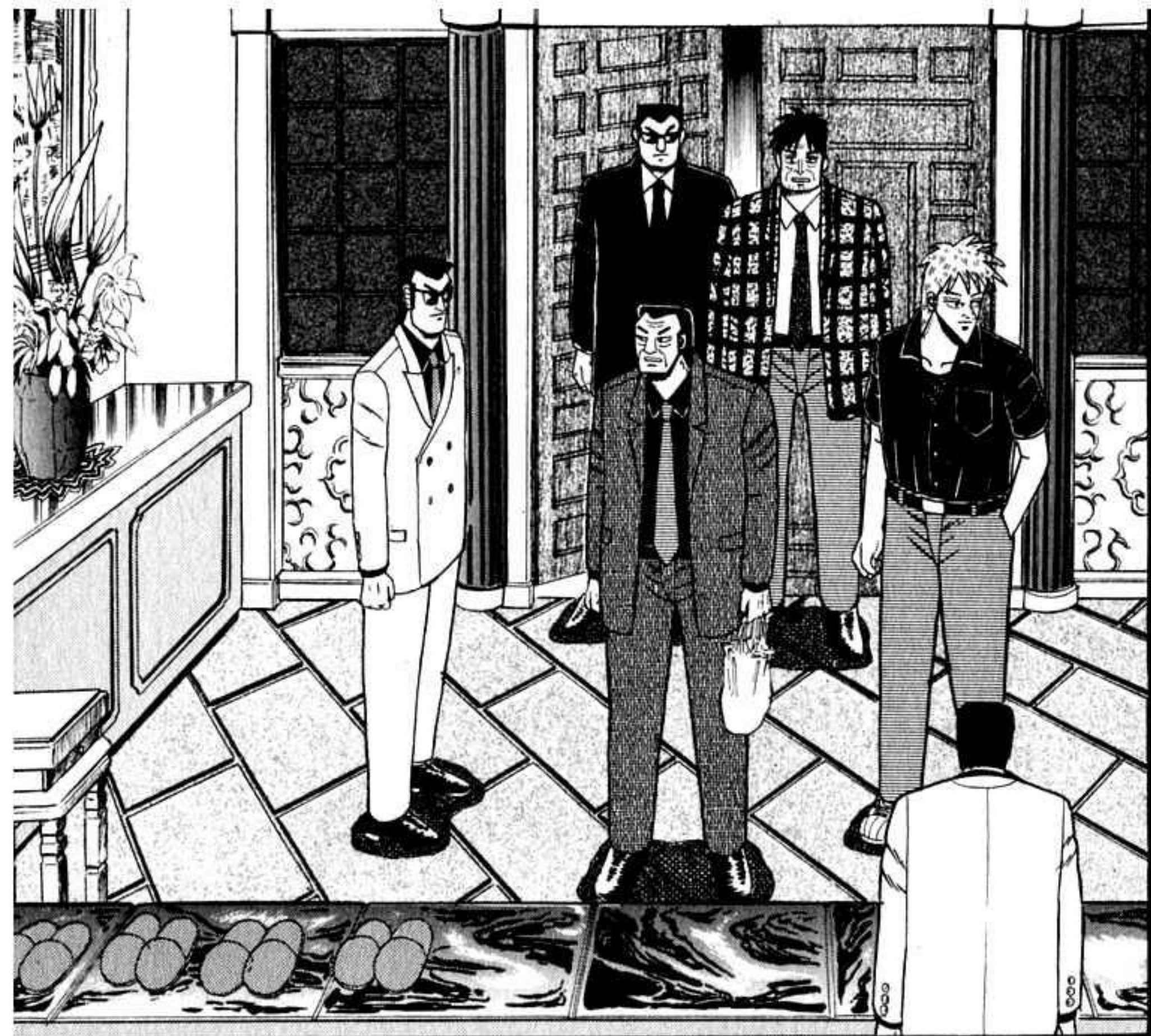
An
hour
later

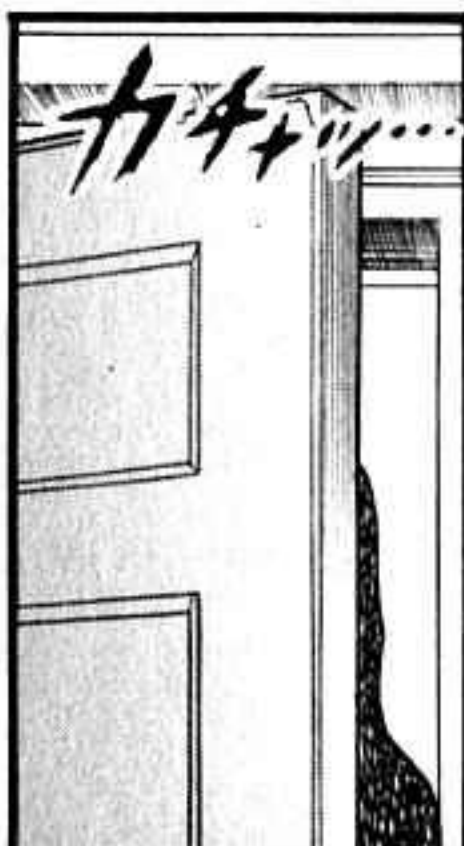
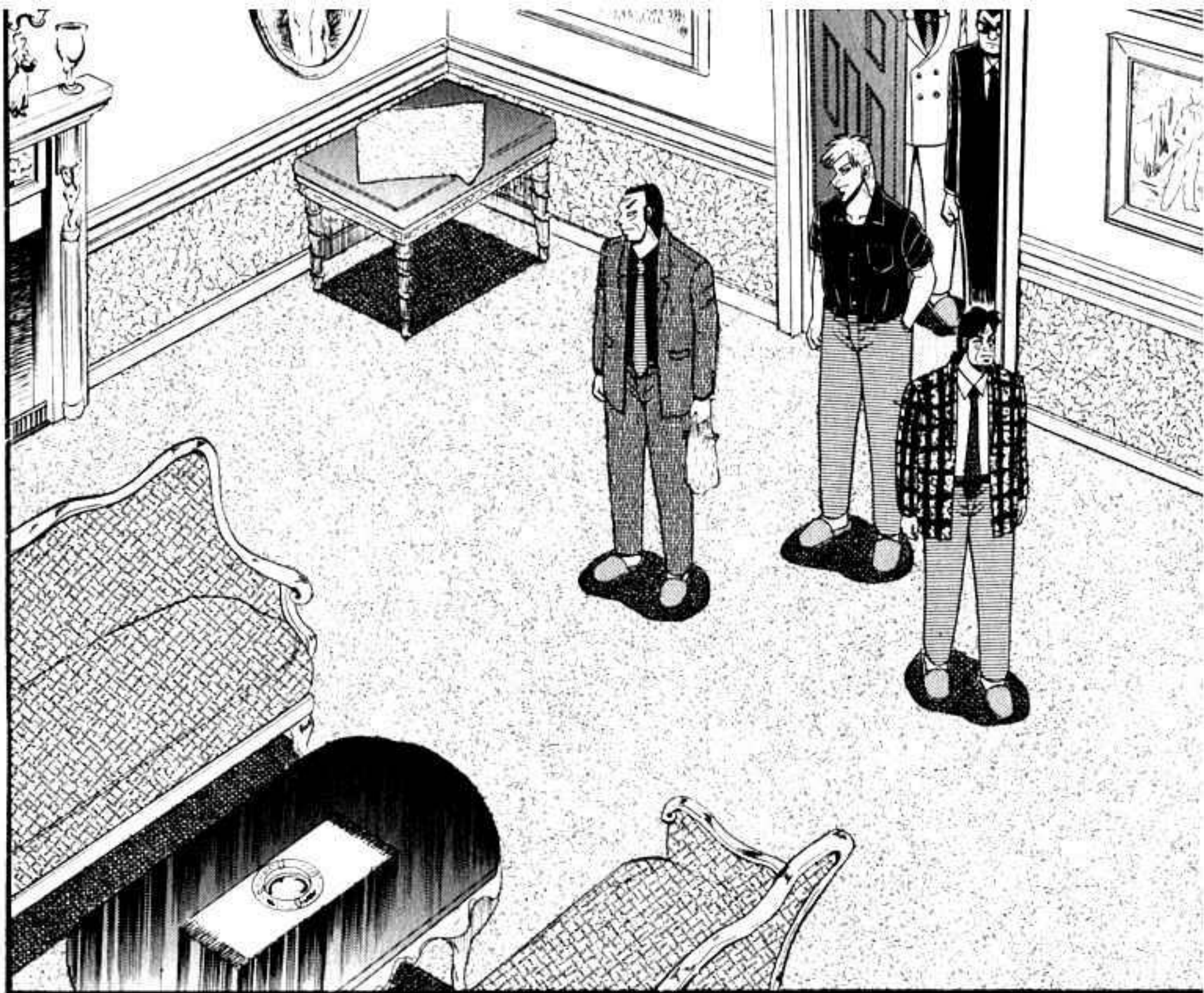
CHAPTER 66: AUDIENCE
第66話 謁見

HE IS NOW
BEFORE HIS
GREATEST
OPPONENT...
WASHIZU
IWAO!

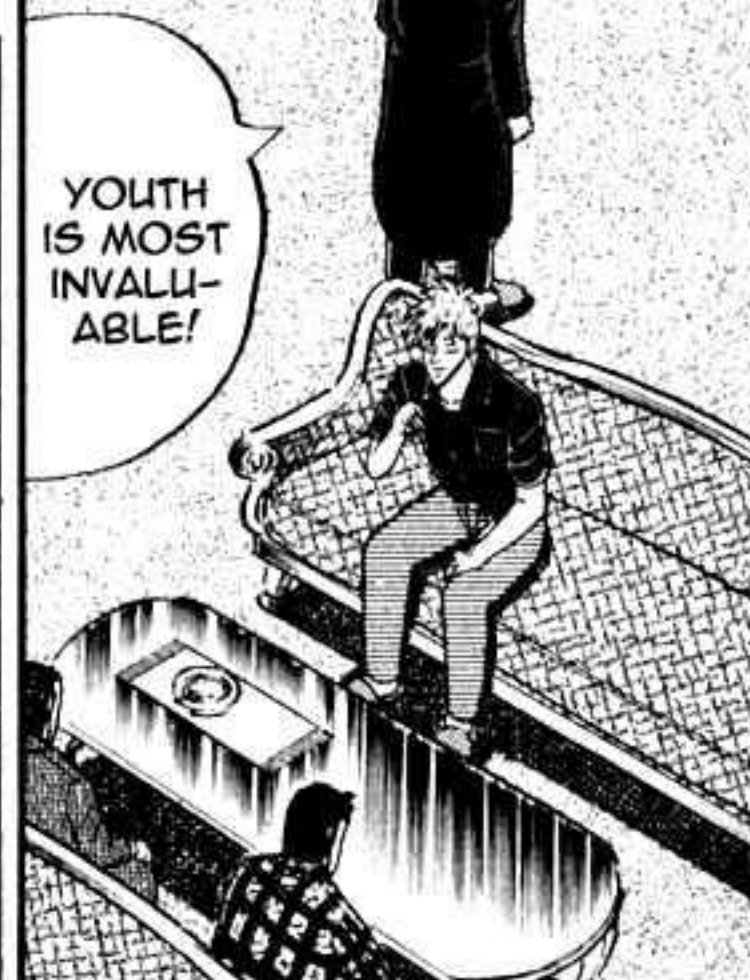
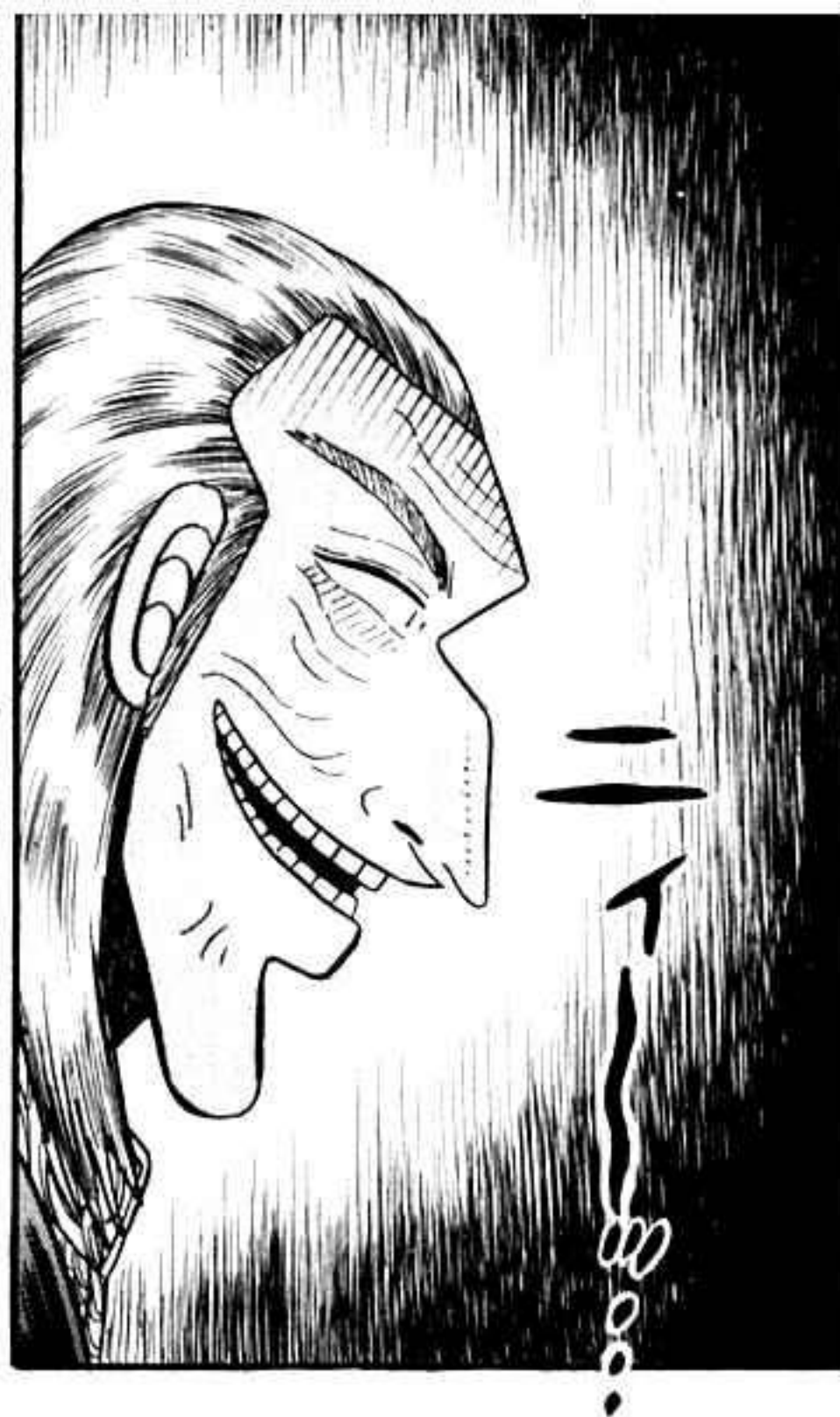












I IMAGINE
YOU ARE
AWARE...

I WILL BE
NEEDING
TO LEAVE
JAPAN
VERY
SOON.

FOR A VERY
IMPORTANT
REASON...

I SEE,
I SEE.

KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...

INDEED
I AM.

OF
EXACTLY
WHY
THAT
IS?

SO I DO
NOT WANT
TO HAVE IT
BE INCOM-
PLETE!

THIS EVENING'S
MATCH WILL BE
MY LAST GAME
IN JAPAN...

I'LL
JUST
SKIP
TO THE
END
THEN.

THEN
THIS
WILL BE
VERY
QUICK.

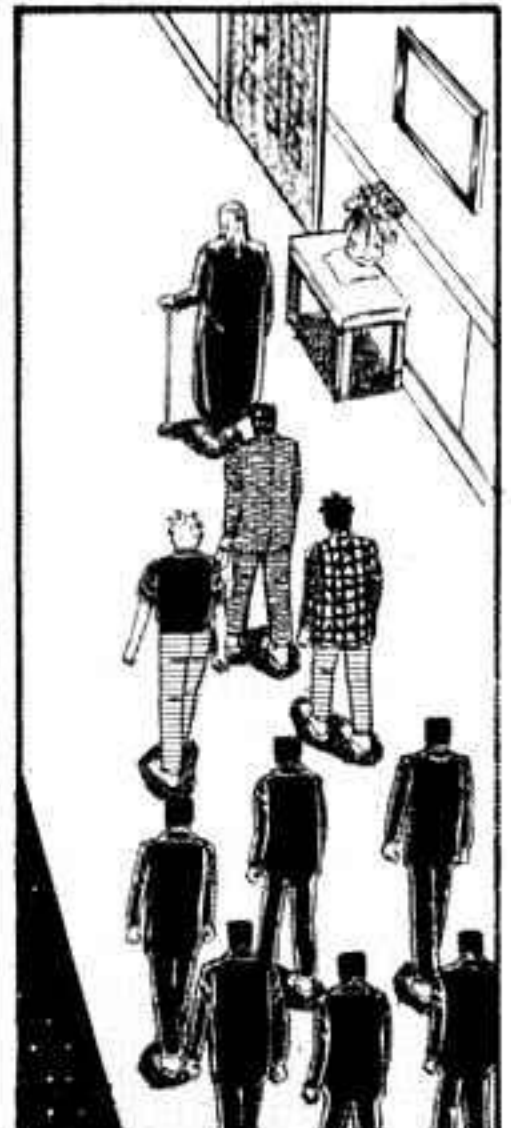
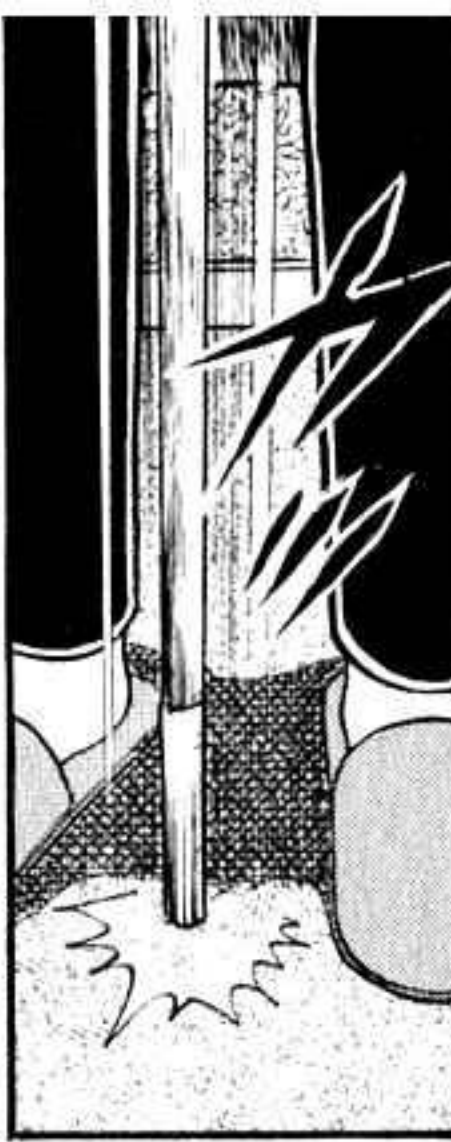
IN OTHER
WORDS...

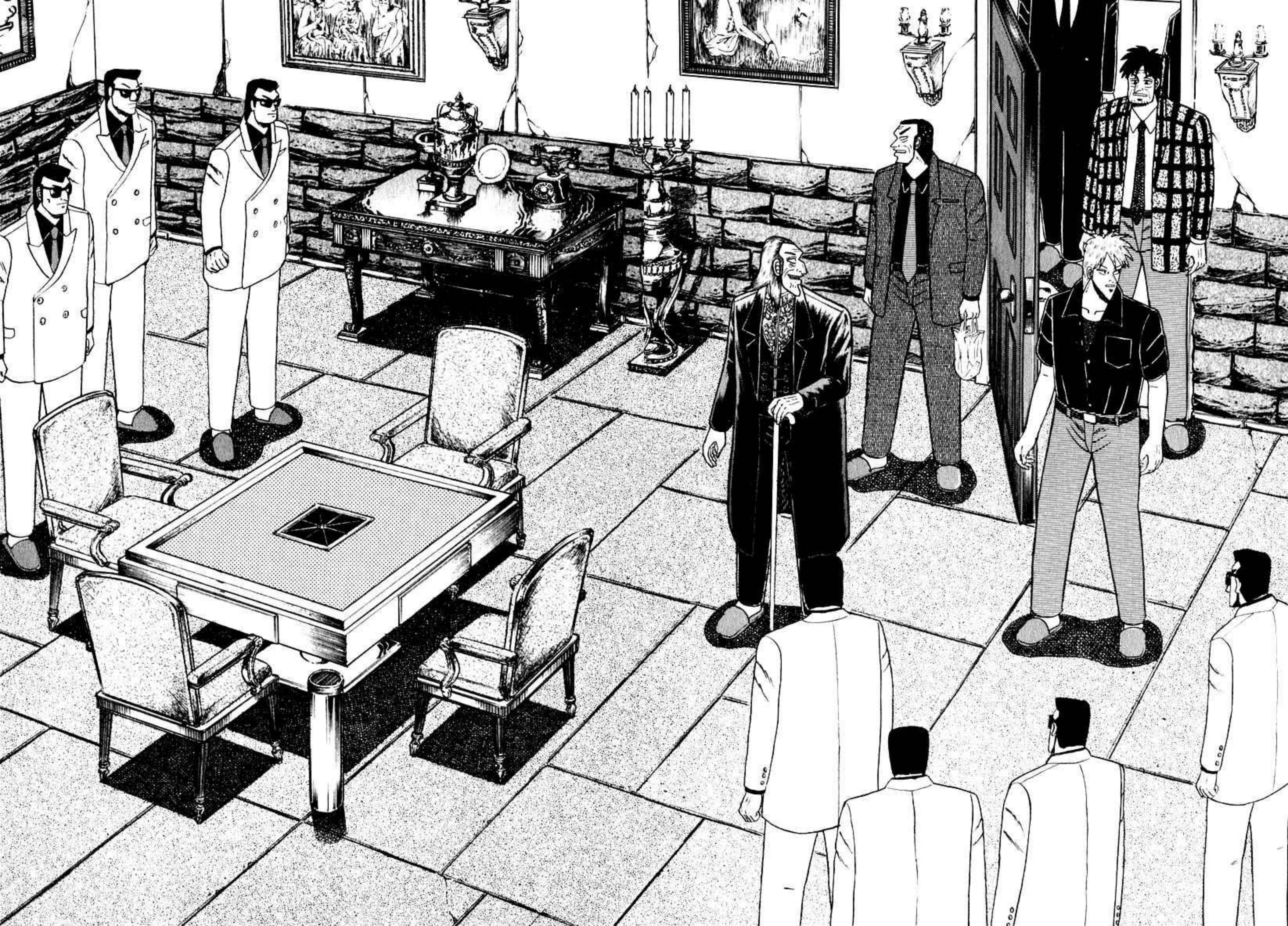
I DO
NOT WANT
TO HAVE
THAT PETTY
LEVEL OF A
MATCH.

THE MOST
THEY WERE
ABLE TO
WIN WAS A
FEW MIL-
LION YEN
OR SO.

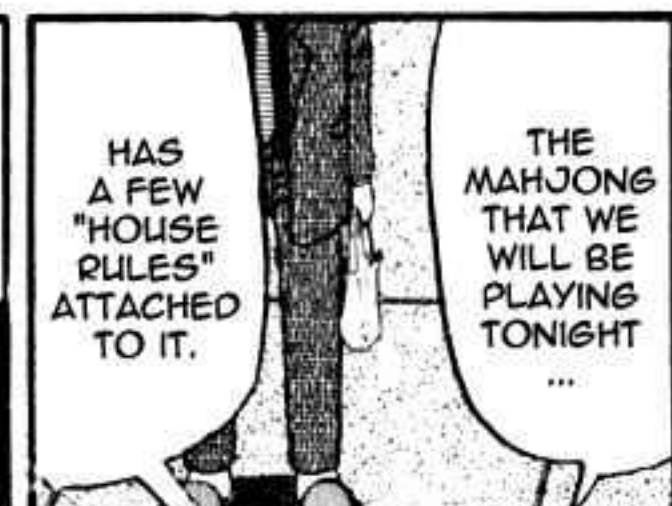
BEFORE,
WHEN YOUR
INADA GROUP
BROUGHT ME
OPPONENTS...

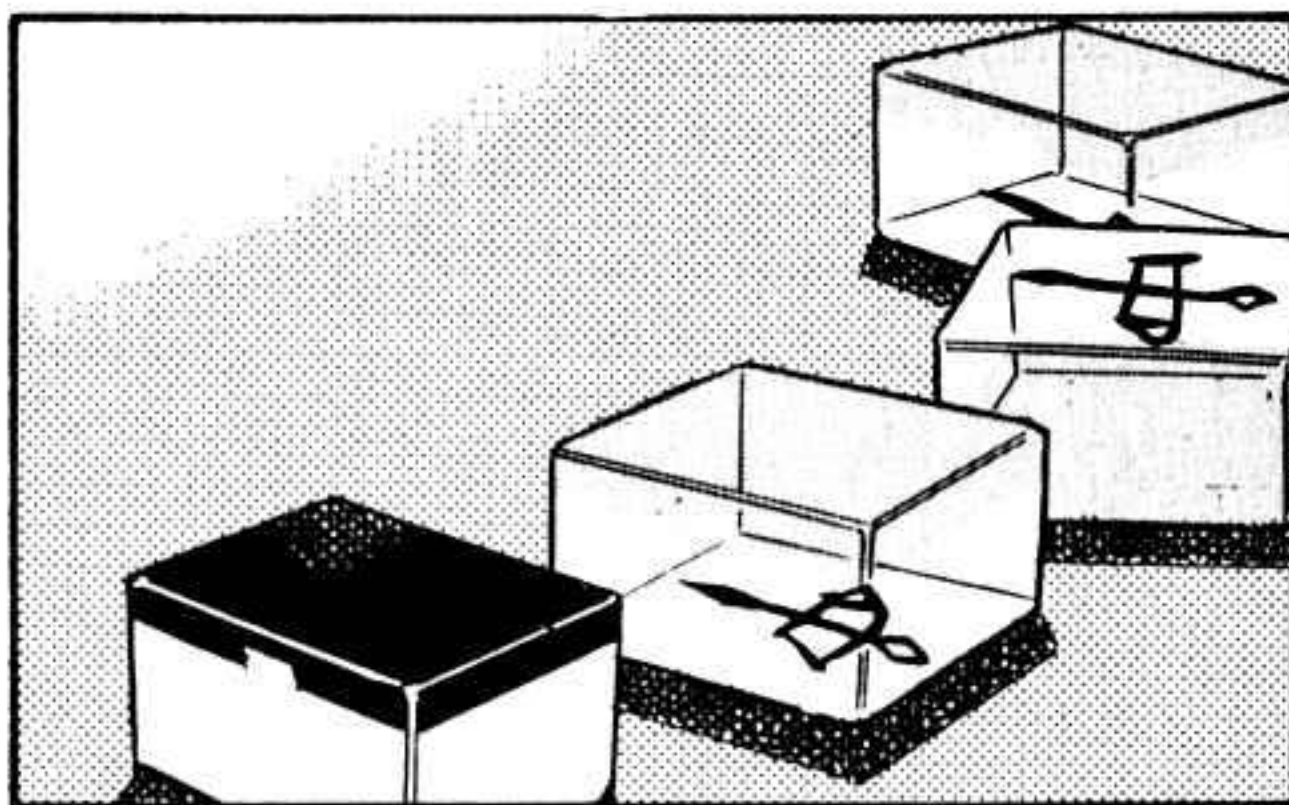
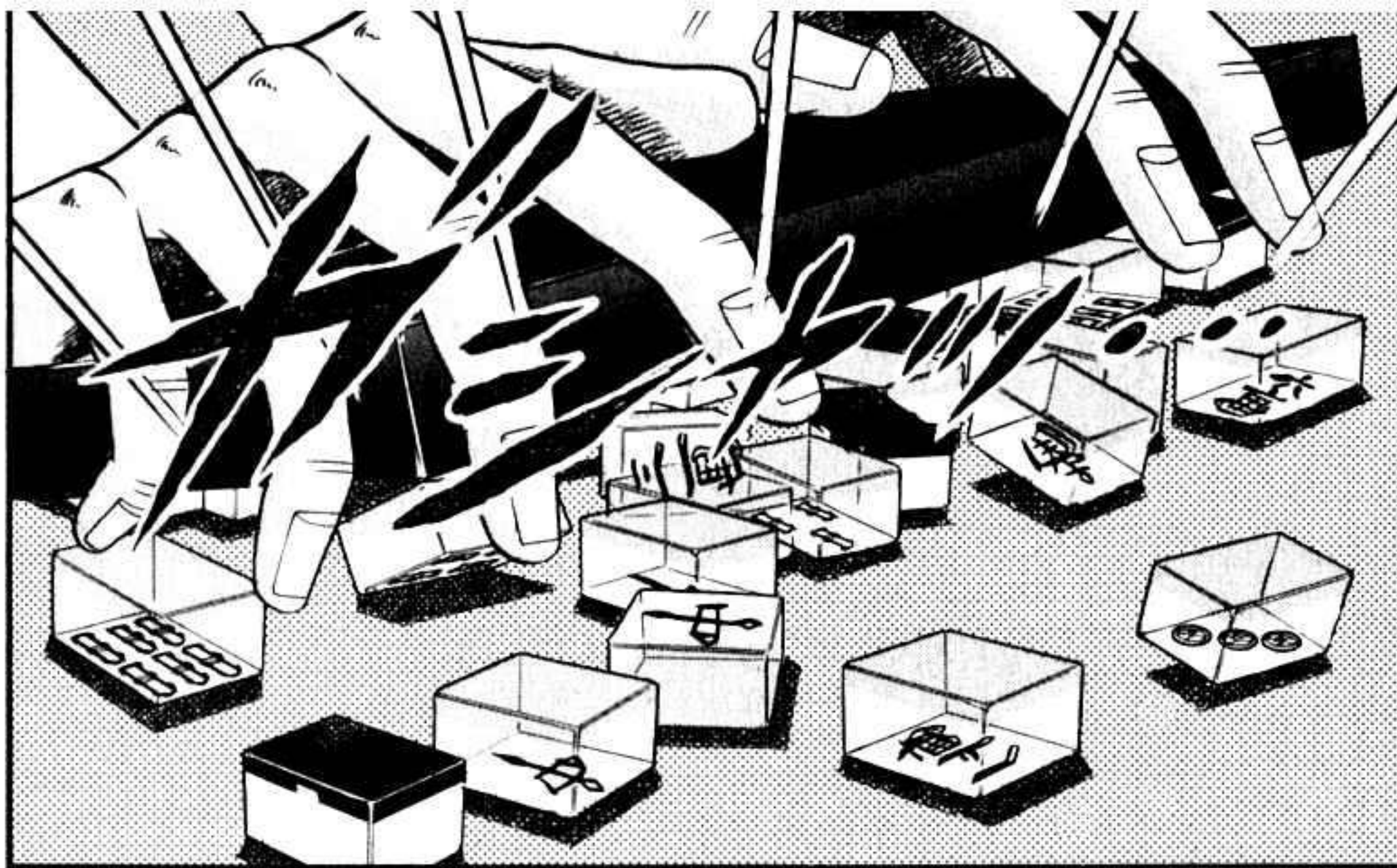












WE INCLUDE
THESE
TRANSPARENT
TILES THAT
CAN BE READ
FROM ALL
VANTAGE
POINTS.

FOR MY
"WASHIZU
MAHJONG"
...

EVEN IF
YOU'VE HEARD
ABOUT THEM,
I IMAGINE THIS
IS YOUR FIRST
TIME SEEING
THEM.

KHEH-
HEH...



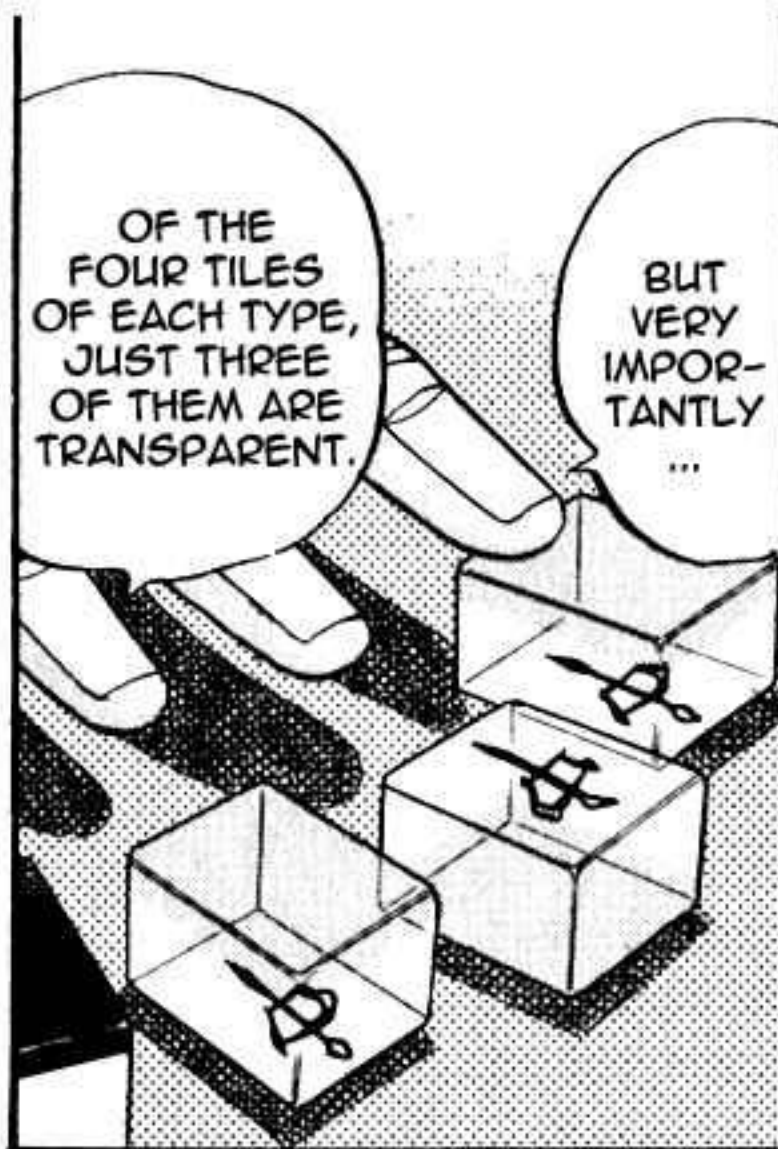


WITH
THESE
TILES...



IS
OPAQUE
LIKE IN
NORMAL
MAH-
JONG.

ONLY
ONE OF
THOSE
FOUR...

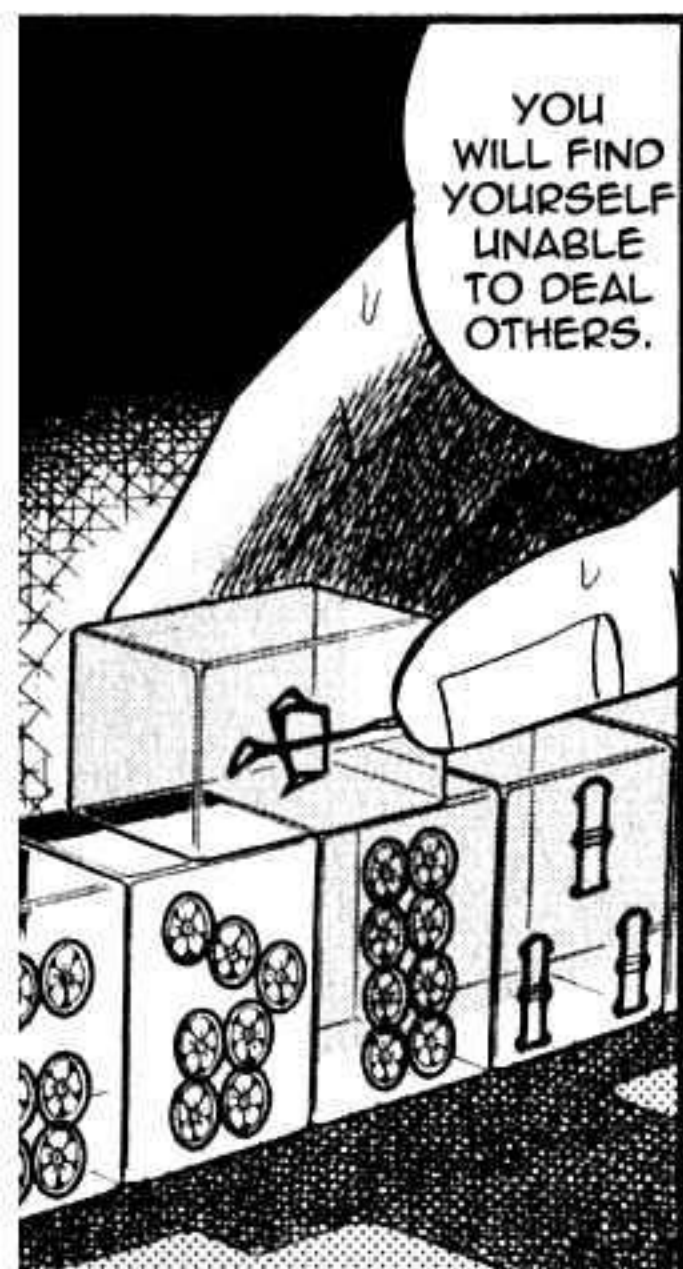


OF THE
FOUR TILES
OF EACH TYPE,
JUST THREE
OF THEM ARE
TRANSPARENT.

BUT
VERY
IMPOR-
TANTLY
...



WE
WILL PLAY
MAHJONG,
FOLLOWING
THE NORMAL
SET OF
RULES.



YOU
WILL FIND
YOURSELF
UNABLE
TO DEAL
OTHERS.



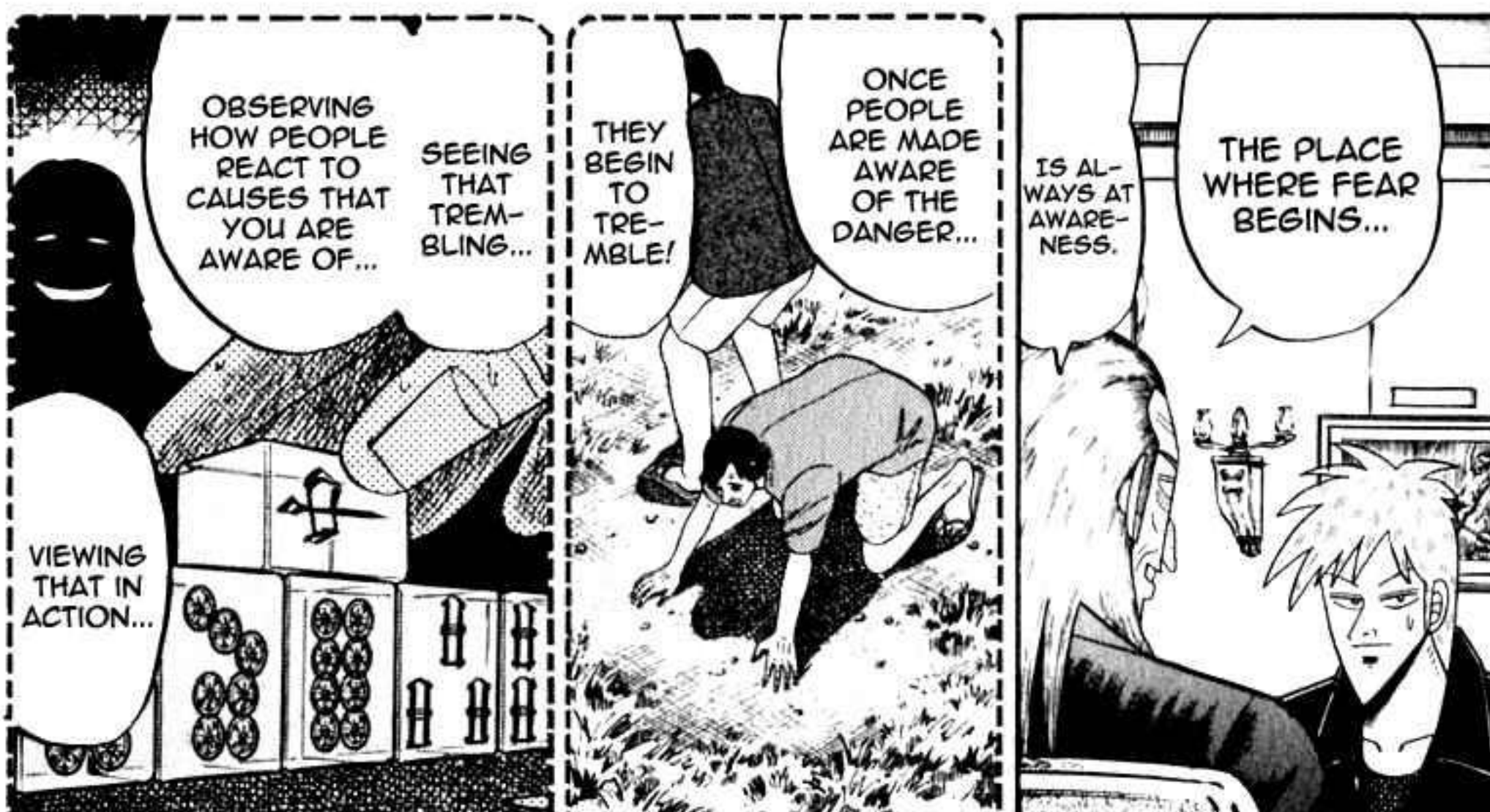
BECAUSE
YOU CAN
SEE
CERTAIN
TILES...

IT
BECOMES
SOMETHING
MORE THAN
JUST A
GAMBLE.

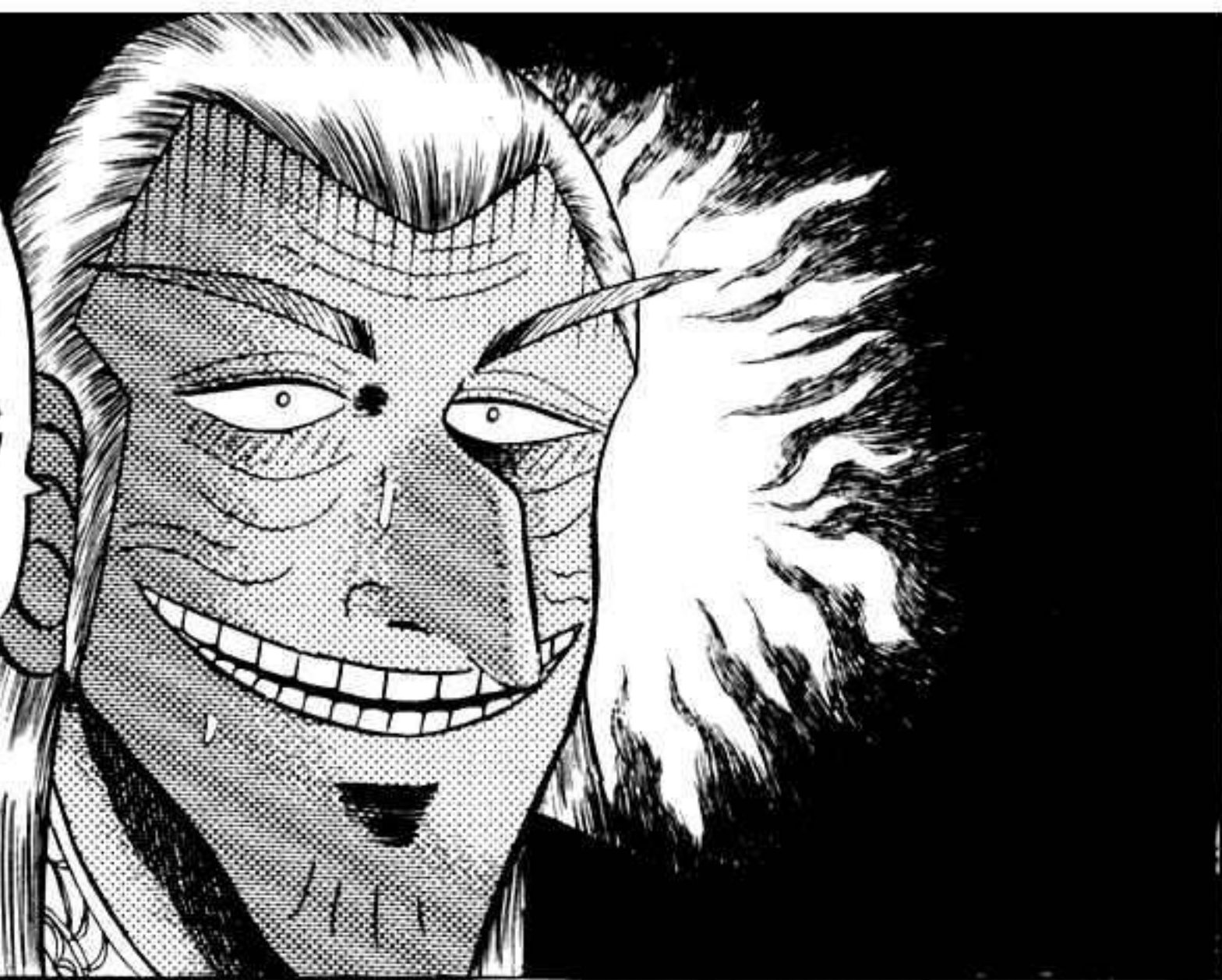


BUT BY
DOING
THIS...

YOU'LL
LEARN
THIS VERY
QUICKLY
ONCE WE
START...



IS MOST
AMUSING
....!



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH....!



WHAT
ALL THIS
MEANS,
THAT IS.

I'M SURE
YOU'LL SEE
IT TOO ONCE
YOU START.

WELL...

KHEH-
HEH...





AH, YES...

NOW WHERE WAS I...



TERRIBLY SORRY FOR THE DIGRESSION.

WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE HOUSE RULES, WEREN'T WE...

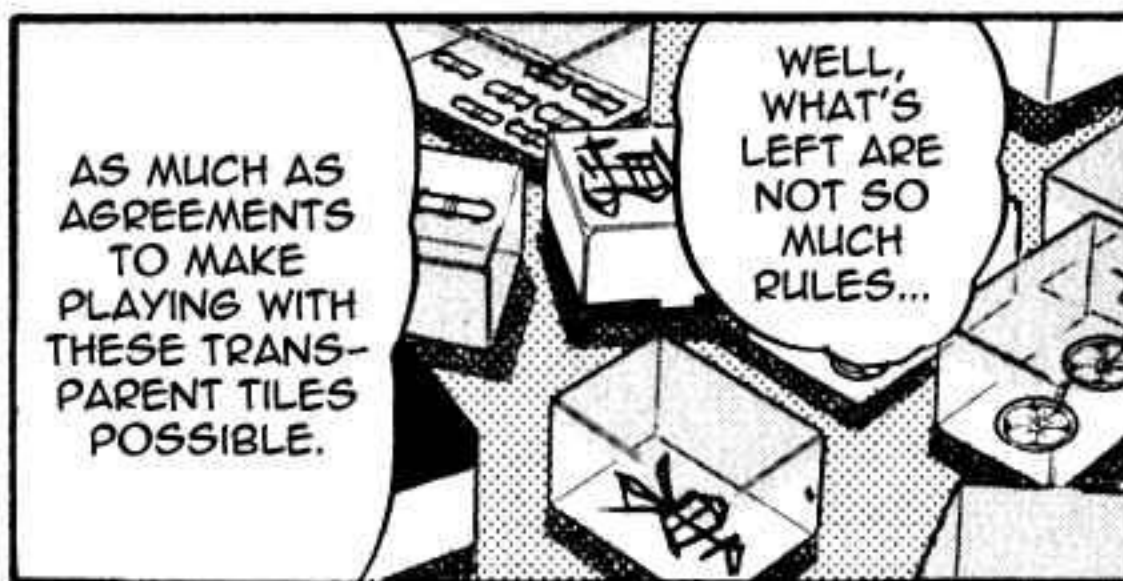


NOW, THEN...



WE CAN ALLOW FOR THAT WITH JUST THREE SPECIAL RULES.

JUST THE ESSENTIALS.

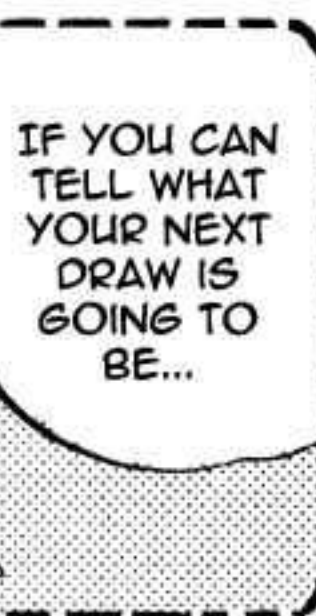


WELL, WHAT'S LEFT ARE NOT SO MUCH RULES...

AS MUCH AS AGREEMENTS TO MAKE PLAYING WITH THESE TRANSPARENT TILES POSSIBLE.



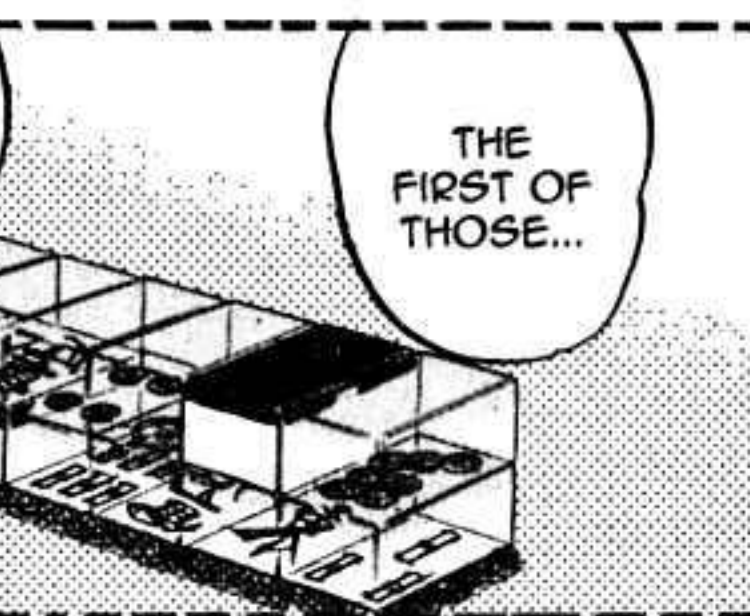
IT WOULD TAKE ALL THE FUN OUT OF THE GAME.



IF YOU CAN TELL WHAT YOUR NEXT DRAW IS GOING TO BE...



IS THAT WE DON'T BUILT WALLS.

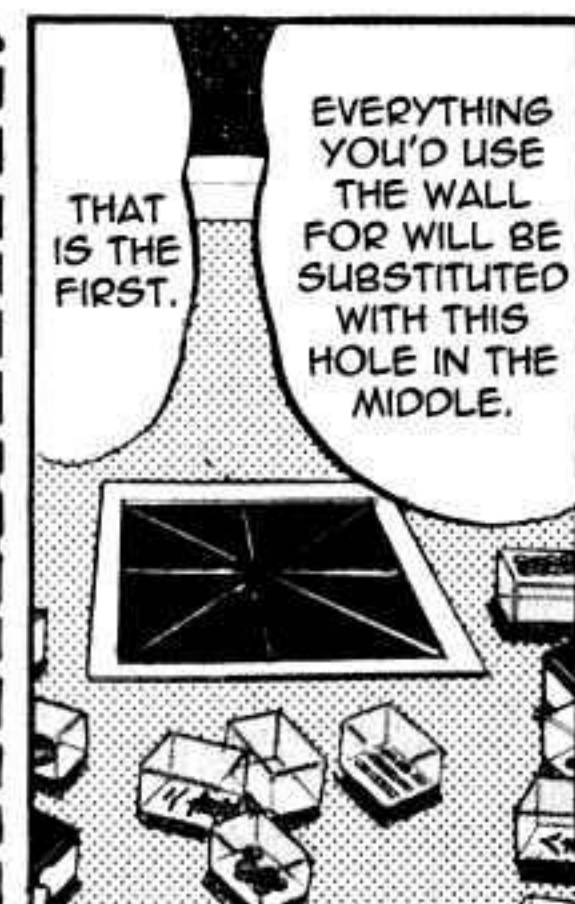


THE FIRST OF THOSE...



IS THAT, WHILE WE ARE DRAWING OUR TILES...

THE SECOND RULE...



THAT IS THE FIRST.

EVERYTHING YOU'D USE THE WALL FOR WILL BE SUBSTITUTED WITH THIS HOLE IN THE MIDDLE.



AND TO TAKE ALL OF YOUR DRAWS...

SO IN ORDER TO DRAW YOUR STARTING HAND...



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...

WE MUST
WEAR THESE
LEATHER
GLOVES ON
OUR RIGHT
HANDS TO
PREVENT
READING THE
TILES WITH OUR
FINGERS.



QUITE THE
CLEVER
WORKA-
ROUND,
HMM?

