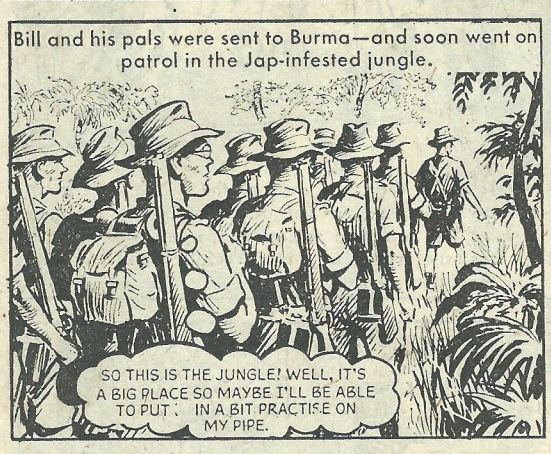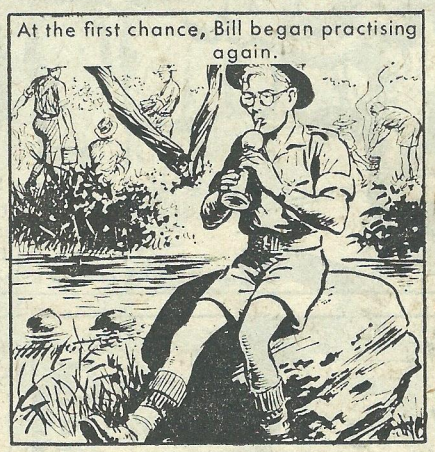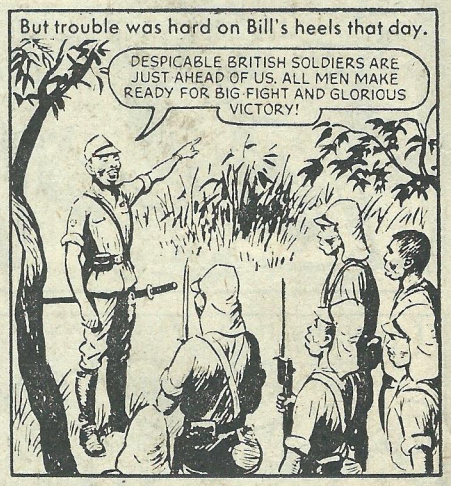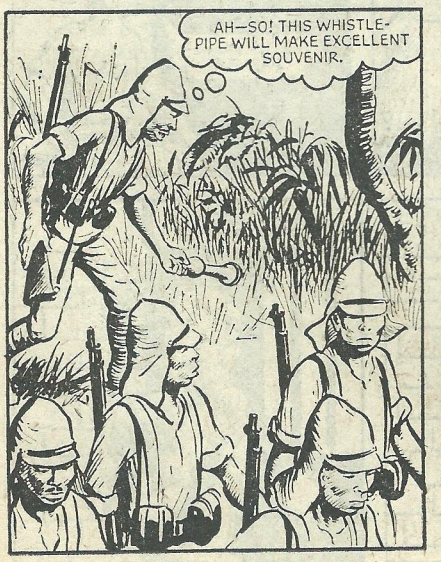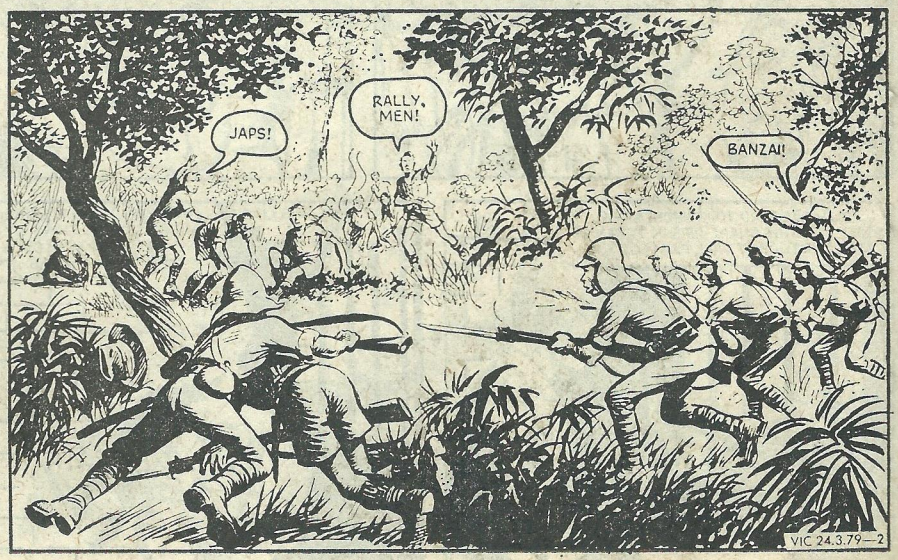"Sounds like somebody is dying."