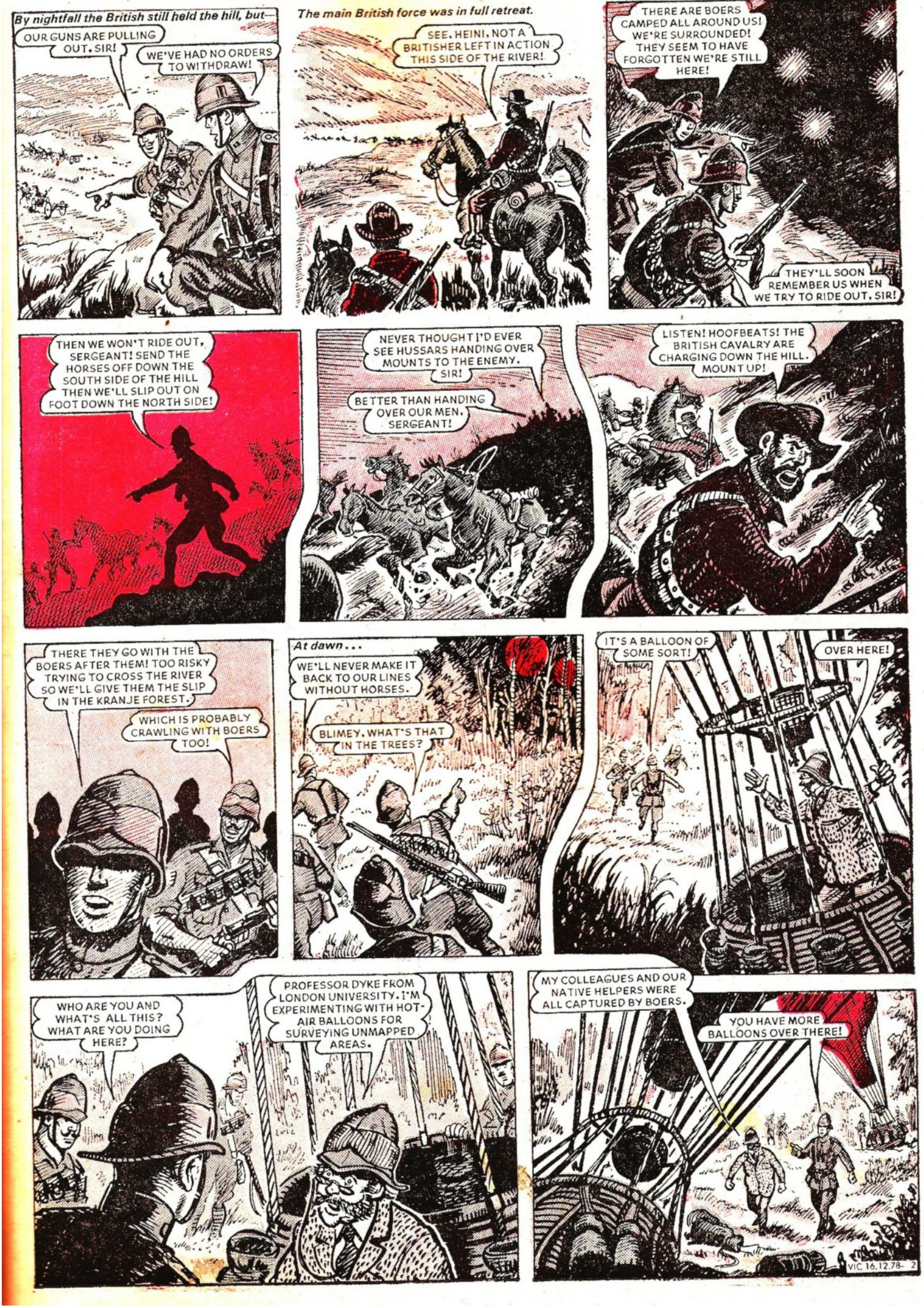
By nightfall the British still held the hill, but—
OUR GUNS ARE PULLING OUT, SIR!
WE'VE HAD NO ORDERS TO WITHDRAW!
The main British force was in full retreat.
SEE, HEINI, NOT A BRITISHER LEFT IN ACTION THIS SIDE OF THE RIVER!
THERE ARE BOERS CAMPED ALL AROUND US! WE'RE SURROUNDED! THEY SEEM TO HAVE FORGOTTEN WE'RE STILL HERE!
THEY'LL SOON REMEMBER US WHEN WE TRY TO RIDE OUT, SIR!
THEN WE WON'T RIDE OUT, SERGEANT! SEND THE HORSES OFF DOWN THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE HILL THEN WE'LL SLIP OUT ON FOOT DOWN THE NORTH SIDE!
NEVER THOUGHT I'D EVER SEE HUSSARS HANDING OVER MOUNTS TO THE ENEMY, SIR!
BETTER THAN HANDING OVER OUR MEN, SERGEANT!
LISTEN! HOOFBEATS! THE BRITISH CAVALRY ARE CHARGING DOWN THE HILL. MOUNT UP!
THERE THEY GO WITH THE BOERS AFTER THEM! TOO RISKY TRYING TO CROSS THE RIVER SO WE'LL GIVE THEM THE SLIP IN THE KRANJE FOREST.
WHICH IS PROBABLY CRAWLING WITH BOERS TOO!
At dawn...
WE'LL NEVER MAKE IT BACK TO OUR LINES WITHOUT HORSES.
BLIMEY, WHAT'S THAT IN THE TREES?
IT'S A BALLOON OF SOME SORT!
OVER HERE!
WHO ARE YOU AND WHAT'S ALL THIS? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
PROFESSOR DYKE FROM LONDON UNIVERSITY. I'M EXPERIMENTING WITH HOT-AIR BALLOONS FOR SURVEYING UNMAPPED AREAS.
MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR NATIVE HELPERS WERE ALL CAPTURED BY BOERS.
YOU HAVE MORE BALLOONS OVER THERE!
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