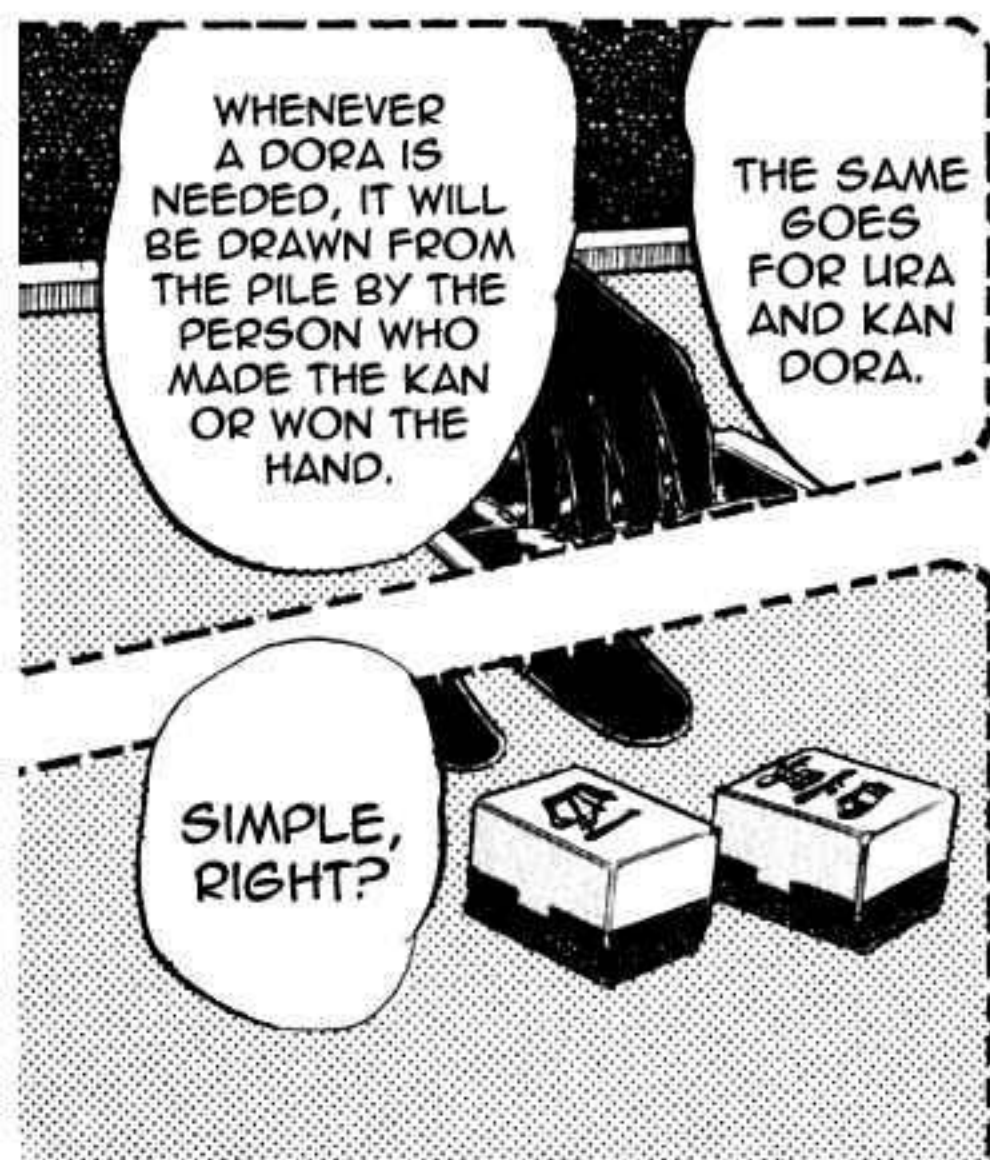


FOR
THOSE...

IT COVERS WHAT
HAPPENS TO THE
DORA INDICATOR
USUALLY FLIPPED
OVER AT THE START,
AS WELL AS ANY
KAN DORAS OR URA
DORAS THAT MAY
BE NEEDED.



SO
FINALLY,
THE
THIRD
RULE.



WHENEVER
A DORA IS
NEEDED, IT WILL
BE DRAWN FROM
THE PILE BY THE
PERSON WHO
MADE THE KAN
OR WON THE
HAND.

THE SAME
GOES
FOR URA
AND KAN
DORA.

SIMPLE,
RIGHT?



THIS WILL
BECOME
THE DORA
INDICATOR
FOR THAT
ROUND.



AFTER THE
STARTING
HANDS
HAVE BEEN
DRAWN, THE
DEALER
DRAWS AN
ADDITIONAL
TILE.



ANYONE
CAN DO
IT.

ALL
THE TILES
USED IN THE
ROUND WILL
BE PUSHED
INTO THE
CENTER
HOLE.



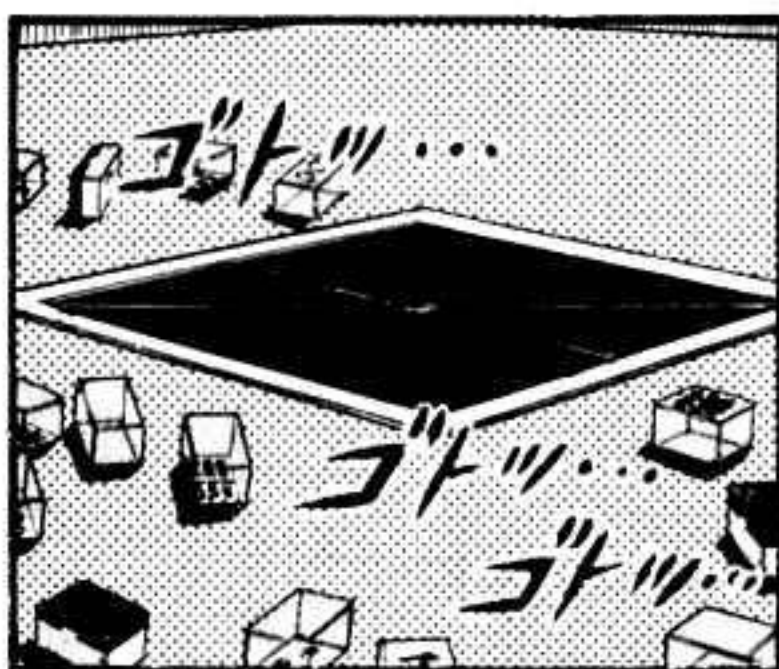
FOR SHUF-
FLING
...

OH,
YES...

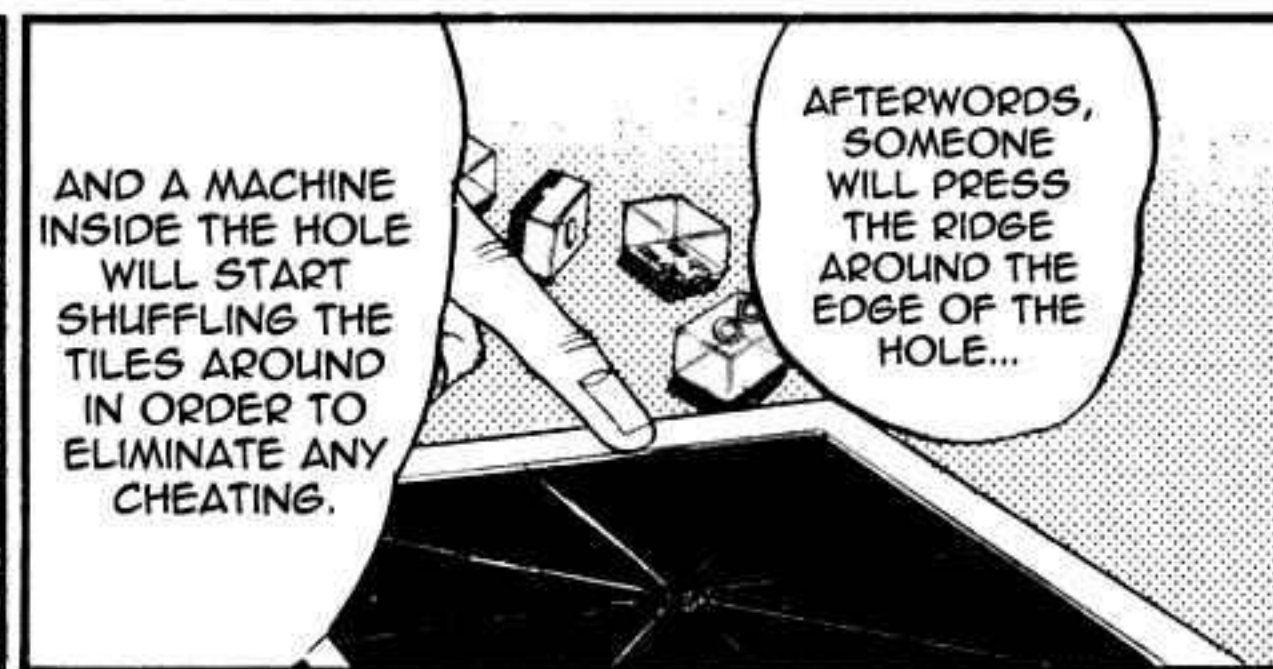


THE
OTHER
RULES
ARE UN-
CHANGED
FROM
NORMAL
MAHJONG.

THAT'S
ALL
THERE IS
TO IT.



AND A MACHINE
INSIDE THE HOLE
WILL START
SHUFFLING THE
TILES AROUND
IN ORDER TO
ELIMINATE ANY
CHEATING.



AFTERWORDS,
SOMEONE
WILL PRESS
THE RIDGE
AROUND THE
EDGE OF THE
HOLE...



SO
NATURALLY, I
IMAGINE YOU
KNEW THIS
ALREADY.

OHGI-KUN
WAS AWARE
OF ALL THE
RULES I JUST
DESCRIBED
TO YOU...

THE
QUES-
TION
COMES
AFTER
THAT!



THE
QUES-
TION IS
WHAT
COMES
NEXT.



INTER-
ESTING,
ISN'T
IT?

KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...



NOW,
THEN...



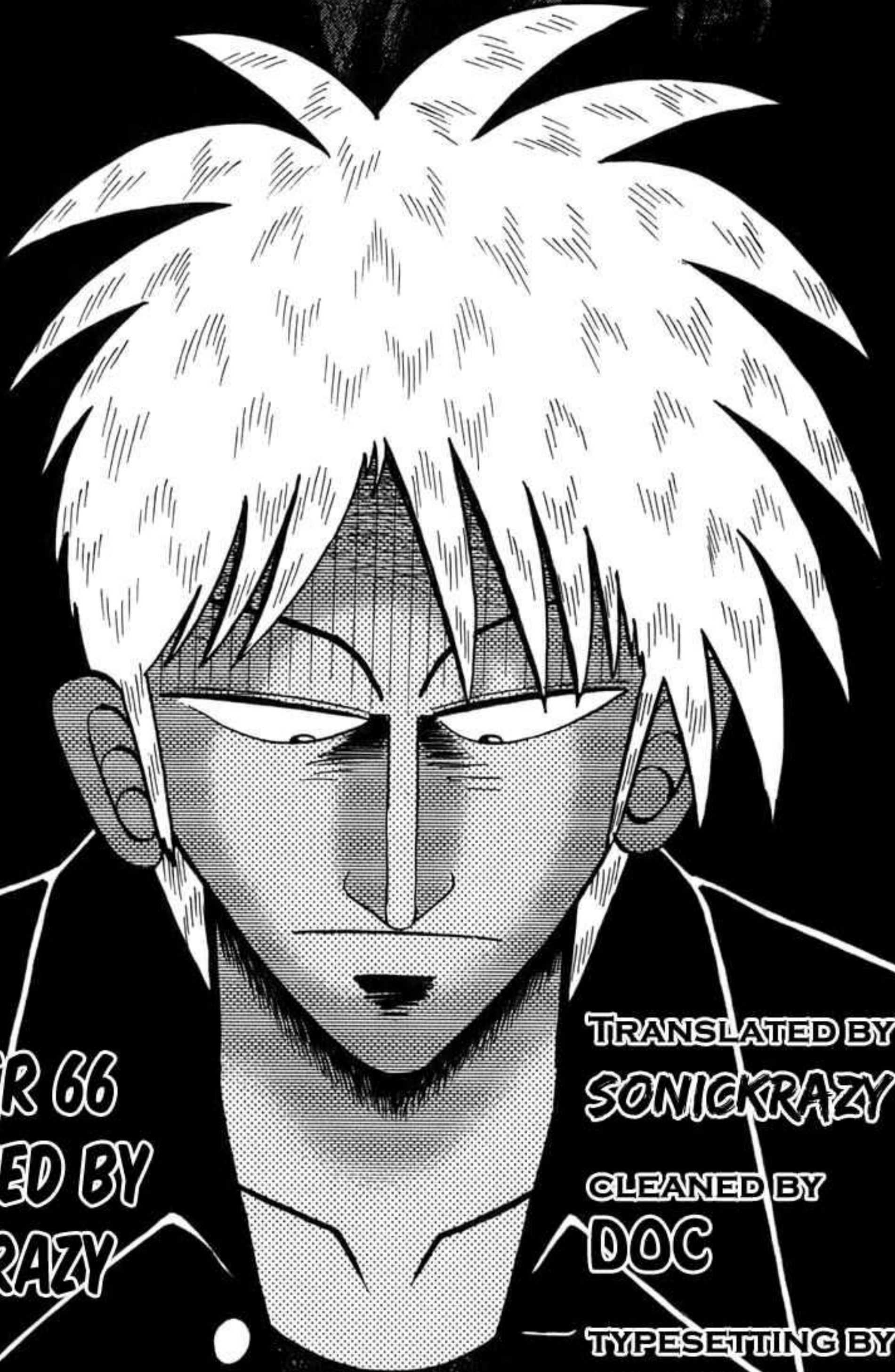


**YOU WANT
ME TO BET
MY BLOOD...
ISN'T THAT
RIGHT?**

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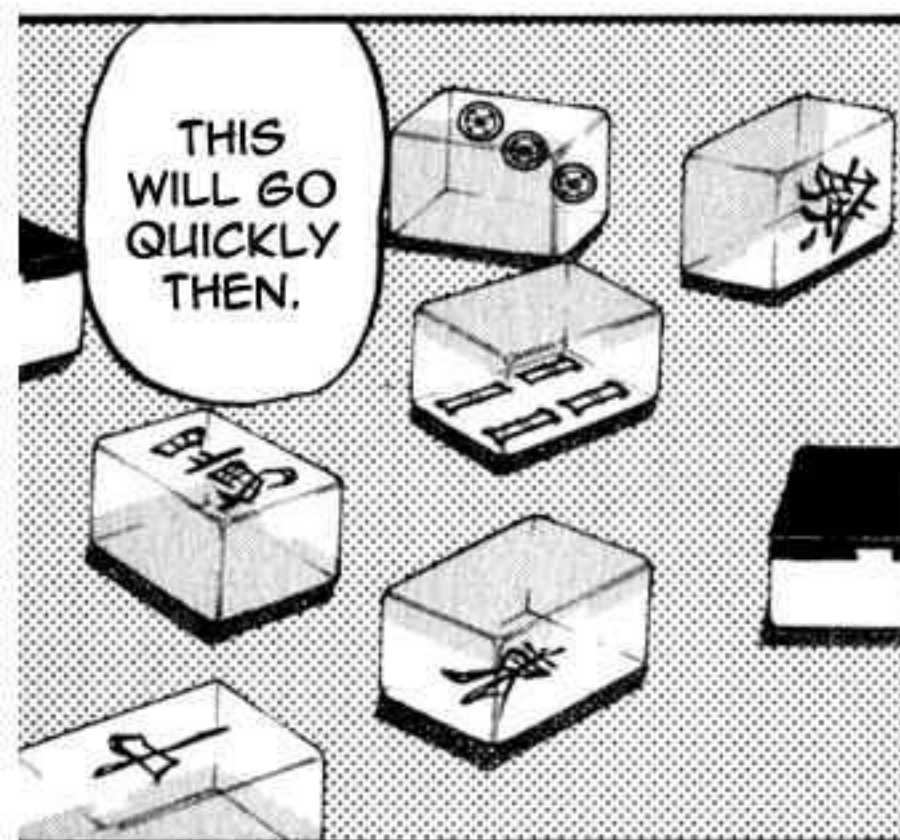


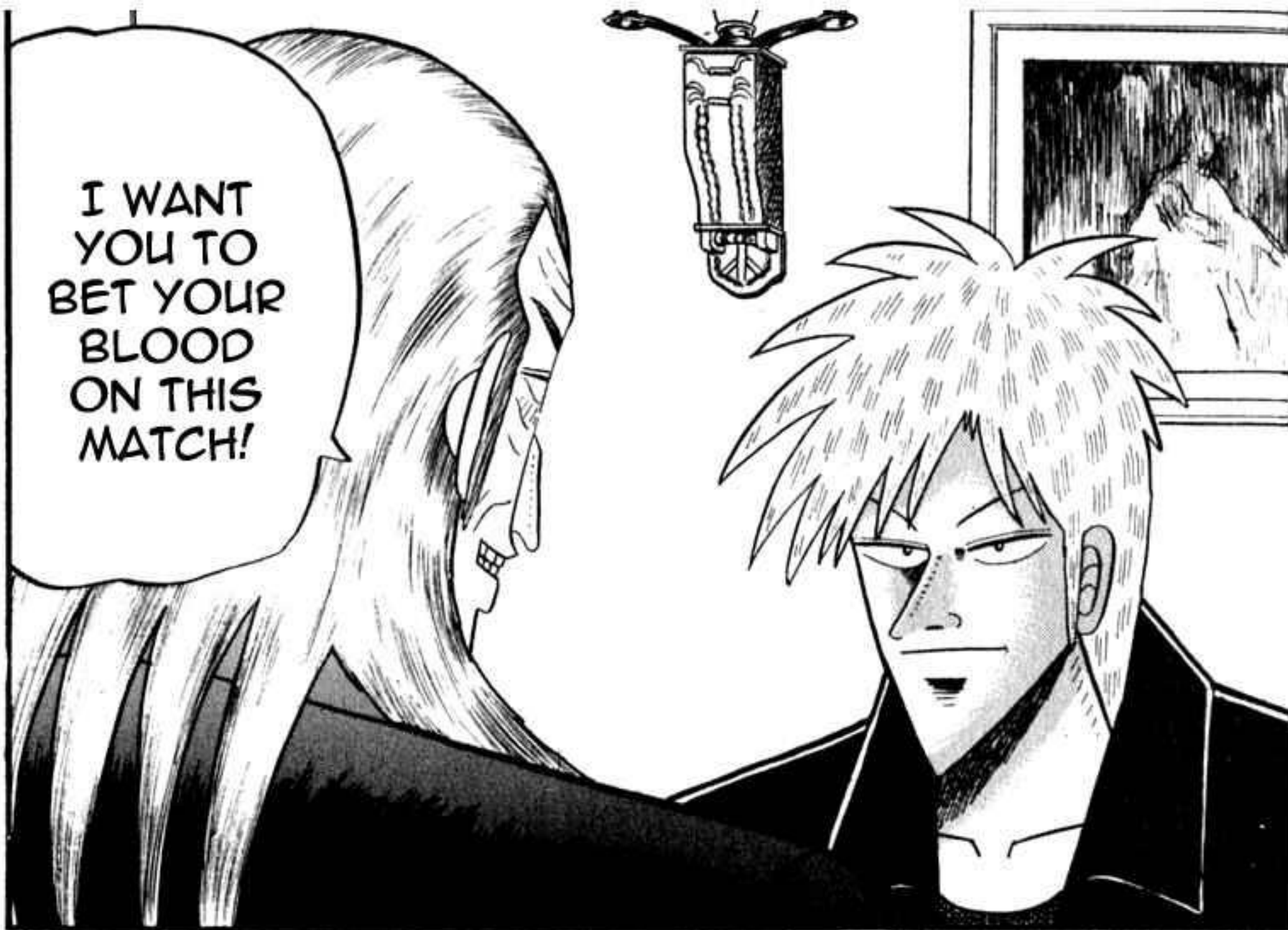
***IT'S
PROBABLY
THE BLOOD
OF THE
PLAYER.***

**YOU WANT
ME TO BET
MY BLOOD...
ISN'T THAT
RIGHT?**



CHAPTER 67 - BLOOD
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THOUGH THAT SAID, YOU CERTAINLY WON'T BE BETTING ALL OF IT.

IS WHAT YOU WILL BE BETTING ON THIS MATCH!



THAT BLOOD ...

I'D IMAGINE YOU HAVE ABOUT... 4.5 LITERS IN YOU.



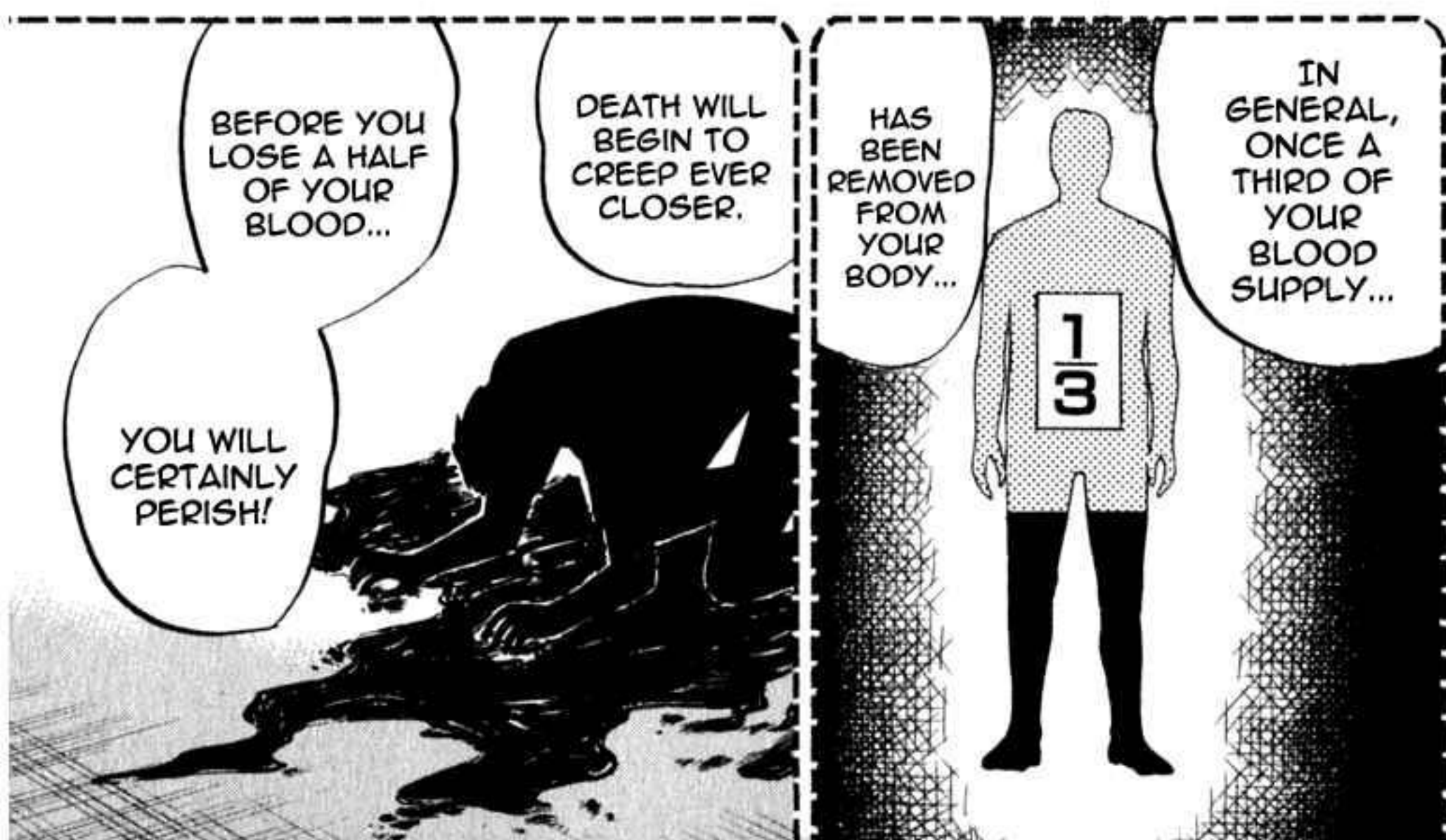
IT DEPENDS ON HOW QUICKLY THE BLOOD IS TAKEN FROM YOU, BUT...

...



YOU WILL DIE LONG BEFORE ALL 4.5 LITERS OF BLOOD IS TAKEN FROM YOU.

THAT IS ONLY NATURAL!



BEFORE YOU LOSE A HALF OF YOUR BLOOD...

DEATH WILL BEGIN TO CREEP EVER CLOSER.

YOU WILL CERTAINLY PERISH!

HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM YOUR BODY...



IN GENERAL, ONCE A THIRD OF YOUR BLOOD SUPPLY...



THAT IS
YOUR
LETHAL
LIMIT.



WILL BE
SOMEWHERE
BELOW THE
AMOUNT OF
2000 CCS.

WHICH
MEANS THE
AMOUNT OF
BLOOD
YOU'LL BE
BETTING...

T/N: 1000 CCS (CUBIC CENTIMETERS) ARE EQUAL TO 1 LITER.



OR IN OTHER
WORDS, 1500
CCS COULD
POSSIBLY BE
FATAL FOR
YOU.

ABOUT A
THIRD...



IN
TERMS
OF THE
BLOOD
YOU
HAVE...

ALTHOUGH,
IF THE BLOOD
IS DRAWN
QUICKLY,
YOU COULD
POTENTIALLY
DIE MUCH
SOONER.




WHAT
I AM
DOING
...

WITH THAT
IN MIND,
YOU COULD
CONSIDER
JUST 1500
CCS TO BE
THE LIMIT OF
WHAT CAN
BE TAKEN,
BUT...



YOU WILL
CERTAINLY
BE IN NO
CONDITION
TO PLAY
MAHJONG.

EVEN IF
YOU HAVEN'T
DIED AT THAT
POINT, YOUR
MIND WILL
BE A BIT
FOGGY...



YOU WILL
CONTINUE
TO PLAY EVEN
IF YOU CAN
BARELY LIFT
YOUR ARM.

HOW
FATIGUED
YOU ARE
BEARS NO
EFFECT
TO THE
GAME.



ALLOW
ME TO
EXPLAIN...

IS AIMING
FOR AN
AMOUNT
THAT WILL
MOST
CERTAINLY
CAUSE
YOUR
DEATH.




I WILL
NOT ALLOW
YOU TO
WITHDRAW
IN THE
MIDDLE.

YOU WILL
CONTINUE
ON AND ON
UNTIL YOU DIE
FLAT ON THE
TABLE.



I WILL
BE PAYING
FOR THAT
2000 CCS
TONIGHT...



IN
WORDS,
IT IS THE
QUANTITY
OF YOUR
LIFE.

THAT IS
WHAT
2000
CCS
MEANS.



WITH 20
MILLION
YEN!

This
20 Million
Yen in 1965
equates to
200 Million
in modern
times.





DOESN'T
THAT SOUND
LIKE SOME-
THING WORTH
RISKING YOUR
LIFE OVER?

KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...



YOU
WON'T
HAVE TO
LISTEN
TO WHAT
ANYONE
SAYS.

WITH 20
MILLION, YOU
CAN LIVE OUT
YOUR DAYS
DOING AS
YOU WANT...



SO
HOW
ABOUT
IT?

AS LONG AS
YOU PRACTICE
MODERATION,
YOU'LL NEVER
HAVE TO WORK
ANOTHER DAY
IN YOUR LIFE.



INTO THE
POINTS WE
EARN IN
MAHJONG.

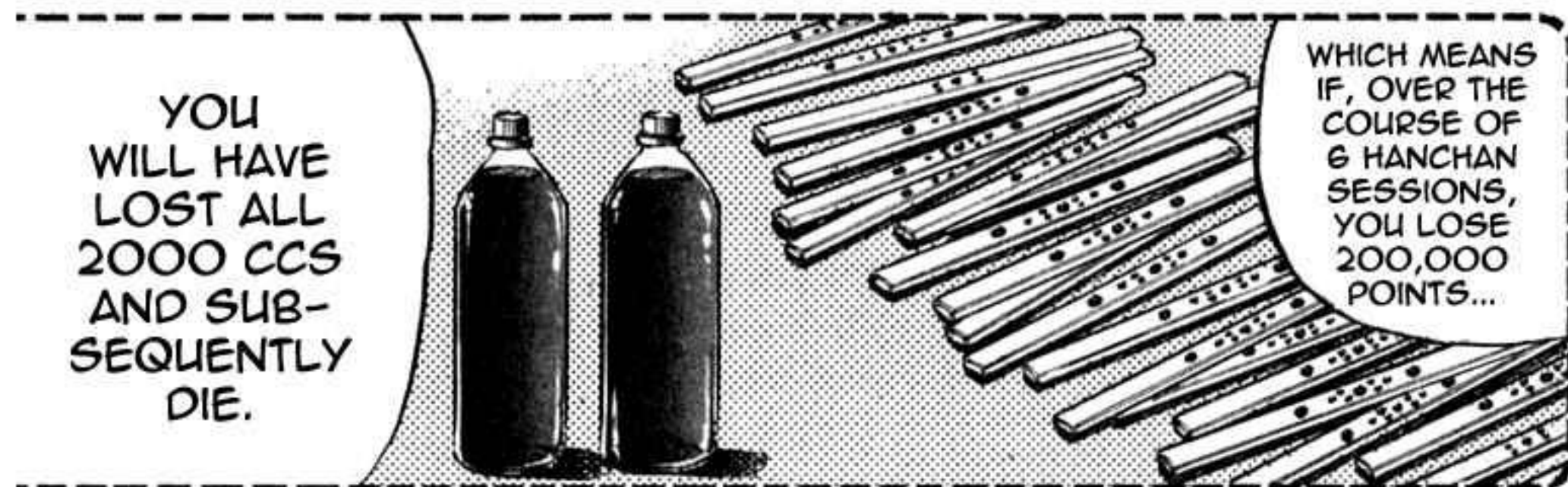
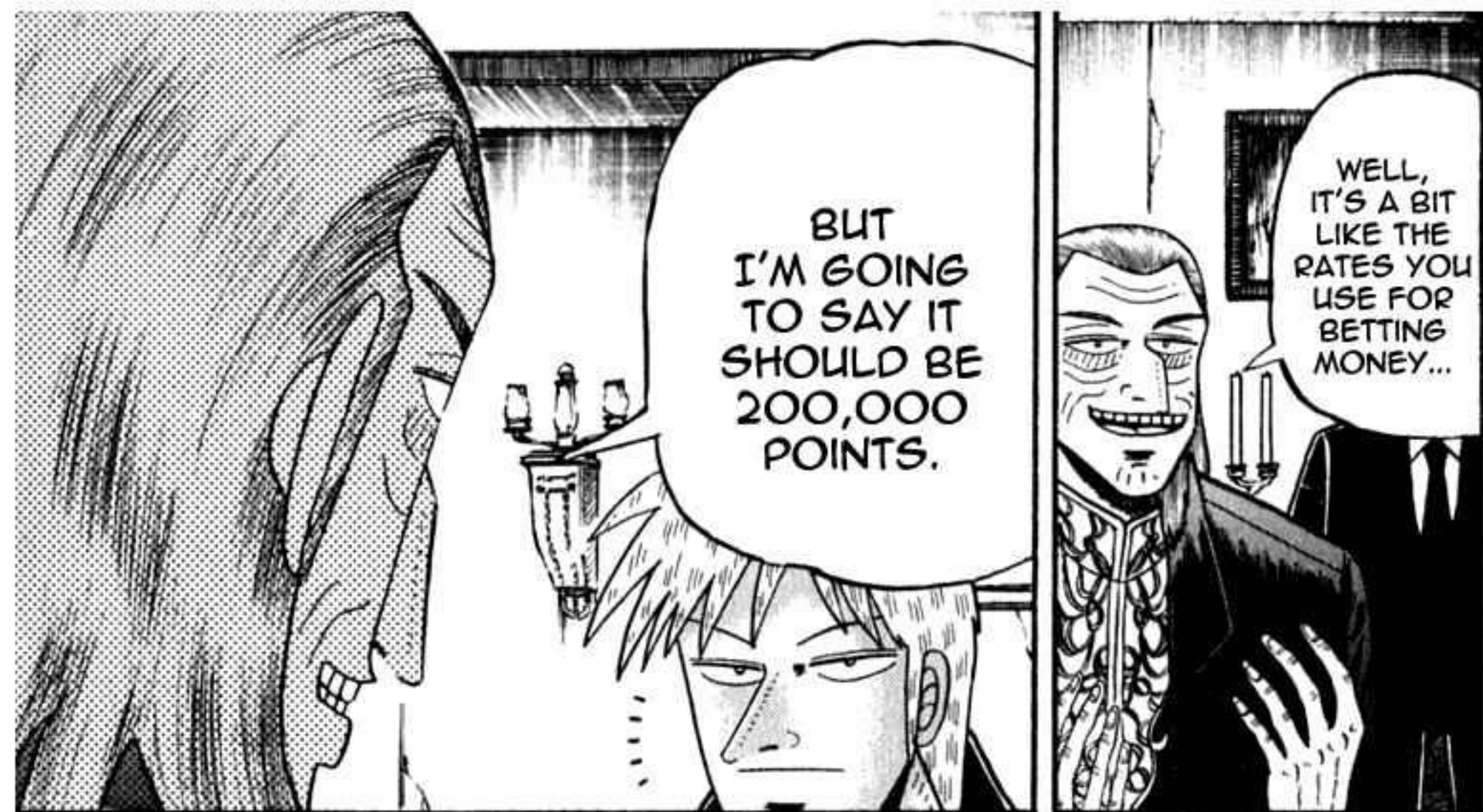
AND
YOUR
2000
CCS...

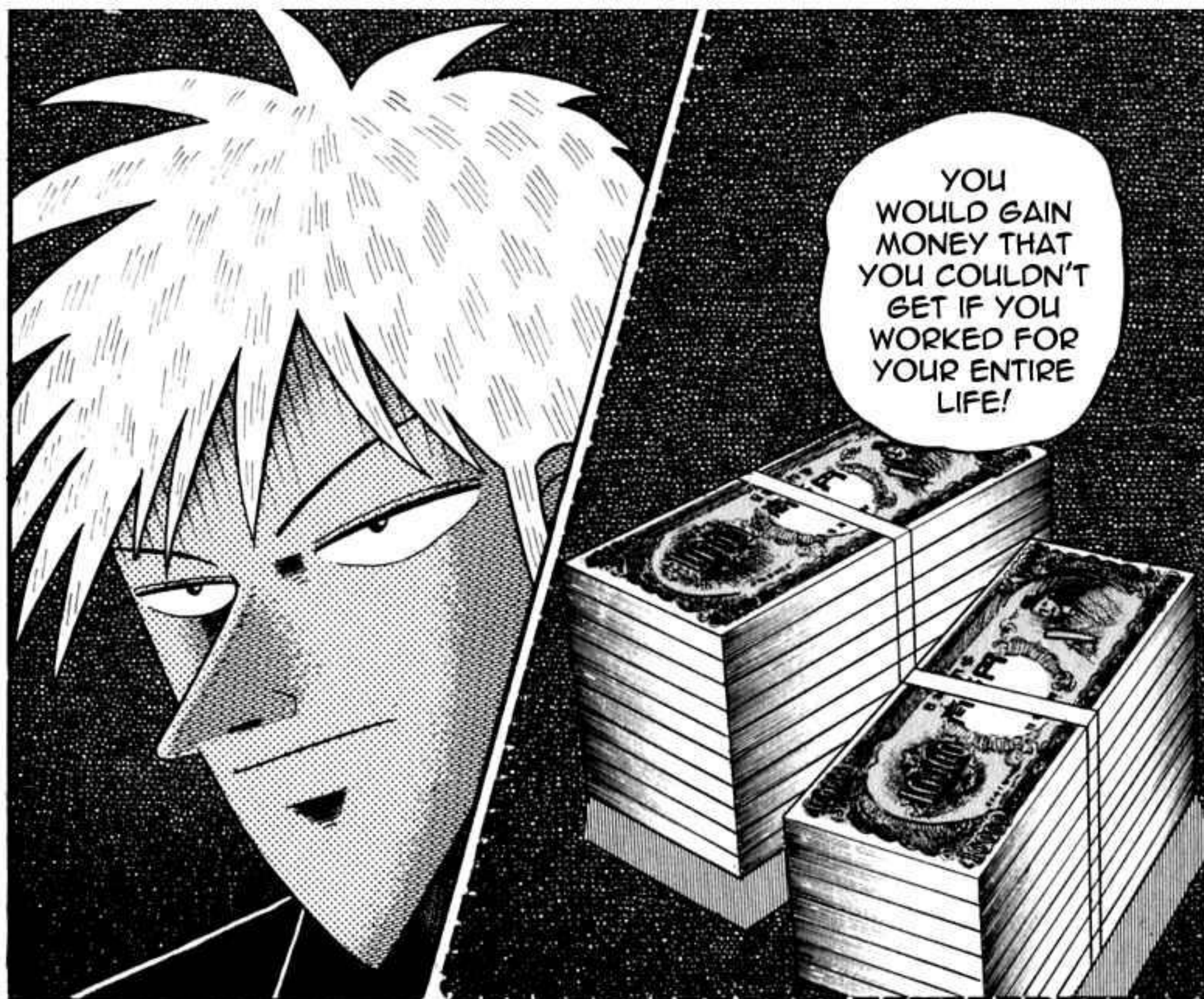


NOW,
ON TO THE
QUESTION
OF HOW TO
RELATE MY
20 MILLION...



EH-
HEH
...







YOU COULD
EASILY PULL
THROUGH
ALL OF THE
SESSIONS
BY SIMPLY
STAYING OUT
OF LAST
PLACE.


AND EVEN
WITH THE
STANDARD
10-30 LMA
BONUS
RULES...

AND
STILL
STAY
ALIVE.

IF WE
DID THAT,
YOU COULD
LOSE 30,000
POINTS
IN EVERY
SESSION...

$$\begin{array}{r} -30000 \\ \times \quad 6 \\ \hline -180000 \end{array}$$

T/N: LMA BONUS REFERS TO AN ADDITIONAL SCORE ADJUSTMENT BASED ON EACH PLAYER'S PLACEMENT



THERE
WOULD BE
NOTHING
WE COULD
DO ABOUT
THAT.




AN EASY
BATTLE.

MEANING, IT
WOULD BE A
GAME WHERE IF
YOU GOT 3RD
PLACE FOR
ALL OF THE
SESSIONS,
YOU WOULD
LIVE ON.



IN OTHER
WORDS...

WILL
INSTEAD BE
A ONE-ON-
ONE MATCH
BETWEEN
YOU AND I.



SO TO-
NIGHT'S
BATTLE
...

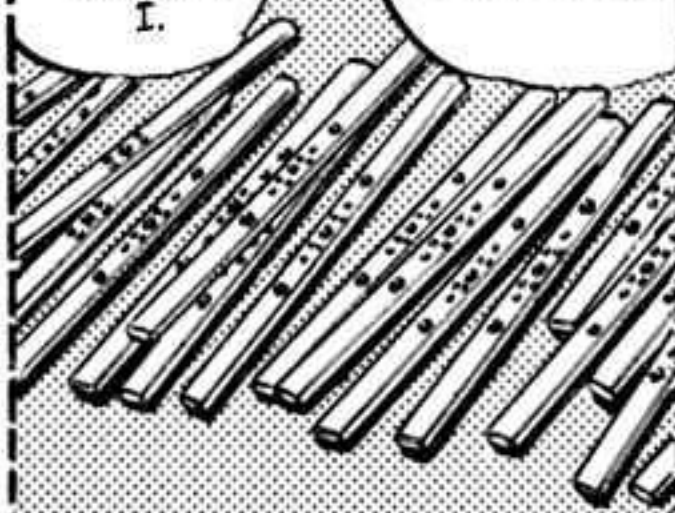
BUT
I DON'T
WANT A
BATTLE
WHERE
YOU
WON'T
EVER
FEAR
FOR
YOUR
LIFE.



TO
EXPLAIN
...

REFERS
MORE
TO THE
DIFFERENCE
IN POINTS
BETWEEN
YOU AND
I.

THAT
200,000
POINTS
YOU HAVE
TO LOSE...





20000
30000
+ 10000

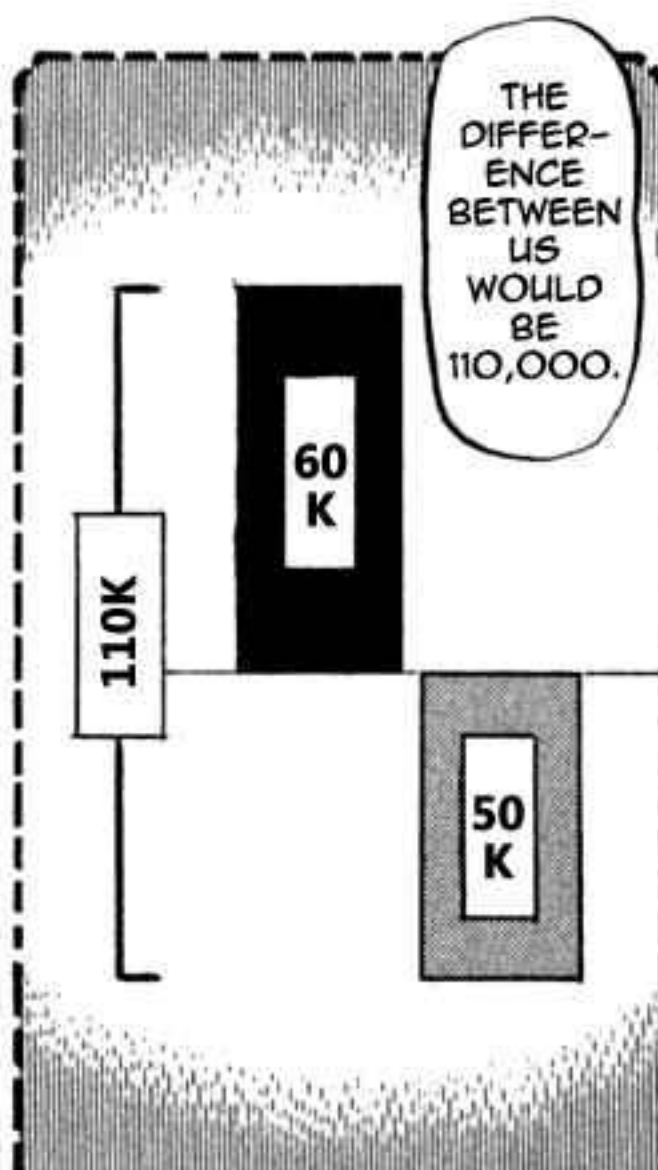
60000

FIRST, YOU WOULD ADD THE 20,000 POINTS FROM THE OKA BONUS TO MY SCORE FOR BEING IN FIRST PLACE.

ADD TO THAT THE 30,000-POINT FIRST PLACE UMA BONUS...

AND, AFTER SUBTRACTING THE STANDARD 30,000 POINTS FROM MY SCORE, WHICH WE'LL SAY IS 40,000, YOU ADD ON THE DIFFERENCE OF 10,000.

ALL TOGETHER, MY SCORE WOULD BECOME 60,000.



-30000
-20000
-50000

WITH THE -30,000 LAST PLACE UMA...

AND A SCORE OF 10,000 POINTS, MINUS THE STANDARD 30,000 POINTS, FOR AN END SCORE OF -20,000...

WOULD BECOME A SCORE OF -50,000 POINTS.

WHICH MEANS...

IF OUR PLACES WERE TO BE IN SUCH STATES TWICE IN THE GAME...

THAT IF SUCH A THING WERE TO OCCUR AGAIN...

YOU WOULD BE DOWN BY A FULL 110,000 POINTS IN JUST ONE SESSION.

WHICH WOULD LEAD TO THE IDEA...

WOULD VANISH THEN AND THERE!

OR MORE PRECISELY, YOUR 2000 CCS...

IN OTHER WORDS, IN JUST TWO SESSIONS, THAT 200,000 POINTS...

YOUR 200,000 POINTS WOULD VANISH IN THAT INSTANCE.

SHOWS JUST HOW QUICKLY YOU CAN GAIN TRULY SPECTACULAR SUMS OF MONEY!

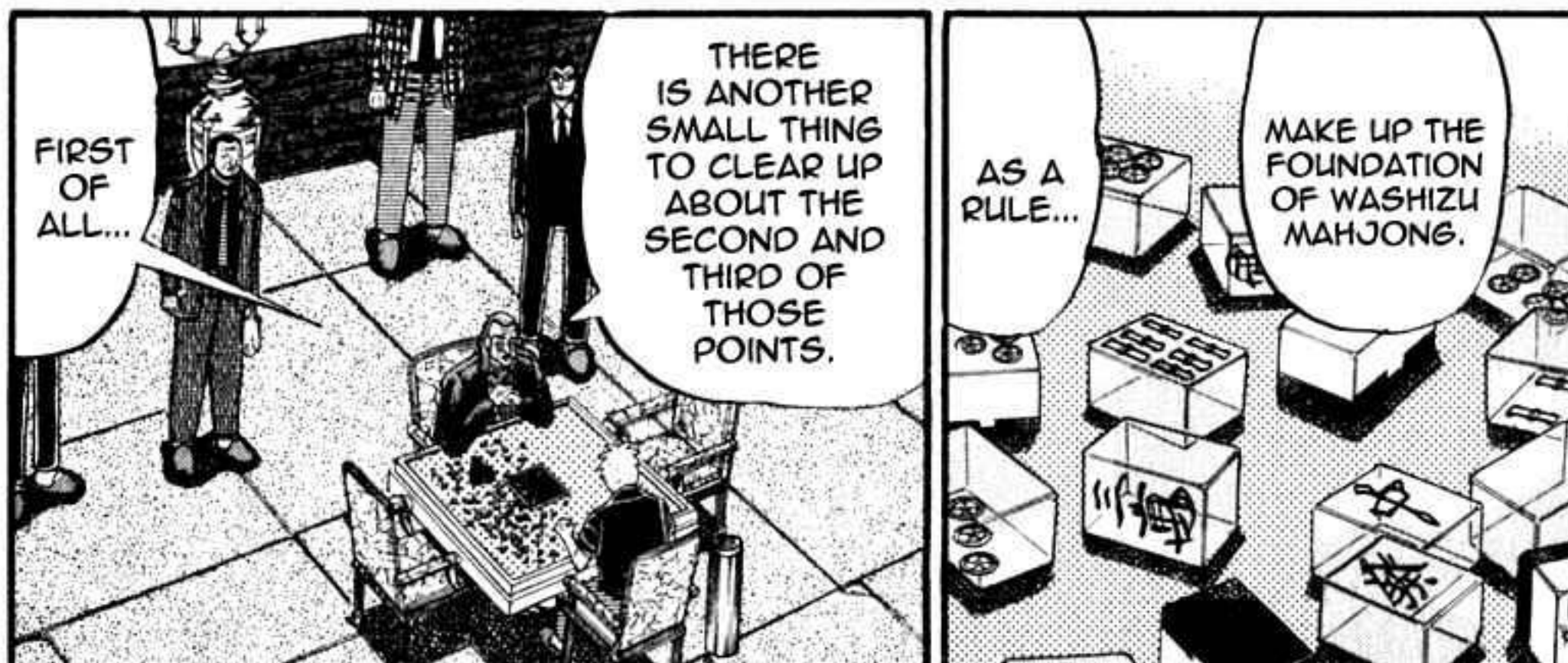
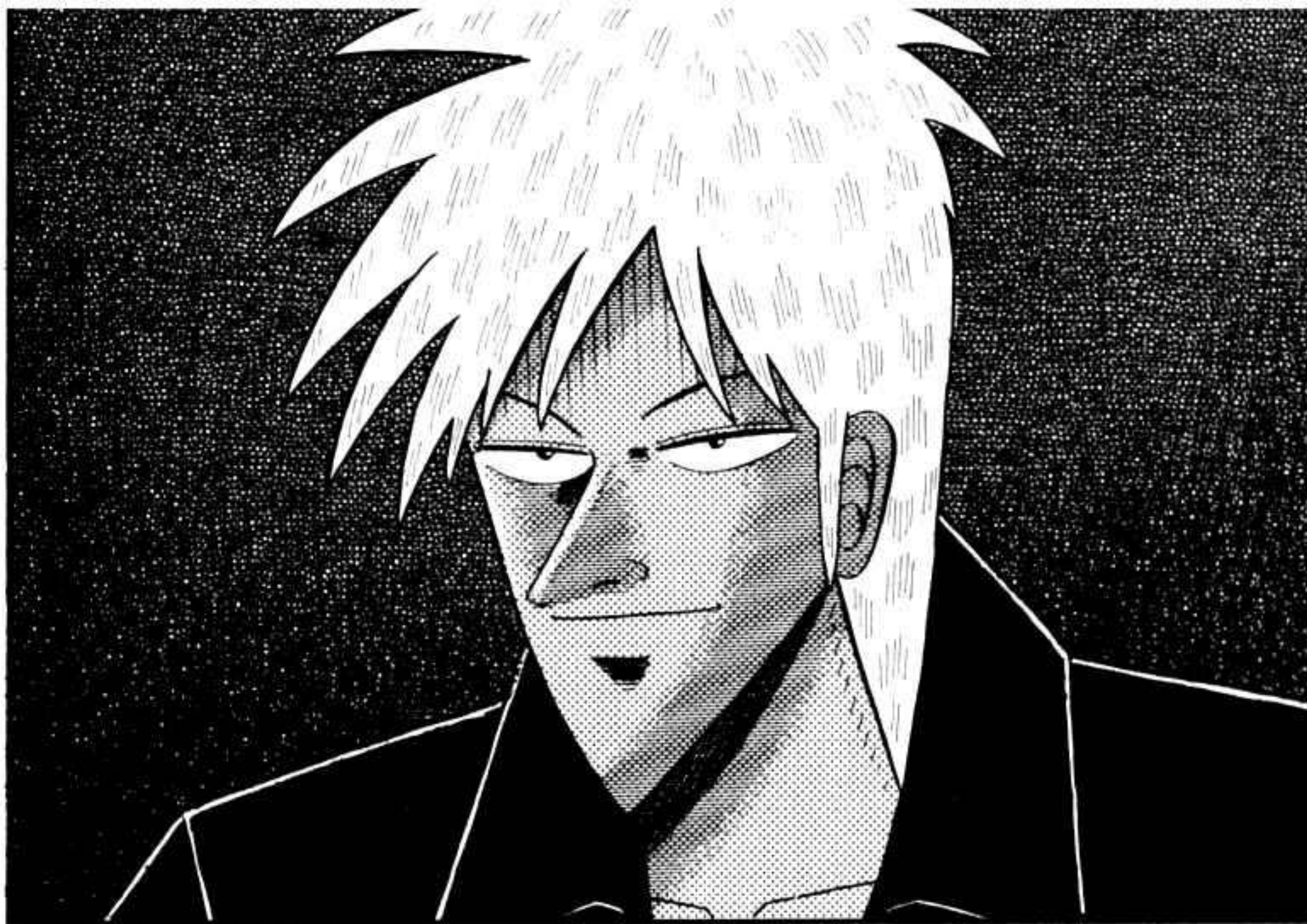
THINKING ABOUT THAT RISK FROM THE OTHER ANGLE...

BUT THAT SAID...

KHEH-HEH-HEH...

IT'S REALLY A WONDERFUL DEAL FOR YOU.


IF YOU JUST THINK POSITIVELY...





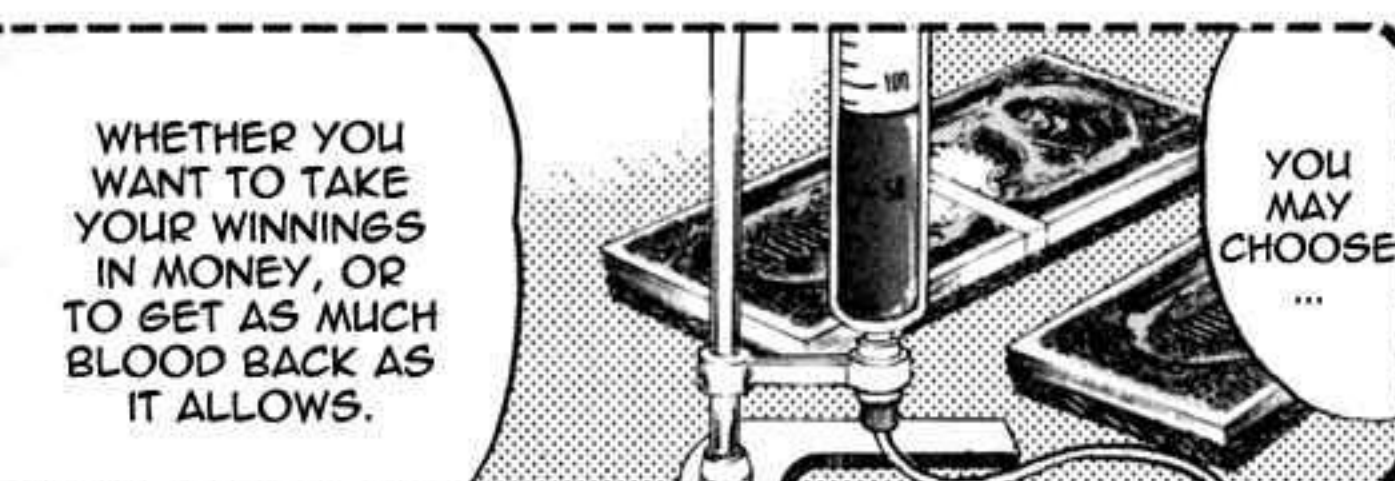
IF IT HAPPENS THAT YOU ARE HIGHER IN RANK THAN ME...

AND THESE ADJUSTMENT PAYMENTS WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER EVERY SESSION.



THE BATTLE WILL BE DIVIDED INTO 6 HANCHAN SESSIONS, AS YOU KNOW...

THE END-OF-SESSION ADJUSTMENTS.



WHETHER YOU WANT TO TAKE YOUR WINNINGS IN MONEY, OR TO GET AS MUCH BLOOD BACK AS IT ALLOWS.

YOU MAY CHOOSE ...


HOWEVER, IF YOU CHOOSE TO GO ONLY FOR THE MONEY...

FORGOING THE RIGHT TO GAIN EVEN A DROP OF YOUR BLOOD SUPPLY BACK...

IT IS THE VICTOR'S CHOICE TO DECIDE THE METHOD OF PAYMENT.

OF COURSE, I WILL ALLOW YOU TO DO BOTH.

THE CHOICE IS UP TO YOU.




ANOTHER IMPORTANT THING TO GO OVER...

FOR THIS ONE-ON-ONE BATTLE THAT IS WASHIZU MAHJONG...

AH, YES, YES, THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE.

KHEH-HEH-HEH...



IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR THE BATTLE TO END IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SESSION!

KHEH-
HEH...

.....
?

THERE IS ALSO
SOMETHING
OF A TIP... A
BONUS THAT'S
AWARDED AT
POINTS.

OR IF WE
TSUMO...
BASICALLY
ANY EX-
CHANGE
OF POINTS
BETWEEN
YOU AND
I...

IN
SITUATIONS
WHERE
THERE ONE
OF US GETS
A DIRECT HIT
OFF THE
OTHER...

IT'S
SIMPLE
TO EX-
PLAIN.

IF I GET A DIRECT HIT
MANGAN FOR 8,000
POINTS OFF YOU...

THAT IS,
WHOEVER
COMPLETES
THE HAND WILL
RECEIVE THE
BONUS FROM
THE OTHER.

THAT THE
LOSER
WILL PAY
TO THE
WINNER.

WILL
CORRE-
SPOND
TO AN
AMOUNT OF
MONEY OR
BLOOD...

THAT
EXACT
NUMBER
OF
POINTS...

FOR EXAM-
PLE...

THE SAME THING GOES FOR TSUMO WINS.

YOU WOULD NEED TO PAY WITH EITHER 8 MILLION YEN OR 80 CCS OF BLOOD.

SINCE IT'S 8,000 POINTS...

AT THAT MOMENT, THAT 8,000 POINTS THAT TRANSFERRED BETWEEN US...

WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID FOR THEN AND THERE.

IF I WERE TO MAKE A TSUMO AS A NON-DEALER...

YOU WOULD NEED TO PAY WITH EITHER 4 MILLION YEN OR 40 CCS OF BLOOD.

SO TO PAY FOR THAT 4,000...

AND IF YOU HAPPENED TO BE THE DEALER, THEN NATURALLY YOU WOULD HAVE TO PAY HALF THE AMOUNT, OR 4,000 POINTS.

FOR 8,000 POINTS ...

ONLY APPLIES TO YOU AND I.

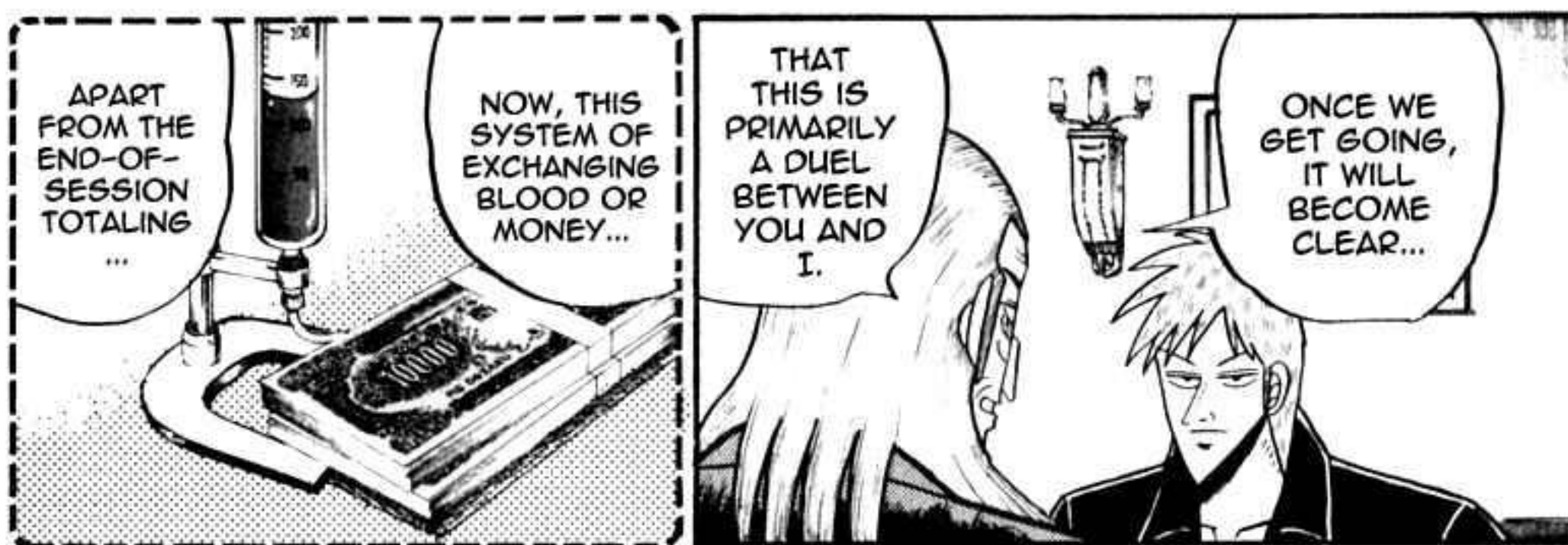
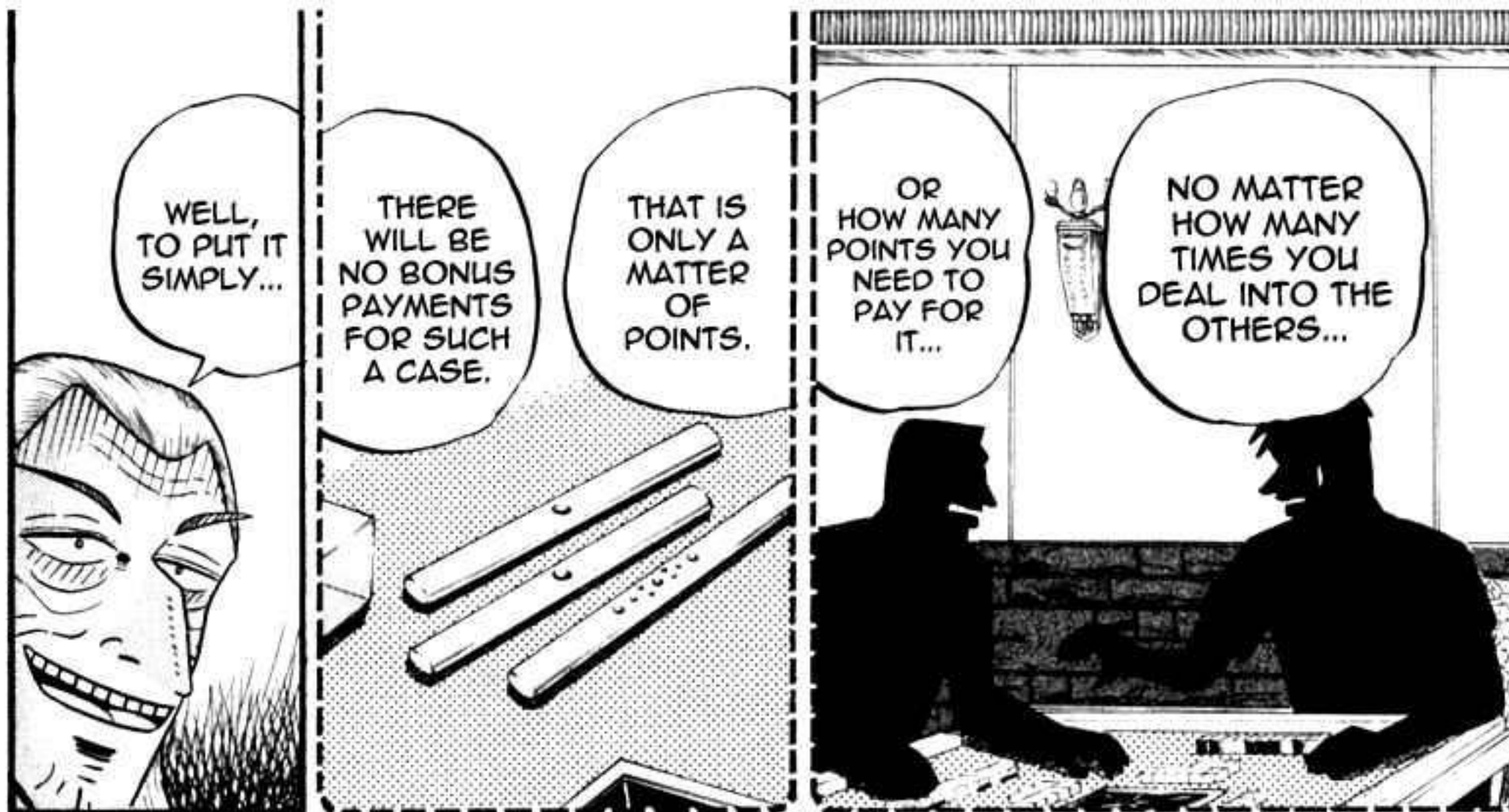
I'M RE-PEATING MYSELF, BUT THIS SYSTEM ...


...

WITH EITHER MONEY OR THE BLOOD I'VE TAKEN FROM YOU.

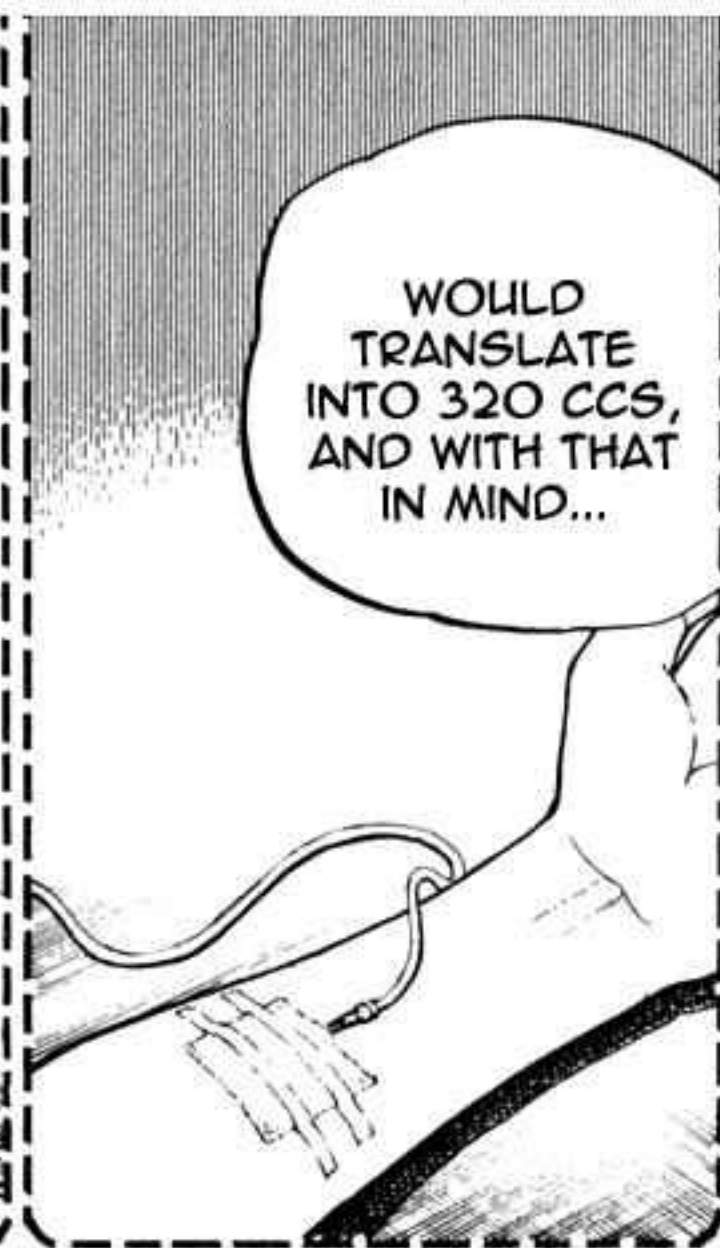
OF COURSE, IF YOU ARE TO TSUMO OR GET A DIRECT HIT FROM ME...

THEN I WOULD NEED TO PAY...






EVEN
THOUGH
IT WOULD
STILL BE
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF THE
HAN-
CHAN...



WOULD
TRANSLATE
INTO 320 CCS,
AND WITH THAT
IN MIND...

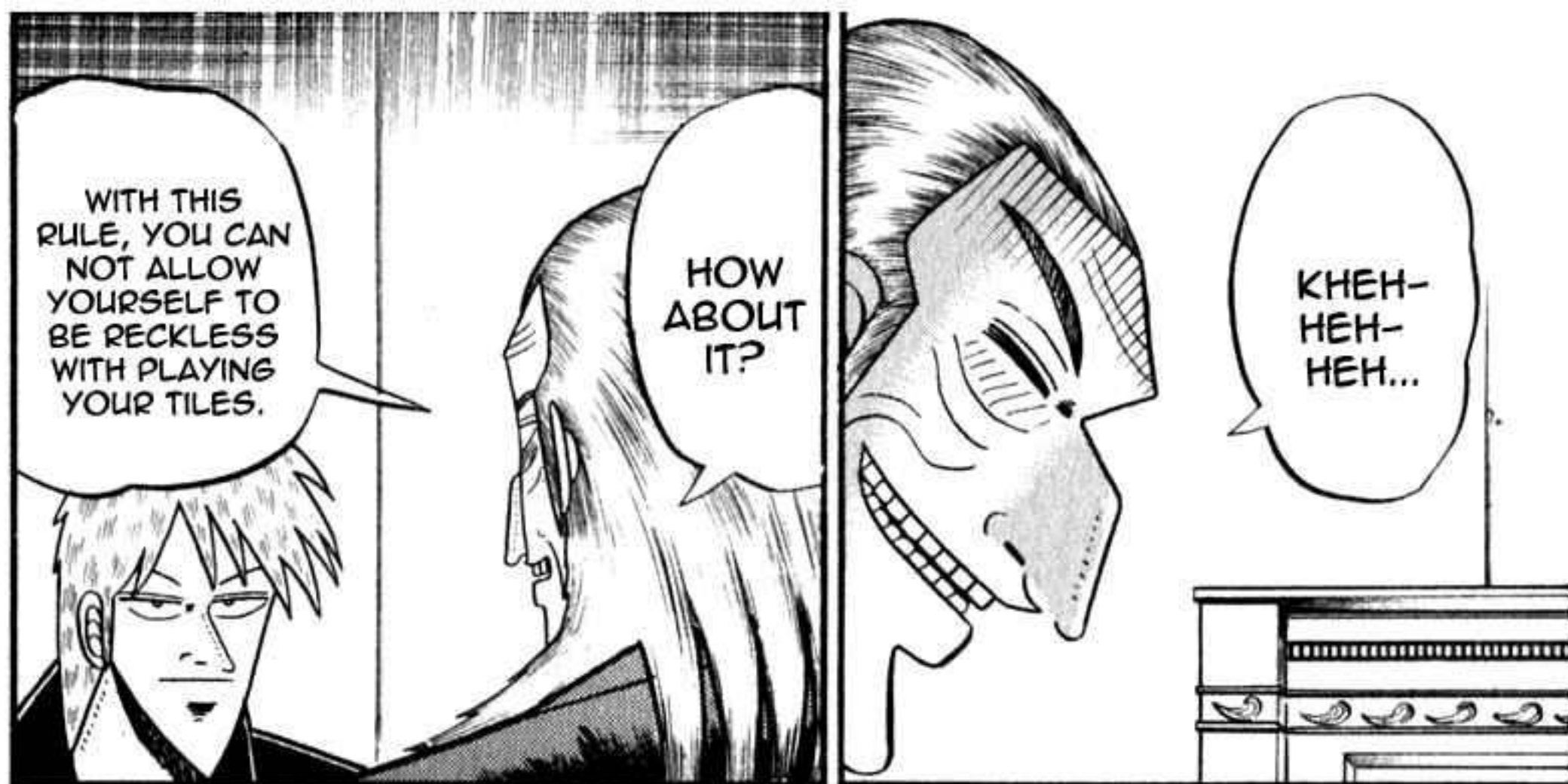


THAT
32000
POINTS...



IT
WOULD BE
DECIDED
IN AN
INSTANT!

YOUR
LIFE
COULD
CER-
TAINLY
END!





THAT
INTENSE
FEAR...
THAT
DREAD!
DESPAIR!

THAT I
WANTED
TO SEE
SO MUCH
...!



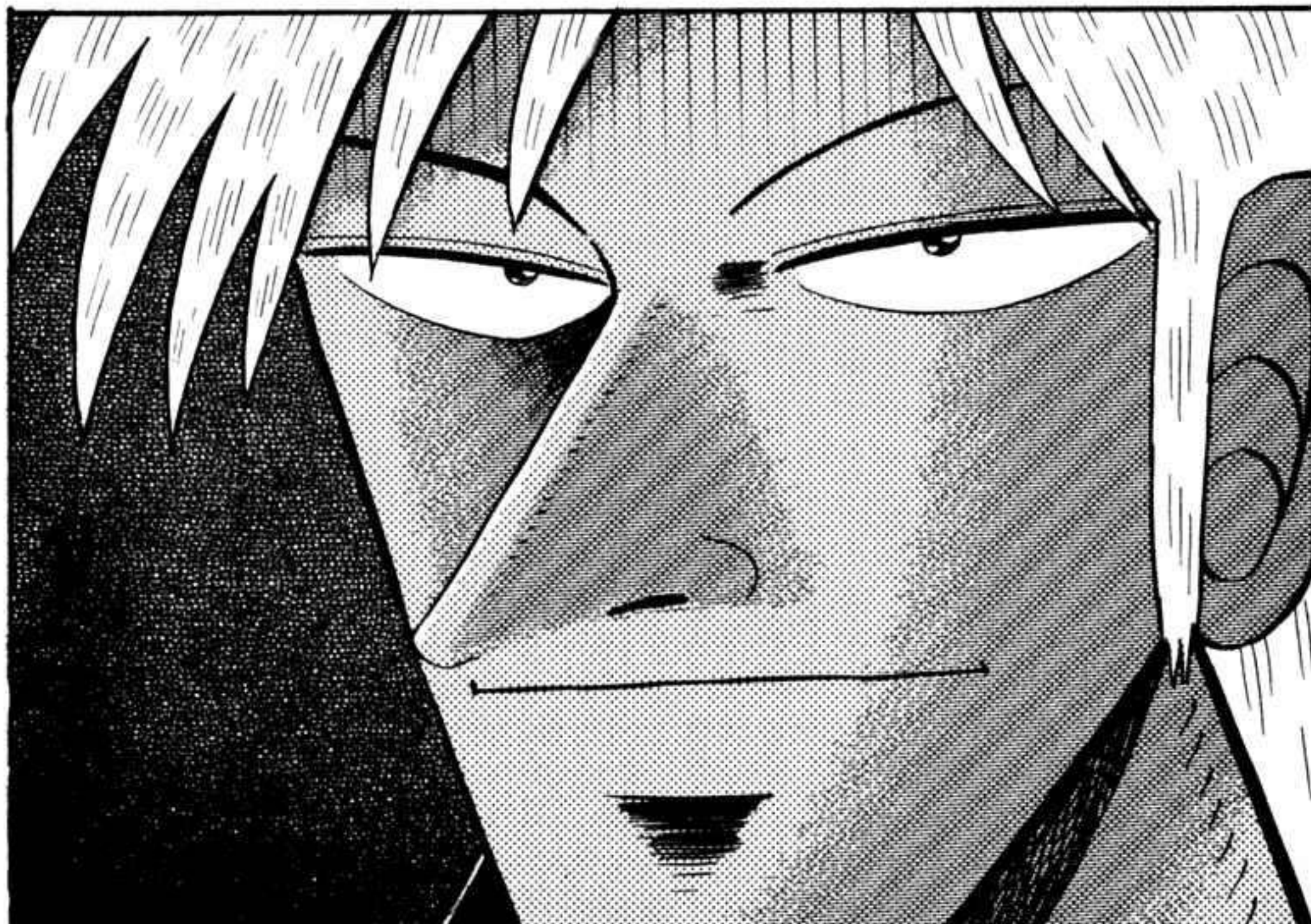
WHICH
IS WHY...
SO MANY
MEN...

I WANTED
TO SEE IT...
I WANTED TO
SEE IT...!

I
WANTED
TO SEE
IT...



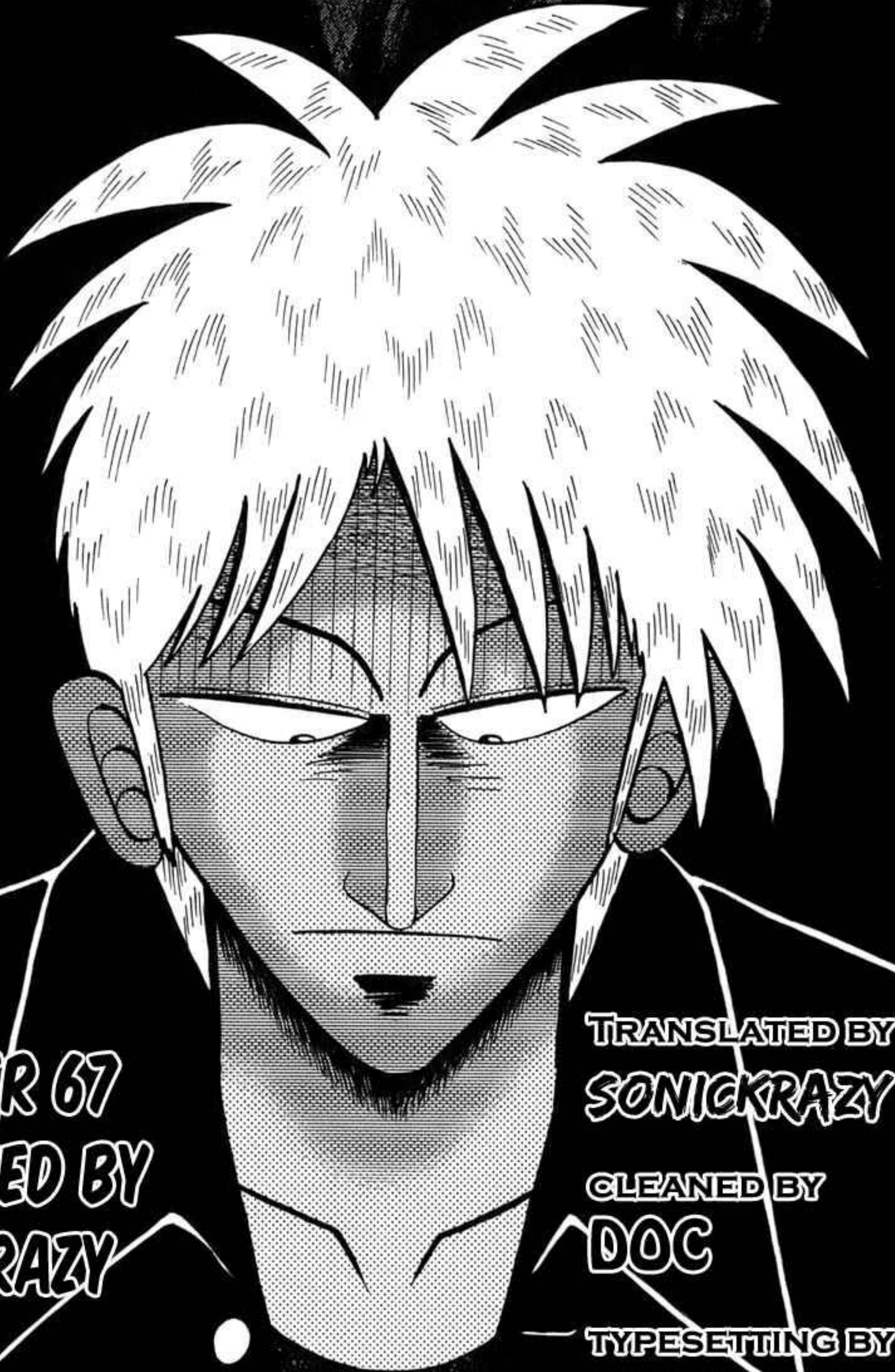
I
KILLED
SO VERY
MANY MEN
FOR IT!!



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CHAPTER 68 -
第68話 刺客





One risks their very life by playing.

This is no exaggeration. It is a game of mahjong in which...



Betting one's life.

KHEH-HEH-HEH...



HE'S INSANE ...




If Akagi loses this gamble, he will undoubtedly die.



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH-
HEH-
HEH...

EH-
HEH-
HEH...




And that monster's greatest joy was Washizu Mahjong...

HE'S...
A MON-
STER...



HIS
MIND ISN'T
THAT OF A
HUMAN, ANY
MORE...!

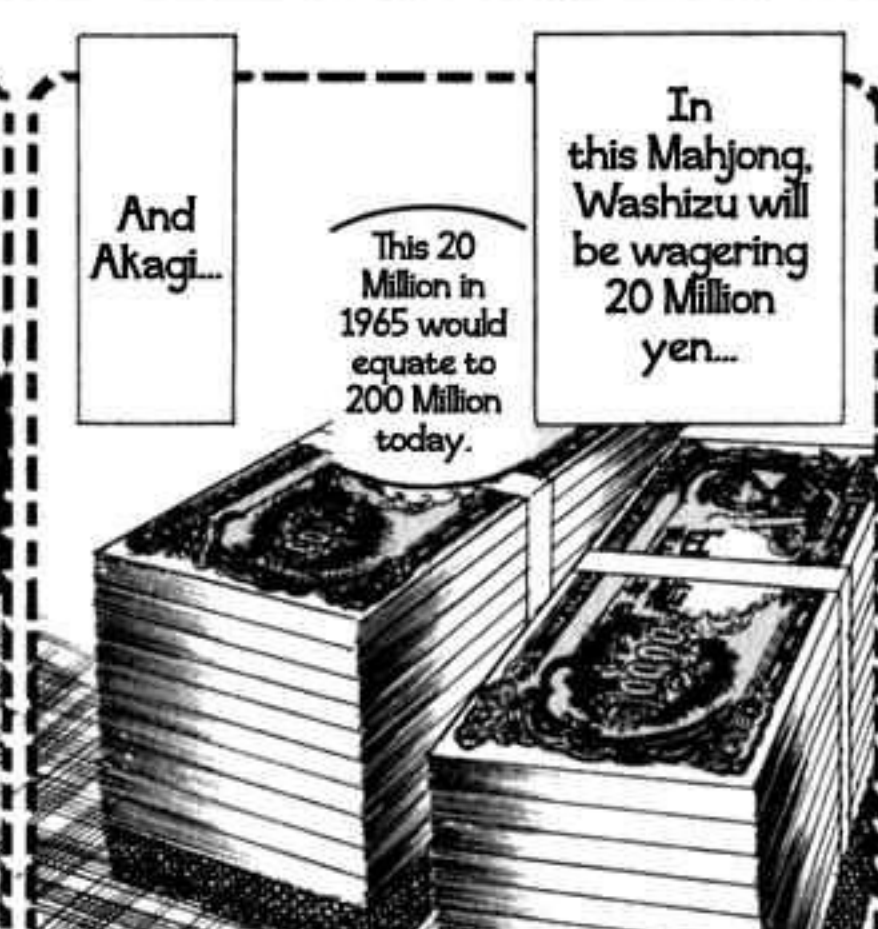
WASHIZU
EMBODIES
AN ENTIRELY
DIFFERENT
LEVEL OF
INSANITY
FROM
AKAGI...



These 2000
ccs are rep-
resented by
200,000
points.

Is wagering
2000 ccs of his
own blood, the
amount it will
take to kill him.

And
Akagi...



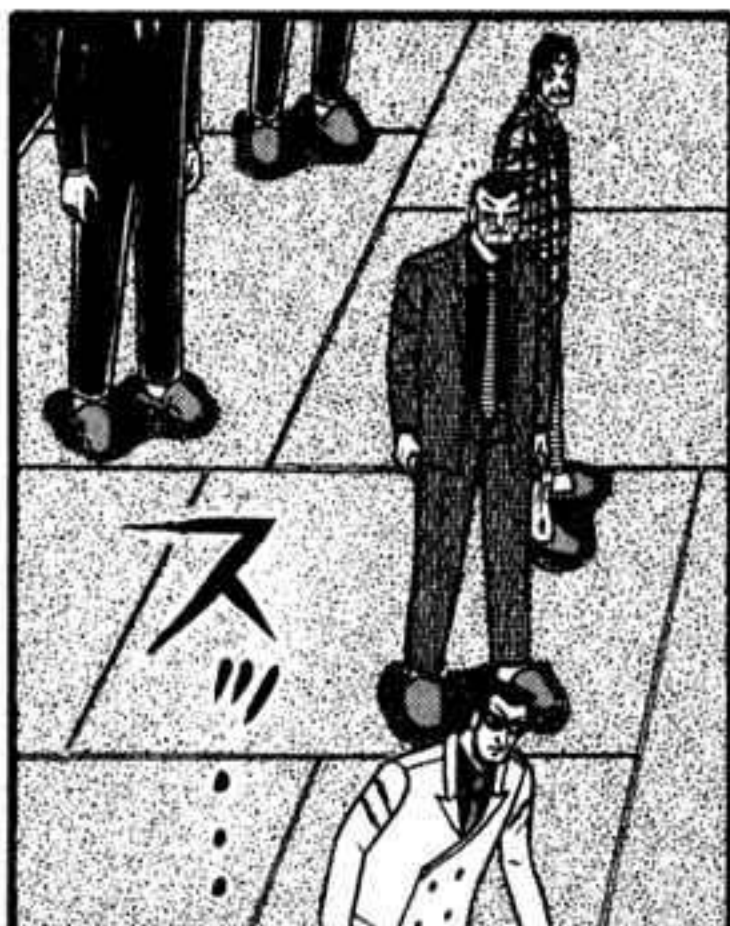
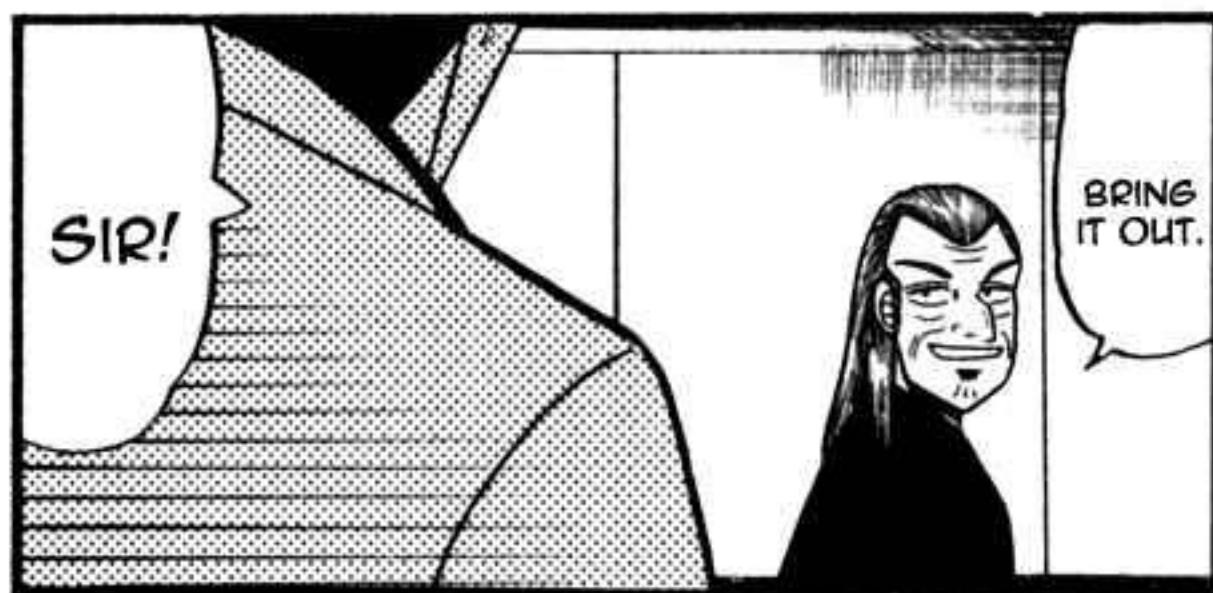
This 20
Million in
1965 would
equates to
200 Million
today.

In
this Mahjong,
Washizu will
be wagering
20 Million
yen...

If it happens
that the difference
between Akagi and
Washizu becomes
200,000...

**HE WILL
FALL FLAT
ON THE
TABLE....!**

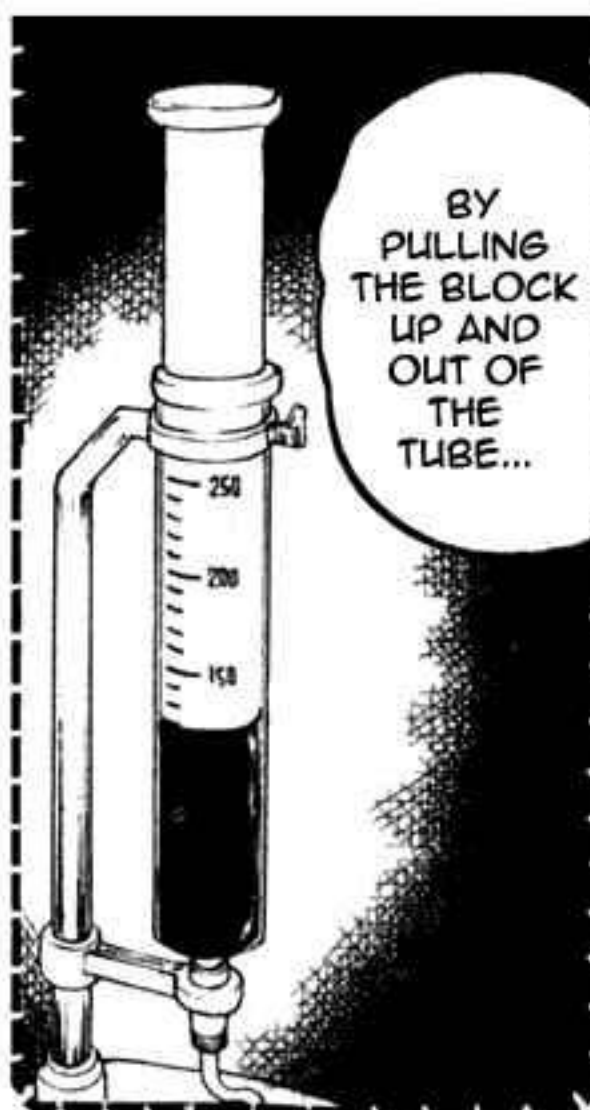
**HE
WILL
DIE!**



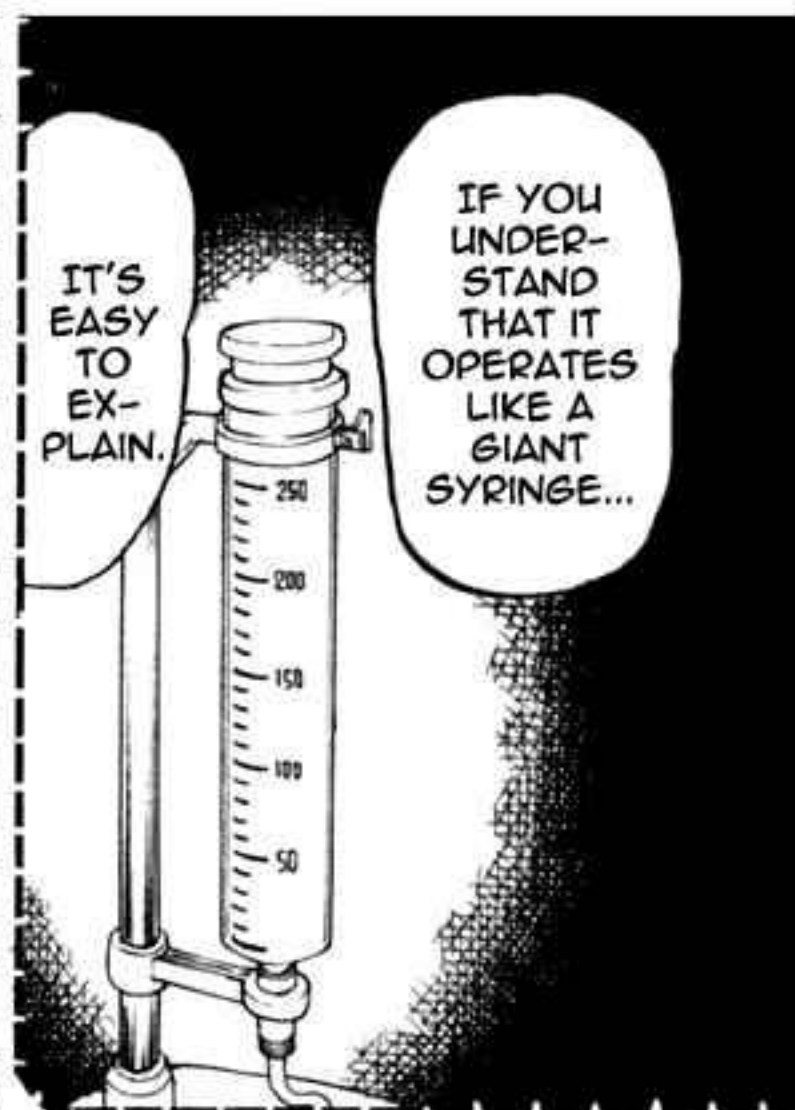




WE CAN
EXTRACT
HIS
BLOOD
VERY
EASILY.

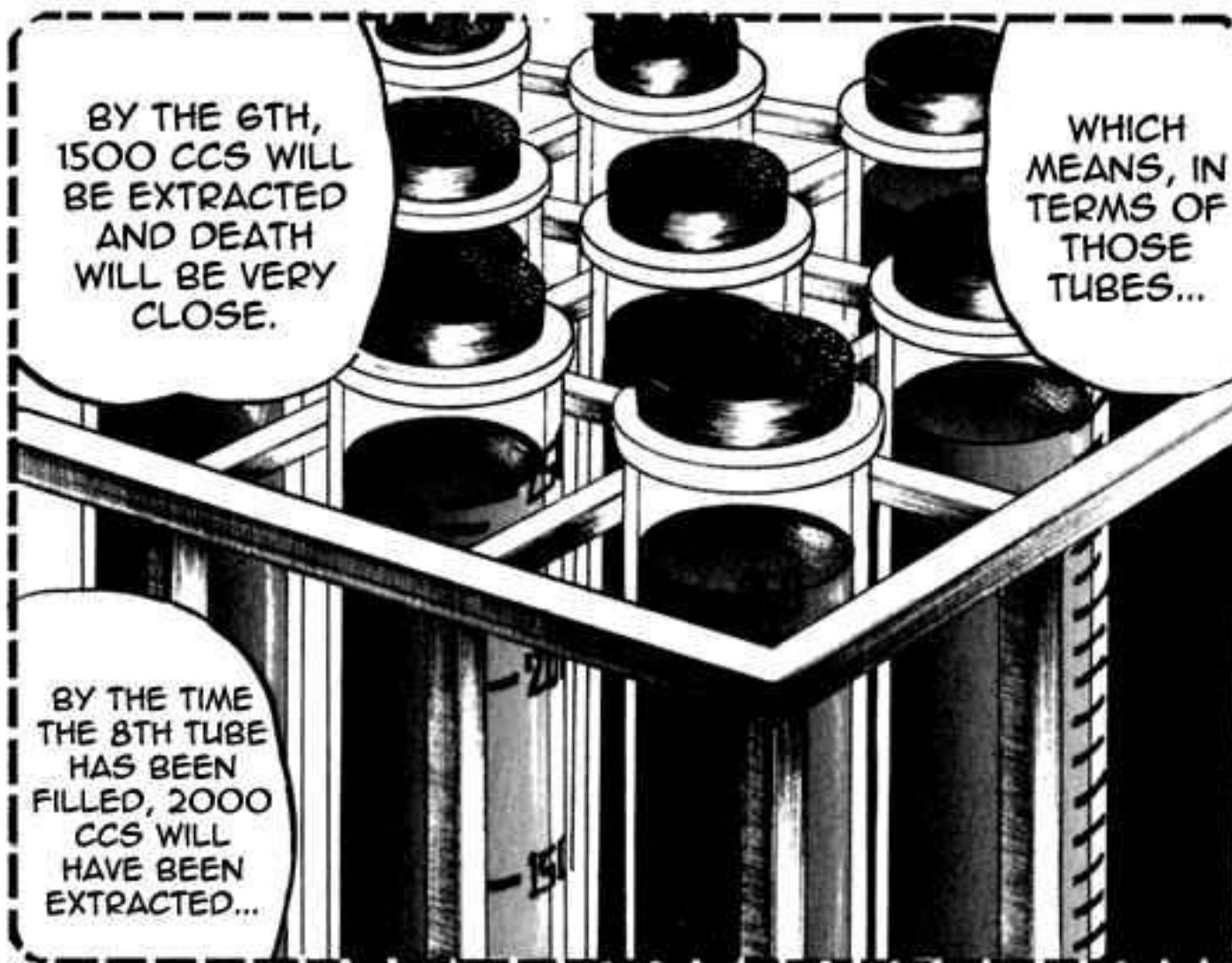


BY
PULLING
THE BLOCK
UP AND
OUT OF
THE
TUBE...



IT'S
EASY
TO
EX-
PLAIN.

IF YOU
UNDER-
STAND
THAT IT
OPERATES
LIKE A
GIANT
SYRINGE...



BY THE 6TH,
1500 CCS WILL
BE EXTRACTED
AND DEATH
WILL BE VERY
CLOSE.

WHICH
MEANS, IN
TERMS OF
THOSE
TUBES...



EX-
ACTLY
250
CCS.

EACH
OF THOSE
LONG VIALS
IS CAPABLE
OF HOLD-
ING...

BY THE TIME
THE 8TH TUBE
HAS BEEN
FILLED, 2000
CCS WILL
HAVE BEEN
EXTRACTED...




TO PUT IT
ANOTHER
WAY, THESE
CONTAINERS
YOU SEE
HERE...

KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...

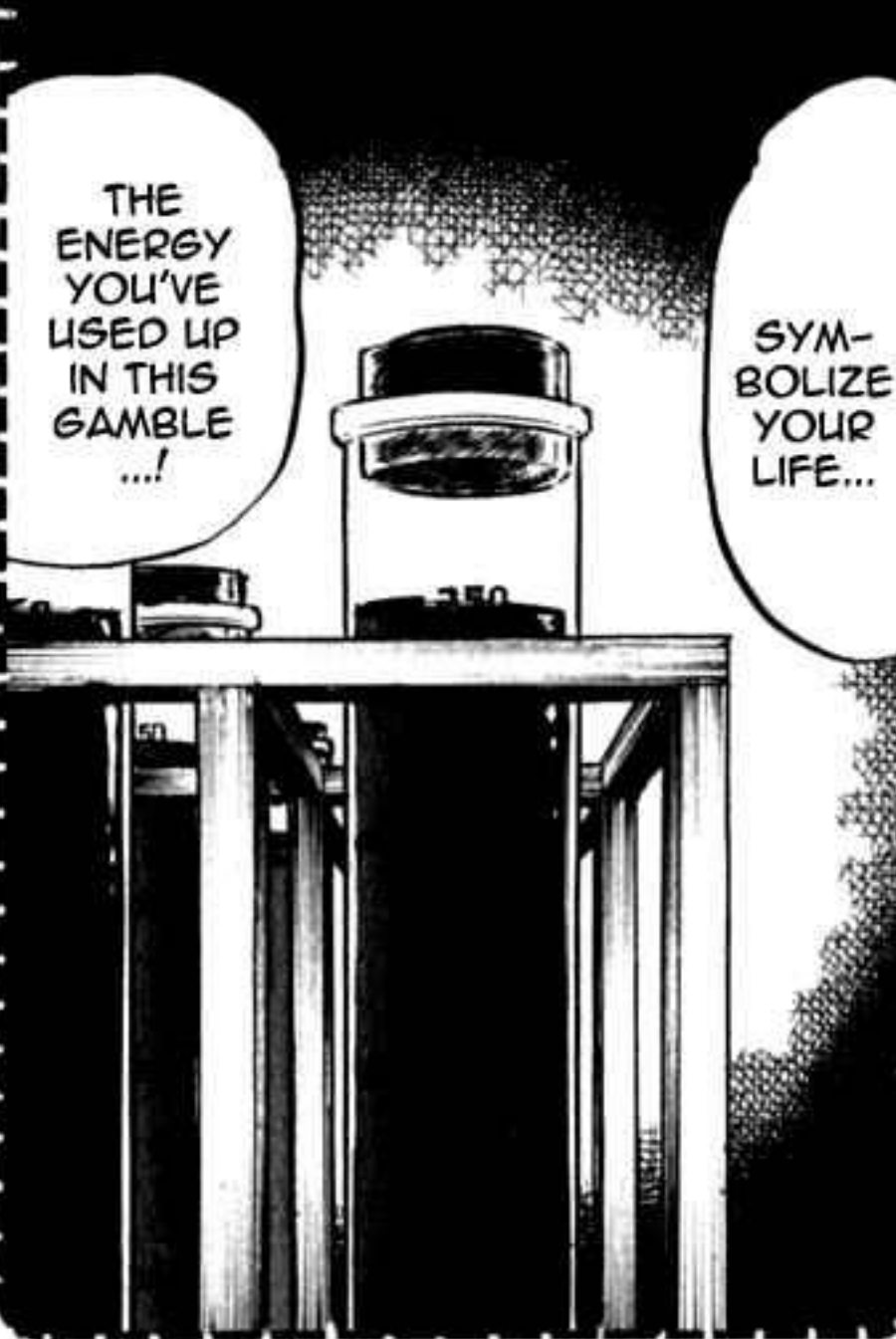


AND
YOU WILL
CERTAINLY
HAVE
DIED...!



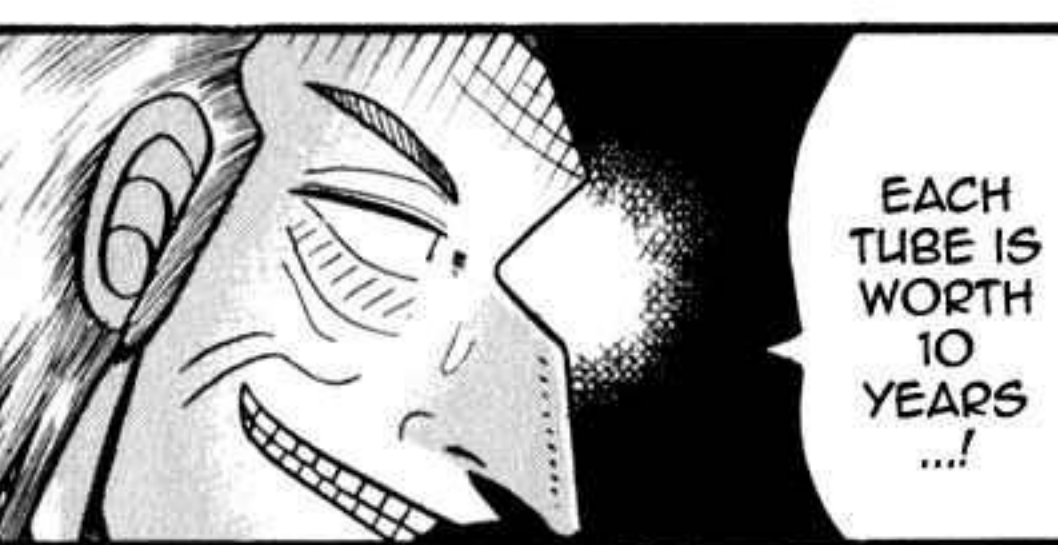
SIMPLIFYING
EACH OF
THOSE
TUBES INTO
UNITS OF
YOUR LIFE-
TIME...

WITH THE
KNOWLEDGE
THAT YOU
WILL PERISH
SOMEWHERE
BETWEEN
THE 6TH AND
8TH TUBE...



THE
ENERGY
YOU'VE
USED UP
IN THIS
GAMBLE
...!

SYM-
BOLIZE
YOUR
LIFE...



EACH
TUBE IS
WORTH
10
YEARS
...!



WITHIN THE
NEXT FEW
HOURS YOU
SPEND
IN THIS
ROOM...

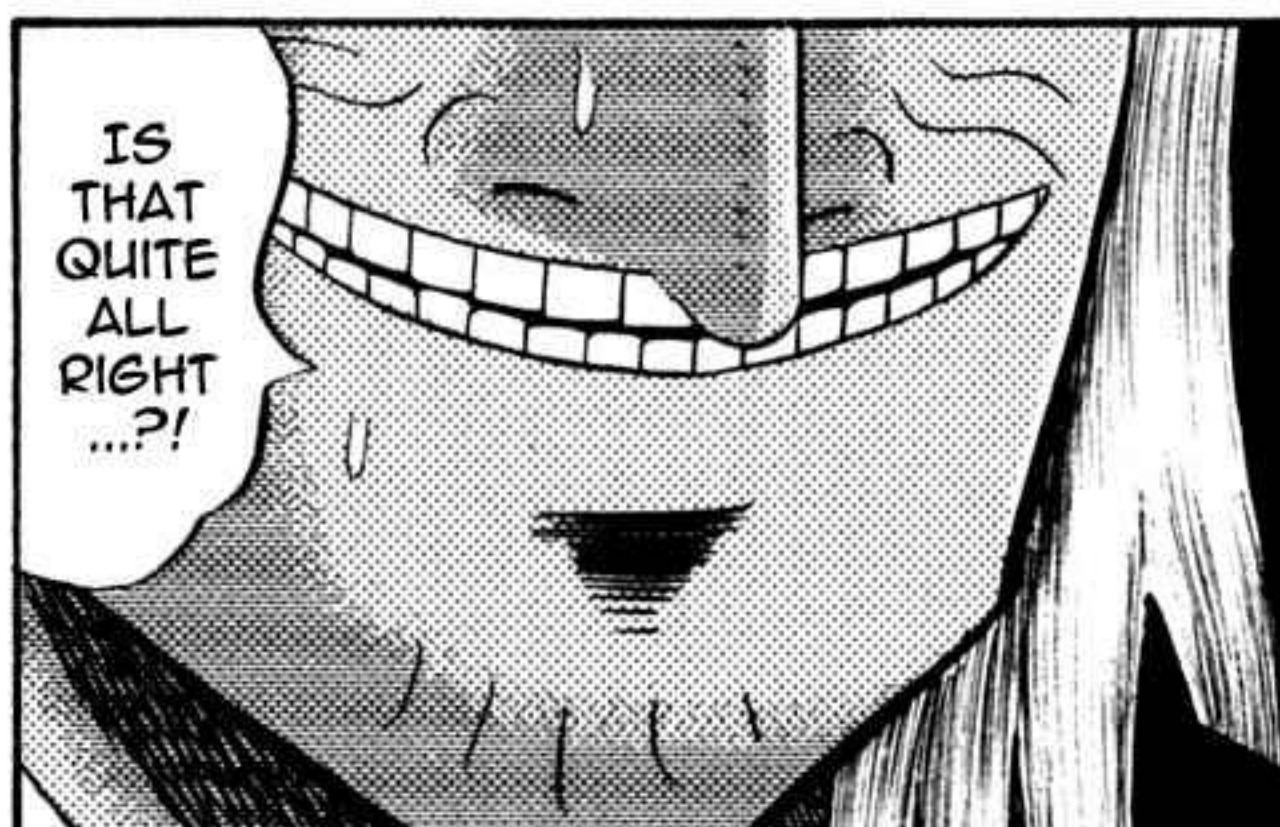
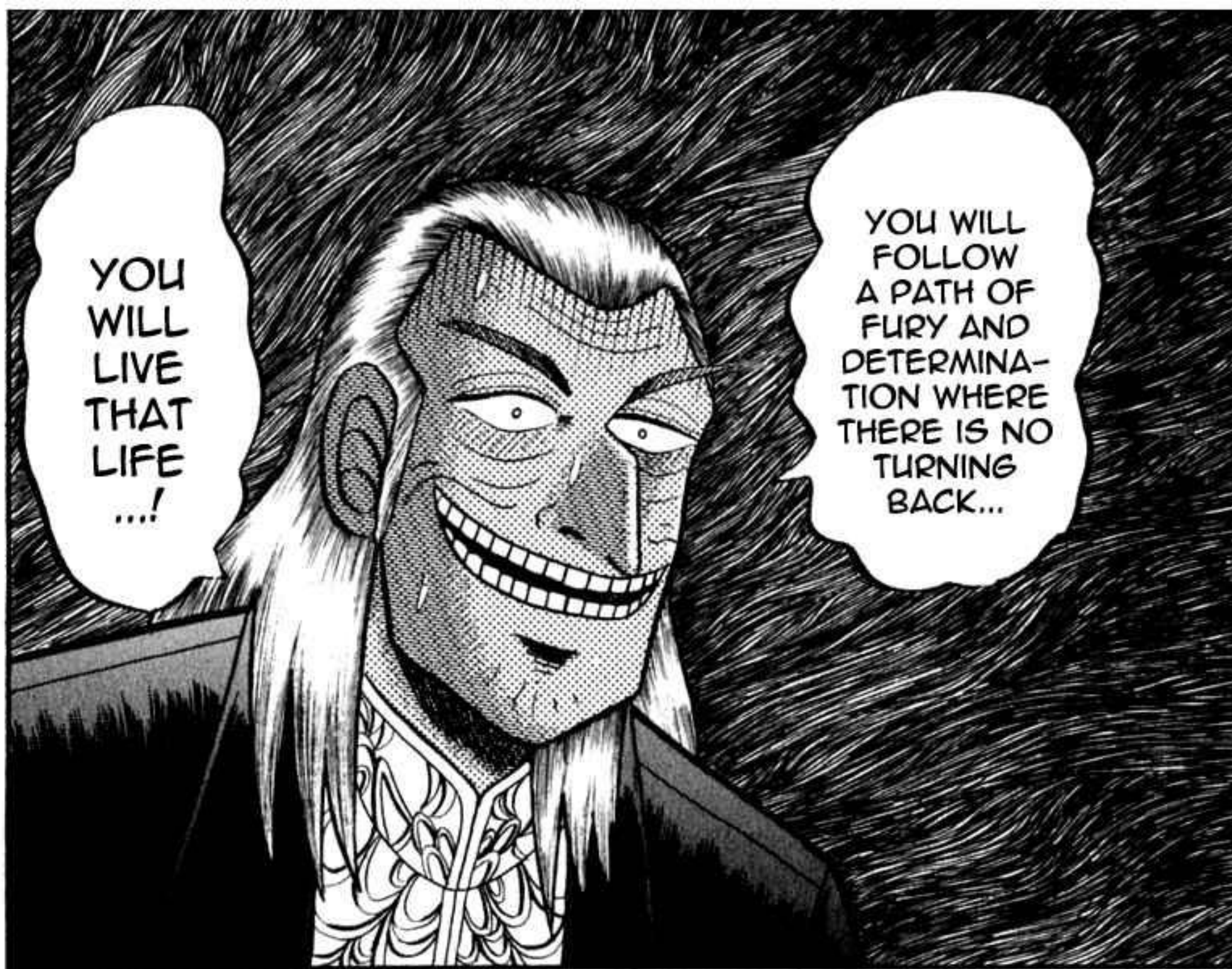
IN
OTHER
WORDS
...



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH-
HEH...



YOU WILL
LIVE OUT
YOUR
ENTIRE
LIFE...!



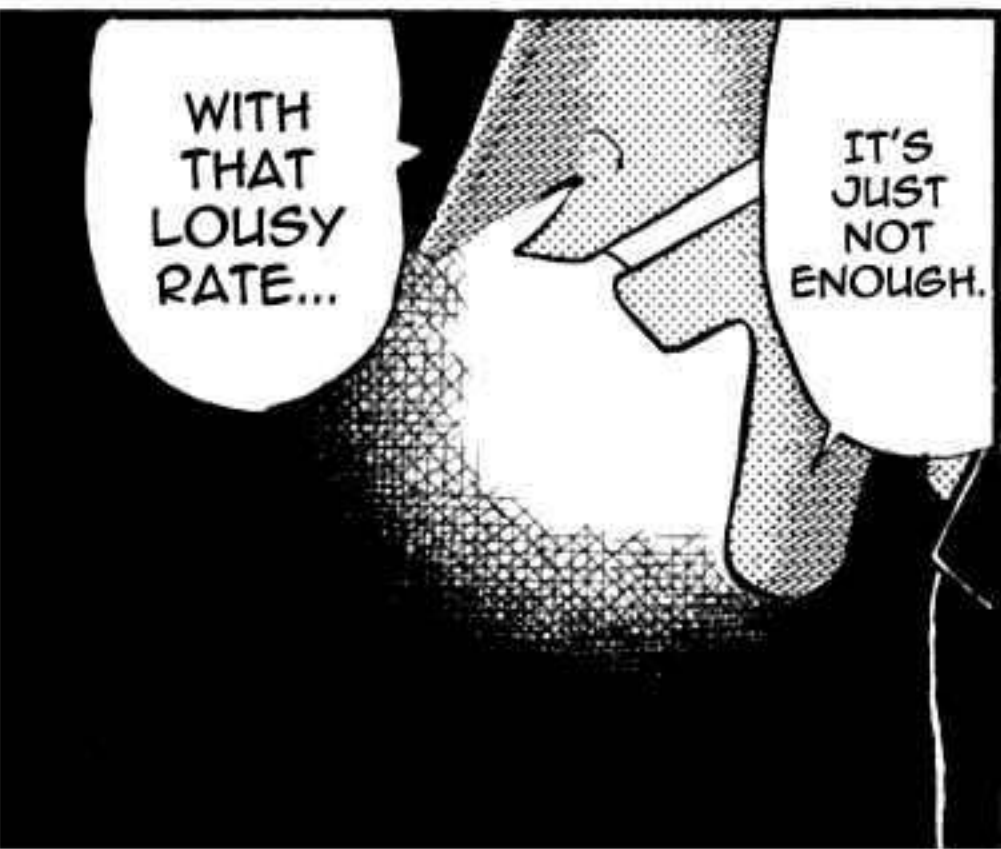
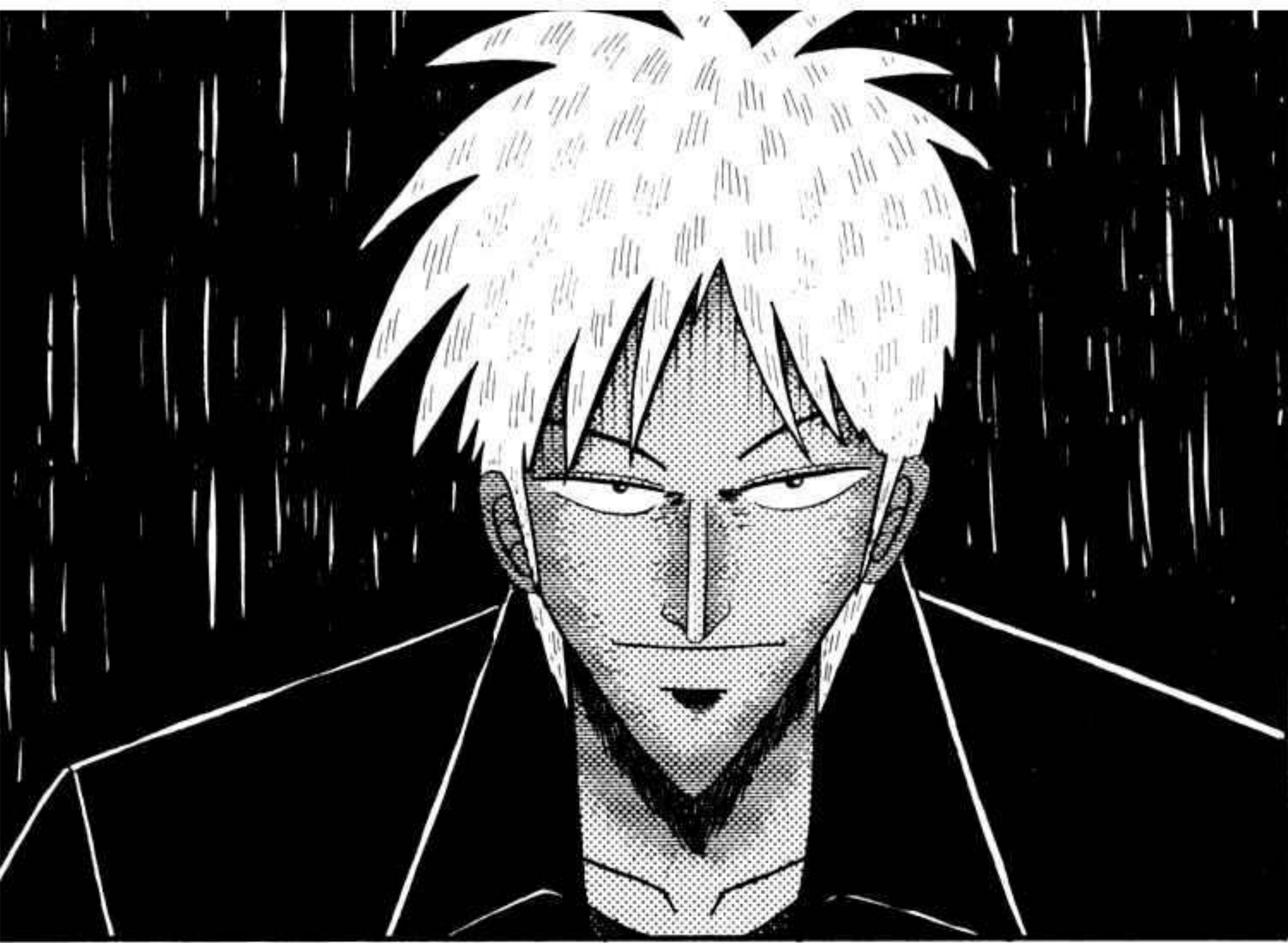


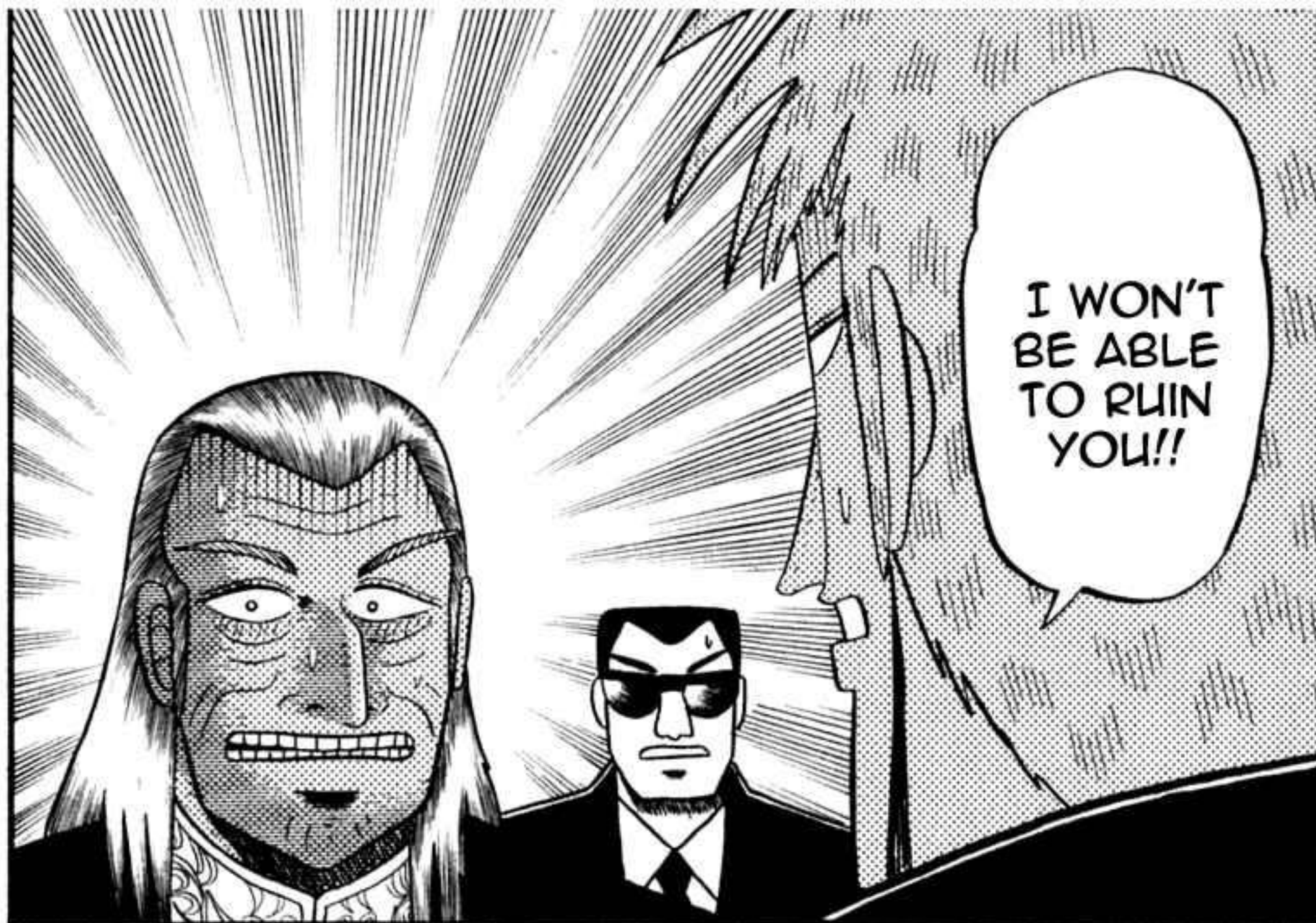


YOU DON'T
HAVE TO ASK
ME TWICE...

I CAN ONLY
IMAGINE
WHAT WILL
HAPPEN
FROM HERE
ON IN...!

+"
7







ON THE
LIFE OF
AN INSIG-
NIFICANT
BRAT...?!

This
200 Million
Yen in 1965
would equat
to about 2
Billion today.

NO...



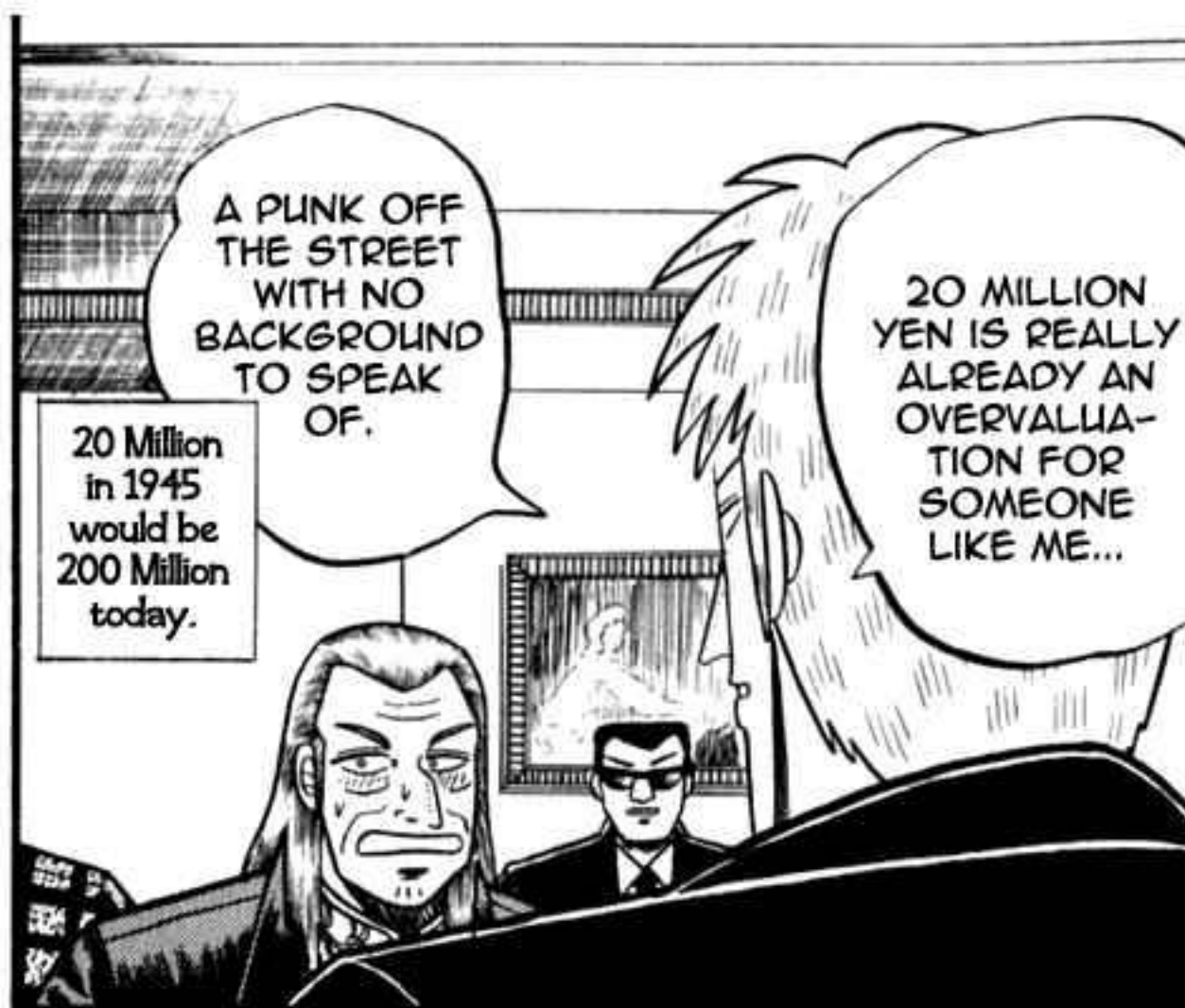
YOU
EXPECT
ME TO
WAGER
200...

I
WON'T
BE
SCRE-
WED
AROUND
WITH
...!!

200
MIL-
LION...



RI-
DICH-
LOUS
....!!



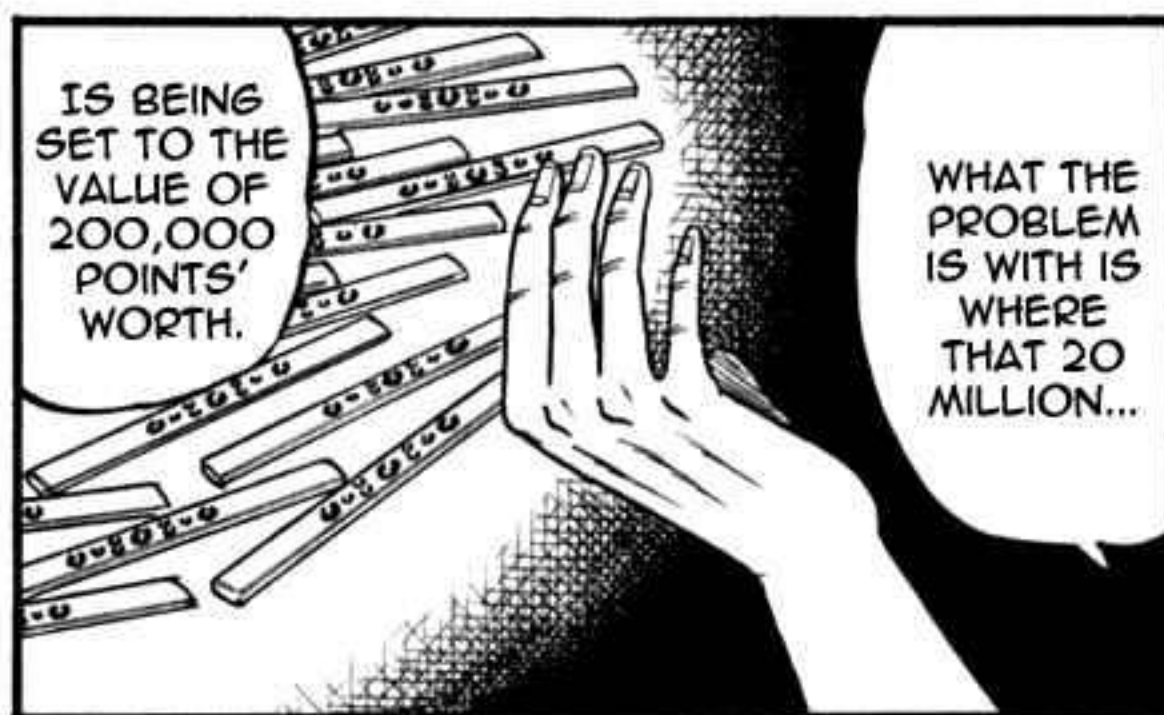
A PUNK OFF
THE STREET
WITH NO
BACKGROUND
TO SPEAK
OF.

20 Million
in 1945
would be
200 Million
today.

20 MILLION
YEN IS REALLY
ALREADY AN
OVERVALUA-
TION FOR
SOMEONE
LIKE ME...



THAT'S
OUT OF
THE
QUESTION.



IS BEING
SET TO THE
VALUE OF
200,000
POINTS'
WORTH.

WHAT THE
PROBLEM
IS WITH IS
WHERE
THAT 20
MILLION...



WON'T
CHANGE
THE BASE
VALUE OF
WHAT MY
LIFE IS
WORTH.

WHAT I
AIM TO
DO...



INSTEAD OF
MAKING THAT
20 MILLION
WORTH
200,000
LIKE YOU
WERE
SAYING...

FOR
THE 20
MILLION
YEN...



IN
OTHER
WORDS
...



WHAT
...?

THAT
AMOUNT IS
FAR TOO
GREAT.





HOW
COULD YOU
EXPECT TO
SURVIVE 6
SESSIONS
WITH JUST
THAT?!

THERE'S
NOTHING
YOU CAN DO
WITH JUST
20,000
POINTS!!

DON'T YOU
REALIZE
THAT GIVES
YOU JUST
20,000
POINTS?!

YOU WOULD
DIE THE VERY
MOMENT
THAT HAP-
PENED!

THE UMA
TOTALING
ALONE
WOULD
PUSH IT
OVER
20,000...

WHAT THAT
MEANS IS
THAT IF I
OUTRANK
YOU JUST
ONE TIME...

THE
GAME
HAS AN
UMA
BONUS
SET AT
10-30!

OR GET A
DIRECT HIT
OFF YOU,
THEN... IF I
MAKE A
TSUMO...

YOU
COULD
EASILY
RUN OUT
OF BLOOD
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF THE
BATTLE!!

THERE
WOULD
STILL BE
THE BONUS
PAYMENTS
TO WORRY
ABOUT!!

EVEN IF YOU
WERE ABLE
TO DO THAT
RIDICULOUS
TASK...

YOU
WOULD
HAVE TO
GET A
HIGHER
SCORE
THAN ME
EVERY
TIME...!!

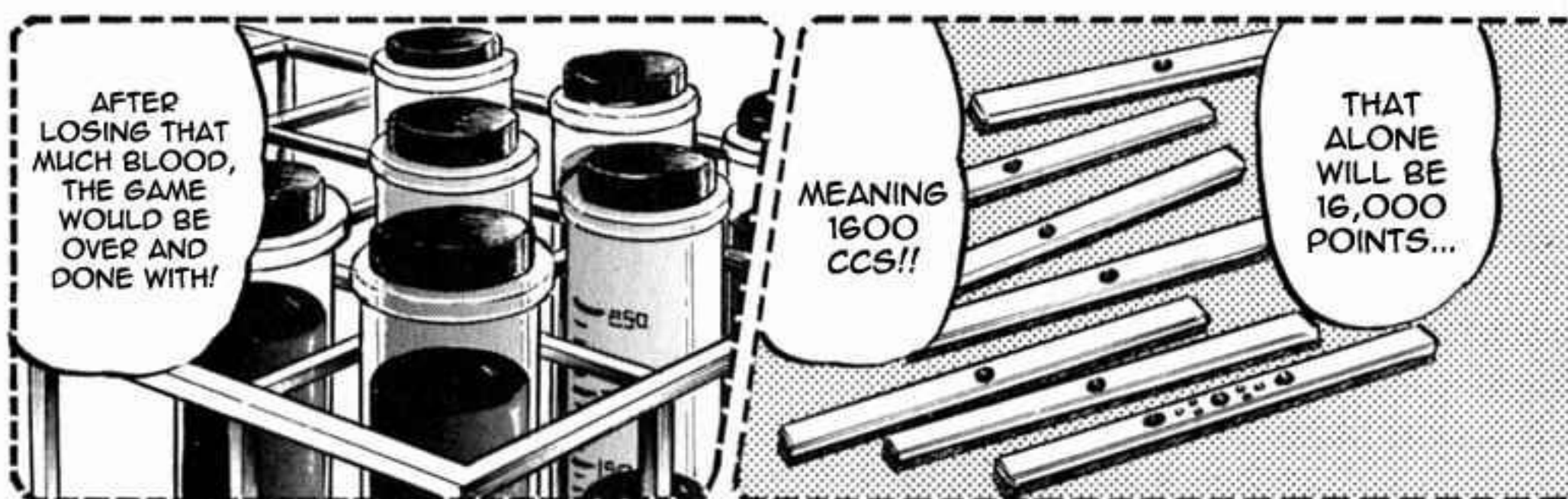
WHICH
MEANS,
FOR ALL
6 SES-
SIONS...

NO...



IF YOU
DEAL INTO
JUST TWO
OF MY
MANGAN
HANDS...

IN OTHER
WORDS,
OVER THE
COURSE
OF THE
BATTLE...



AFTER
LOSING THAT
MUCH BLOOD,
THE GAME
WOULD BE
OVER AND
DONE WITH!

MEANING
1600
CCS!!

THAT
ALONE
WILL BE
16,000
POINTS...



TO
SURVIVE 6
HANCHANS
WITH THAT
SET OF
RULES?!

HOW
COULD
YOU
POSSI-
BLY
EXPECT...



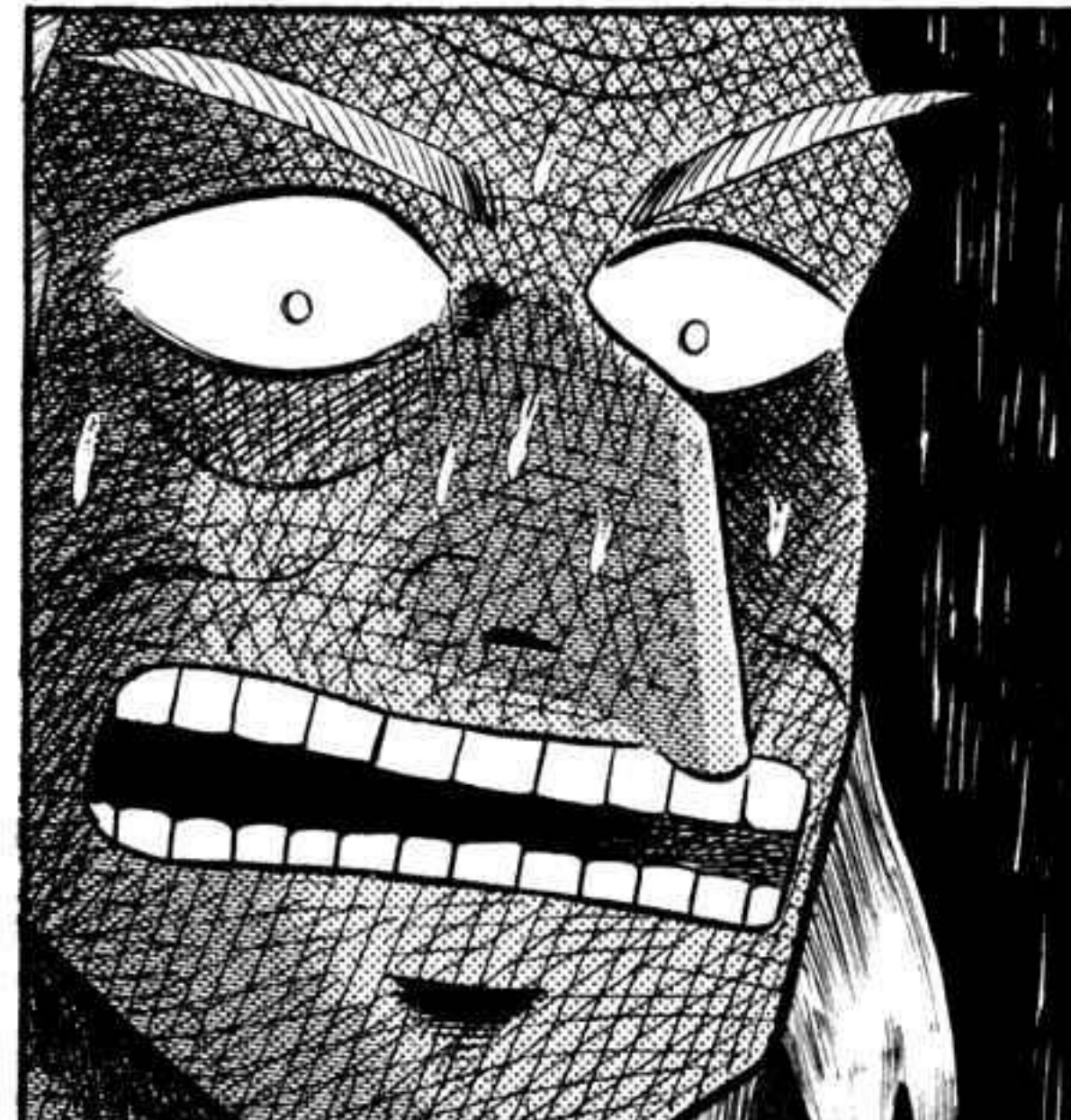
AM I
WRONG
?!

IT WOULD
BE OVER
BEFORE
WE EVEN
BEGAN!



THERE WOULD
BE NO WAY
FOR YOU
TO ENDURE
AFTER THAT
POINT!







WE
DESIRE
AN EAR-
NEST
BATTLE
BETWEEN
YOU AND
AKAGI.

WE HAVE
COME HERE
TONIGHT
FOR NOTH-
ING LESS
THAN THE
REAL THING.

THAT'S
RIGHT.

I
AM
...?

I HAVE
FAITH...

IS UNLIKE
ANY OF THE
SACRIFICIAL
LAMBS THAT WE
HAVE OFFERED
UP TO YOU IN
THE PAST.

THIS
MAN,
AKAGI
...

AS AN
ASSASSIN!

WE HAVE
PREPARED
AKAGI TO
COME TO
THIS
BATTLE...

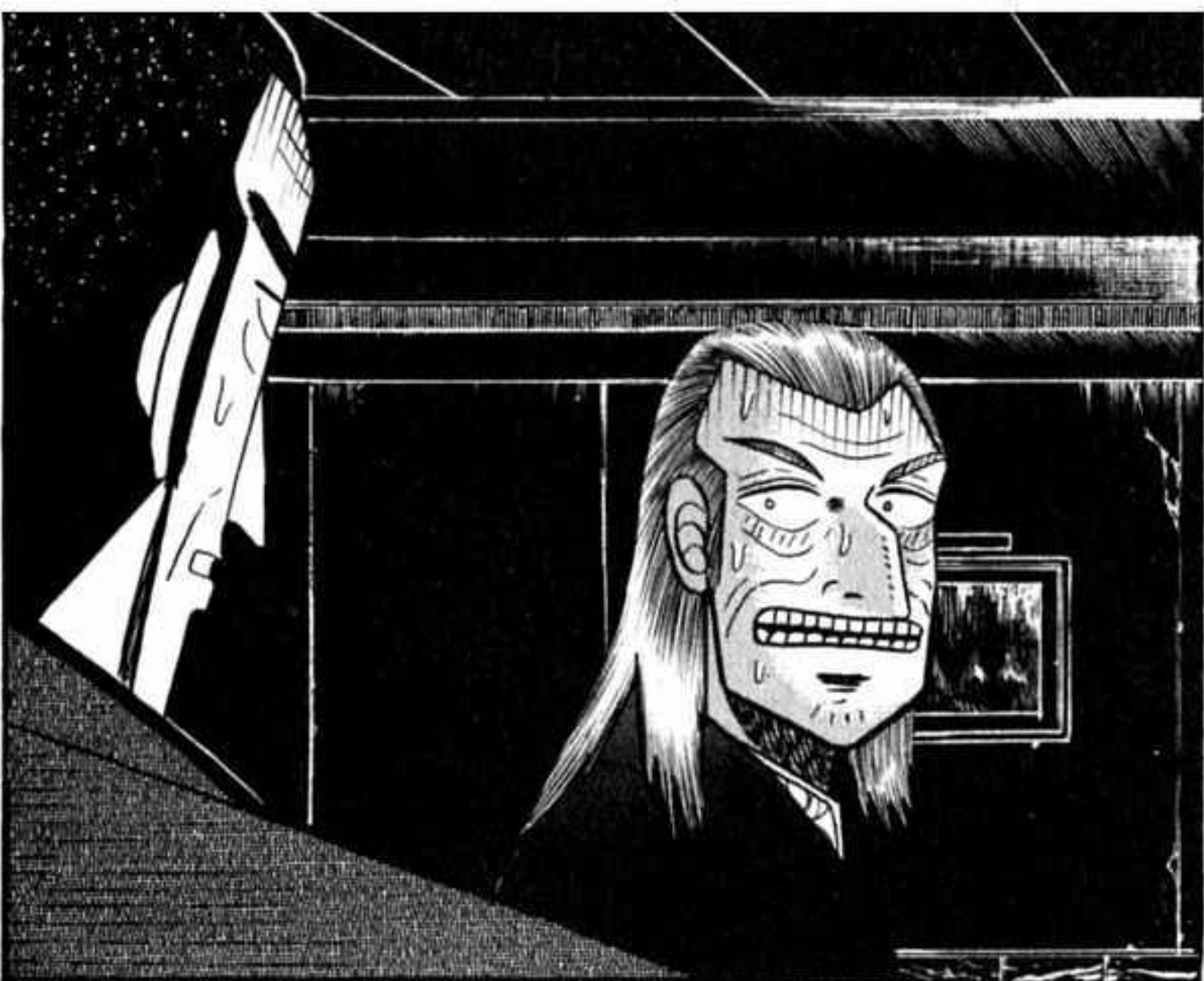
SO
WITH
THAT IN
MIND...

WHICH
MEANS,
EVEN IF HE
HAS JUST
20,000
POINTS TO
LOSE...

THAT
AKAGI
WILL BE
ABLE TO
NAVIGATE
ANY OB-
STACLES
HE IS PRE-
SENTED
WITH.

IT IS
VERY MUCH
POSSIBLE
THAT HE
COULD
ENDURE
FOR ALL 6
HANCHAN
SESSIONS.

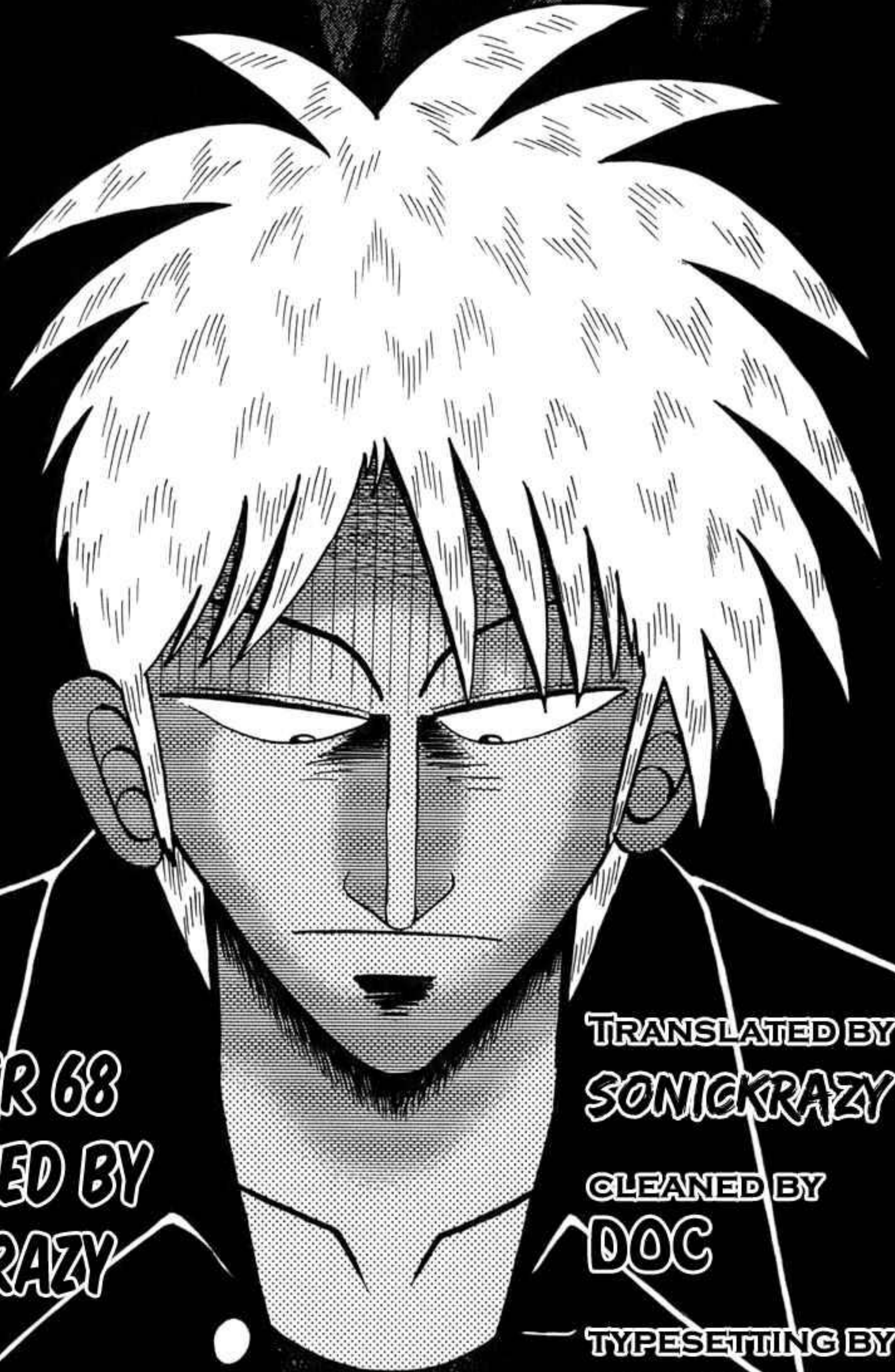
THE MAN WHO WILL KILL YOU, ONCE AND FOR ALL!



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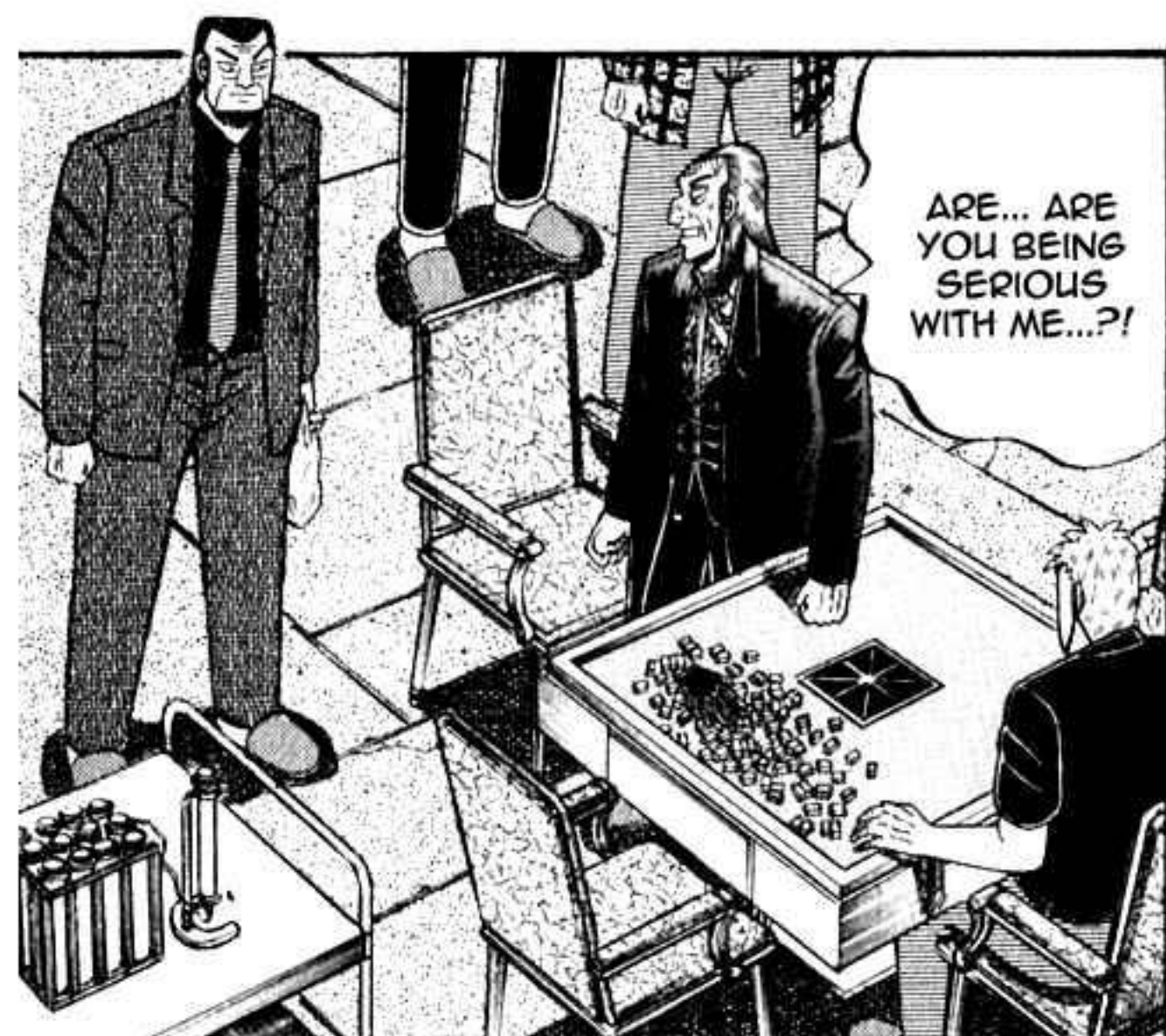


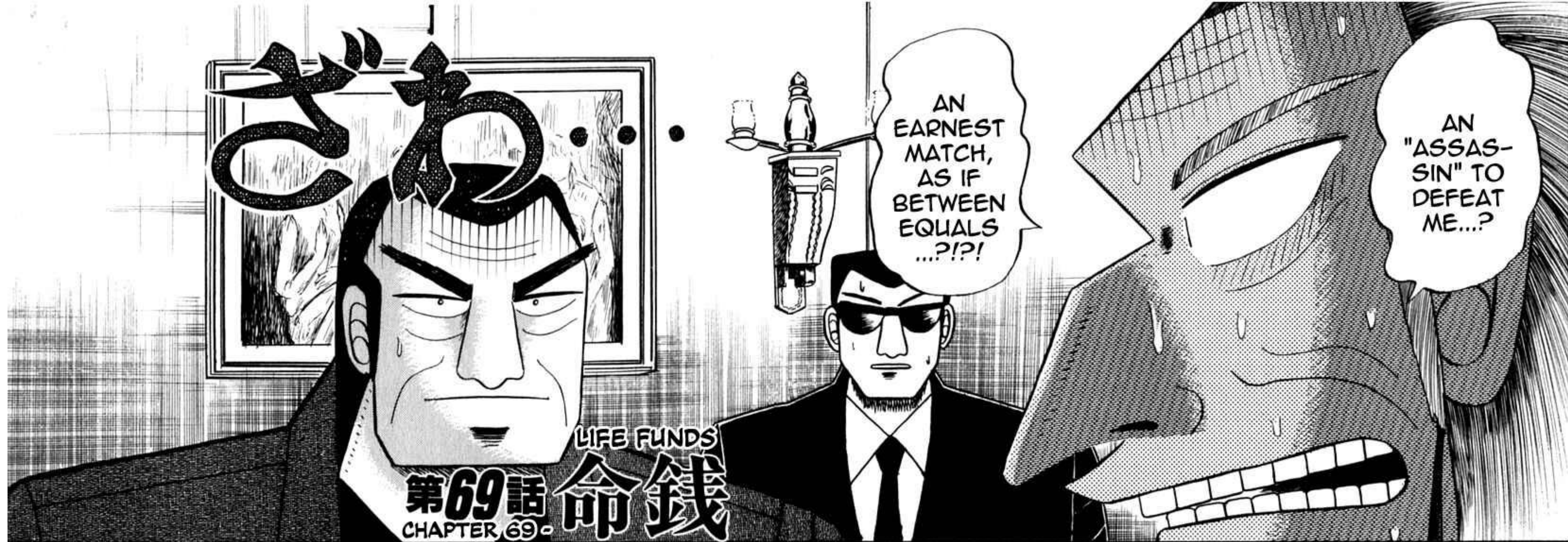
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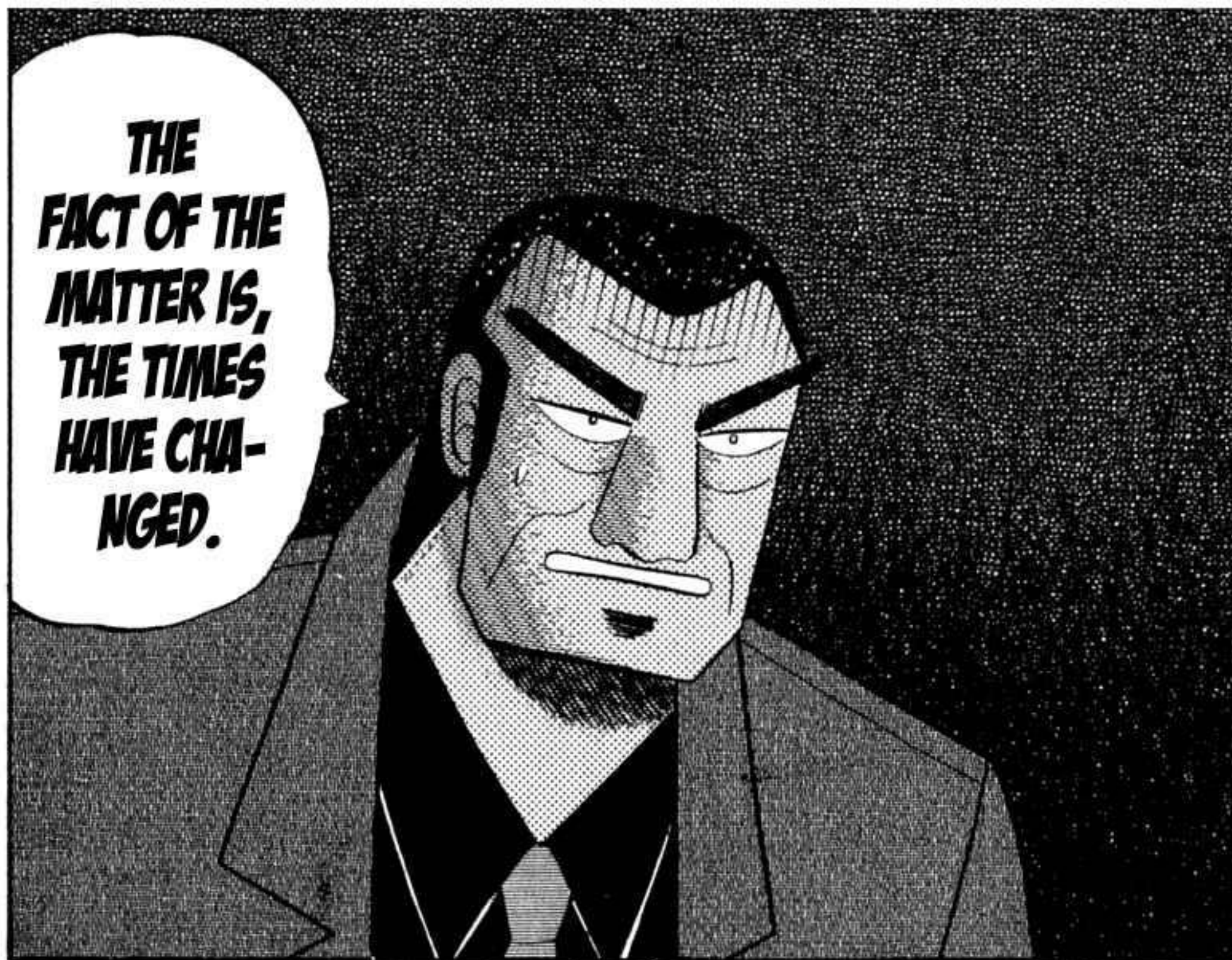
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THAT YOU
NOW ONLY
HAVE THIS
MANSION...

YOU HAVE
BRIBED THE
POLICE AND
POLITICIANS
TO SUCH AN
EXTENT...



IN COVER-
ING UP THE
UNLAWFUL
MURDERS
YOU HAVE
BEEN
DOING.



YOU HAVE
USED MUCH
OF YOUR
FORTUNE
UP AL-
READY...




YOUR NET
WORTH AS
OF NOW IS
ONLY ABOUT
500 MIL-
LION.

ACCORDING
TO WHAT MY
SOURCES
SAY ABOUT
YOU...



AND
SOME
BASIC
SECURI-
TIES LEFT
OVER.



YOU'RE ON
THE LEVEL OF
A NOUVEAU
RICHE BEING
REMOVED
FROM
TOKYO.

YOU HAVE
JUST BARELY
ENOUGH MONEY
TO START A
NEW LIFE IN
ANOTHER
COUNTRY.



THAT 500
MILLION
IS MERE
CHICKEN
FEED.

COMPARED
TO THE VAST
FORTUNE THAT
YOU HAVE HAD
IN THE PAST...

AS YOU
ARE NOW,
WASHIZU-
SAMA...



OHGI ...

NOT AS YOU ARE, NOW.



I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU ANY LONGER.

SO, NOW...



TO STRIP YOU OF ALL YOU HAVE!



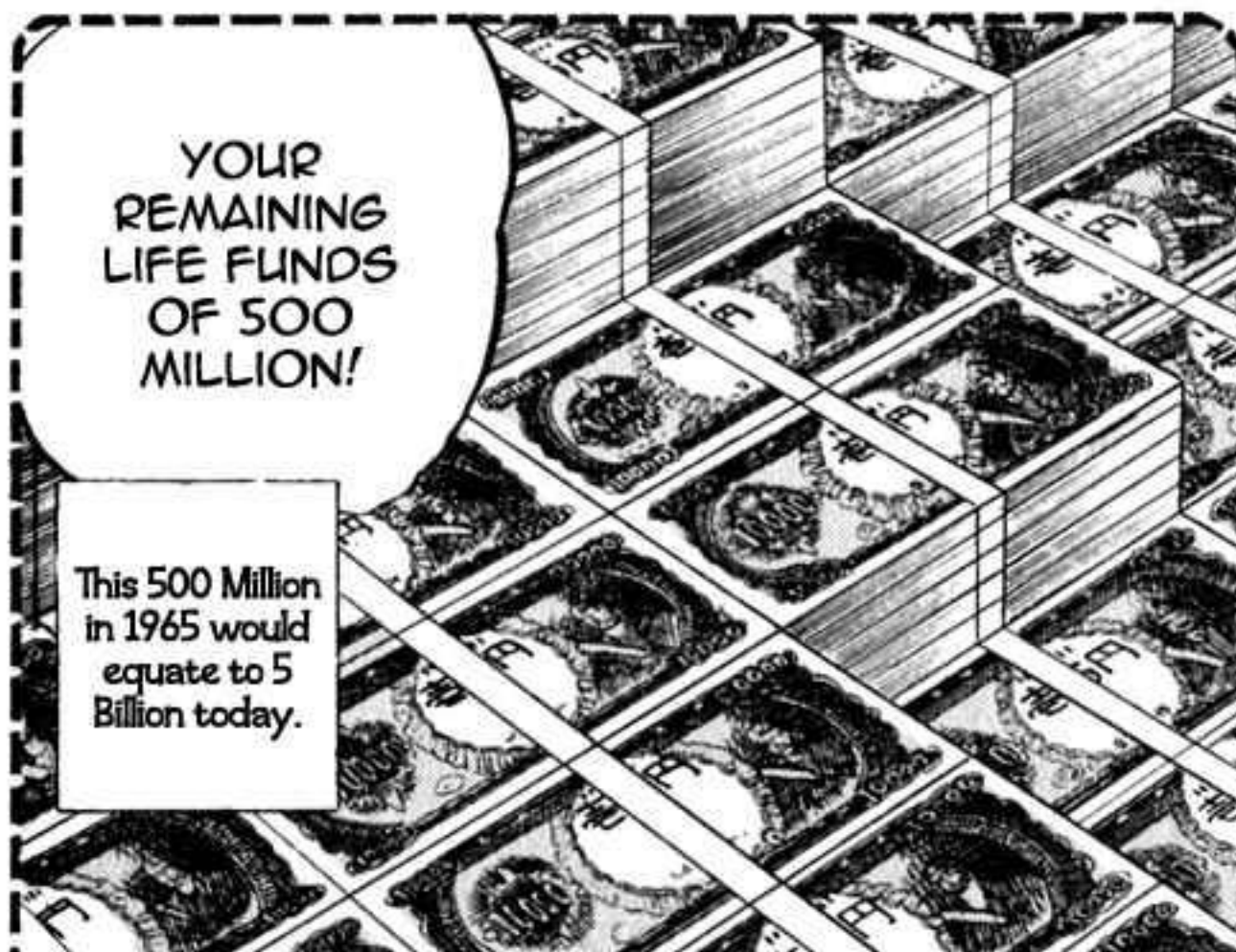
AND HAVE COME HERE...

WE HAVE ABANDONED OUR OBE-
DIENT SHEEP MASKS TODAY...



SO, WITH THAT IN MIND...

YOU BAS-
TARD ...!!



YOUR REMAINING LIFE FUNDS OF 500 MILLION!

This 500 Million in 1965 would equate to 5 Billion today.

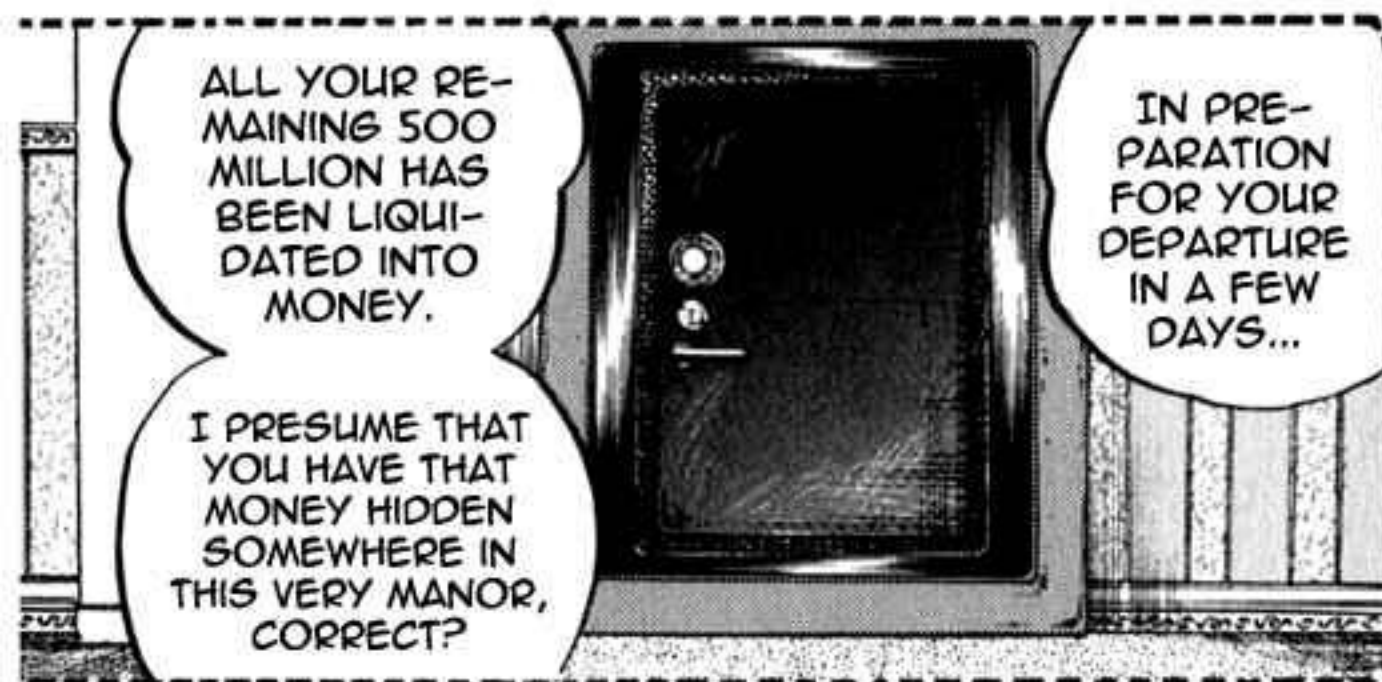


TO TAKE YOUR ENTIRE FORTUNE AWAY!



VERY
CONVE-
NIENT-
LY...

....



ALL YOUR RE-
MAINING 500
MILLION HAS
BEEN LIQUI-
DATED INTO
MONEY.

IN PRE-
PARATION
FOR YOUR
DEPARTURE
IN A FEW
DAYS...

I PRESUME THAT
YOU HAVE THAT
MONEY HIDDEN
SOMEWHERE IN
THIS VERY MANOR,
CORRECT?



....



ON THIS
SINGLE
GAMBLE!

THE
ENTIRETY OF
WHAT YOU
ARE NOW
WORTH...



WASHIZU-
SAMA,
WAGER THE
REST OF
YOUR FOR-
TUNE...

PLEASE TAKE
THAT MONEY
OUT AND STACK
IT ALL HERE.

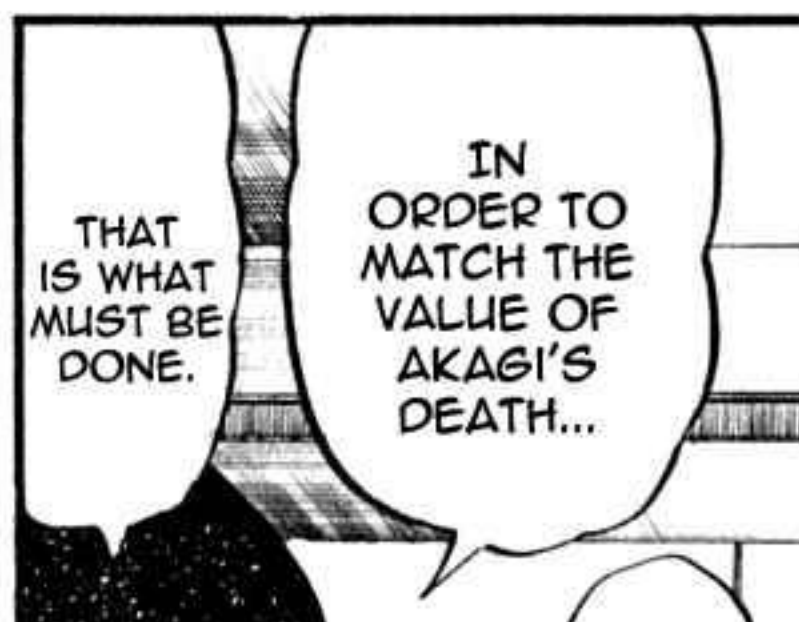


EACH
HUMAN
LIFE...



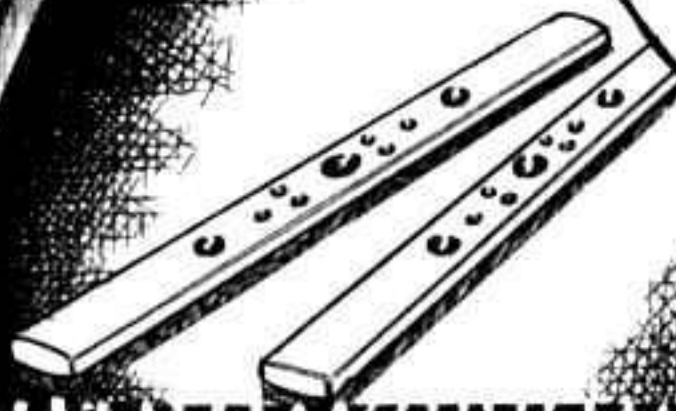
BY
THEIR
VERY
NATURE
...

ざわ...





THE RATE
WHERE
20,000
POINTS
EQUATES
TO 20
MILLION
YEN.



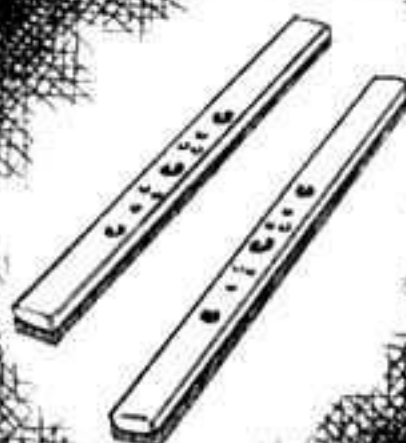
AND LOSE
2000 CCS
OF HIS
BLOOD...

AND CONSEQUENTLY,
HIS LIFE.
THAT
BATTLE.

OR AKAGI
WIL LOSE
HIS 20,000
POINTS...

AND TAKE
YOUR 500
MILLION
YEN...

THE GAMBLE
WHERE AKAGI
WILL WIN
500,000
POINTS...



YOU
WANT ME
TO WAGER
MY ENTIRE
FORTUNE
?!

WITH
AN IMPLU-
DENT
MOUTH
...

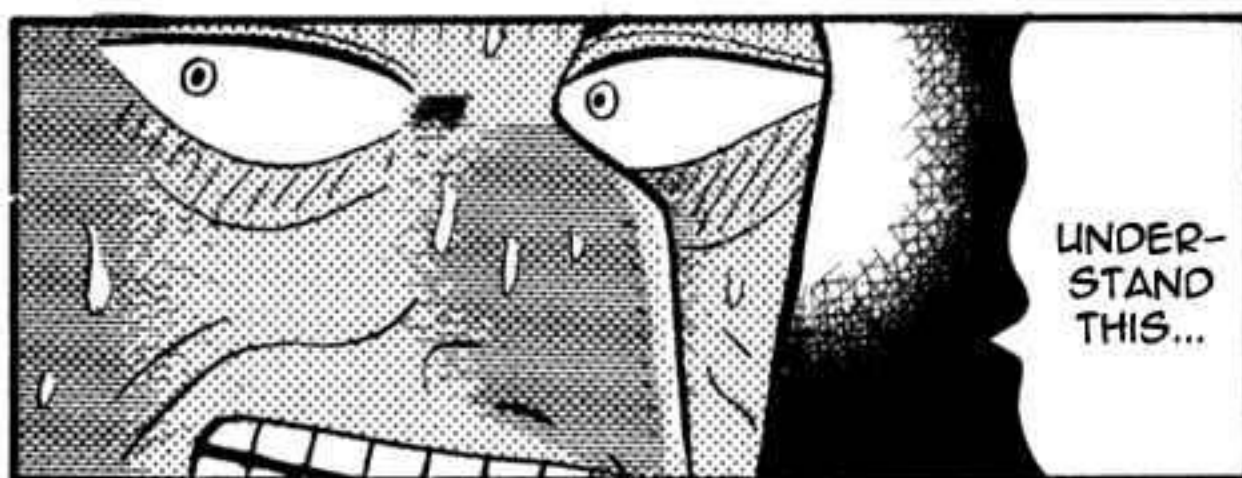
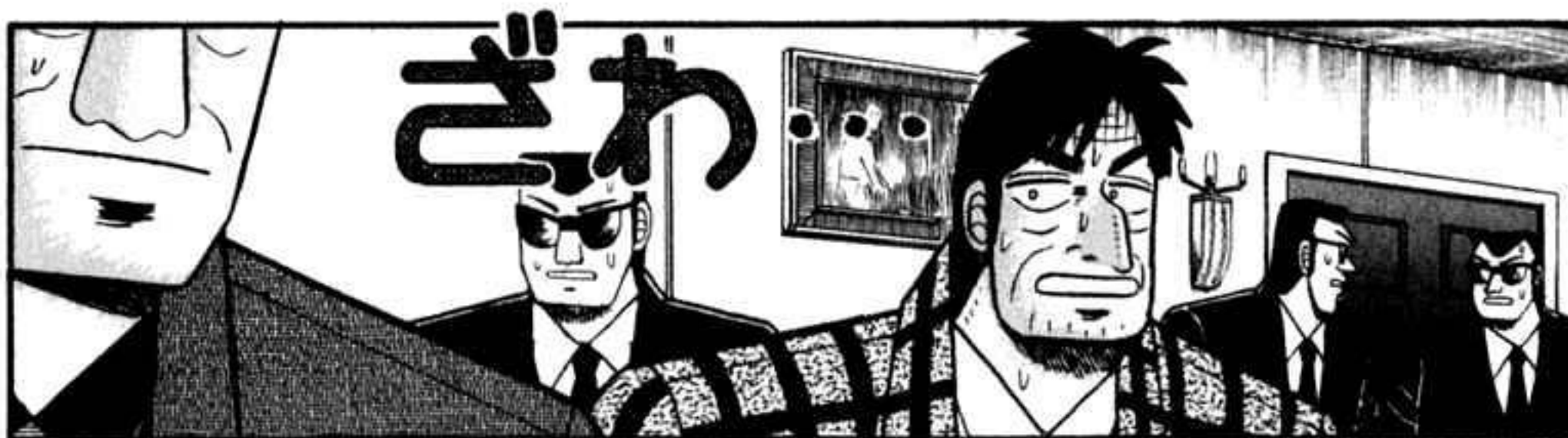
AGAINST
SOME
PIECE
OF SHIT...

THAT'S
RIDICU-
LOUS!!

THIS GAME
OF MAHJONG
WHERE BOTH
PLAYERS WILL
RISK THEIR
DESTRUCTION!










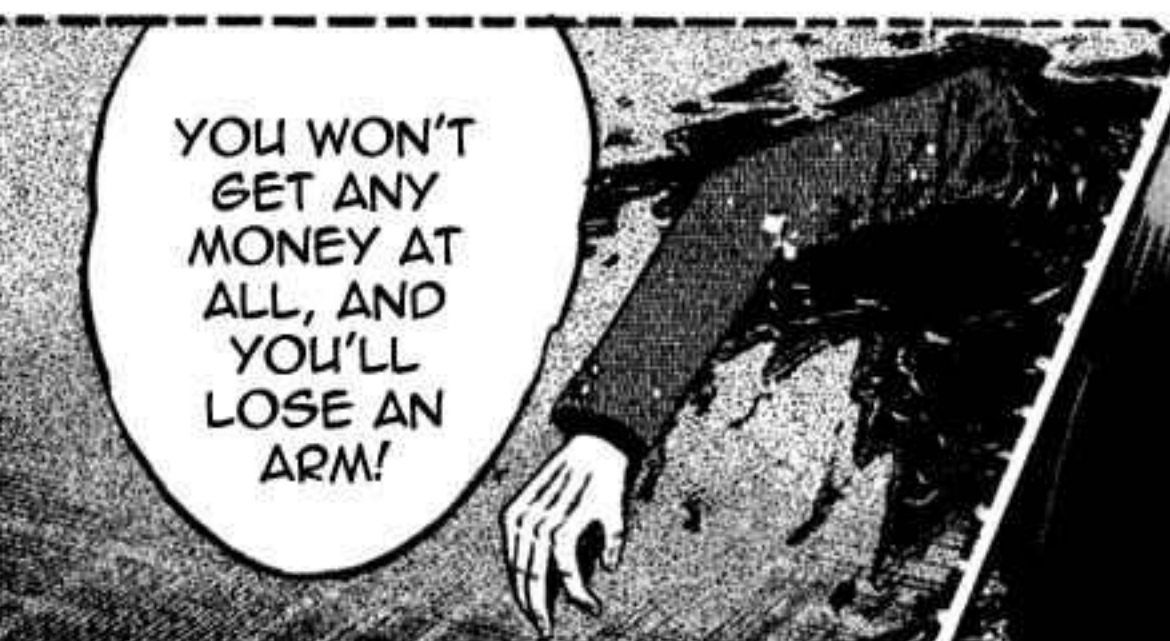
THAT
IS TO
SAY...

YOU
WON'T
RECEIVE
A CENT.



ONCE HE
DIES, ALL
THAT WILL
BE ERASED.

NO MATTER
HOW MUCH
MONEY HE'S
WON TO THAT
POINT...




YOU WON'T
GET ANY
MONEY AT
ALL, AND
YOU'LL
LOSE AN
ARM!



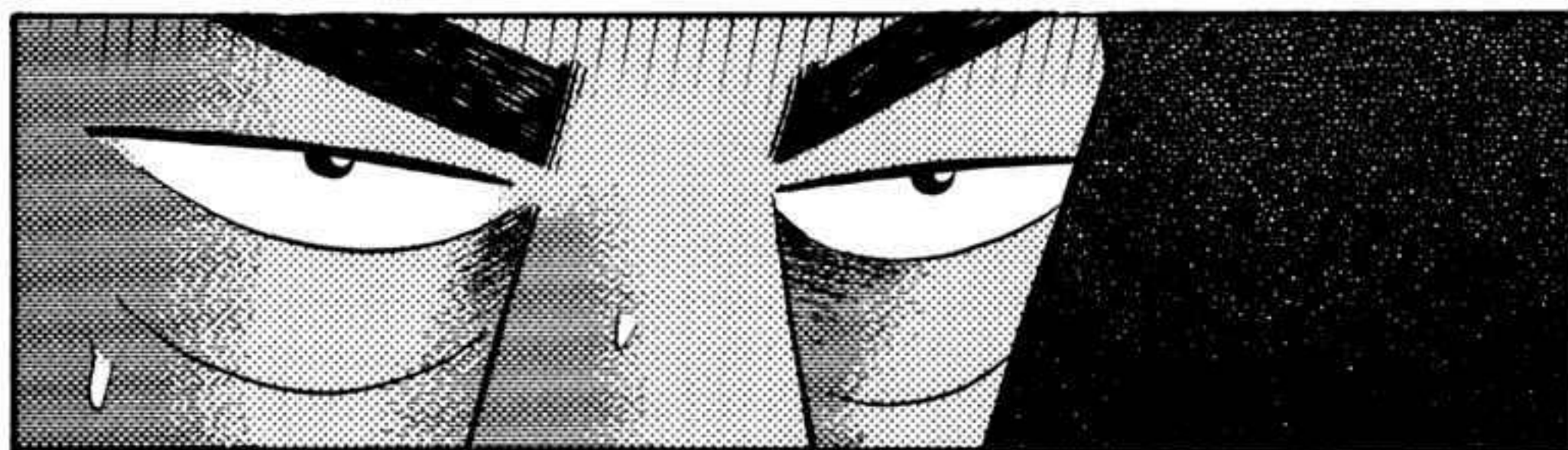
IF THE
KID
THERE
DIES...

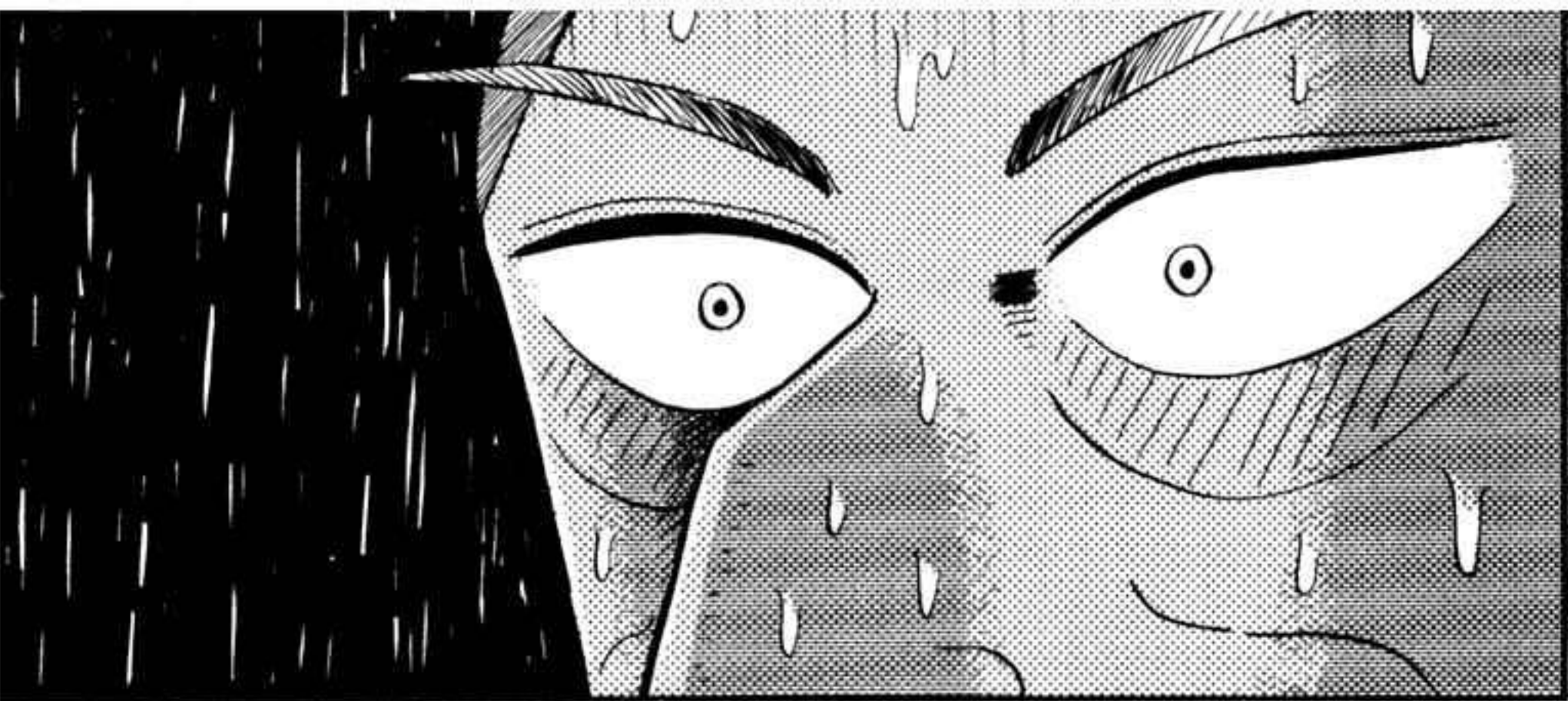


TRULY
...?!



ARE
YOU
SURE
ABOUT
THAT
...?







HE WILL
LOSE BLOOD
THAT WAY,
AS WELL!

IF I TSUMO
OR GET ANY
DIRECT HITS
OFF HIM,
THEN...

THERE
ARE STILL
THE BONUS
PAYMENTS!

EVEN IF I
DON'T OUT-
RANK HIM AT
ANY POINT IN
THE MATCH...

WHICH
MEANS
...

THERE IS
NOTHING
MORE
TO IT!

HE WILL
BE DEAD
WITH
THAT!

THAT BY
ITSELF IS
20,000
POINTS!

IF I CAN
SCORE A
DIRECT HIT
FROM HIM FOR
A MANGAN AND
HANEMAN
HAND, THEN...

THERE
IS NOT A
CHANCE IN
A MILLION
THAT I
WILL
LOSE!!!

THERE IS
SIMPLY NO
WAY I CAN
LOSE TO
THAT!

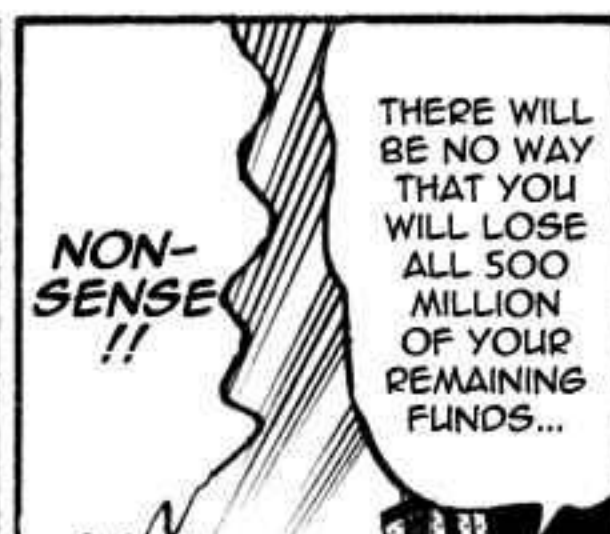
HOW
COULD
HE EVEN
SURVIVE
FOR
?!?!?

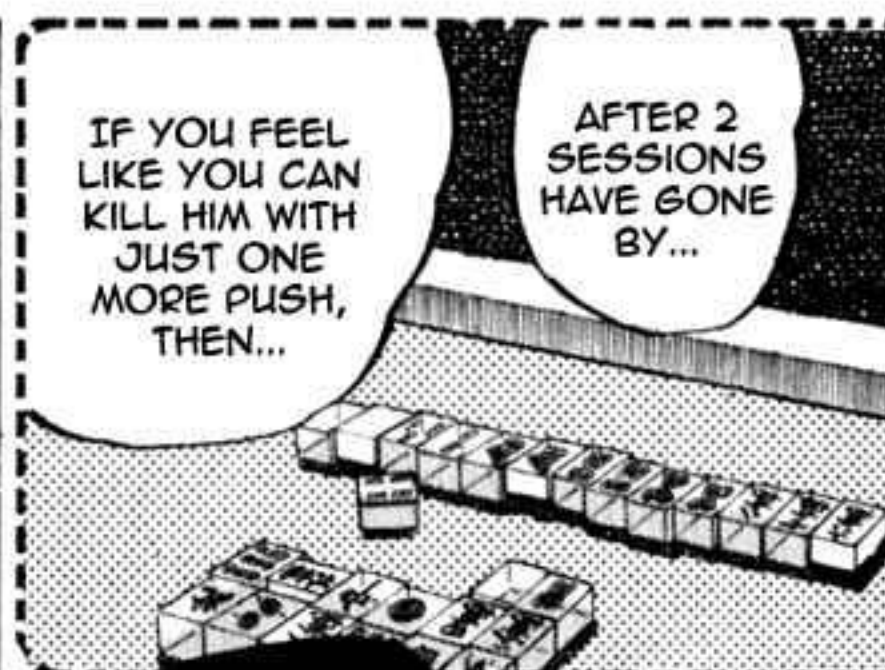
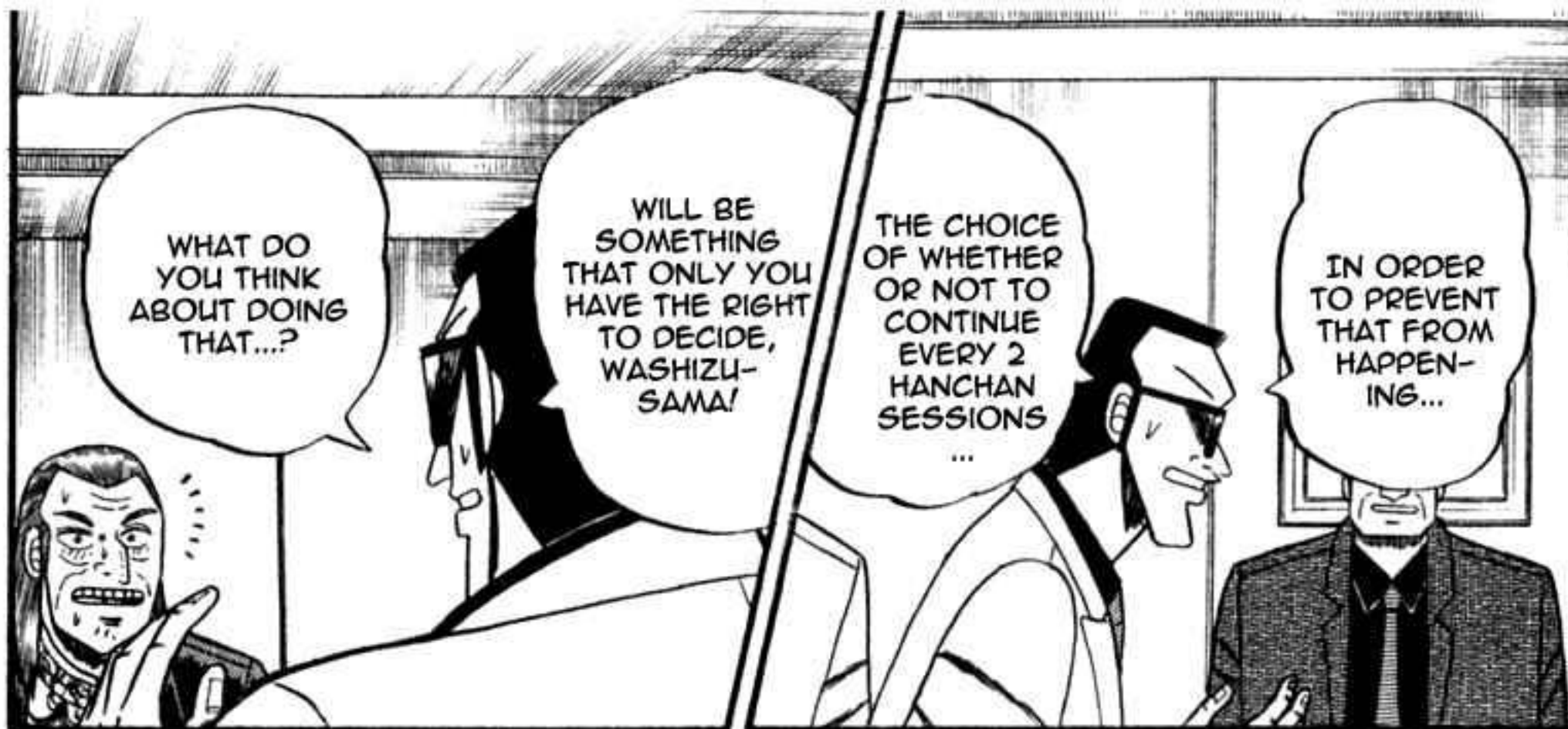
HAVING
THAT FOR
ALL 6
SES-
SIONS...

AM I
WRONG
?!?

JUST
THINK
ABOUT
THAT!









That
had to
be con-
sidered.

A new
way for
Washizu to
escape had
opened up.



ざわ...
ざわ...

Of course, it
was nothing
but a loss to
Ohgi's side.



THE
SAME,
EITHER
WAY.

IT'S
PROBABLY...



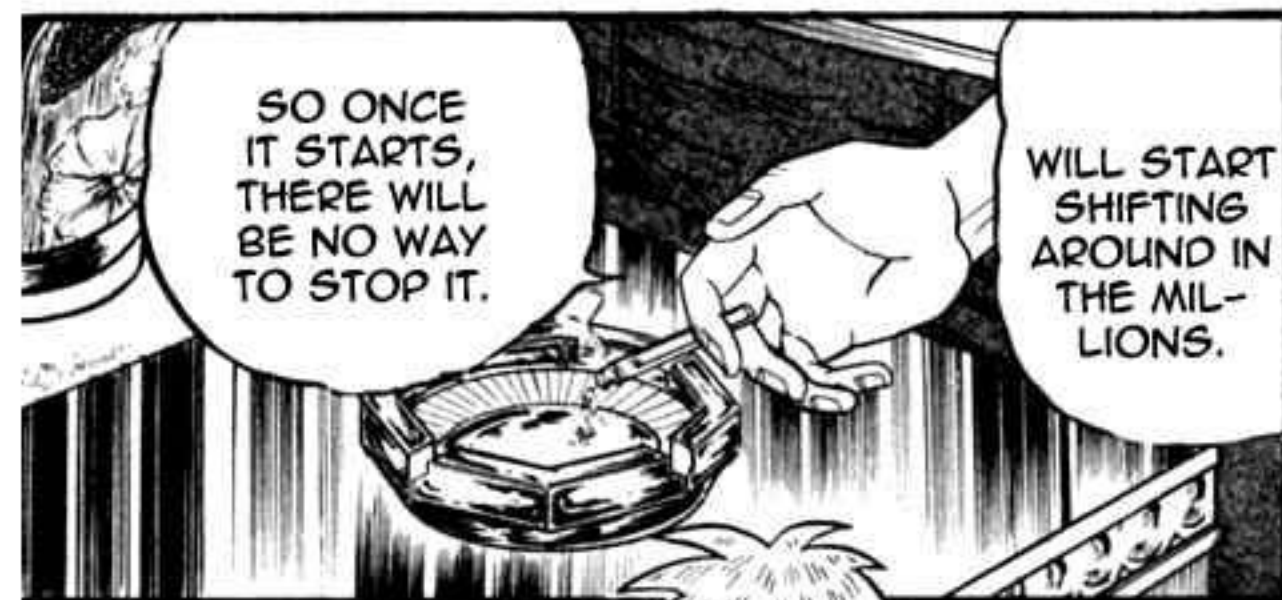
THERE'S
NOTHING
WE CAN
DO.



HM-
HMM...

WHAT
SHOULD
WE DO?







ACTUALLY,
IT'S THE
OTHER WAY
AROUND.

NO...



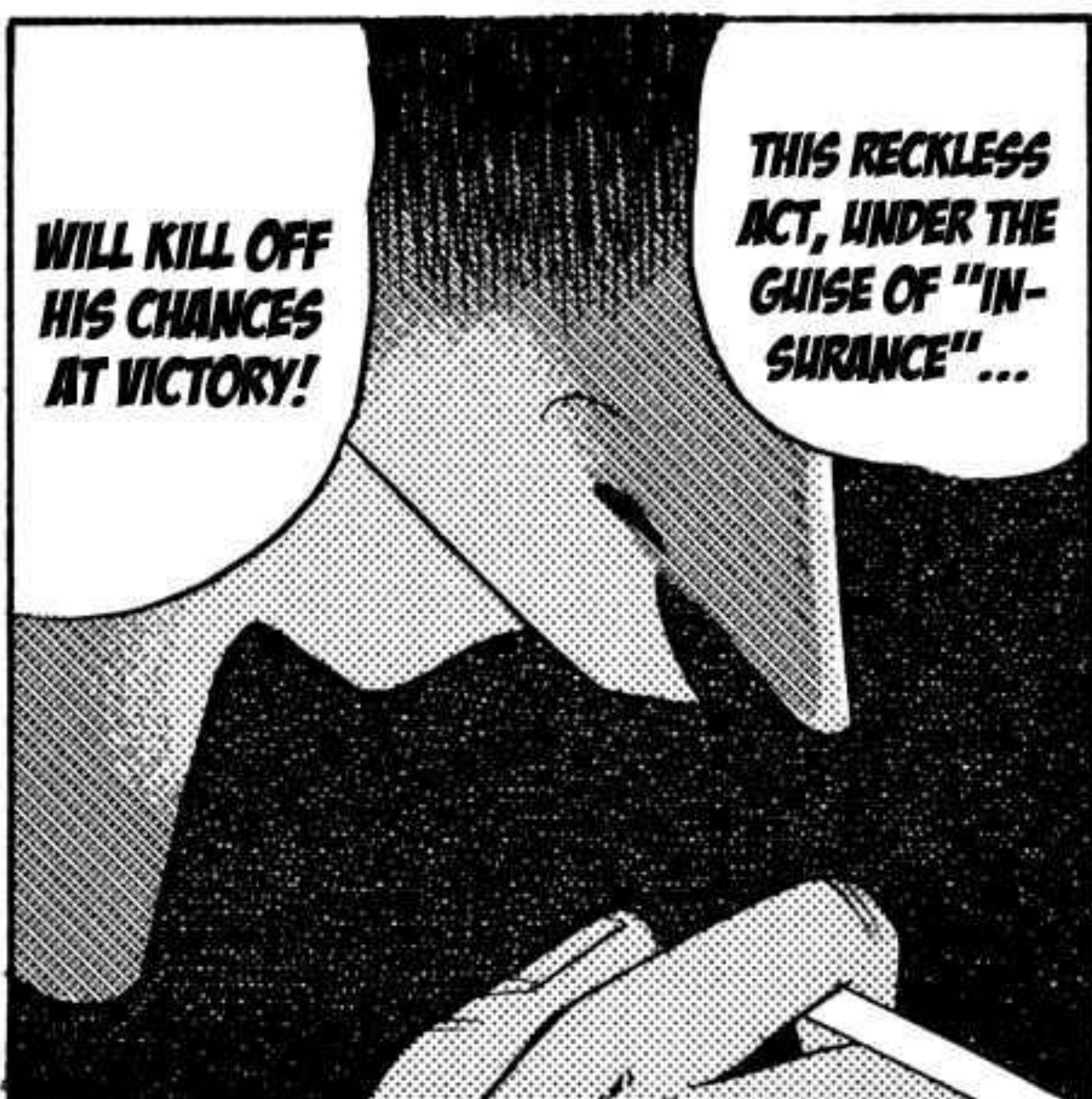
A MEAN-
INGLESS
RULE, BY
ITS VERY
NATURE.

IT'S PROB-
ABLY...



HM-
HMM
...

IS THAT
RIGHT...



**WILL KILL OFF
HIS CHANCES
AT VICTORY!**

**THIS RECKLESS
ACT, UNDER THE
GUISE OF "IN-
SURANCE"...**



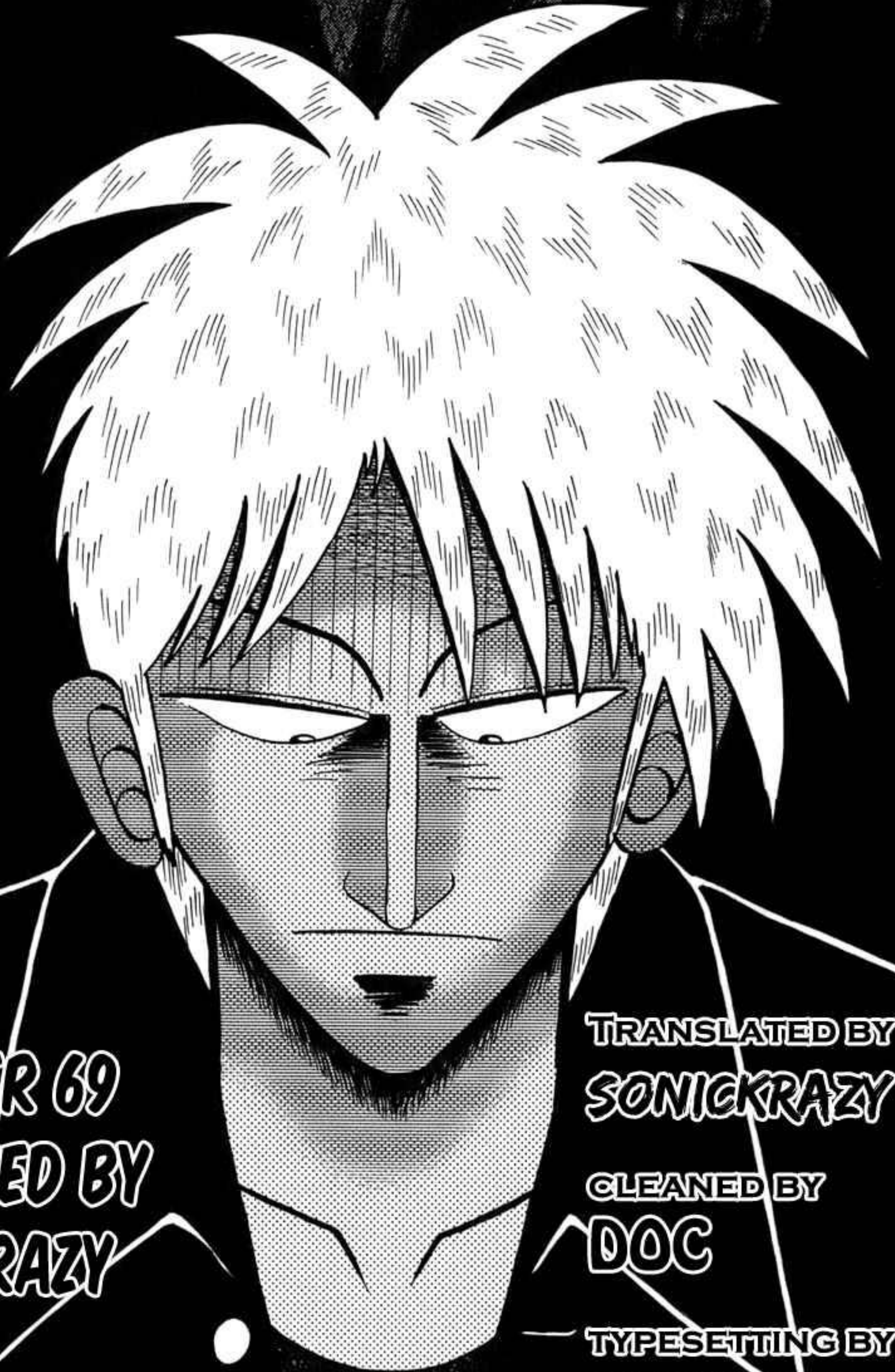
HE DUG
HIS OWN
GRAVE.

?

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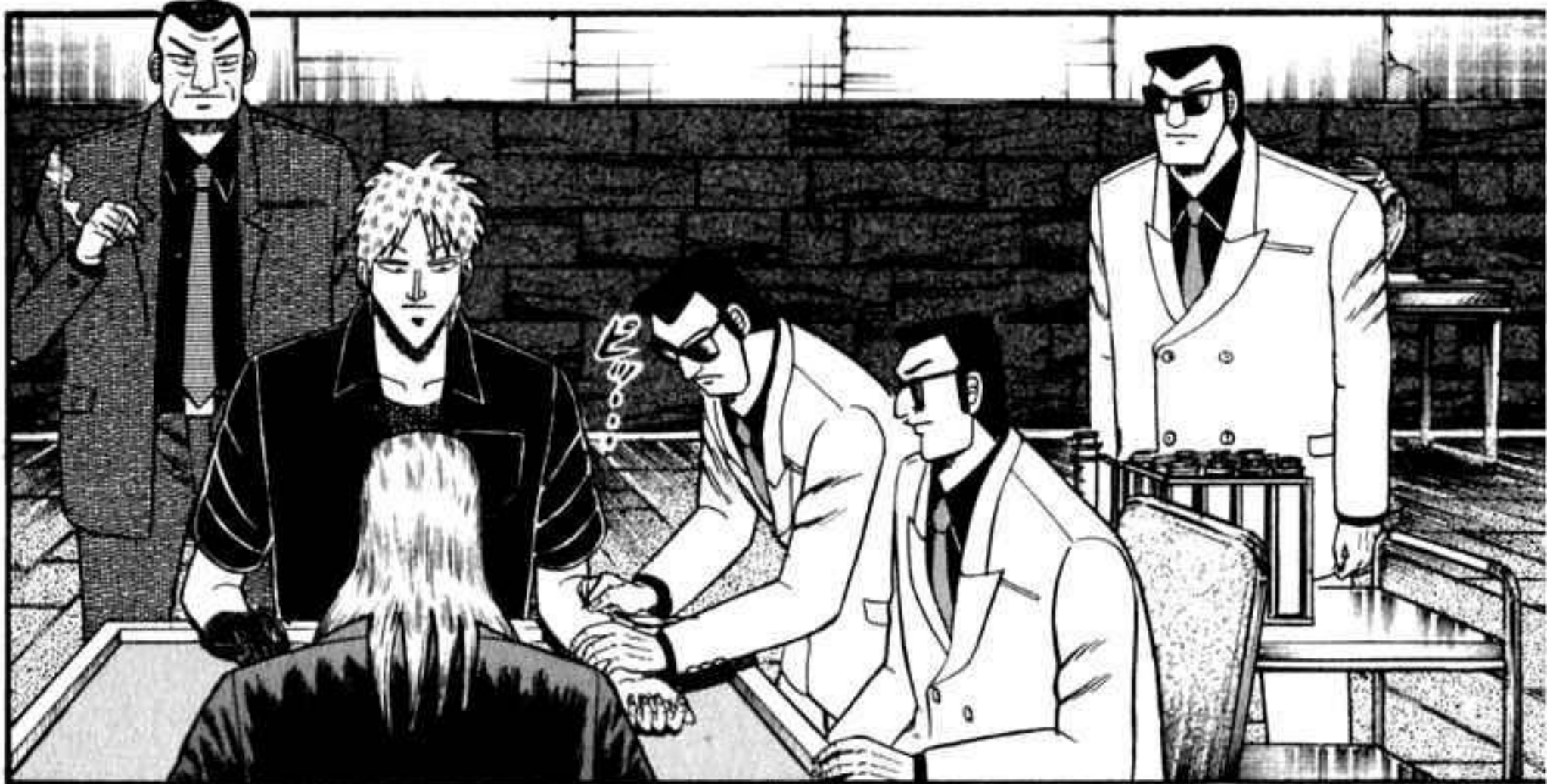
TYPESETTING BY
KAZUHIKO

CHAPTER 70 -

OPENING ROUND

第70話 開局





Is betting
all that is left
of his vast
fortune...

And
Was-
hizu...

カ
カ
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500
Million
Yen!

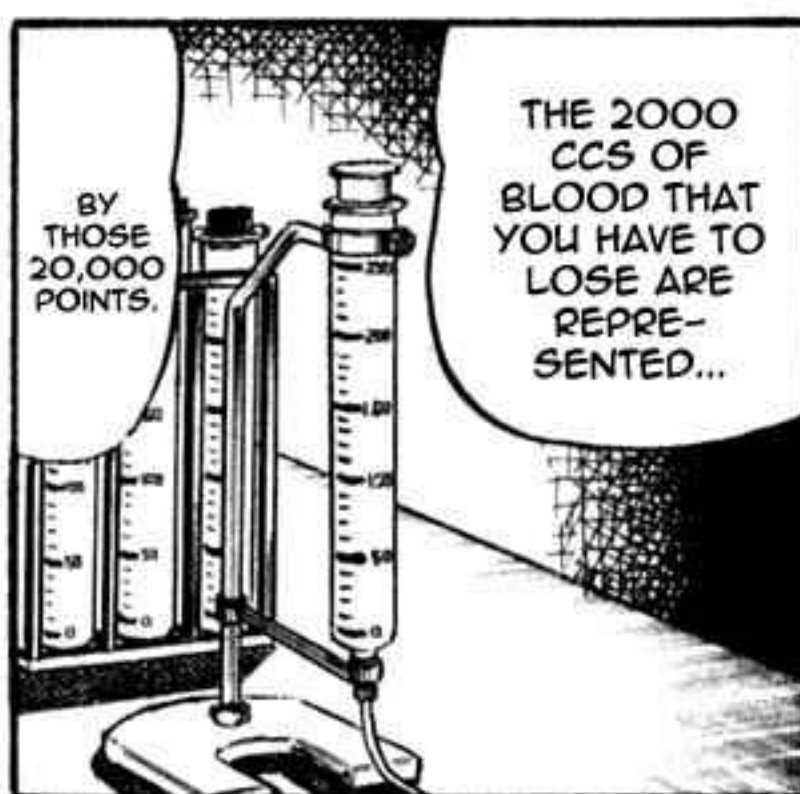
This 500
Million in
1965 would
equat to 5
Billion today.

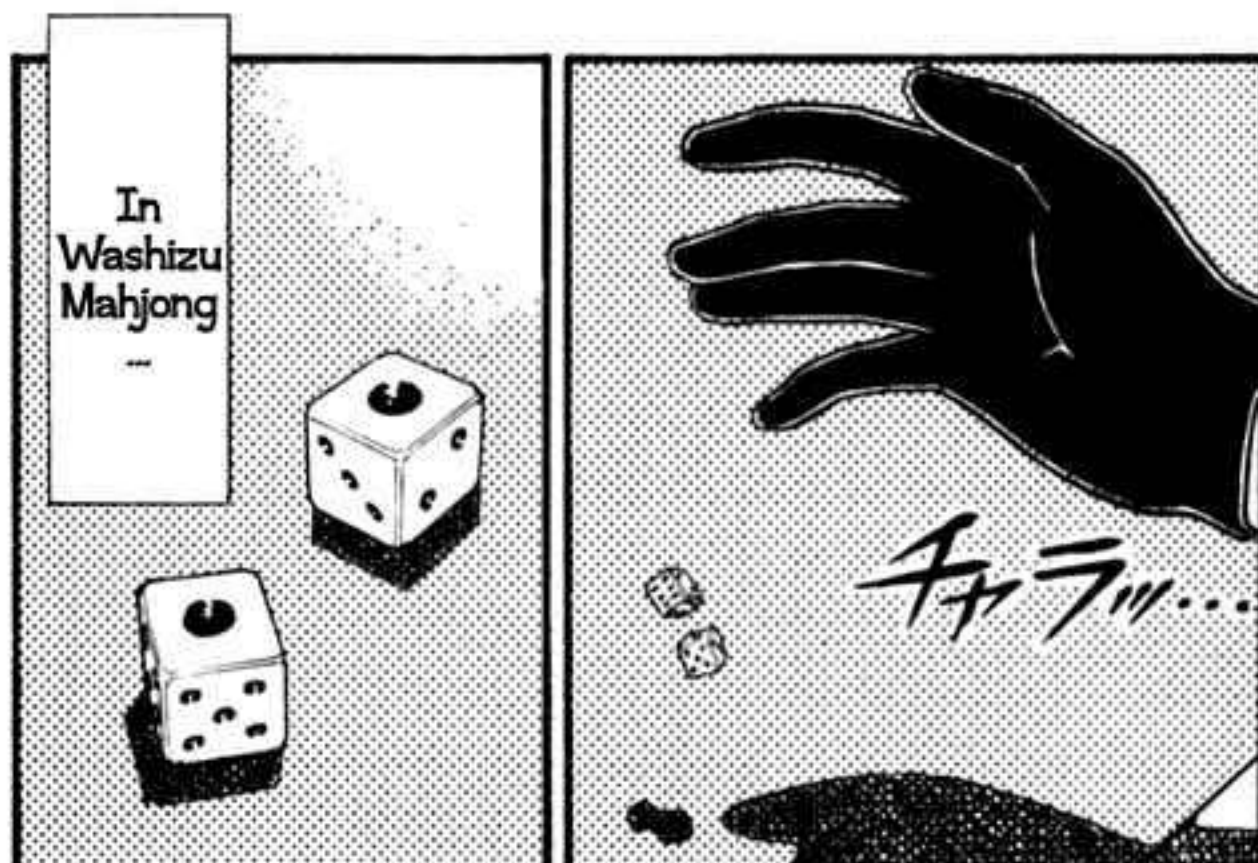
A GAMBLE WHERE BOTH PLAYERS BET THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION!

A Death
Match of
Insanity!

NOW,
THEN...
LET US
BEGIN!





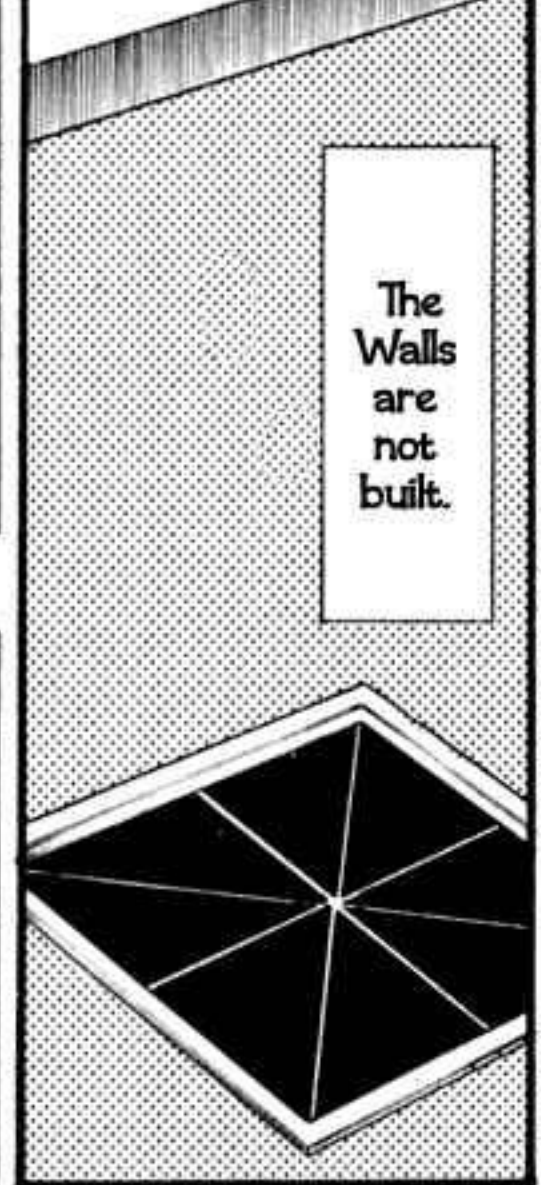




Once the dealer has been decided...

Is for deciding who will be the first dealer at the start of each session.

So the only use the dice have...



The Walls are not built.



This is how the starting hands are drawn.

And take turns drawing tiles two at a time from the hole in the center of the table.

The players wear leather gloves to prevent reading the tiles with their thumbs...




Once that tile has been placed in the designated holding tray...



This tile is the Dora Indicator.

The dealer takes an additional tile from the center hole.



Once everyone has those starting hands...



Washizu Mahjong!



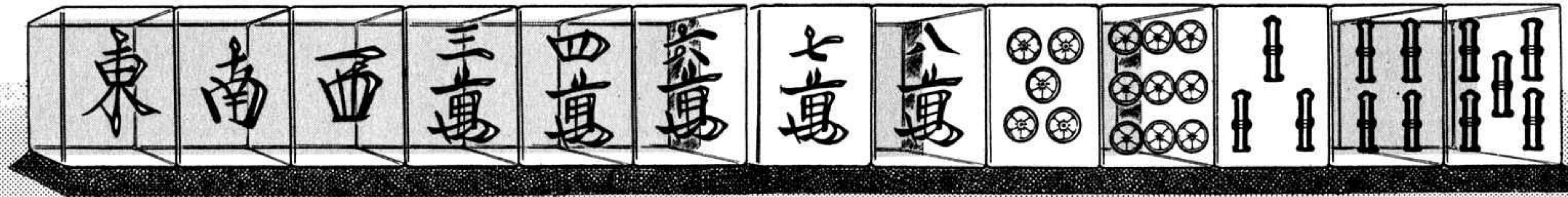
THE GAME BEGINS!



It starts!

And in this, the opening East 1st Round...

Akagi receives this starting hand!



TO START, OUR
SIDE NEEDS TO
BE DEFENSIVE
TO AVOID GIVING
WASHIZU ANY OF
OUR 20,000
POINTS.

BUT
STILL...

I CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO IMAGINE...



WE HAVE
TO PLAY
DEFENSIVELY
THE WHOLE
WAY THROUGH
...!

DE-
FENSE
IS THE
FIRST
PRIOR-
ITY...

IT COULD END
BY DEALING
INTO 20,000
POINTS' WORTH
OF WASHIZU'S
HANDS... SO
IN OTHER
WORDS...

IF HE ISN'T
EXTREMELY
CAREFUL
ABOUT IT...

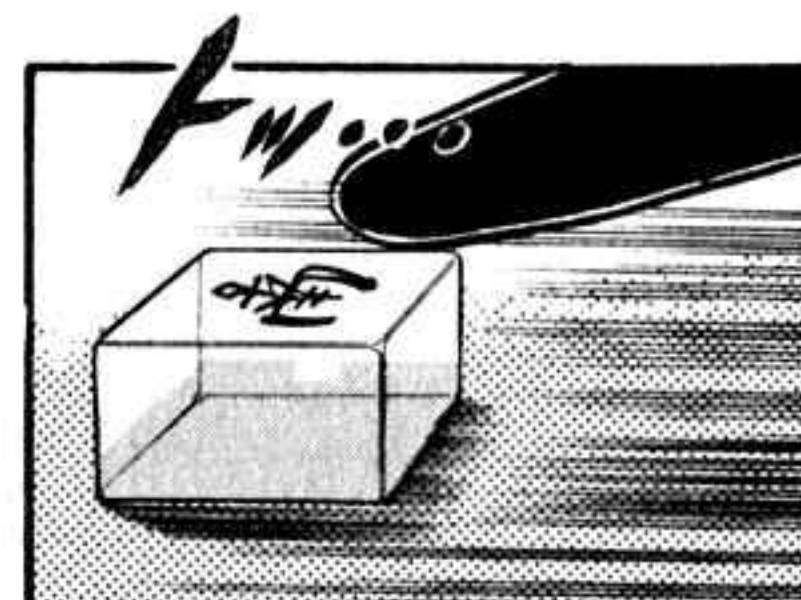
WE
CAN
ALSO
LOSE
BLOOD
THROUGH
THE
BONUS
PAY-
MENTS.

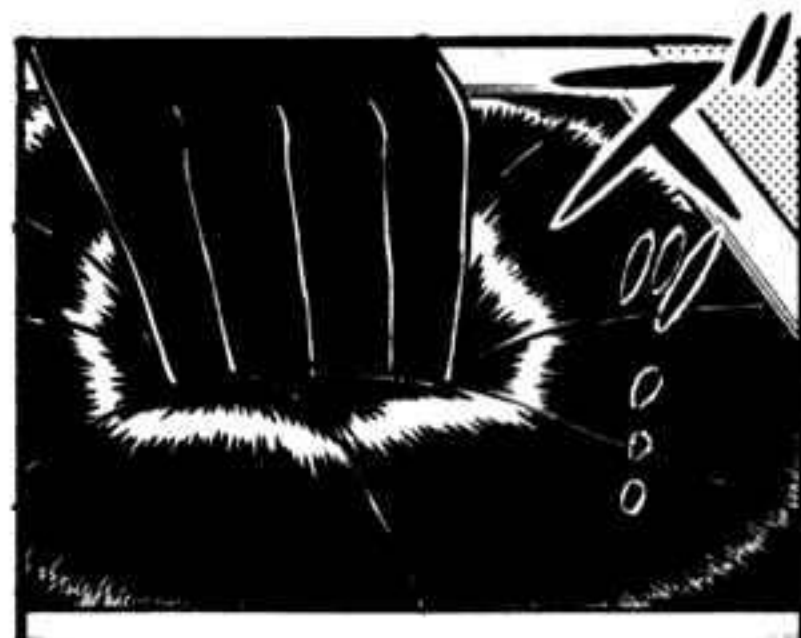
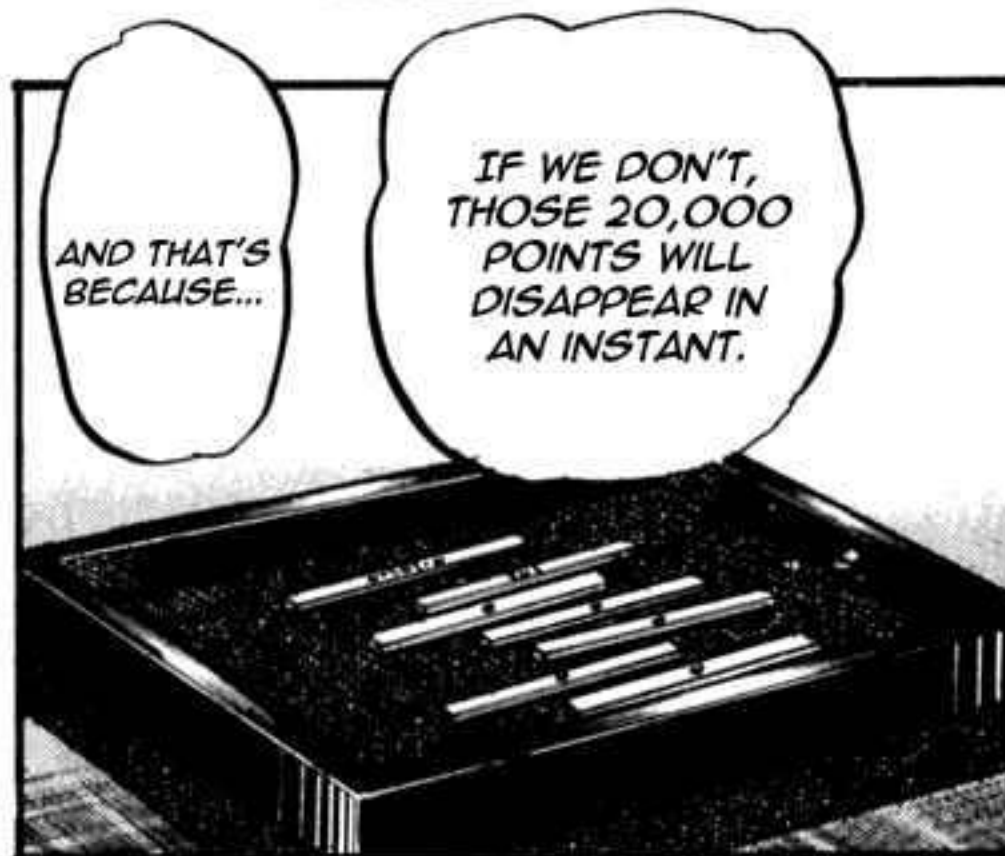
AND WHILE WE CAN
LOSE IT ALL BY
LETTING WASHIZU
OUTRANK US BY
THE END OF THE
SESSION, THAT'S
NOT THE ONLY WAY.

I WONDER
WHAT PLAY-
ING STYLE
IS GOING TO
BE MOST
EFFECTIVE?

IN
WASHIZU
MAH-
JONG...

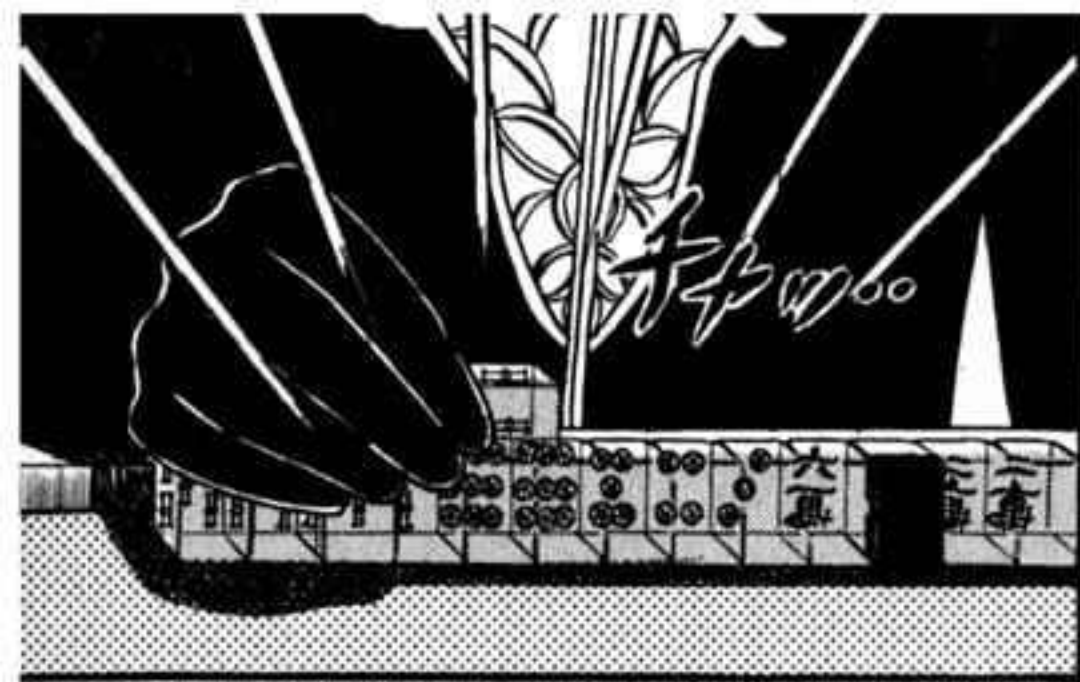
IN THIS
GAME
WHERE YOU
CAN SEE
MOST OF
YOUR OP-
ONENTS'
TILES...





HE CAN LOSE HIS BLOOD THAT WAY, TOO!



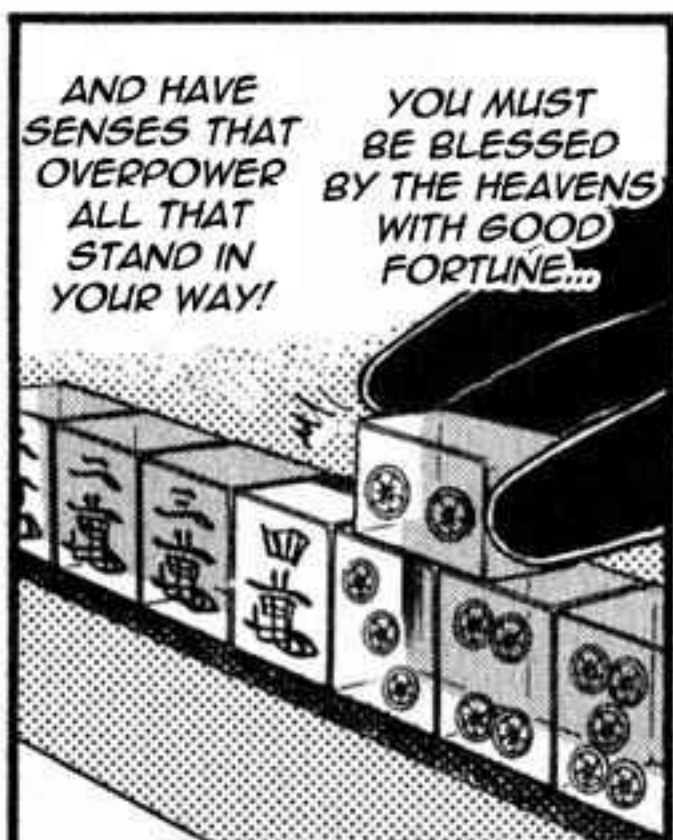
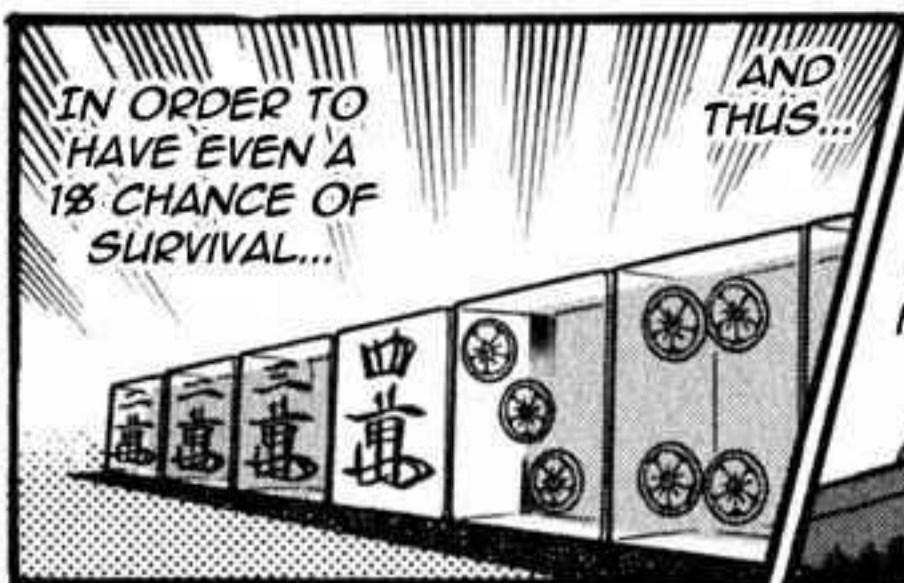


**THIS
WILL BE
FUN...**



HE TALKED
BIG ABOUT
HIMSELF,
BEFORE...





IF YOU CAN'T
OVERCOME
COMMON
SENSE,
YOU WON'T
SUCCEED!



IF YOU
AREN'T
INSANE,
YOU WON'T
SUCCEED!



IF YOU AREN'T
DAMAGED AS A
HUMAN BEING, YOU
WON'T SUCCEED!



IF YOU FEEL
THE SLIGHTEST
BIT OF FEAR,
YOU WON'T
SUCCEED!



NO MATTER
WHAT SITUATION
MAY PRESENT
ITSELF...



THAT
LEVEL
OF IN-
SANITY
?!?

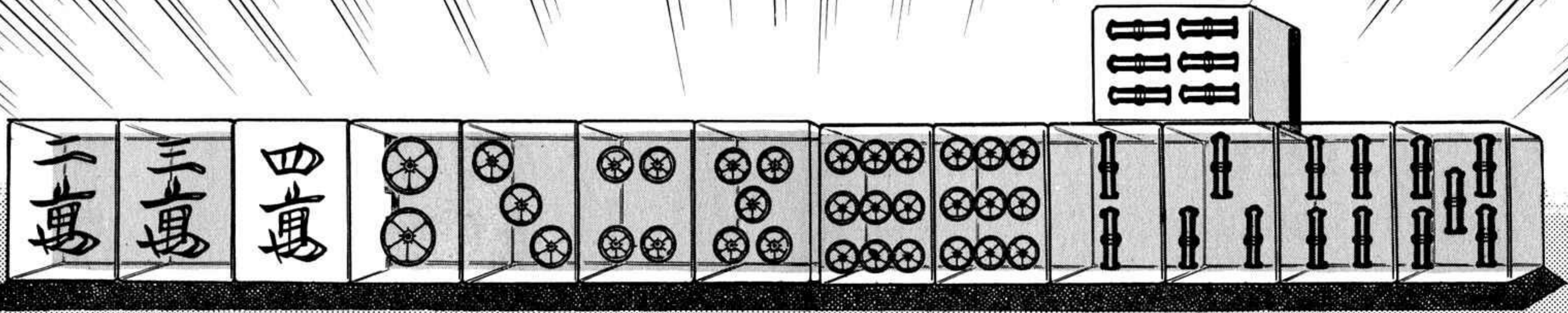


DO
YOU
HAVE...

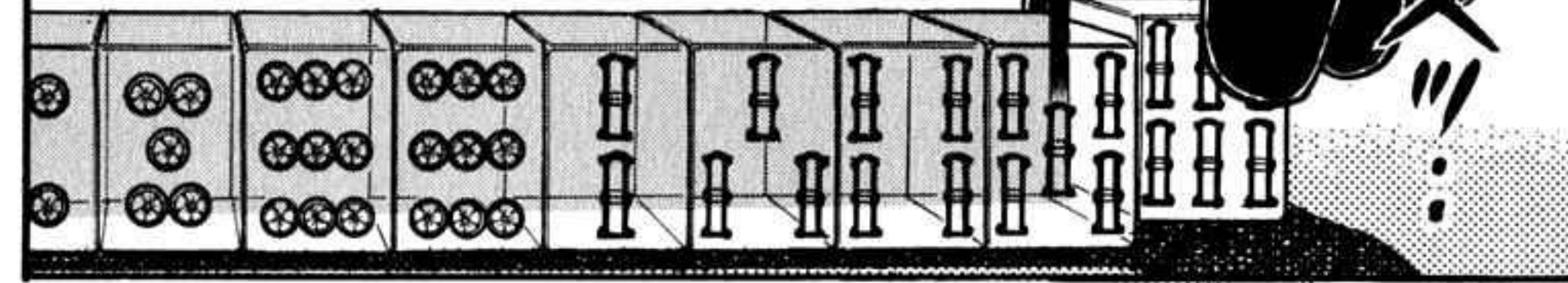
DO
YOU,
AKAGI
?!?!?



WASHIZU'S 7TH TURN!



HE HITS TENPAI, ON A 1-4-7 SOU WAIT!



A RIICHI WE DEFINITELY CANNOT DEAL INTO!!

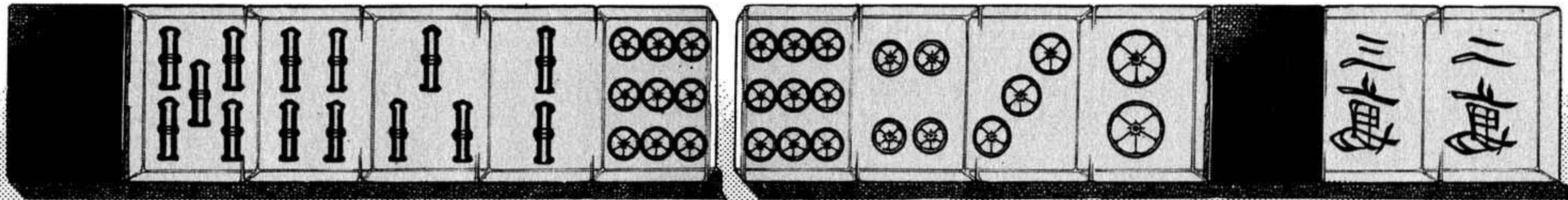


I GET TO TEST HIM, RIGHT OFF THE BAT!

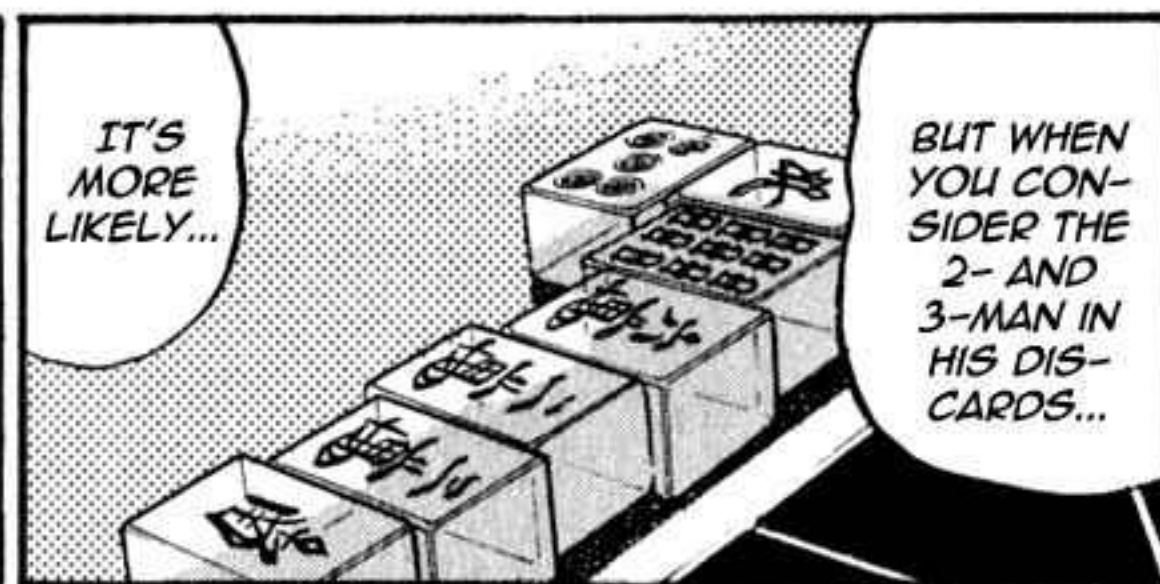


Washizu's Hand

BECAUSE
HIS HAND
IS TRANS-
PARENT!



THAT IT'S A
1-4-7 SOU
OR 3-6
SOU WAIT!



IT'S
MORE
LIKELY...

BUT WHEN
YOU CON-
SIDER THE
2- AND
3-MAN IN
HIS DIS-
CARDS...



AND
THOSE
ARE...

CAN ONLY
BE ONE
OF THREE
SHAPES.



HIS
WAIT...

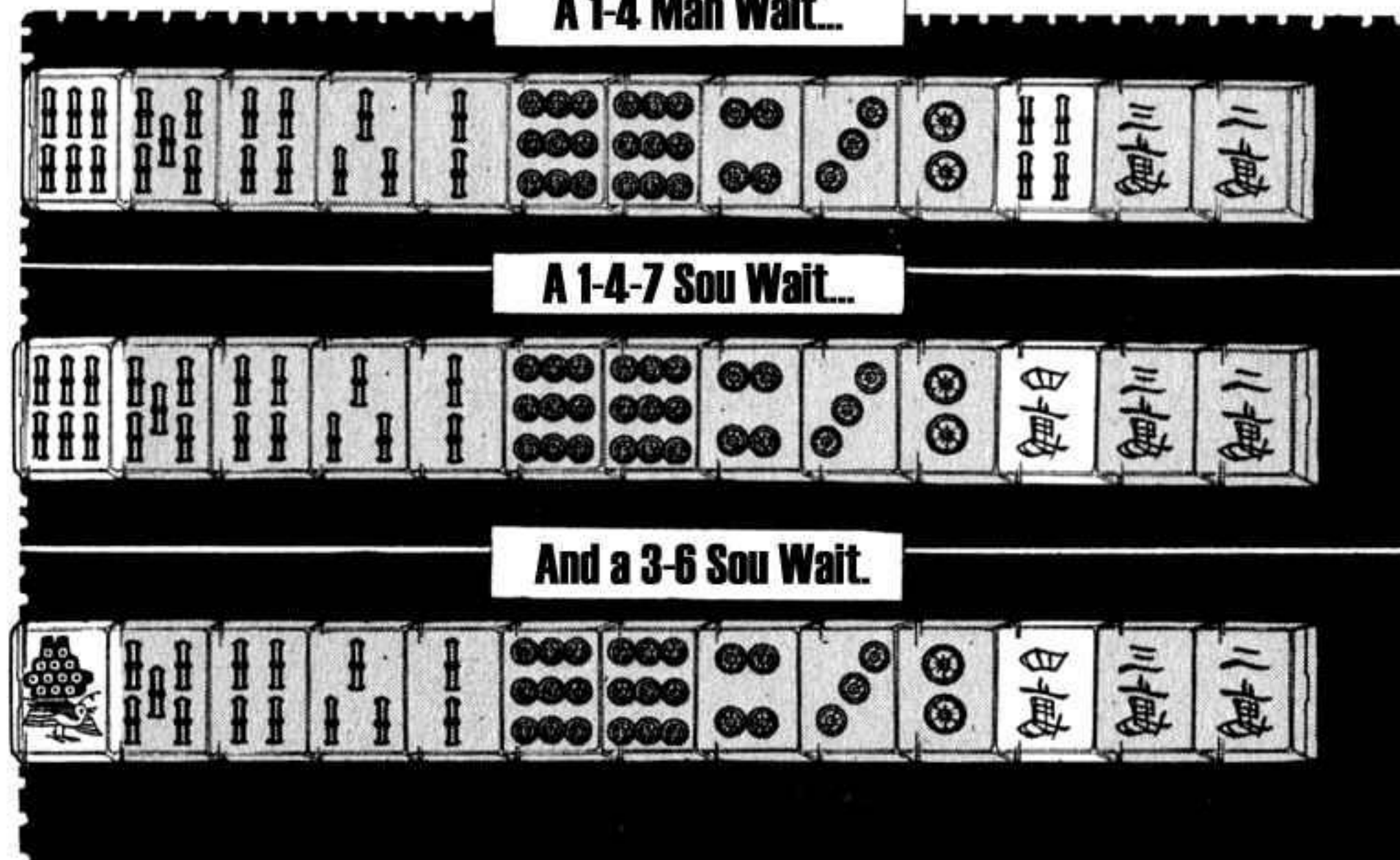
SINCE WE'RE
ABLE TO
SEE THIS
MUCH OF
HIS HAND...



The
same
turn,
the
7th
Draw!



I DOUBT IT
WOULD CAUSE
A PROBLEM
IF WE JUST
ASSUMED
THAT...

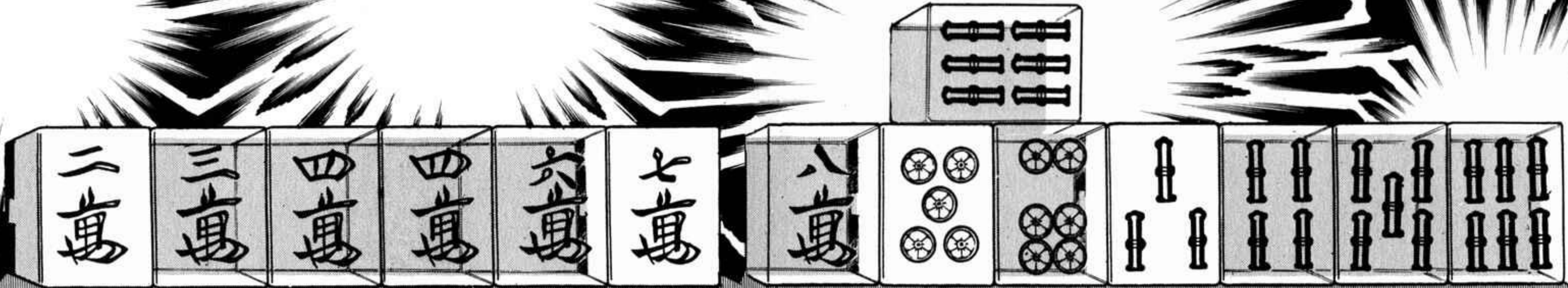


A 1-4 Man Wait...

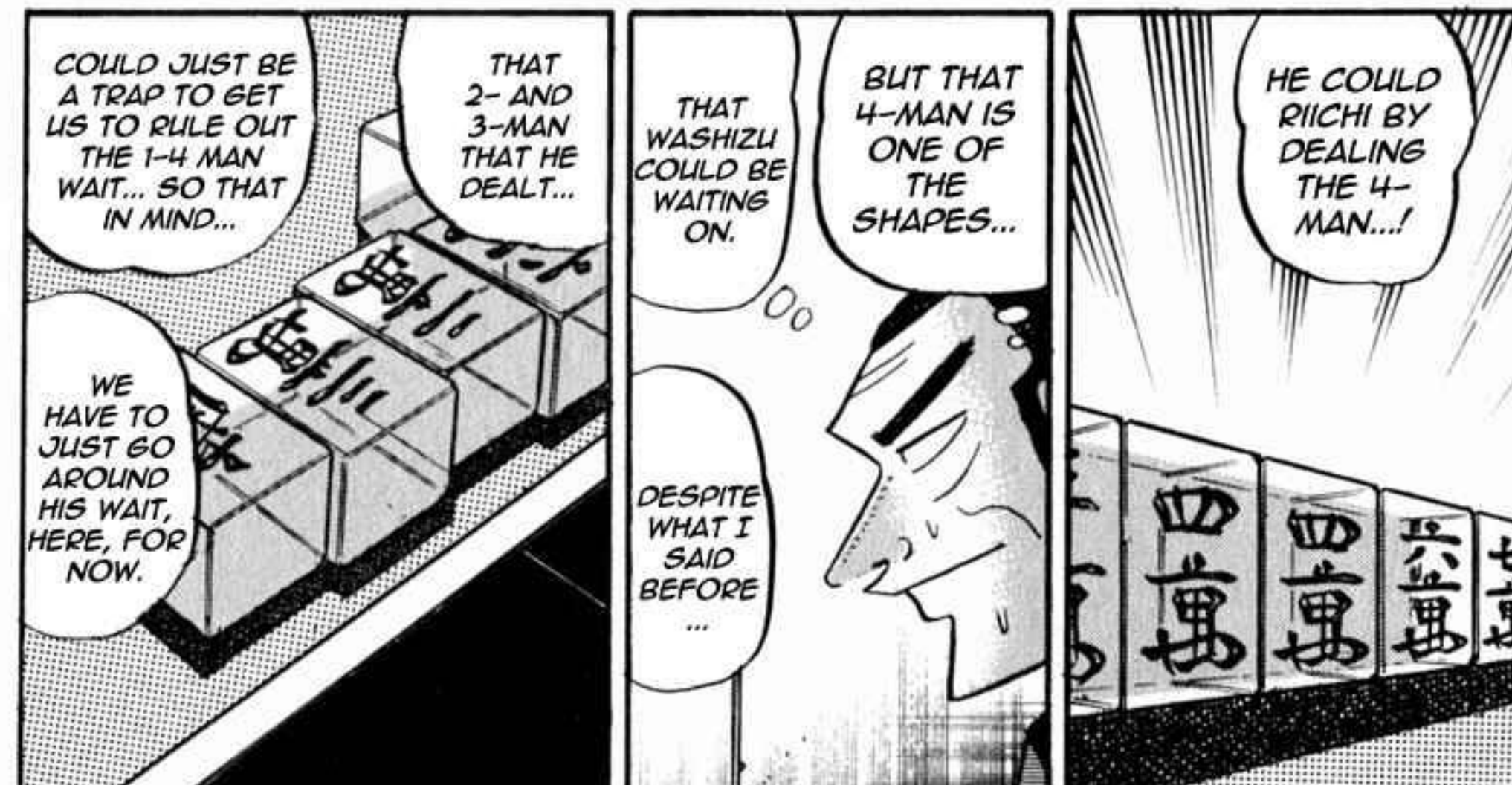
A 1-4-7 Sou Wait...

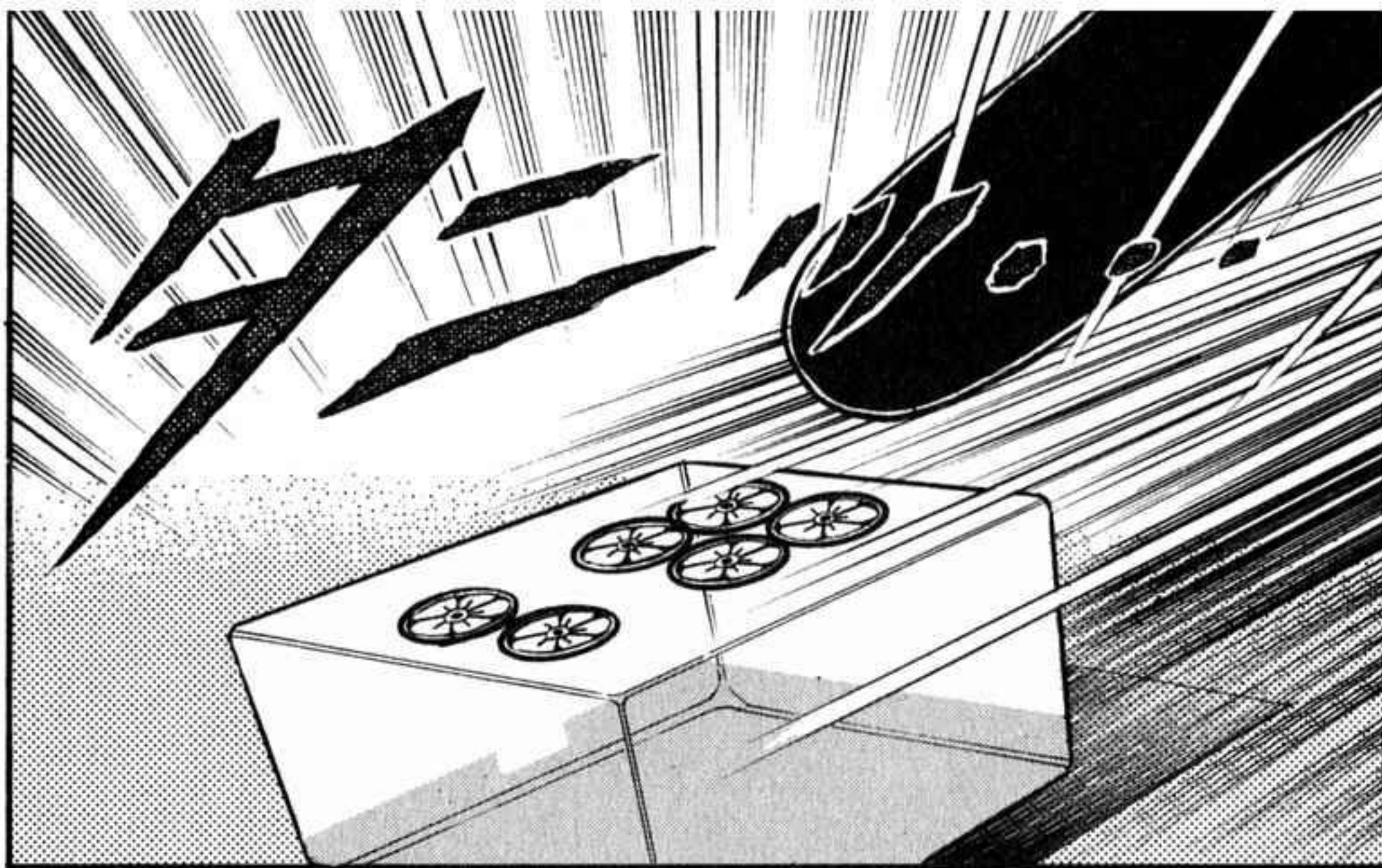
And a 3-6 Sou Wait.


AKAGI ALSO ENTERS TENPAI!



DON'T GET AHEAD OF YOURSELF!







He gets rid of his 5- and 6-pin...

Akagi plays it safe.



And keeps the 4-man safe in his hand.

HE GETS BACK INTO TENPAI!



And just like that...

Yasuoka deals into it.

And right after ...

HE GOT THERE ...!

**HE REJECTS
WASHIZU'S
PREEMPTIVE
RIICHI!**



PLAY DE-
FENSIVELY
AND WIN
THROUGH
TAKING
ADVANTAGE
OF GAPS
IN THE
GAME...



THAT'S
THE WAY
TO GO...



KHEH-
HEH-
HEH...

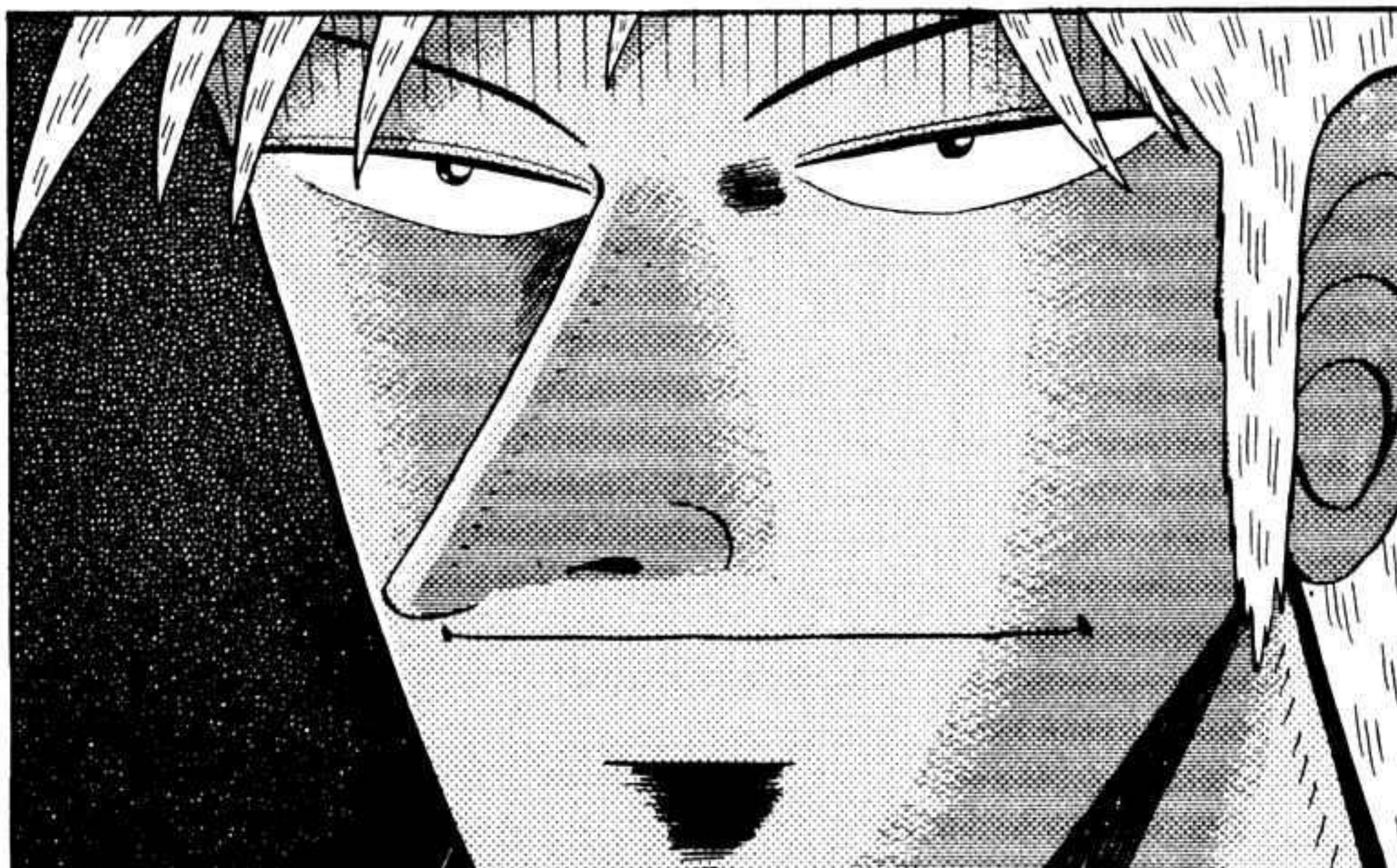


ALL
RIGHT!



PINFU,
1 DORA.
2000.

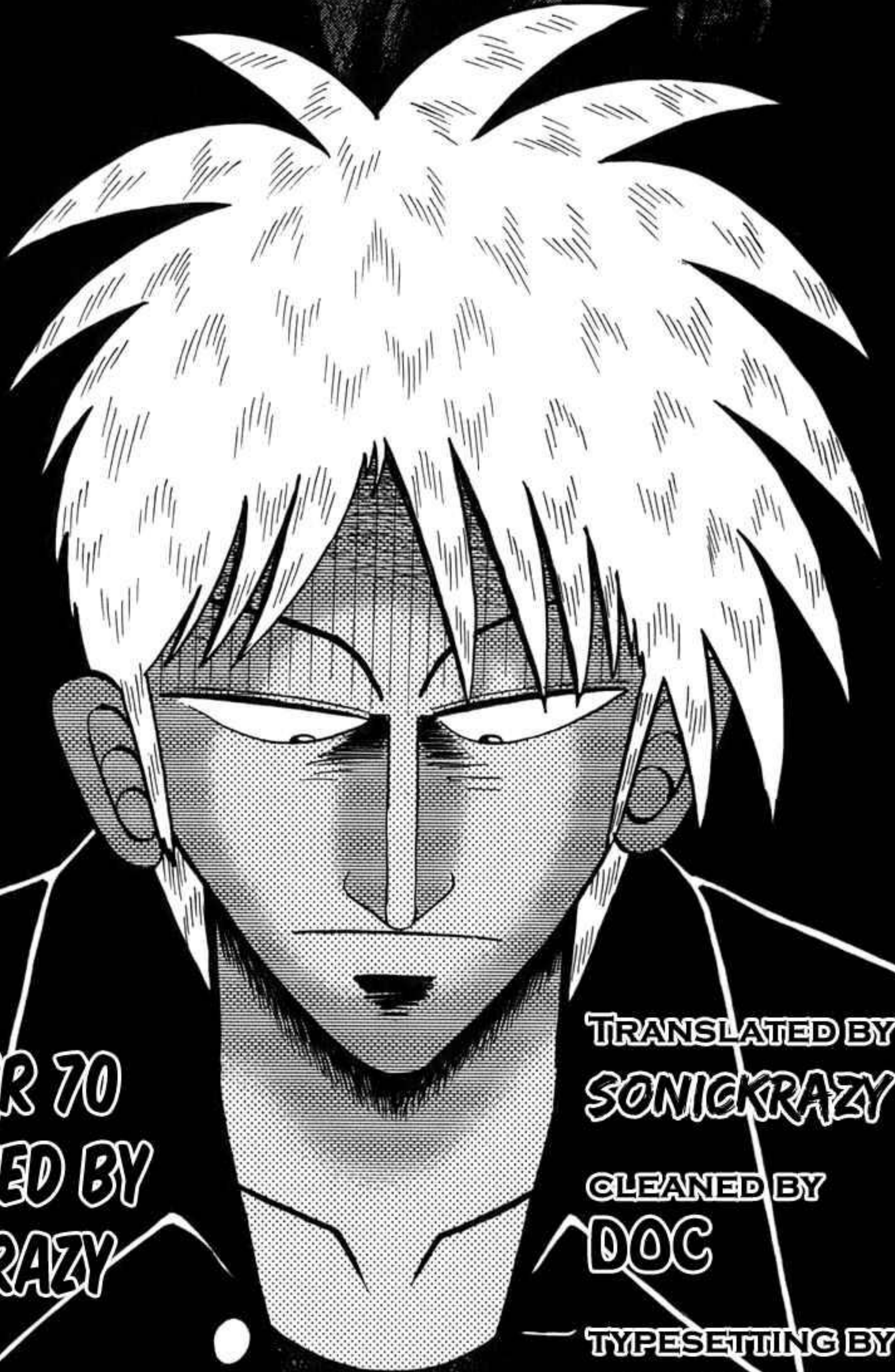
RON.



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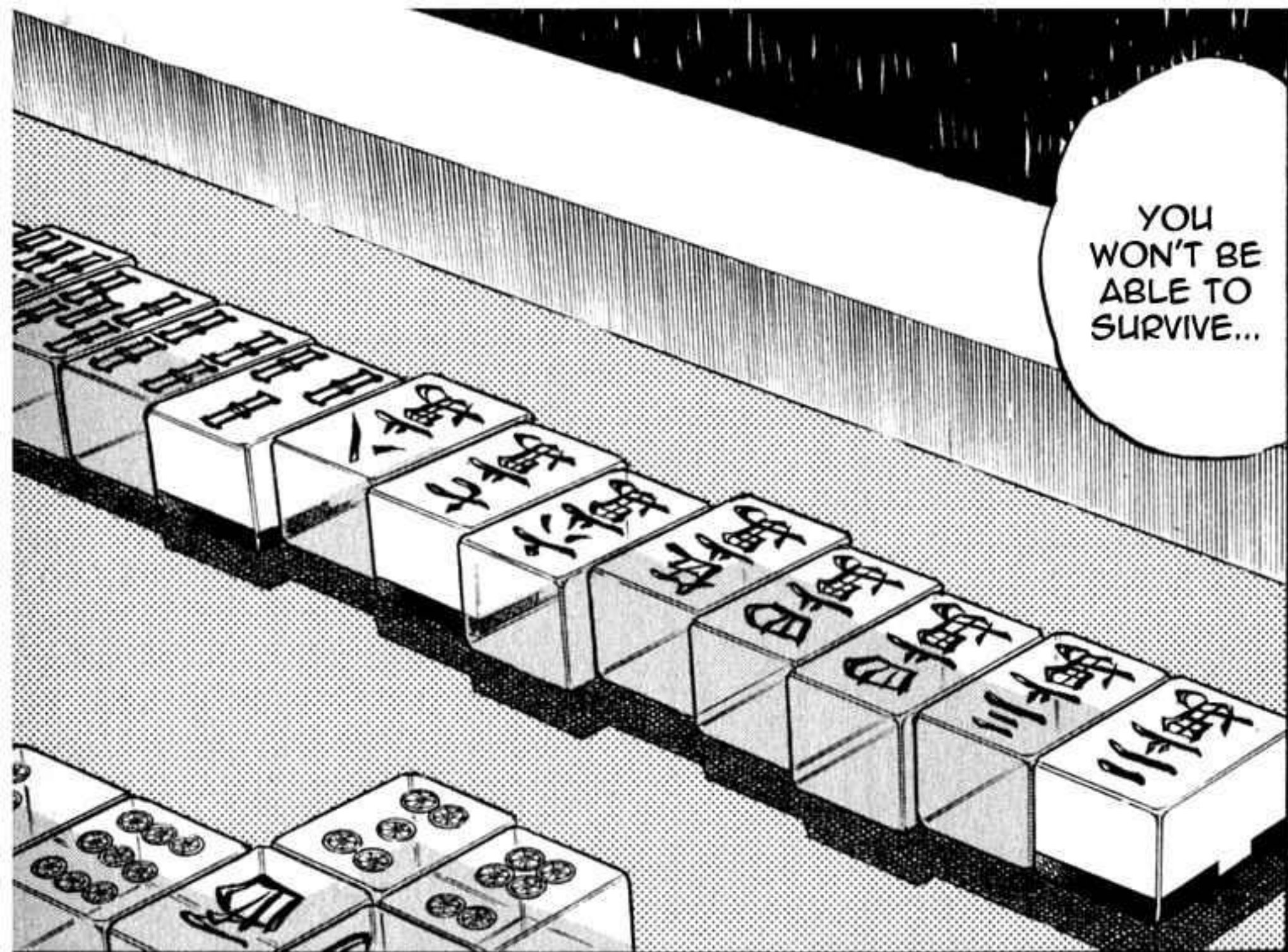


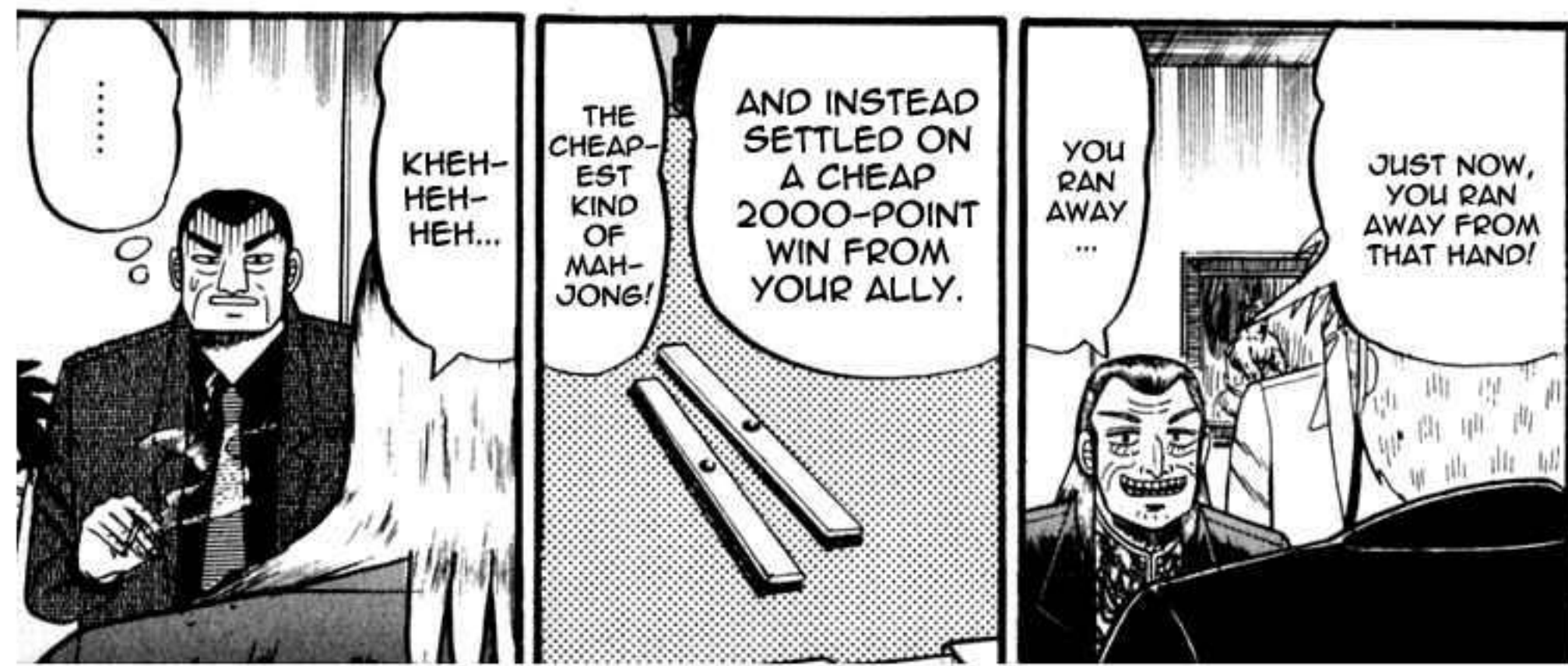
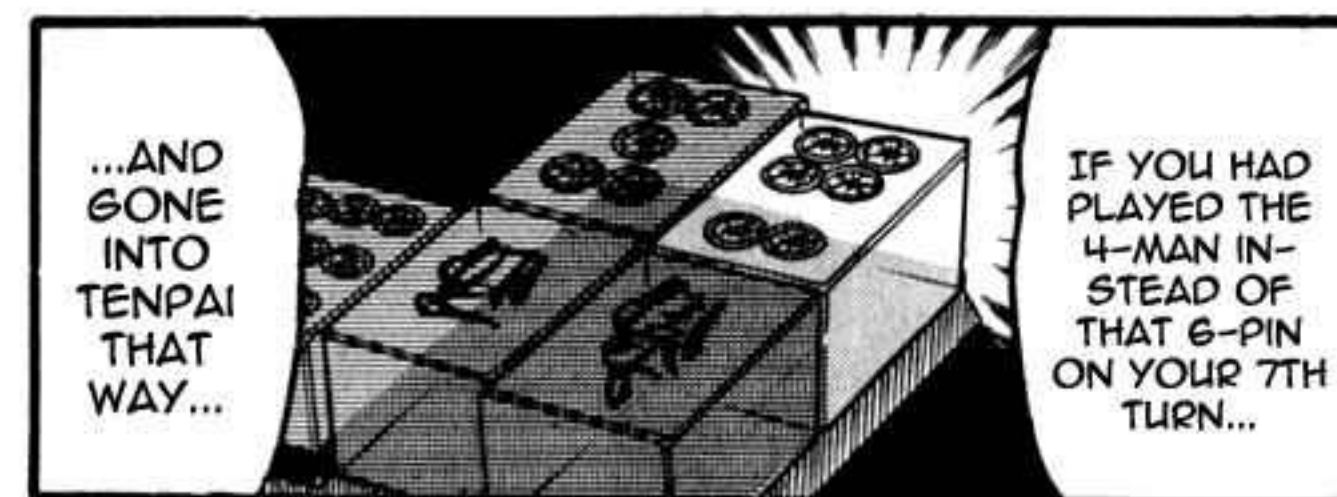
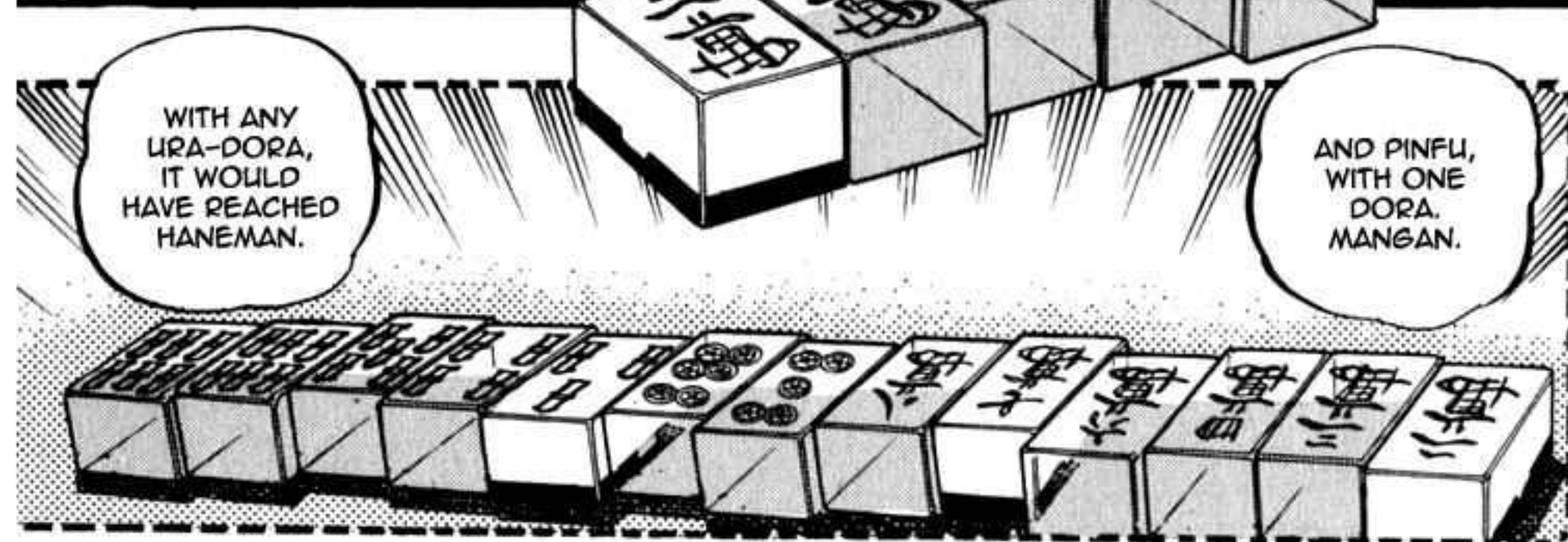
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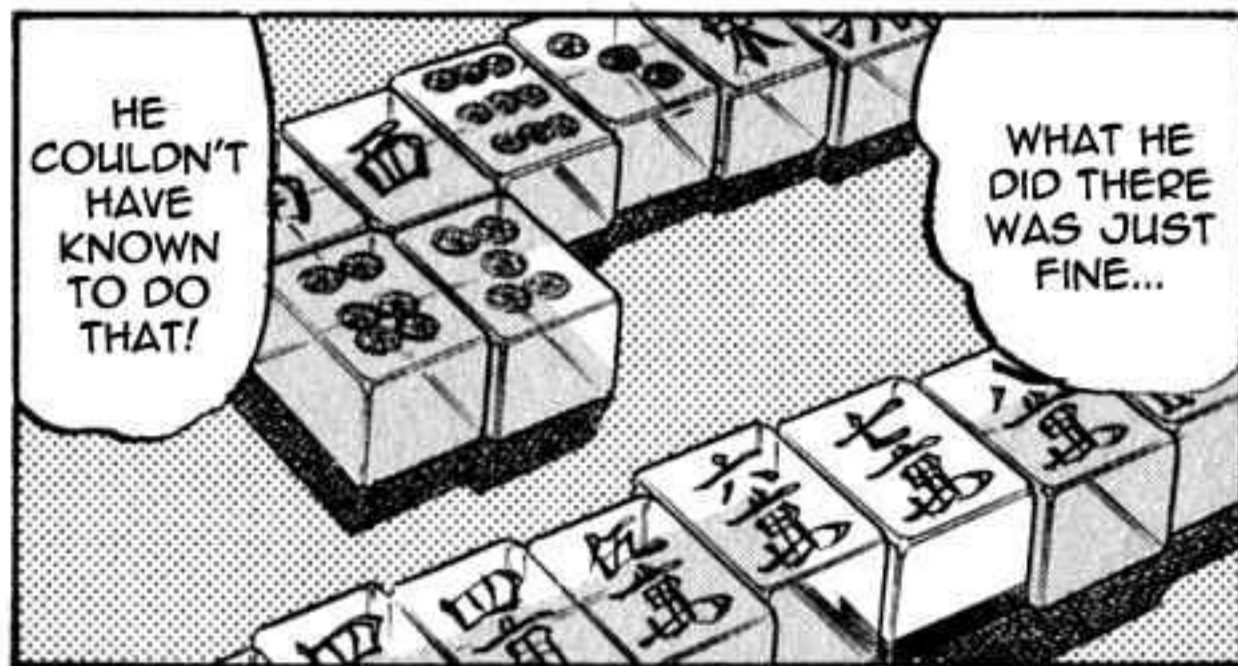
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WASHIZU JUST
POINTED OUT
QUITE A VALID
ARGUMENT.



I SUPPOSE
HE COULD
BE AIMING
FOR THAT,
BUT...



OLD
MAN...

MATTERS
AREN'T QUITE
AS SIMPLE
AS ALL THAT,
RIGHT?



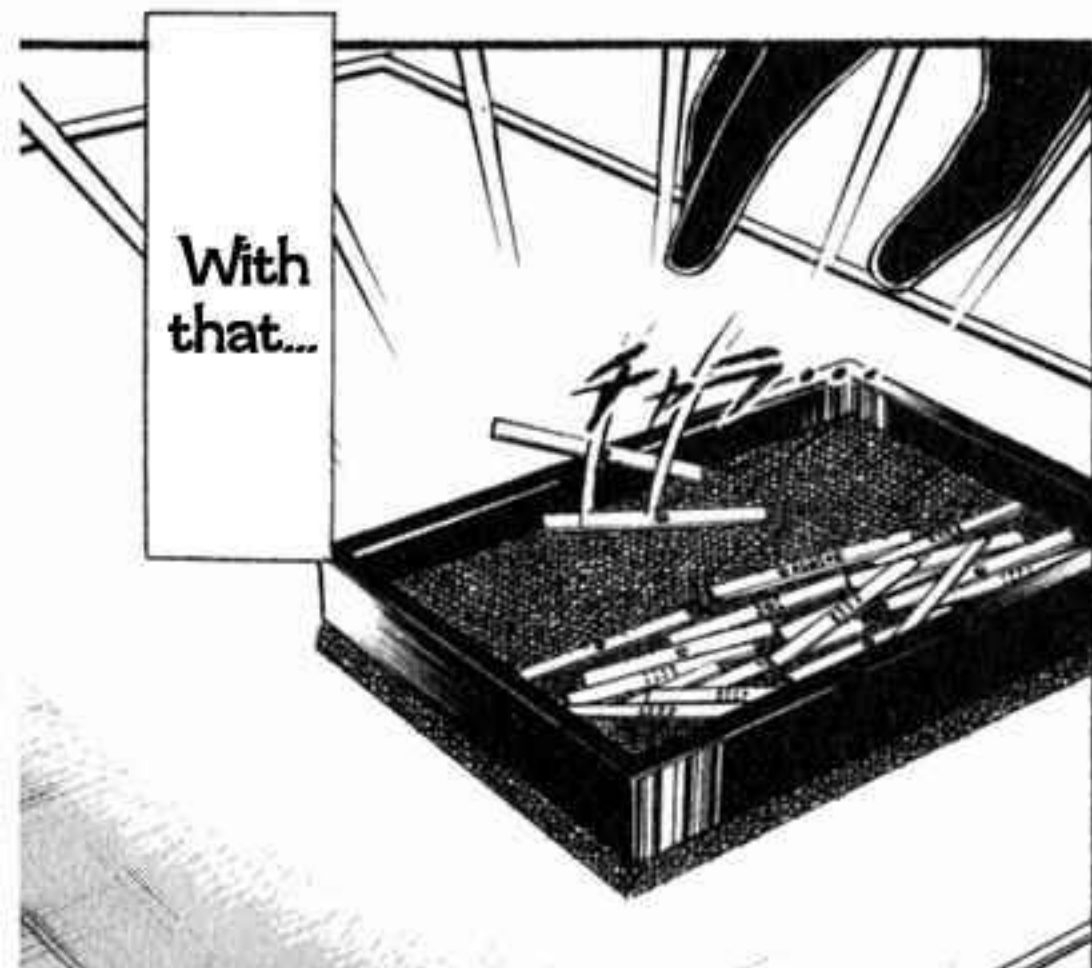
THE
FACT
IS...

STILL,
THOUGH
...



.....
?

HM-
HMM
...

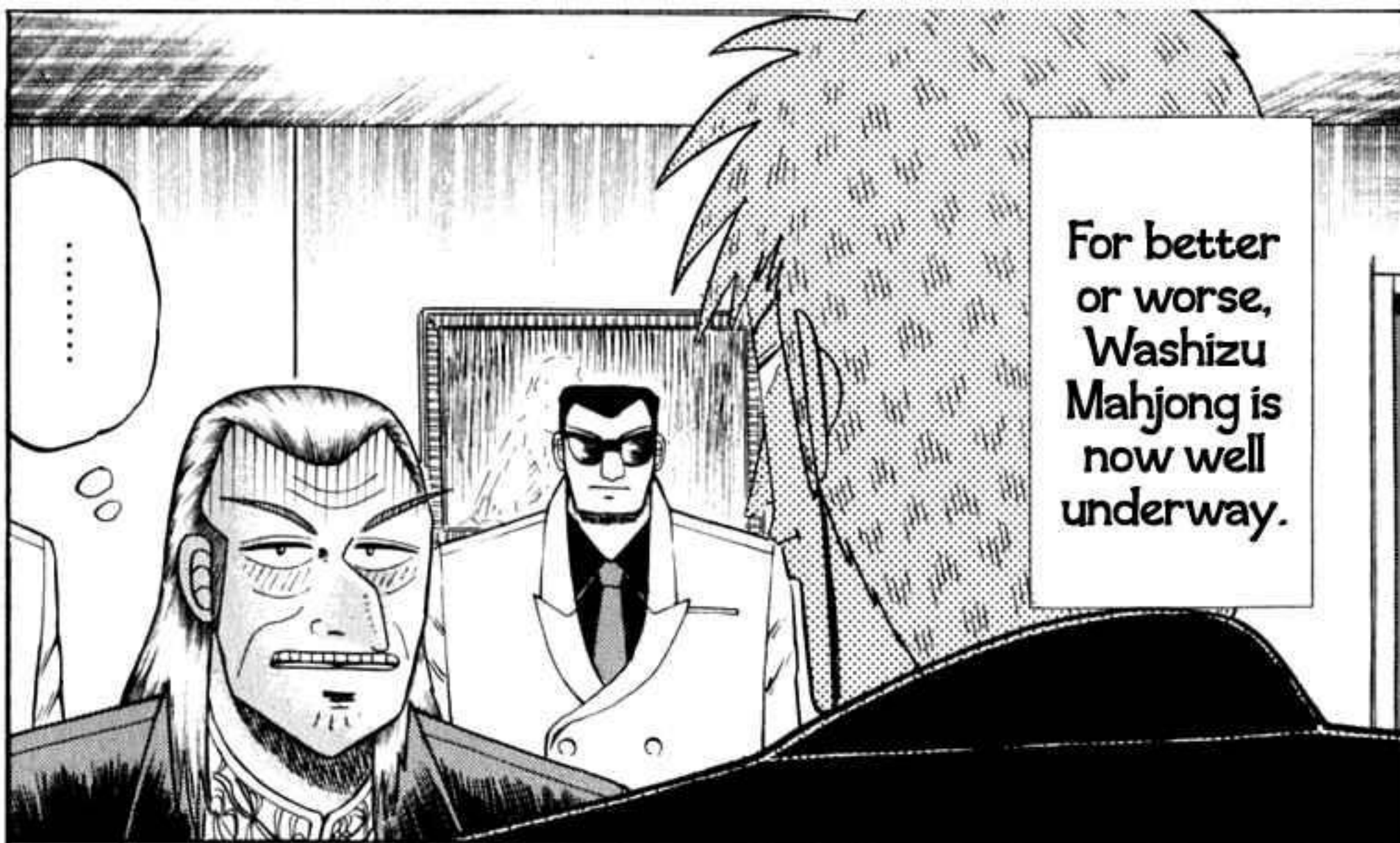


With
that...



AND DON'T
BLAME ME
WHEN YOU
DO.

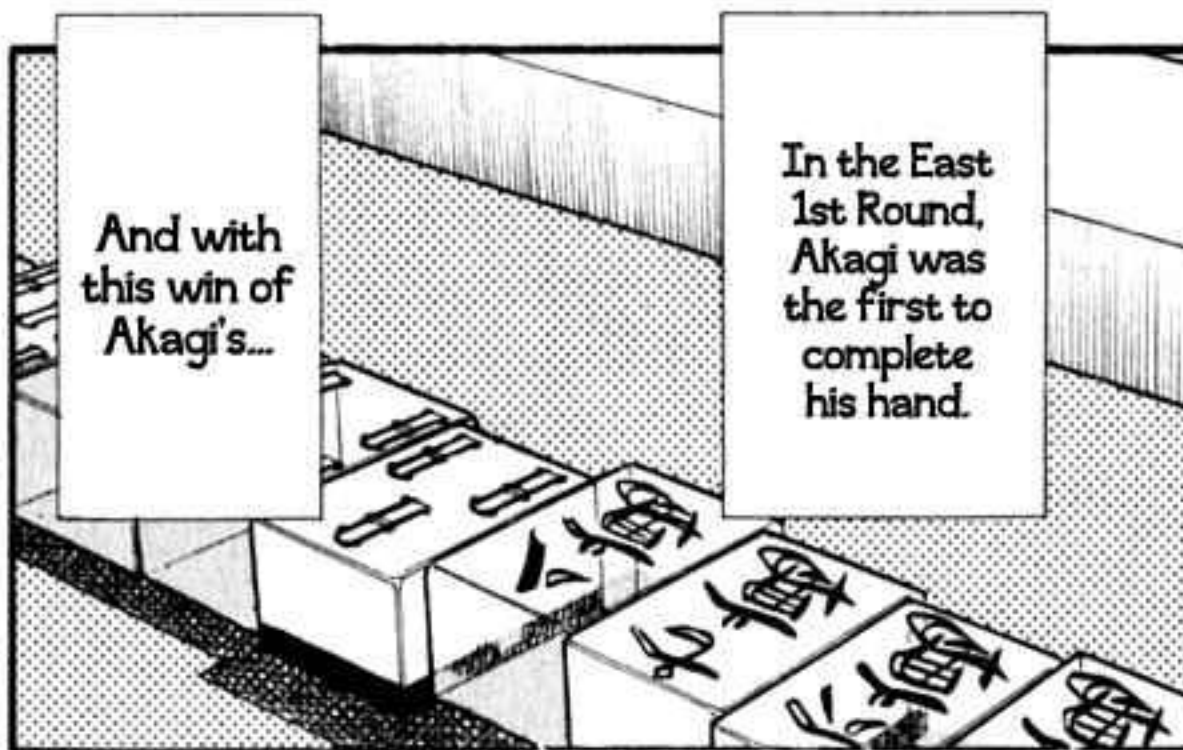
WELL,
YOU'LL
FIGURE IT
OUT SOON
ENOUGH.



For better
or worse,
Washizu
Mahjong is
now well
underway.



He received
2000 points
from Yas-
uoka...



And with
this win of
Akagi's...

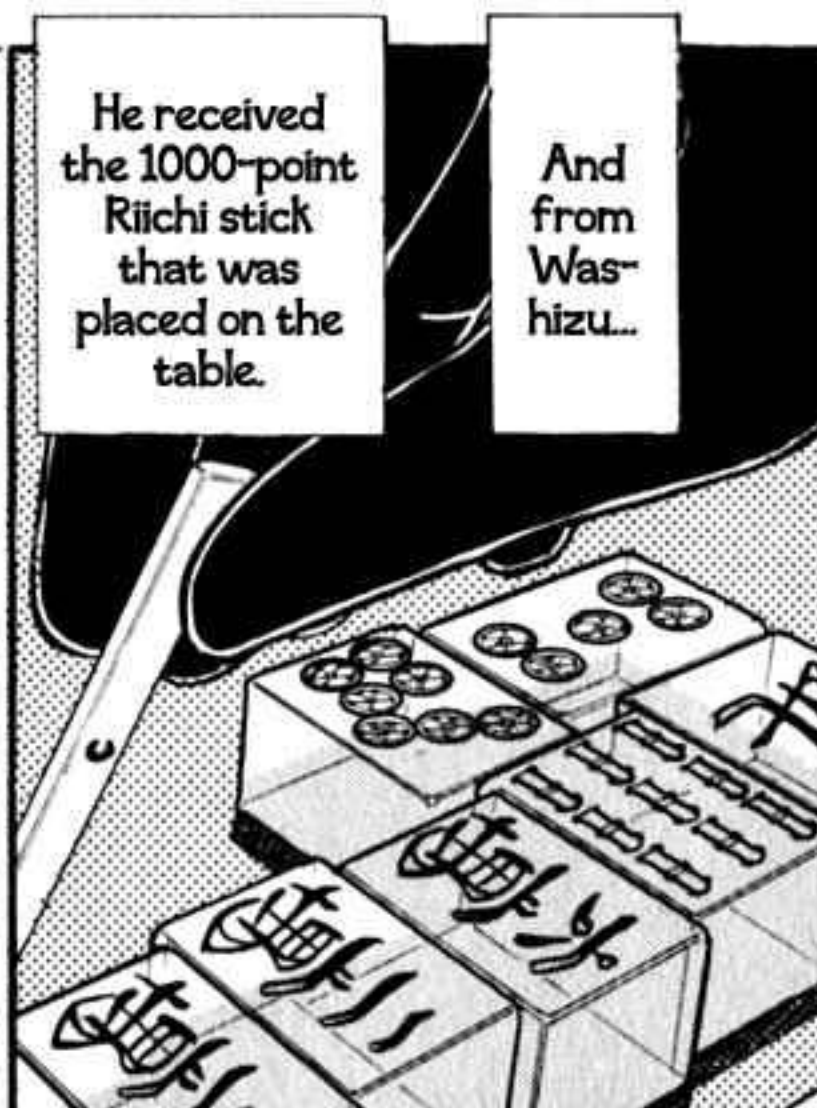
In the East
1st Round,
Akagi was
the first to
complete
his hand.



He
receives
a full 1
Million
Yen!



This 1000
points is
trans-
formed
into
money...



He received
the 1000-point
Riichi stick
that was
placed on the
table.

And
from Was-
hizu...



Now that
the first
round has
ended...



A sound of tiles
clicking together
comes out from
within the table.

This is
the table
shuffling
them.

Once
pressed
—

Is in
fact a
switch.

The ridge
around
the sides
of the
hole...

All the tiles
are pushed
into the hole
in the center
of the table.



Once the
sound has
stopped...

And then
gradually
comes to
a stop.

This is the
table shuf-
fling them.





This brings the game to the next round.

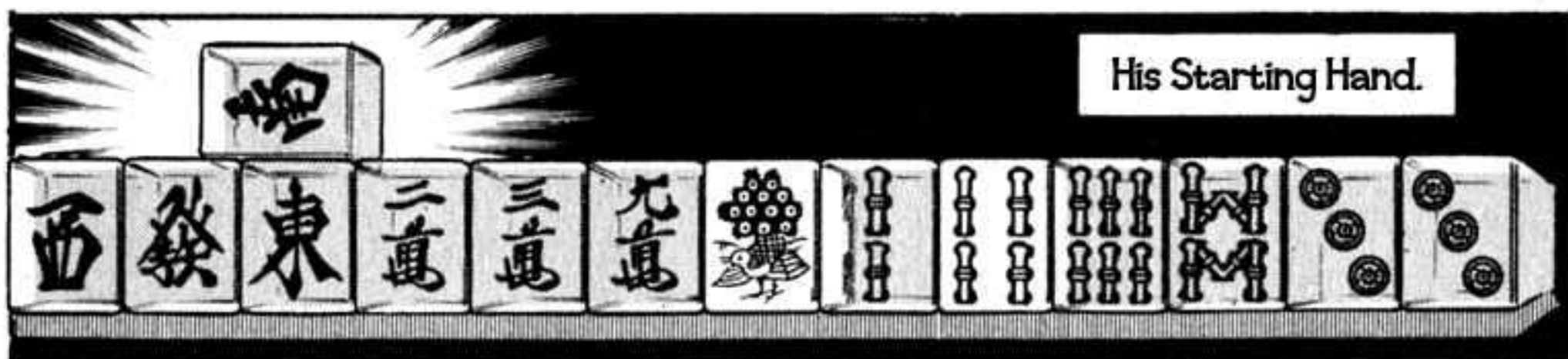
The hands are all drawn from the hole in the center, two tiles at a time.



The dealer for this East 2nd Round is Washizu.



Then,
once
again,
starting
from the
dealer...



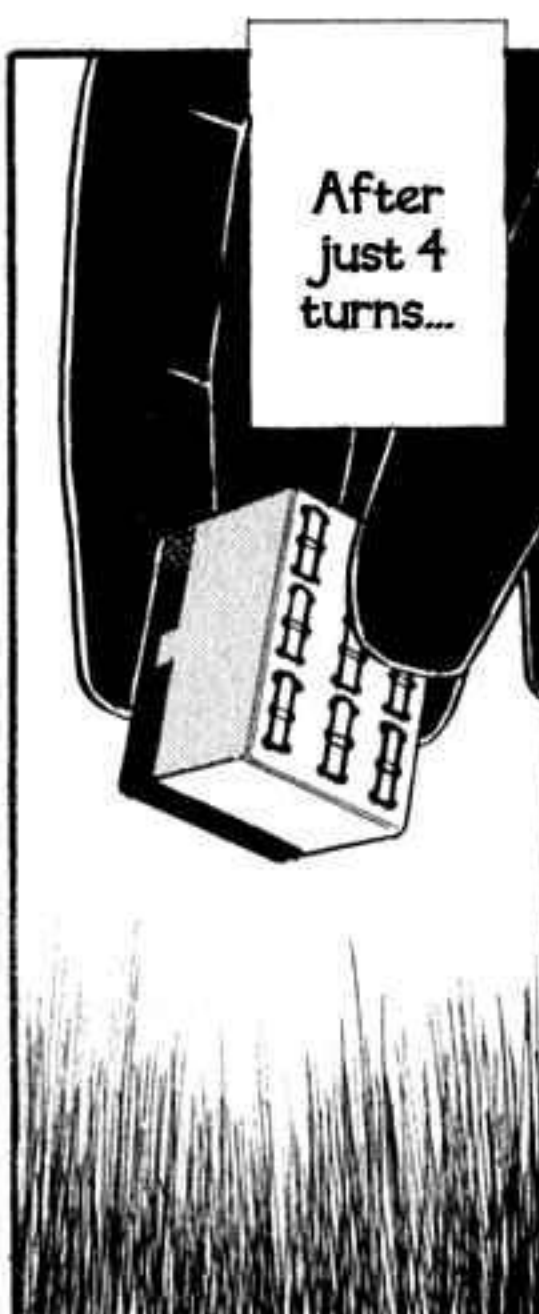
His Starting Hand.



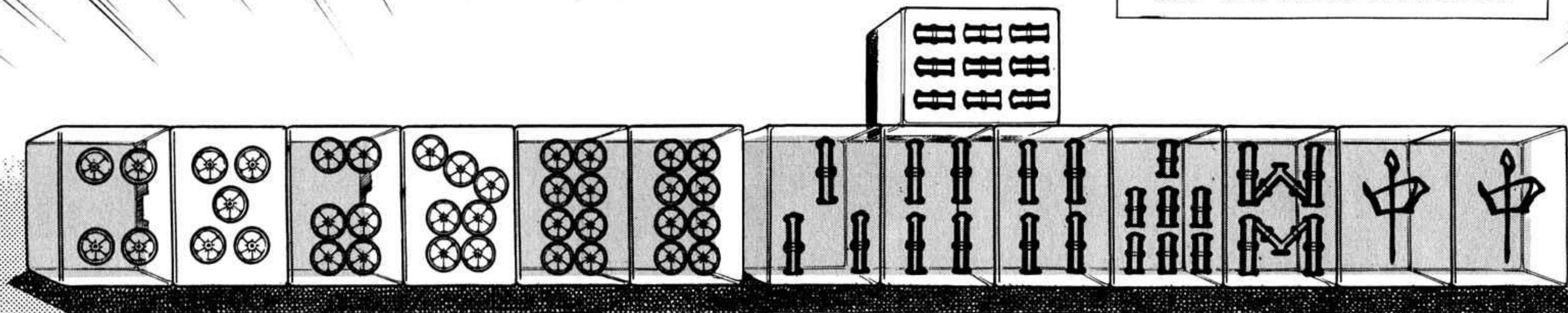
Is a
gar-
bage
hand.

After losing his chance at victory in the last round, his starting hand...





**HIS HAND ARRIVES AT
ONE TILE FROM TENPAI....!**



Yasuoka
draws in
the Chun
tile.

On
the
5th
Turn...

His
hand is
quite
fast!

It is
also a
favor-
able
shape!

IN THAT
CASE...

AKAGI WILL
PROBABLY
REACH TENPAI,
ON A 2-5 SOU
WAIT!

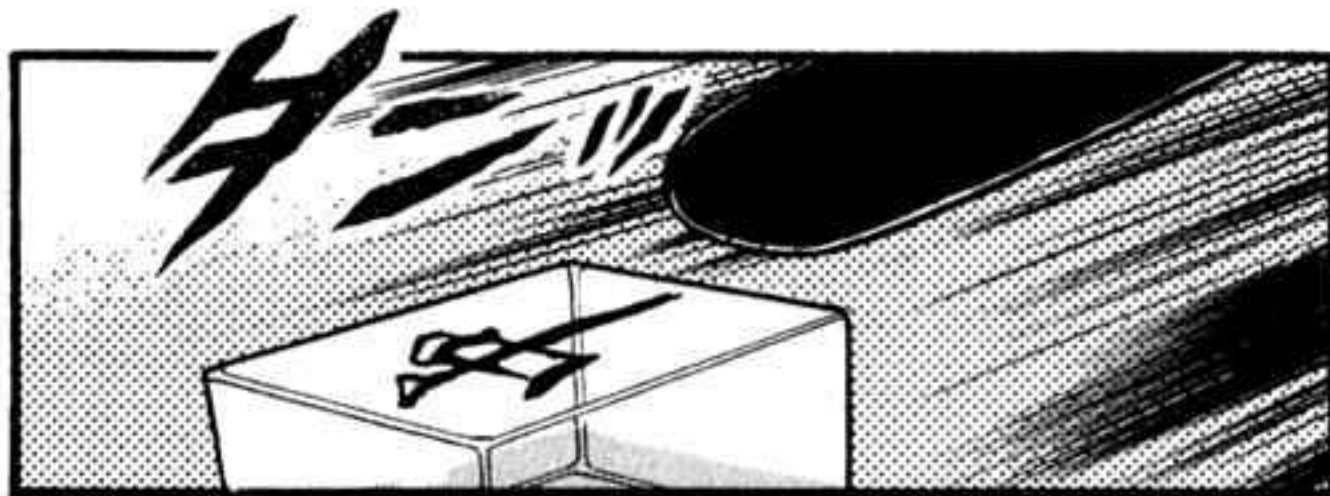
IF HE
CALLS
ON THIS
CHUN,
THEN...

And then,
as if to
continue
that trend
further...

Quick,
cheap
hand!

It is truly the
perfect kind of
hand for stealing
Washizu's dealer
turn away from
him... this...

I CAN
DEAL
RIGHT
IN!



Yasuoka's
points have
no effect on
the game.

In this
game of
Mah-
jong...

PON!

This is
because it is
purely a one-
on-one match
between
Akagi and
Washizu.

So
that is
why...

Yasuoka
will back
up Akagi.

When situa-
tions like this
are to come
up, then
naturally...

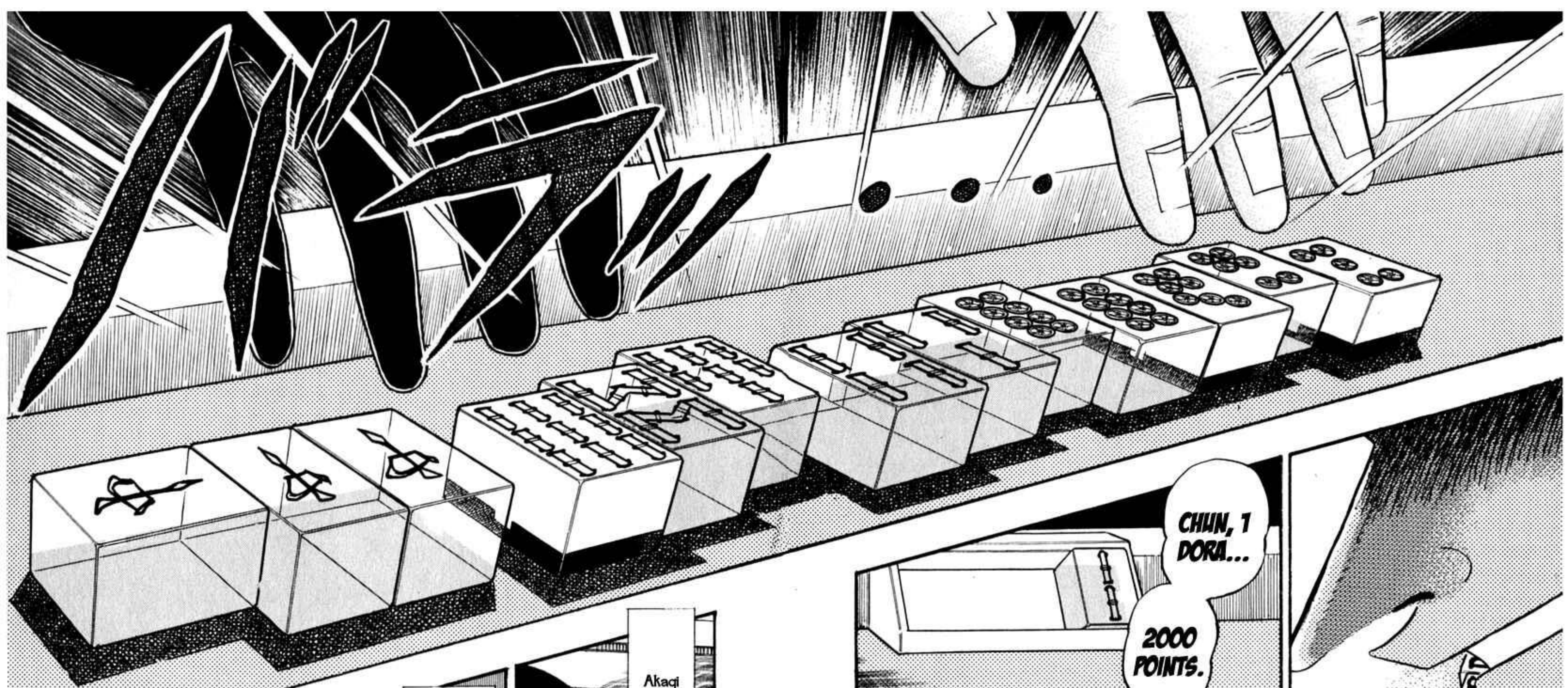
So with
that in
mind...

**TO
DEAL
RIGHT
IN!**

And then
used his
winning
tile...

To reach
Tenpai.

He let
him call
on the
Chun...



CHUN, 1
DORA...

2000
POINTS.



In the open-
ing rounds,
he fires off
two straight
wins!

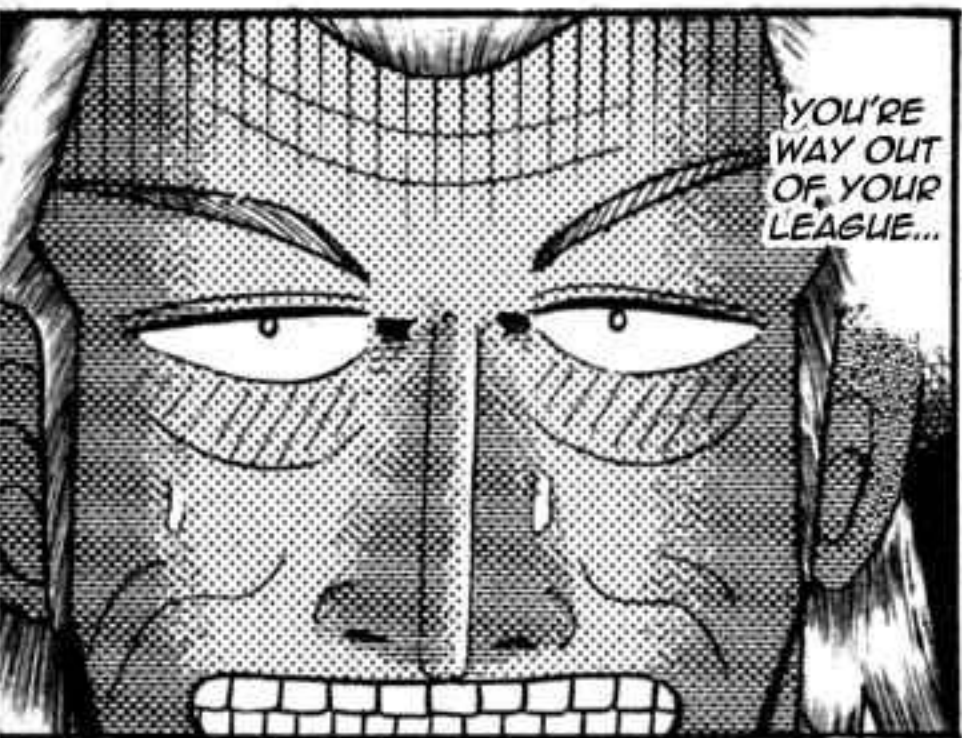
Akagi
is being
favored.



RON!







YOU'RE WAY OUT OF YOUR LEAGUE...

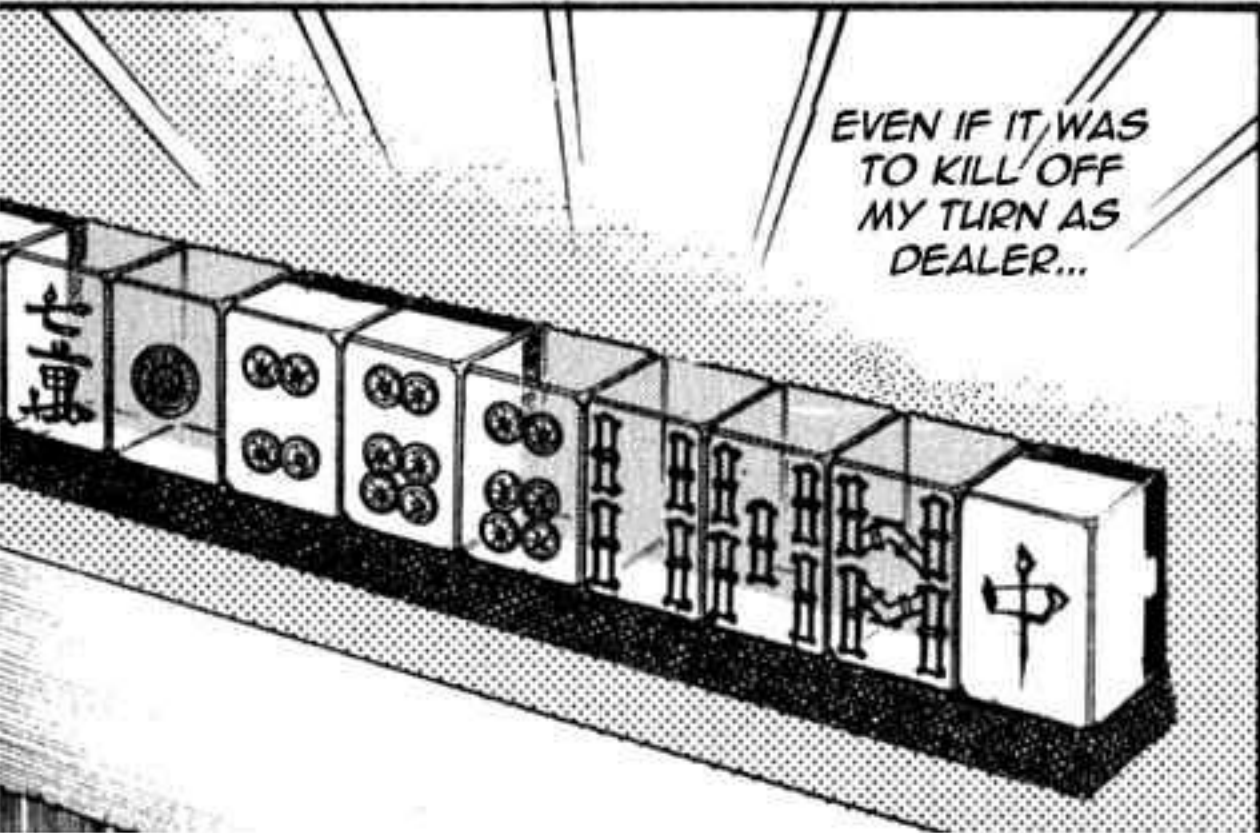


HE'S A FOOL!



THIS BOY ...

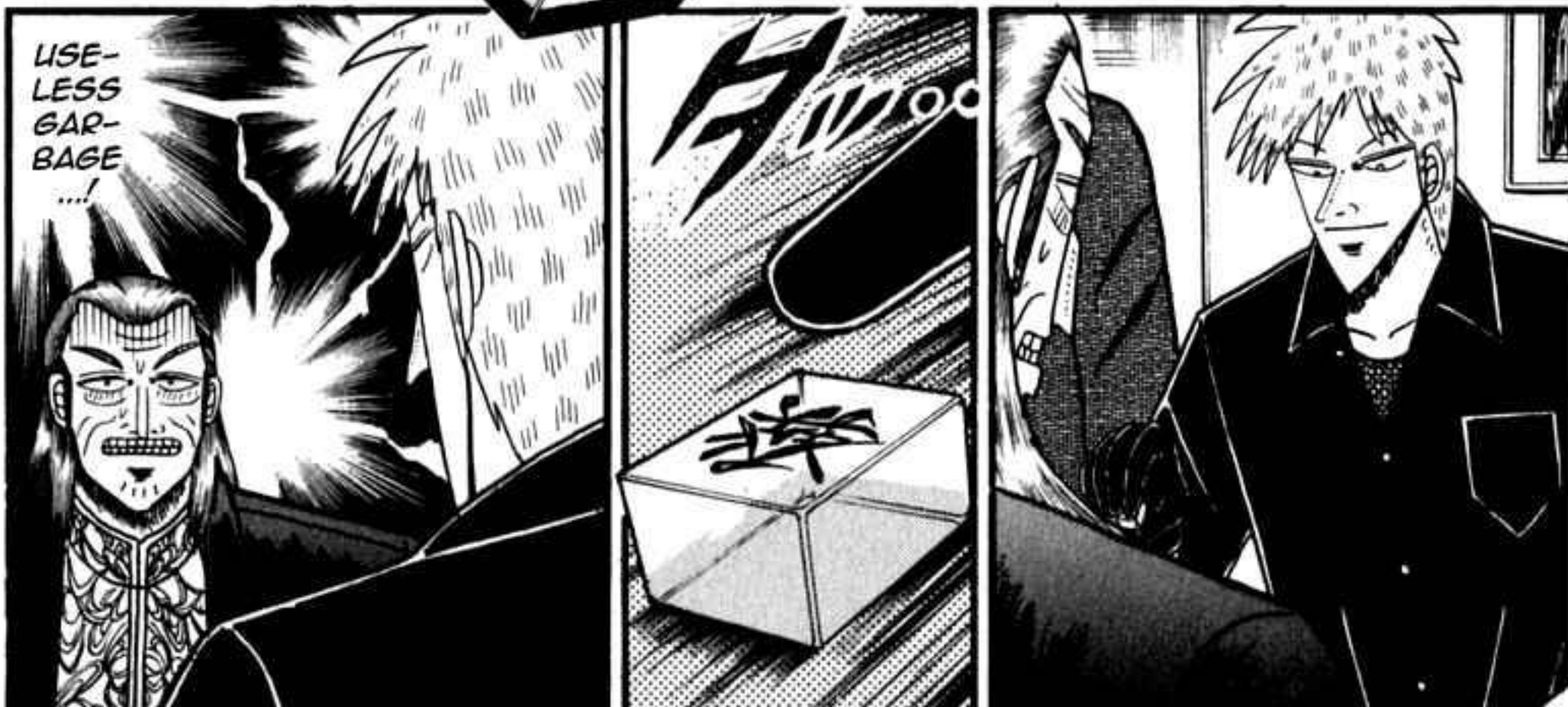
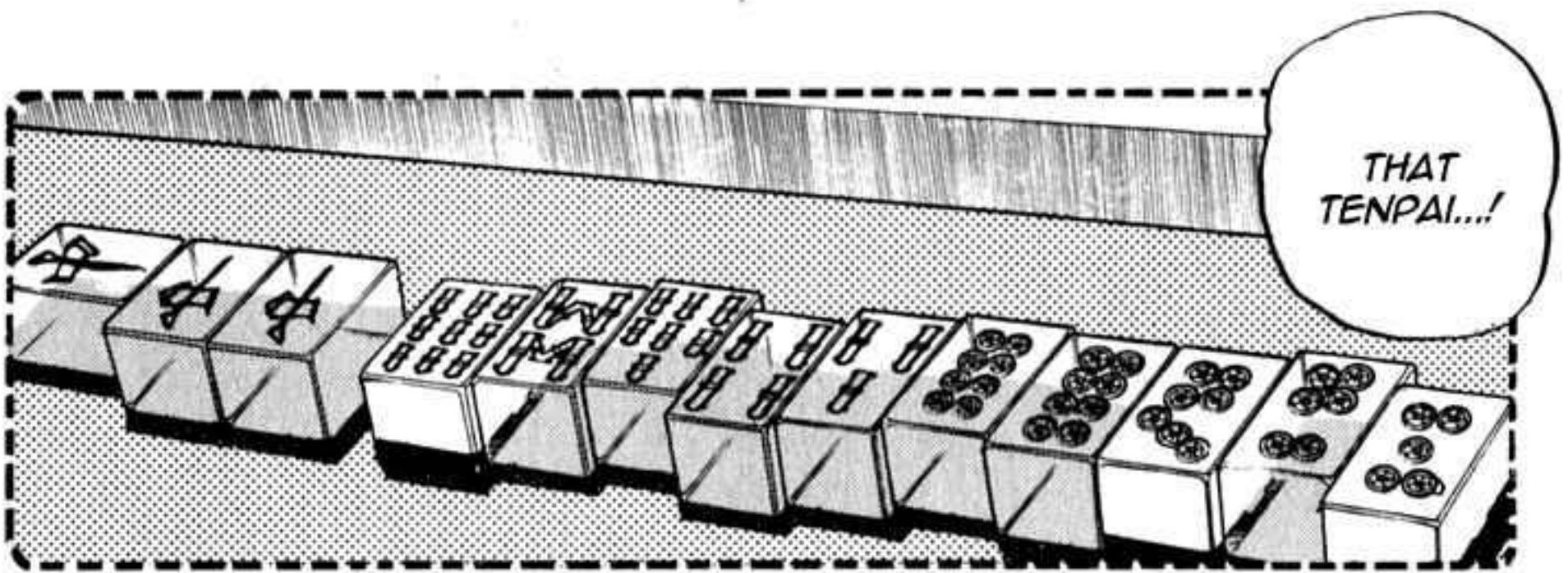
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE 'MEDIocre ...



EVEN IF IT WAS TO KILL OFF MY TURN AS DEALER...



NOTHING BUT A STUPID CHILD...





THE MOST
EFFECTIVE
WAY TO PLAY
WASHIZU
MAHJONG...

I'LL
SHOW
IT TO
HIM!



HE
SEEMS TO
BE SOME-
WHAT ON
THE SLOW
SIDE, SO
WITH THAT
IN MIND...



I'LL
TEACH
HIM...!



RIICHI!

THE MOST
POWERFUL
STRATEGY!



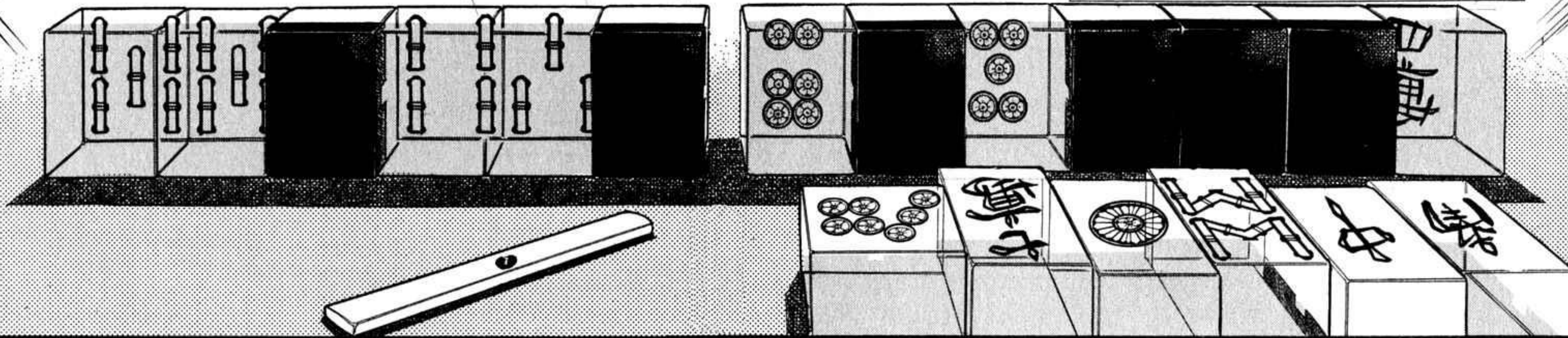
THERE
IT IS
...!



HAH
...!



WASHIZU'S RIICHI!



BUT YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT TO THINK ABOUT THIS!

I CAN TELL YOU'RE CONSIDERING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT THINGS...

YOU FOOL ...!

KHEH-HEH-HEH...

IT'S MUCH MORE AMBIGUOUS THAN THE RIICHI HE MADE AT THE START...

THIS TIME IS A BIT MORE DIFFICULT...

ざわ..

LOOKING AT IT ANOTHER WAY...

THERE'S DEFINITELY A POSSIBILITY OF A CHII TOITSU HAND THERE, AS WELL...

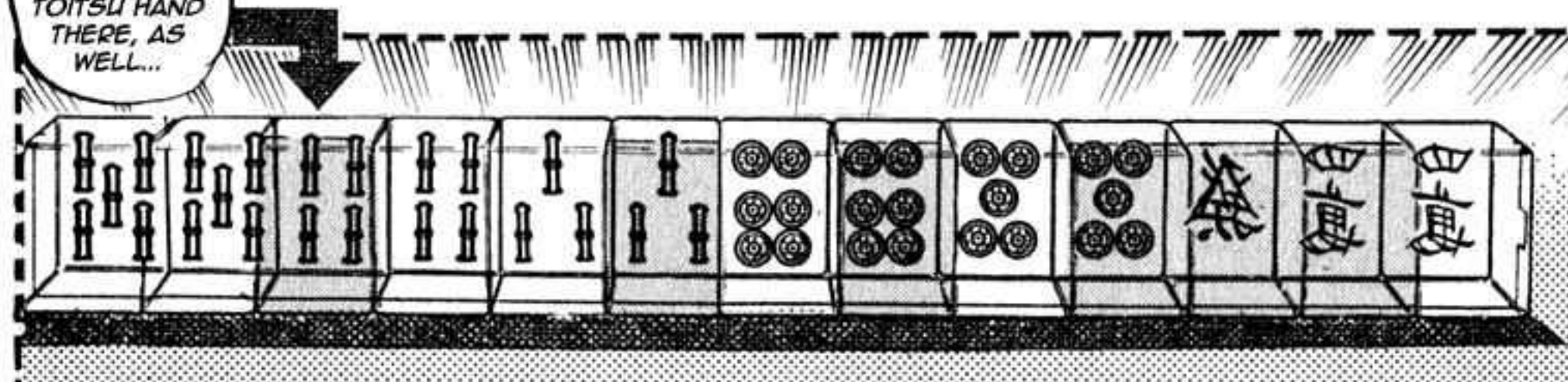
WHAT KIND OF WAIT COULD IT HAVE BASED ON THOSE TILES... WAIT, NO...

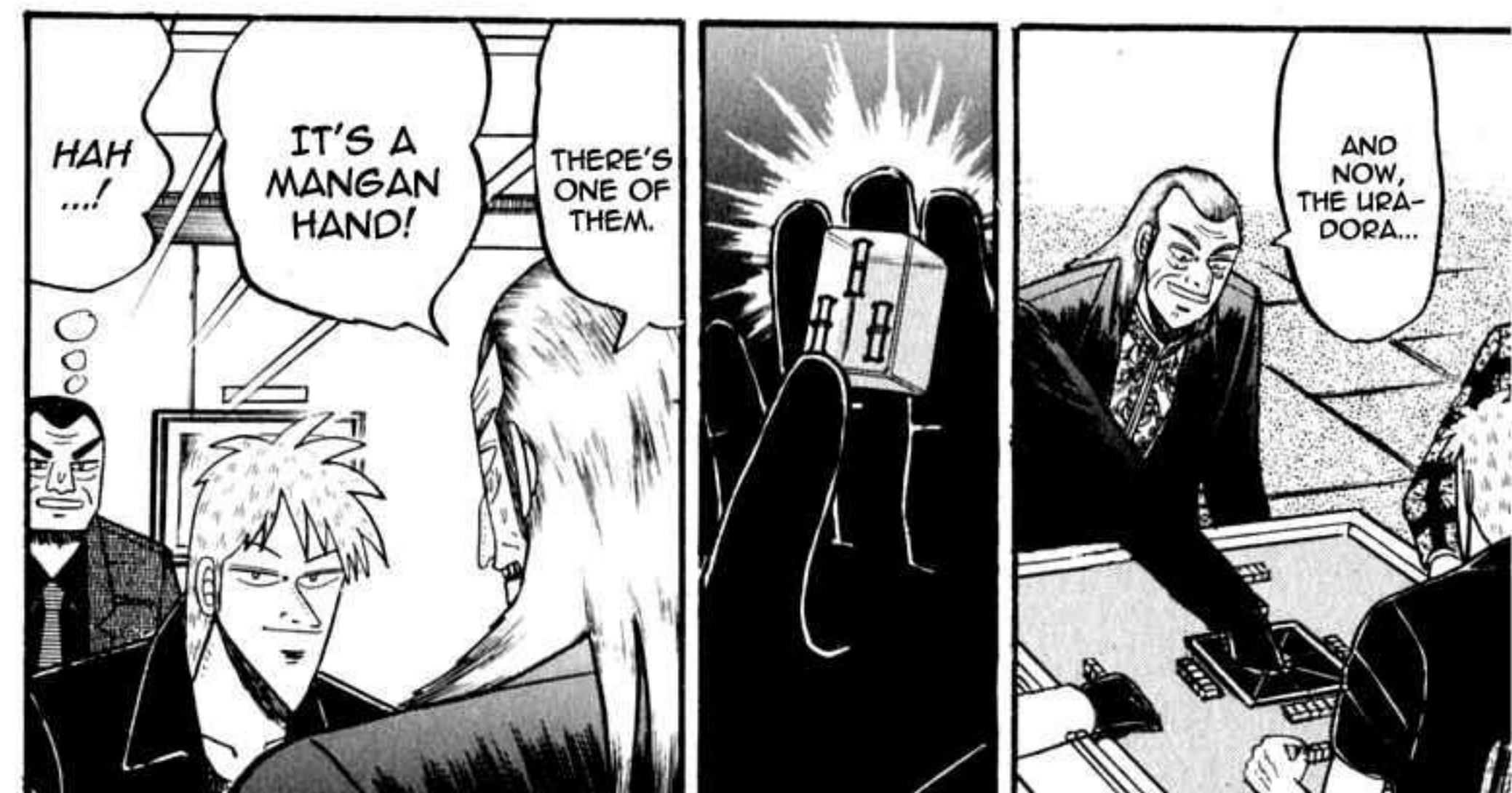
IF IT'S A TANYAO, PINFU HAND, THEN...

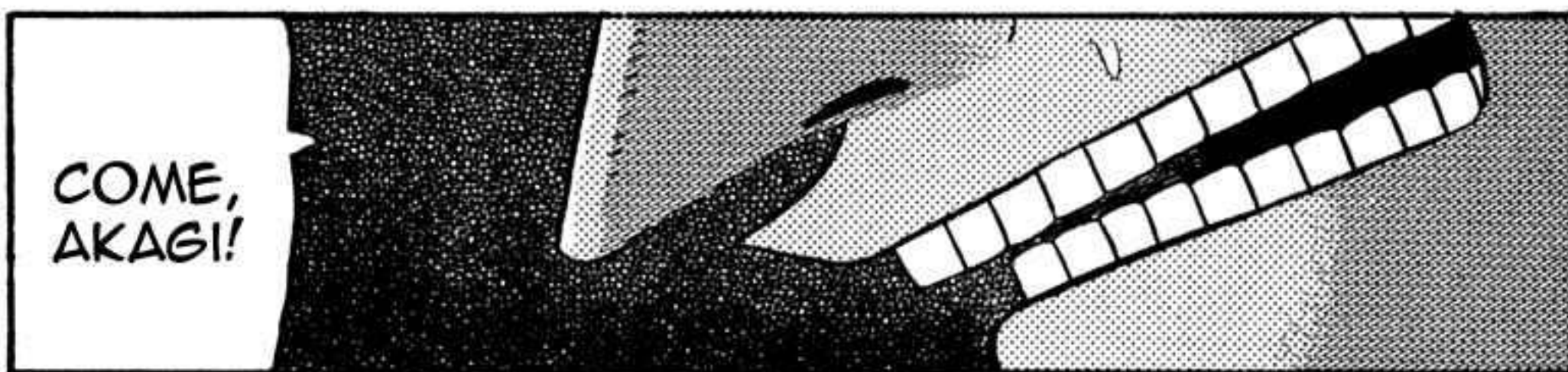
WITH ALL OF THOSE OPAQUE TILES, IT'S HARD TO TELL...

DO IT.

HLIH ...?!



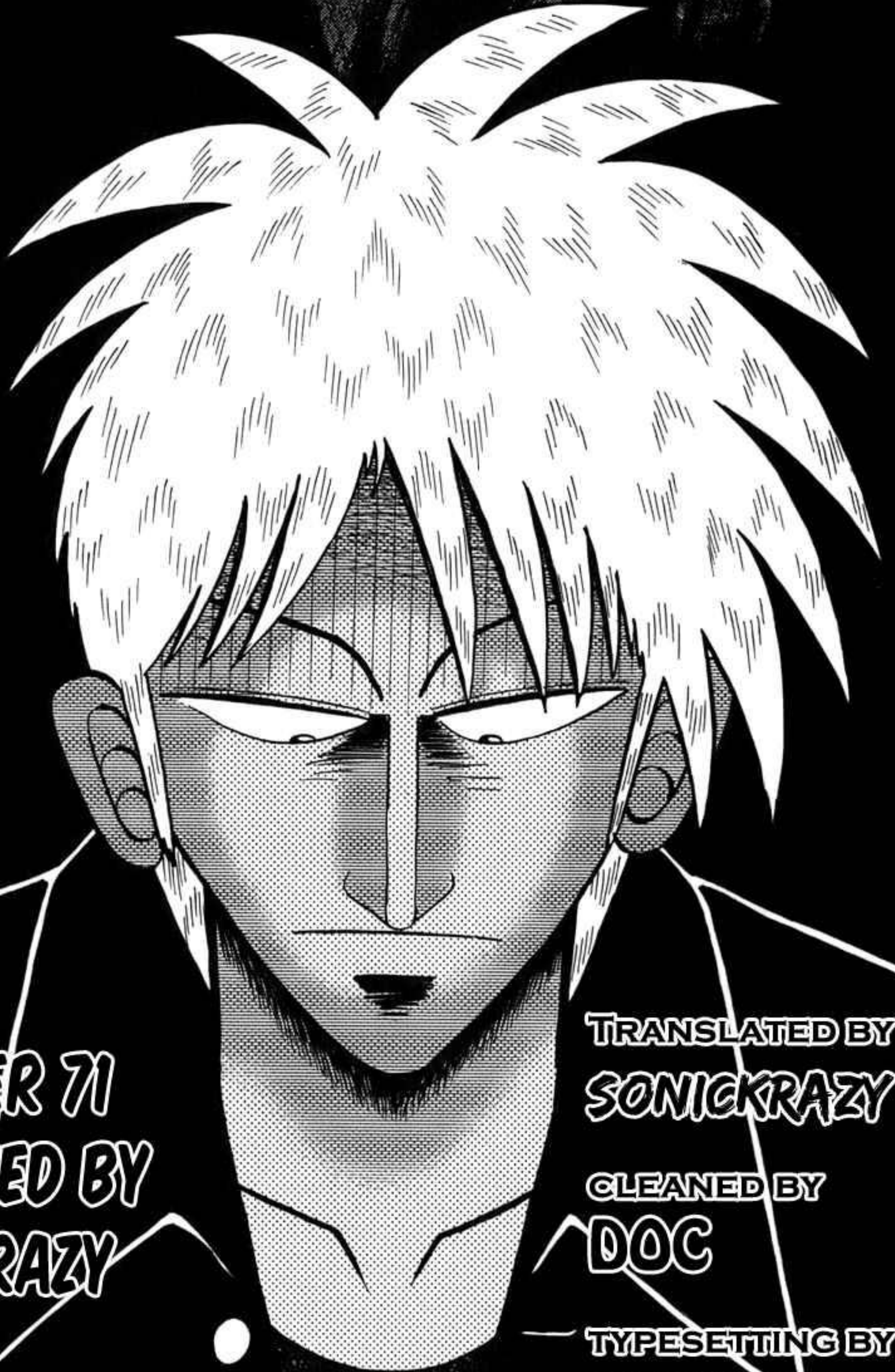




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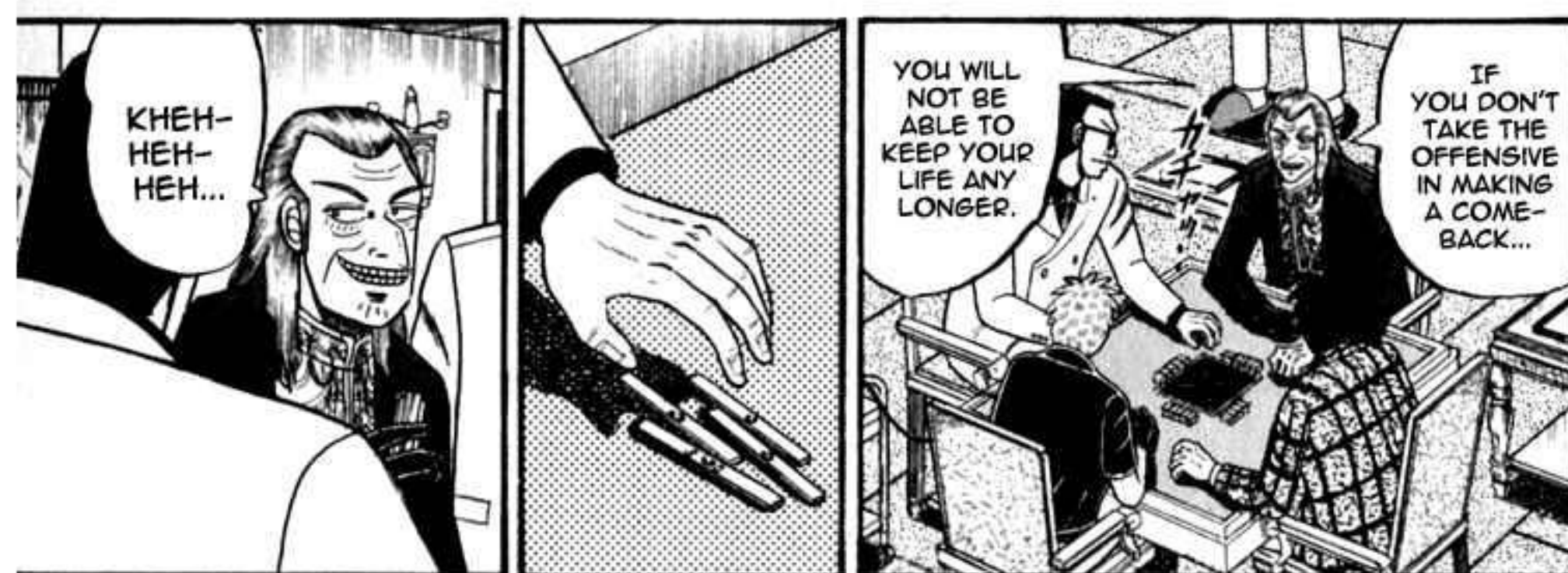
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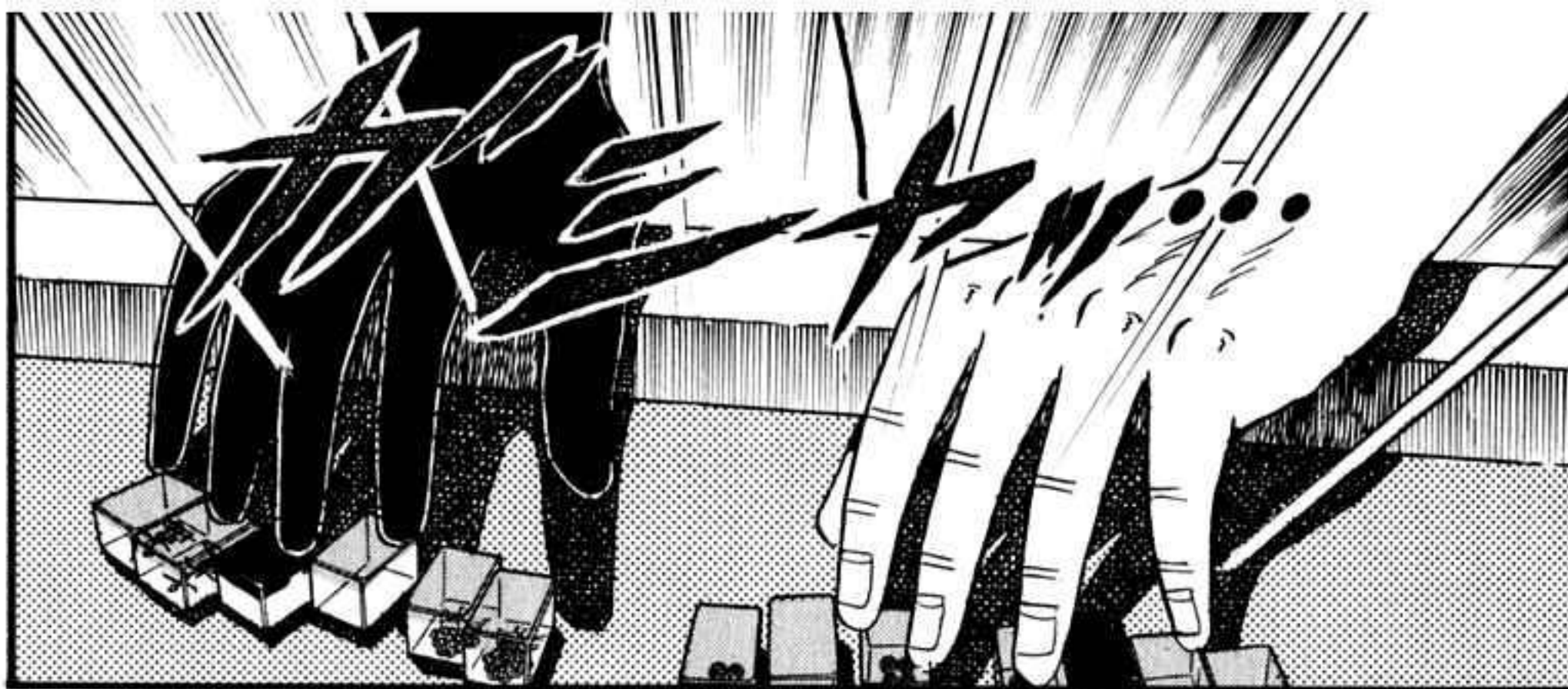


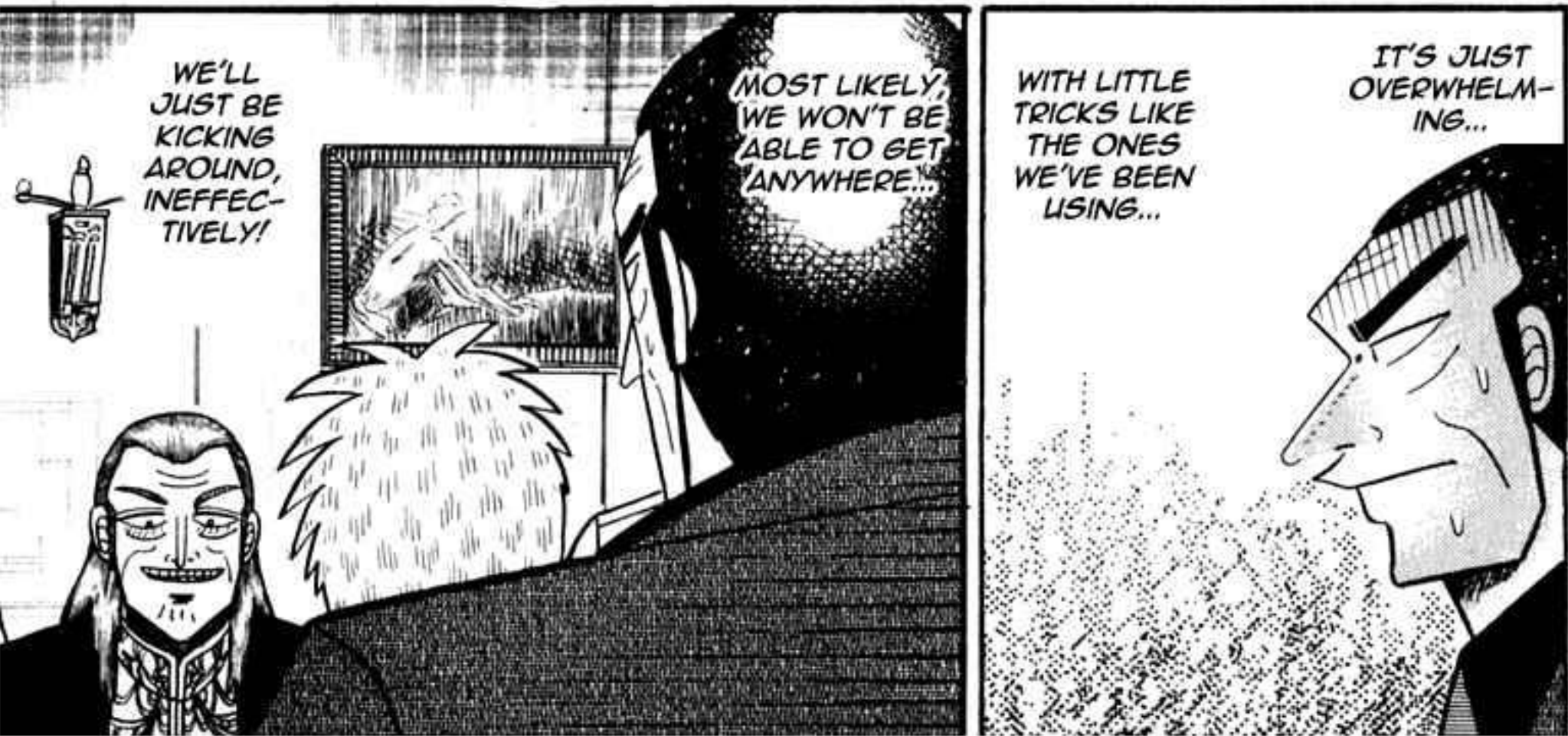


COME AND CLOSE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN US...!











THE SECOND
GREATEST
ADVANTAGE
TO IT...

THAT MUCH IS
HUGE! HAVING
SUCH A HIGH
REWARD IN
POINTS IS A
TREMENDOUS
ADVANTAGE!

IT WILL
BECOME
A MANGAN
JUST LIKE
THAT.

AND,
LIKE JUST
HAPPENED,
IF THERE ARE
JUST ONE
OR TWO
URA-DORA
IN THE
HAND...

NO MATTER
WHAT, RIGHT
AFTER THE
RIICHI...

IS ITS
SAFETY!

THAT RISK
THAT COMES
ALONG
WITH EVERY
RIICHI...

THE RISK OF
HAVING TO DEAL
ANY TILES THAT
COME YOUR
WAY...

SO THEN,
IN OTHER
WORDS...

YOUR ALLY
CAN DEAL IN
WITH NO ROOM
FOR ERROR.

THERE IS NO RISK
OF DEALING INTO
YOUR OPPONENT!

SO LONG
AS THE TILE
YOU USE
TO RIICHI
PASSES...

CAN BE
AVOIDED
ALTO-
GETHER!



IS ITS
SPEED!



THE THIRD
USEFUL ADVAN-
TAGE TO THIS
STRATEGY...



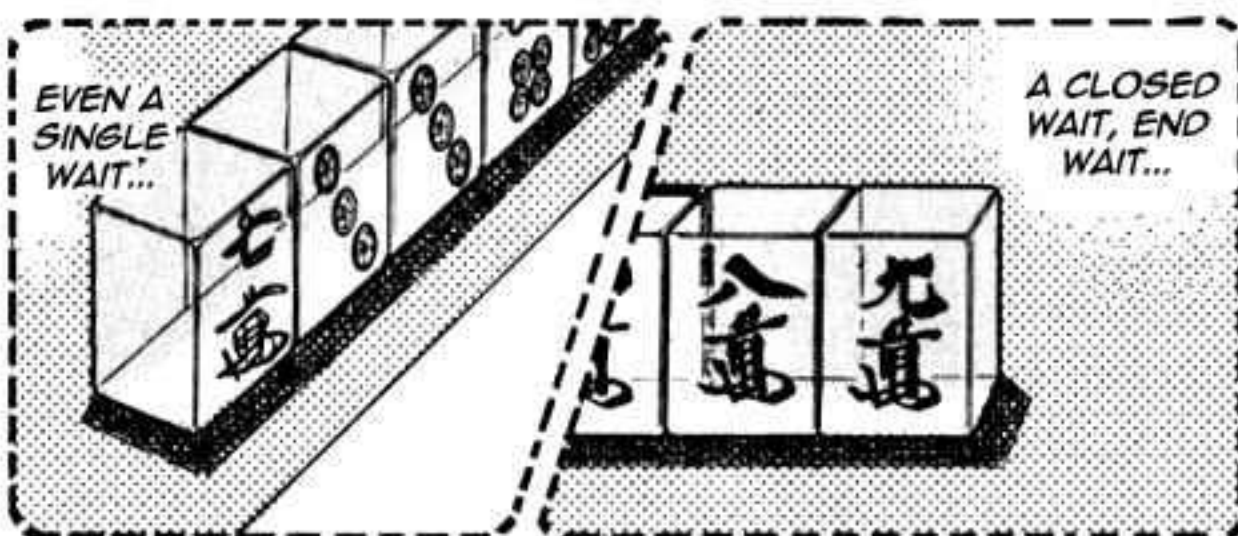
BETWEEN
GETTING
TENPAI
AND WIN-
NING CAN
BE COM-
PLETELY
REMOVED.

THE
TIME YOU
NORMALLY
HAVE TO
WAIT...



YOU CAN
WIN STRAIGHT
AFTERWARDS!

NO MATTER WHAT
STATE YOU'RE IN
WHEN YOU HIT
TENPAI...



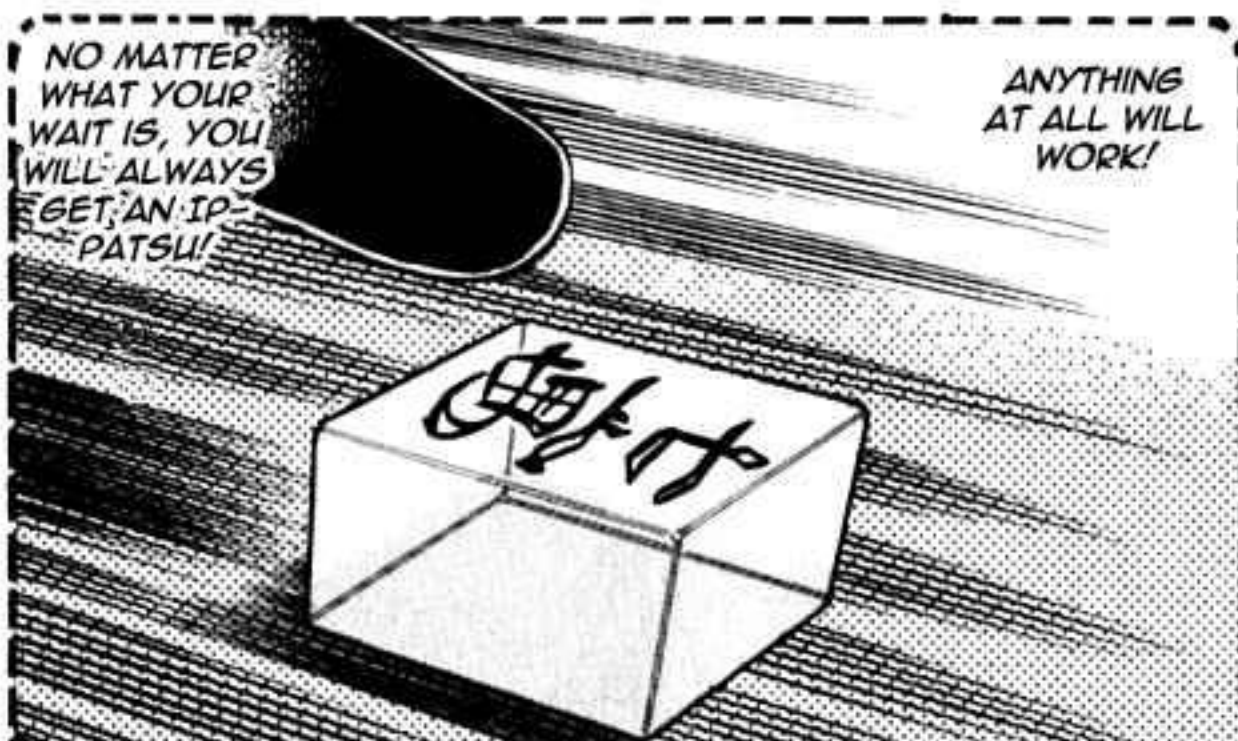
EVEN A
SINGLE
WAIT...

A CLOSED
WAIT, END
WAIT...



SO LONG
AS YOUR
PARTNER
HAS WHAT
YOU NEED,
IT CAN BE
ANYTHING.

AND ALSO,
REGARDING
THE WAIT...



NO MATTER
WHAT YOUR
WAIT IS, YOU
WILL ALWAYS
GET AN IP-
PATSHU!

ANYTHING
AT ALL WILL
WORK!

AND
SAFE!

IT'S
FAST,
WORTH A
LOT OF
POINTS...

SO ALL
TOGETHER
...

IT'S THE
MOST EFFECTIVE
STRATEGY...

カチカチ...
カチカチ...

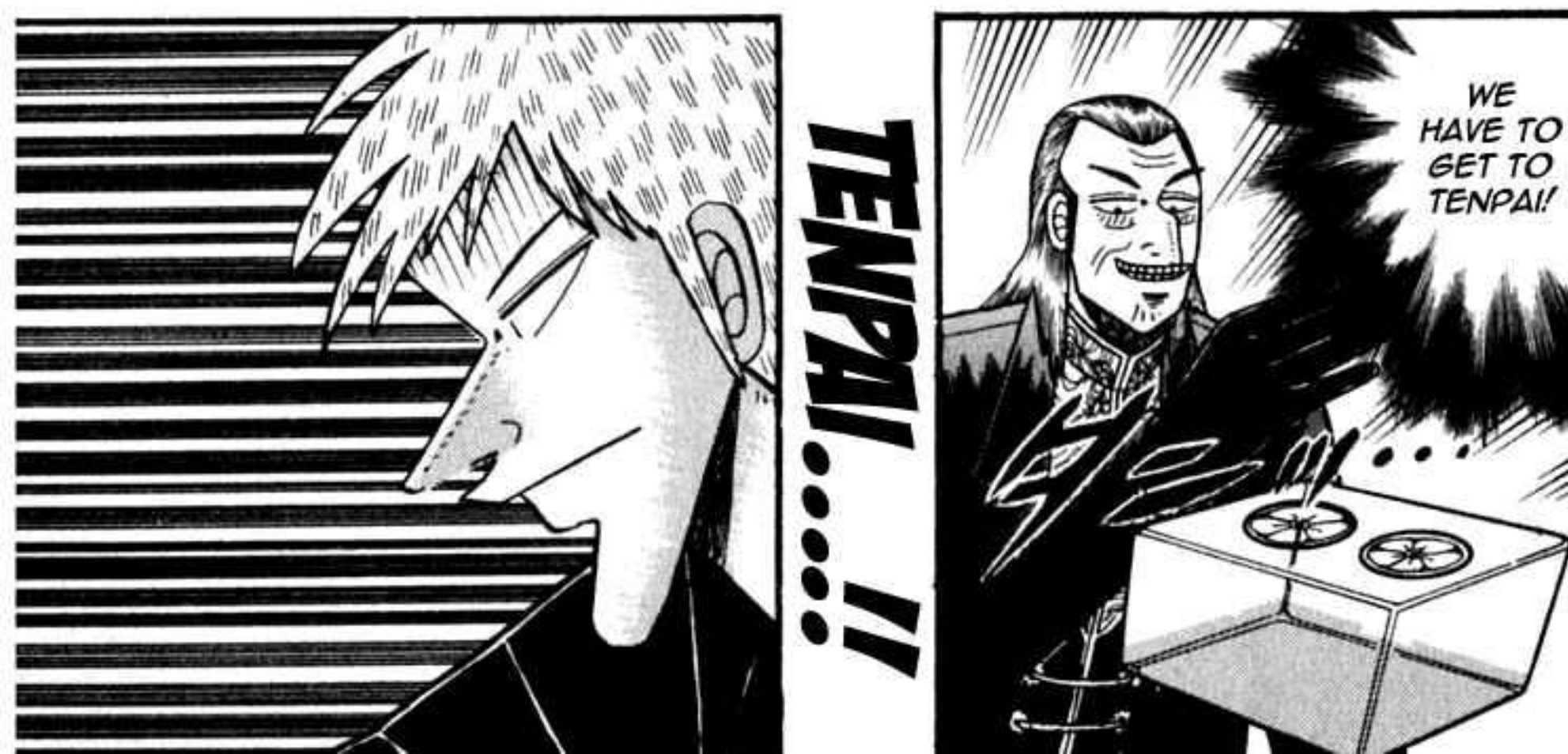
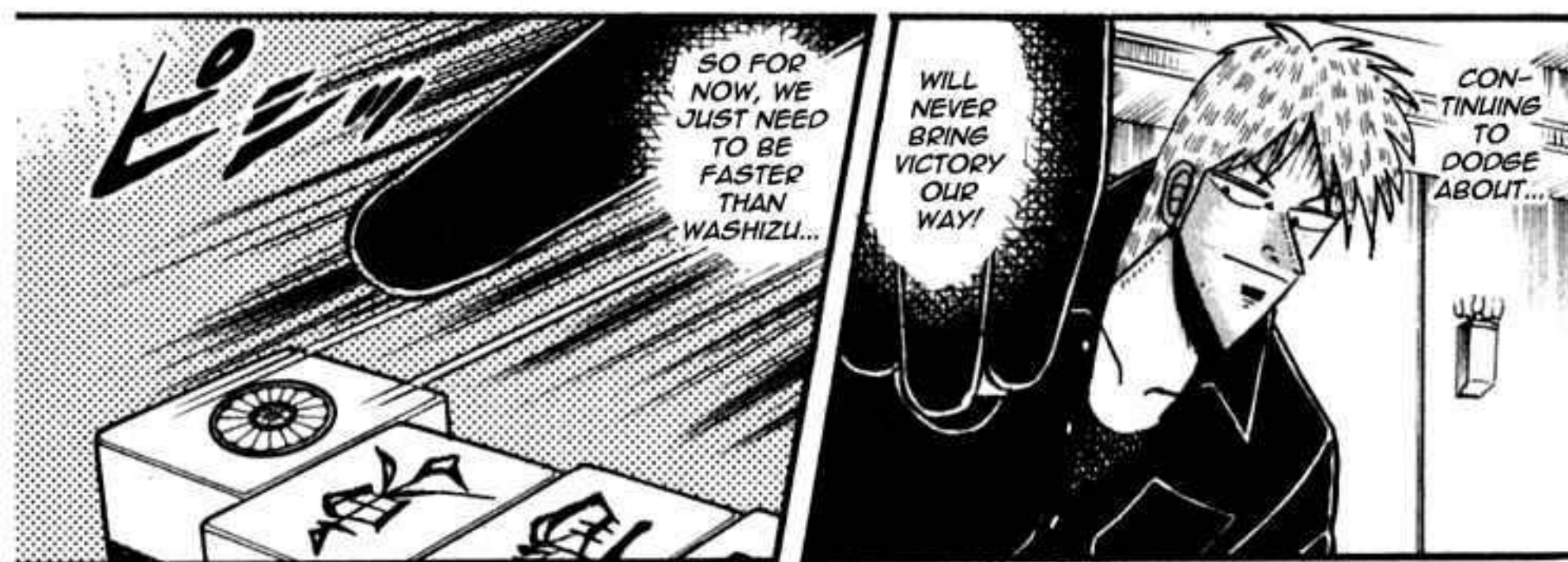
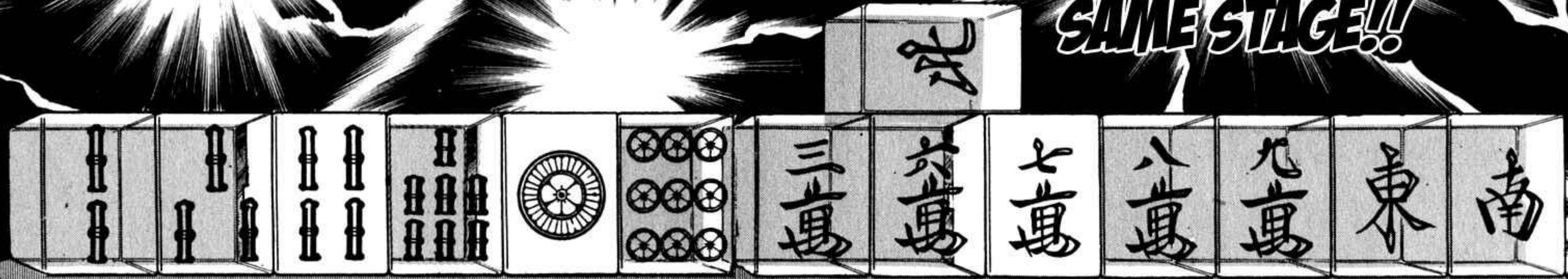
南
東
萬
萬
三萬
六萬
七萬

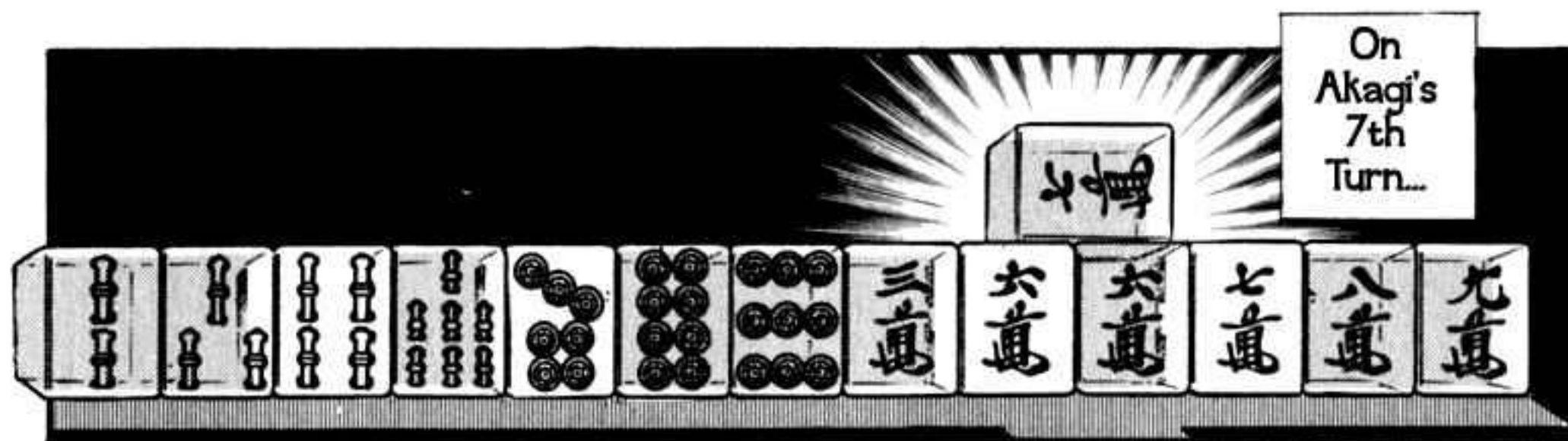
カチカチ...

AND WHEN HIS
OPPONENT IS
BLOCKING THE
WAY FORWARD
WITH THAT
STRATEGY...

WE HAVE TO
BREAK THROUGH
USING THE SAME
STRATEGY!

**WE HAVE NO CHOICE
BUT TO STAND ON THE
SAME STAGE!!**





THE QUESTION
IS WHAT HAP-
PENS NEXT.

HE'S
BEEN
DOING
WELL, SO
FAR...

AT
WHAT POINT
THAT WILL
HAPPEN...!

TO
TEN-
PAI.

WHETHER
WASHIZU'S
HAND WILL
ADVANCE...





WHICH
MEANS
...

THIS LACK
OF A RIICHI
IS PROBABLY
BECAUSE HE
CAN'T DO
THAT!



AND HIS
UNDERLING
DEALT IN...



WHEN
WASHIZU
CALLED
RIICHI...



AND
THIS
...



DOES NOT
INCLUDE
WASHIZU'S
WINNING
TILE!

HIS
UNDER-
LING'S
HAND...



OR
OTHER-
WISE...

UNTIL HIS
UNDERLING
DRAWS HIS
WINNING TILE!



HE WILL
WAIT TO
RIICHI...



HE
DECIDED
TO WAIT,
FOR
NOW!



SO HE CAN
LAY DOWN
HIS HAND
FOR THAT,
TOO!

THAT WILL
BE A DIRECT
HIT OFF HIS
OPPONENT IN
THIS ONE-
ON-ONE
MATCH...



AKAGI
DEALS HIS
WINNING
TILE, HIM-
SELF...

IF,
BEFORE
THAT
HAP-
PENS...



AND MORE
THAN THAT,
WITH THE
LOOK OF
THAT HAND...

PRO-
BABLY
ISN'T
BECAUSE
HE'S IN
NOTEN...

THE FACT
THAT HE
DIDN'T
RIICHI...

THAT HE'S
USING THAT
TWO-SIDED
STRATEGY.

IT'S
MORE
THAN
LIKELY
...

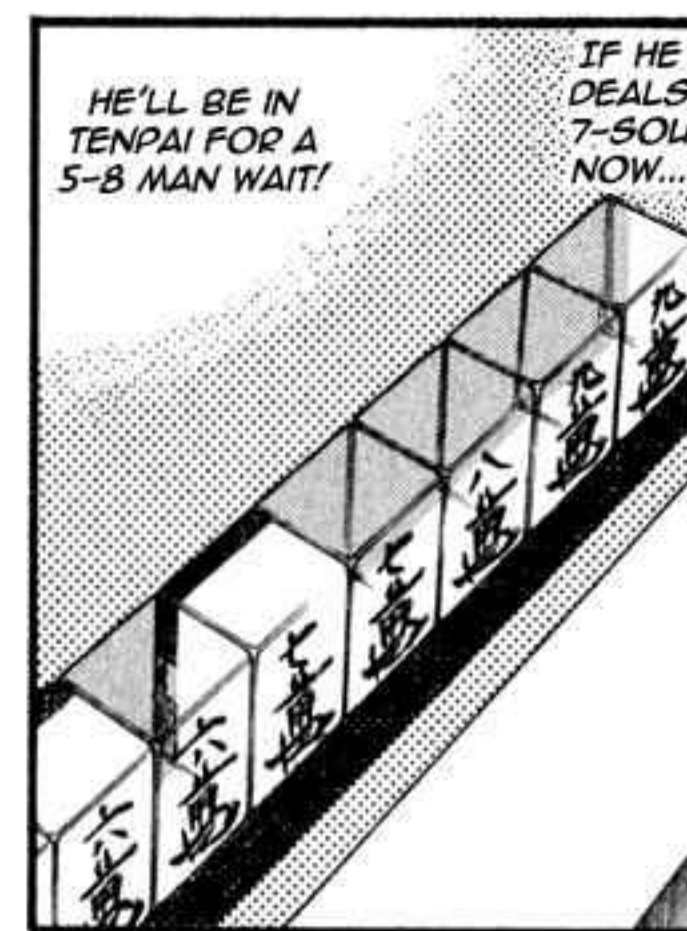
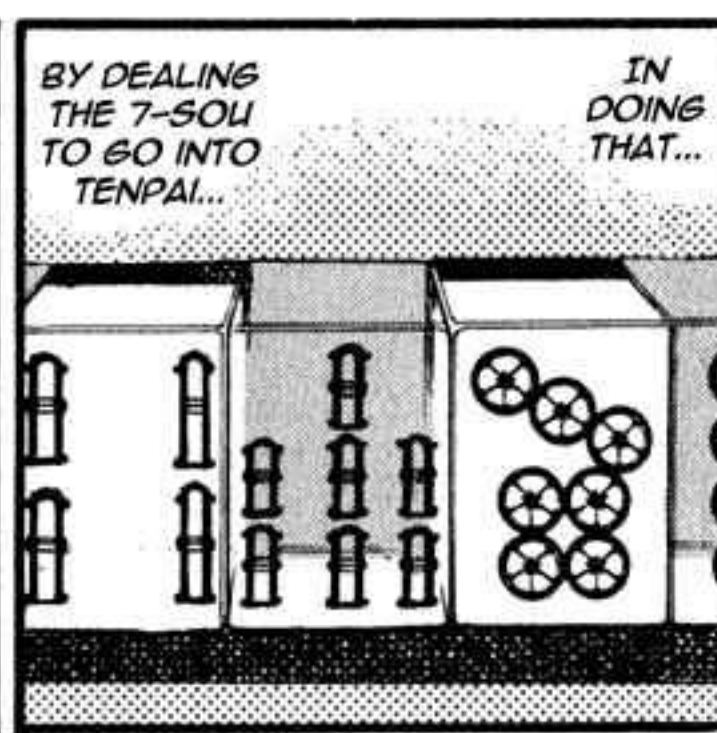
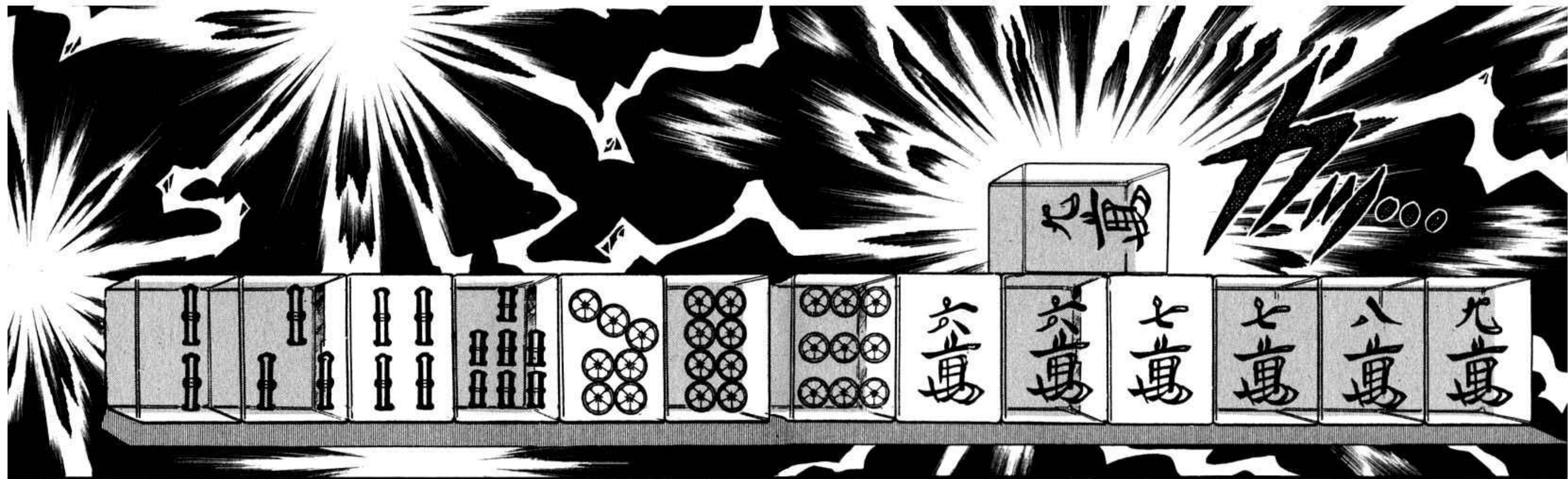
THAT'S
HARD
TO
SAY
FOR
SURE.



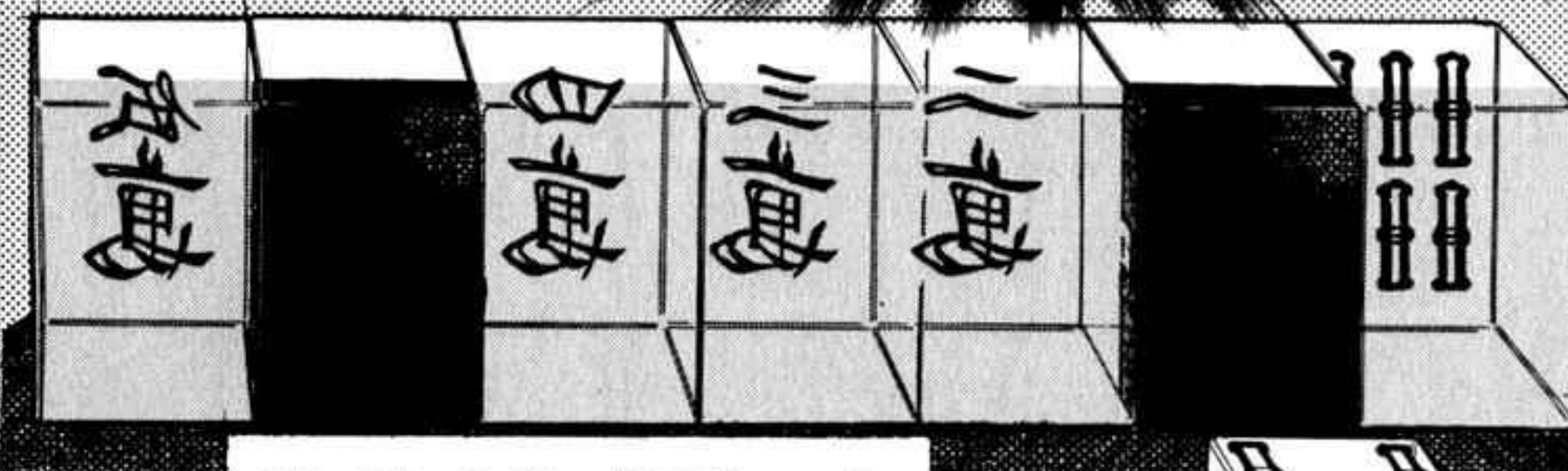
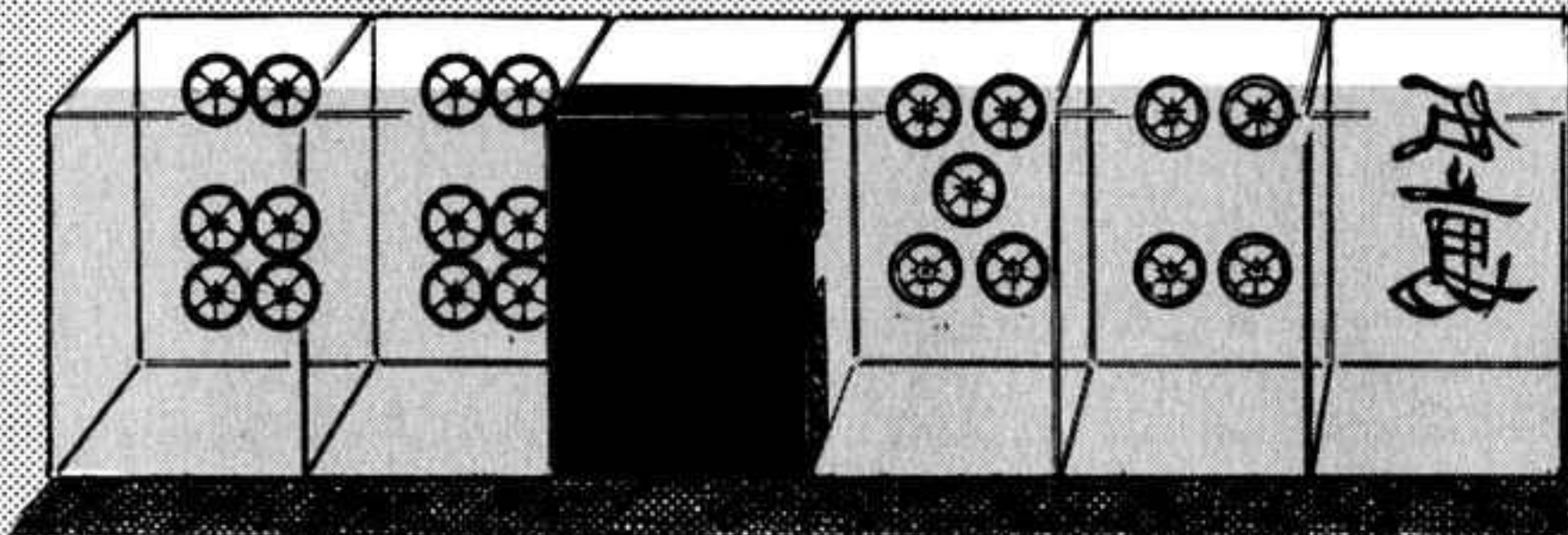
SO HE
NEEDS
TO START
AVOIDING
IT!



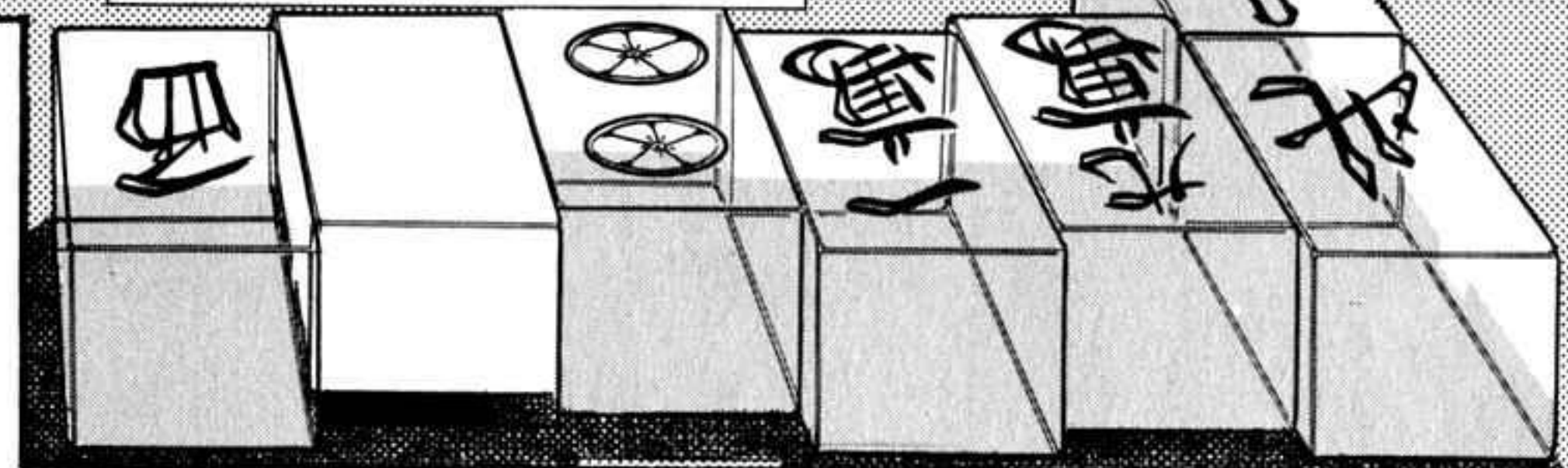
IT WOULD
BE HARD TO
IMAGINE
IT ISN'T
TENPAI...



THAT MUCH IS CERTAIN!



Washizu's Hand & Discards

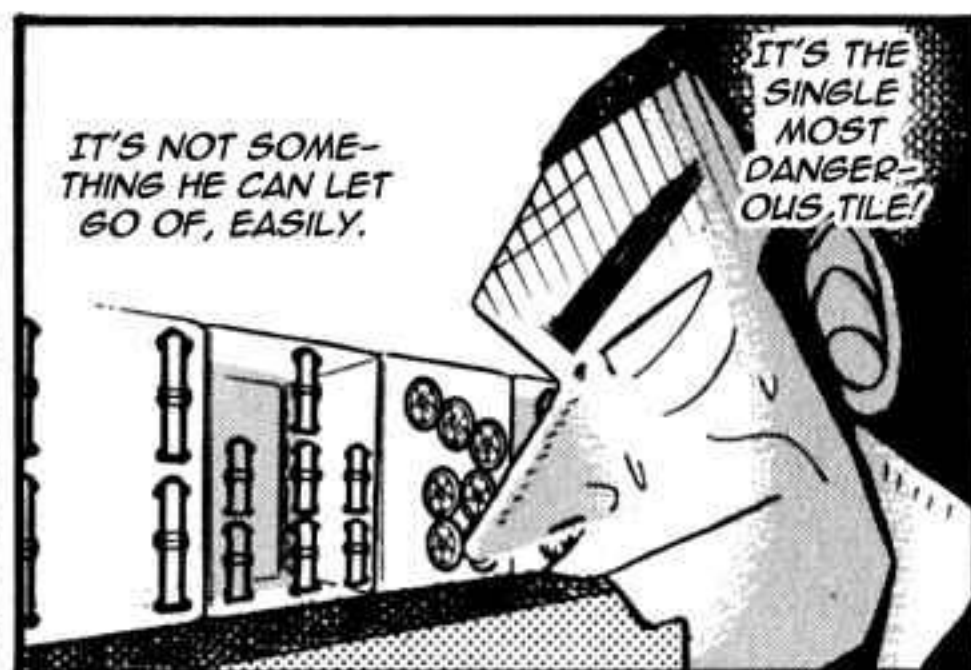
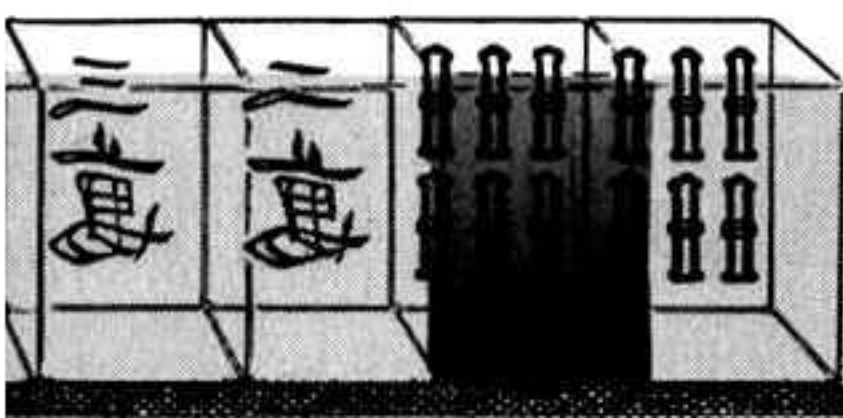


THERE'S ANOTHER SECTION IN HIS HAND THAT IS DANGEROUS.

AND ALSO, IF THAT DORA IS PART OF A PAIR...

IT'S NOT SOMETHING HE CAN LET GO OF, EASILY.

IT'S THE SINGLE MOST DANGEROUS TILE!



ARE THE TILES IN THESE 4 OCTAVES!

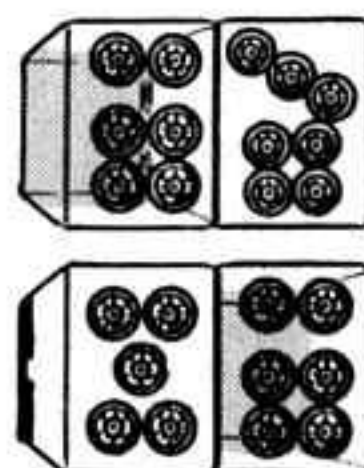
5-8 SOU
4-7 SOU
5-8 PIN
4-7 PIN

AGAINST THAT HAND, THE ONLY THINGS HE CAN'T DEAL...
SO HE CAN'T DEAL ANY OF THOSE TILES, EITHER!



COULD BE A 5-8 PIN OR 4-7 PIN WAIT...

THE TILES AROUND THE 6-PIN...



SO WITH THAT IN MIND...

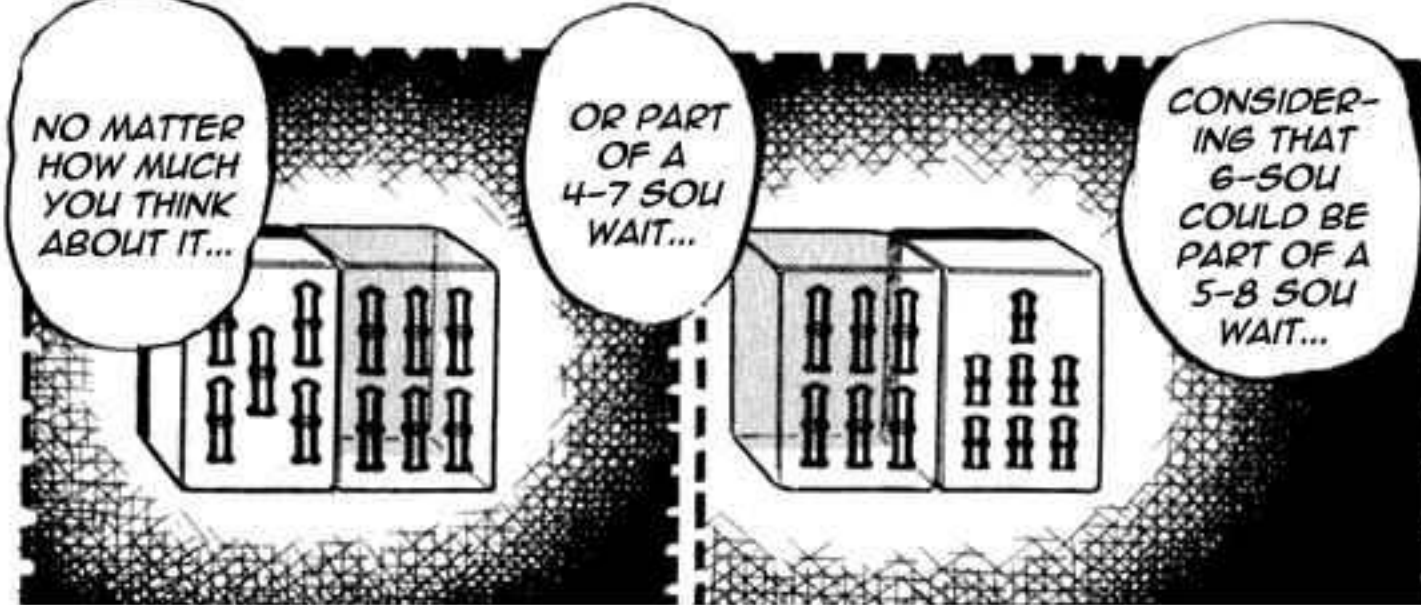
IS AROUND THE 6-SOU DORA THAT HE HAS IN HIS HAND...

THIS 7-SOU...

NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU THINK ABOUT IT...

OR PART OF A 4-7 SOU WAIT...

CONSIDERING THAT 6-SOU COULD BE PART OF A 5-8 SOU WAIT...

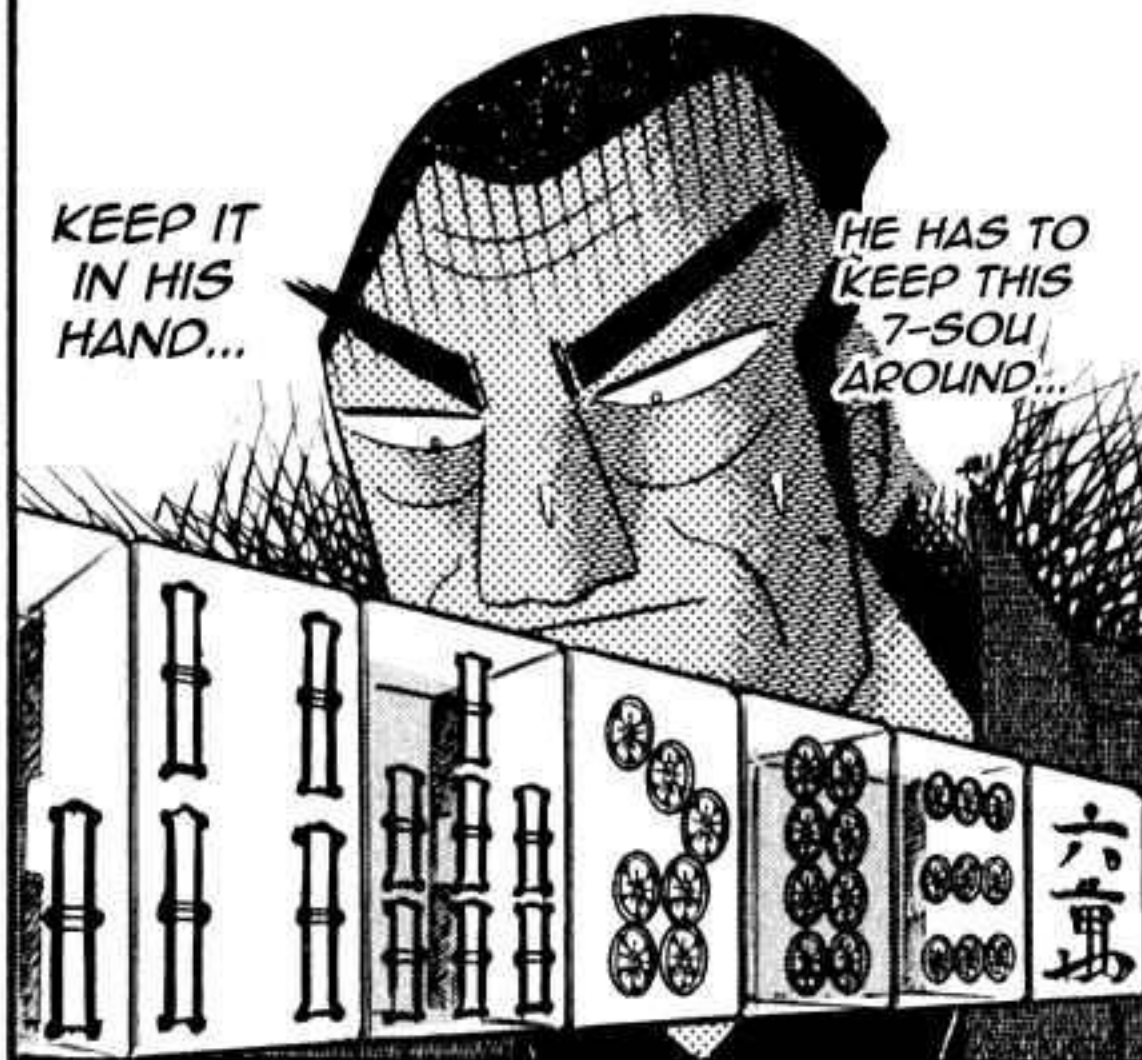
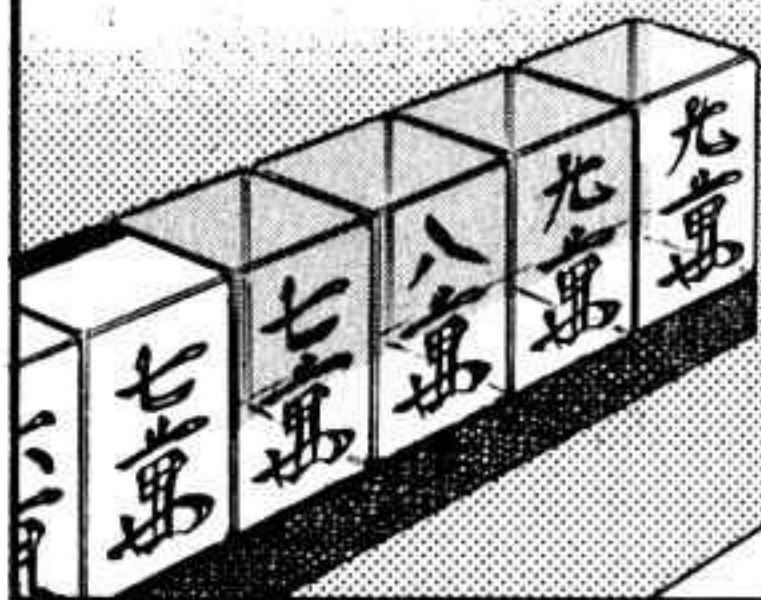


DEAL EITHER
THE 7-MAN
OR 9-MAN...

AND
DODGE
AROUND
THAT
WAIT!

KEEP IT
IN HIS
HAND...

HE HAS TO
KEEP THIS
7-SOU
AROUND...

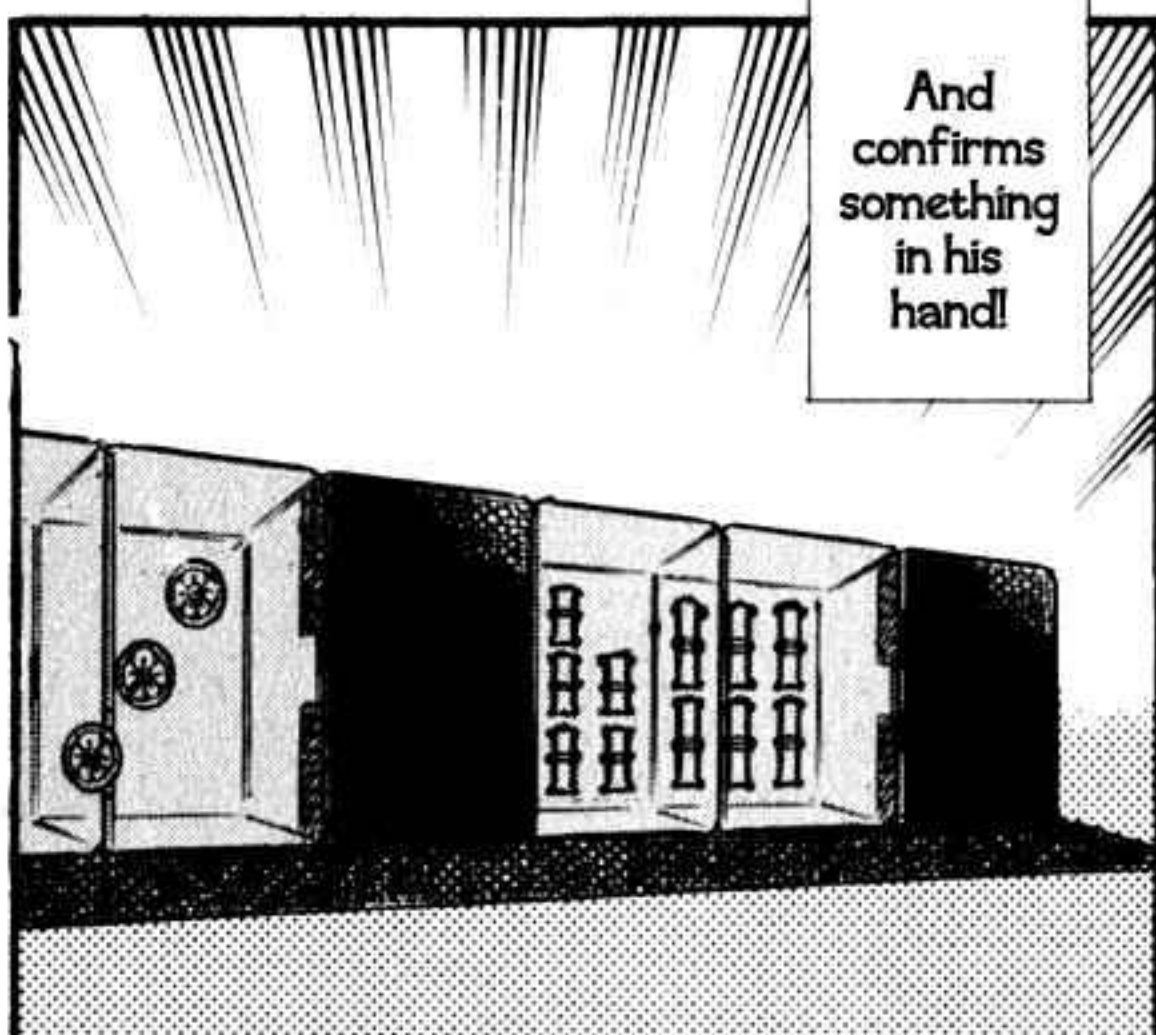


At this
moment
...

AND WAIT
FOR THE
7-SOU TO
FILL UP IN
HIS HAND!

And
confirms
something
in his
hand!

Akagi
glances at
Washizu's
Underling...





IT CAN'T BE...!





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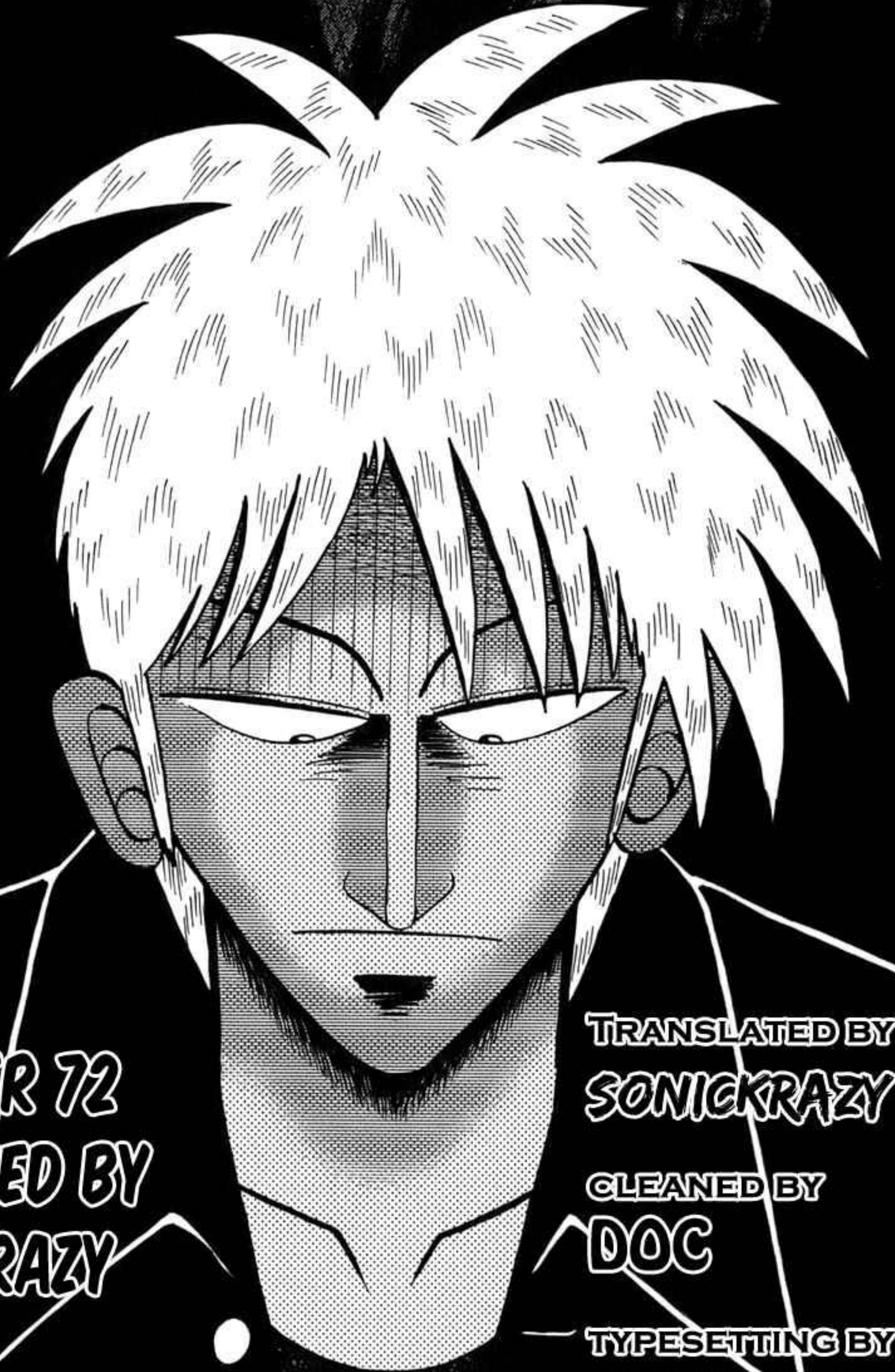
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