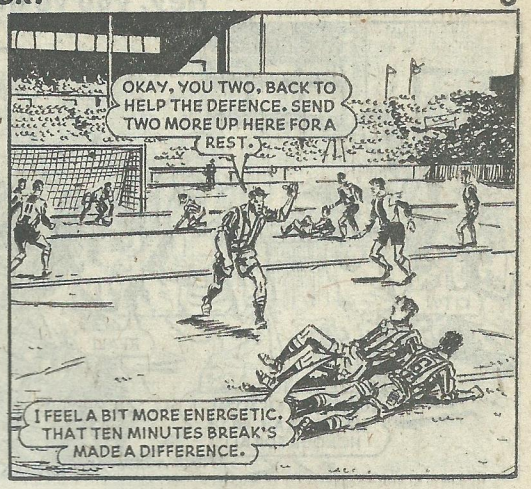
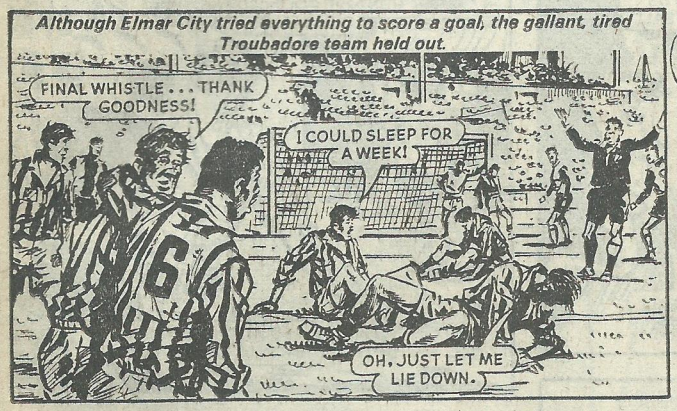
Augustus Perez seemed unbeatable.
THE OTHER TWO HAVE HAD TEN MINUTES. TIME I CHANGED 'EM AROUND AGAIN.

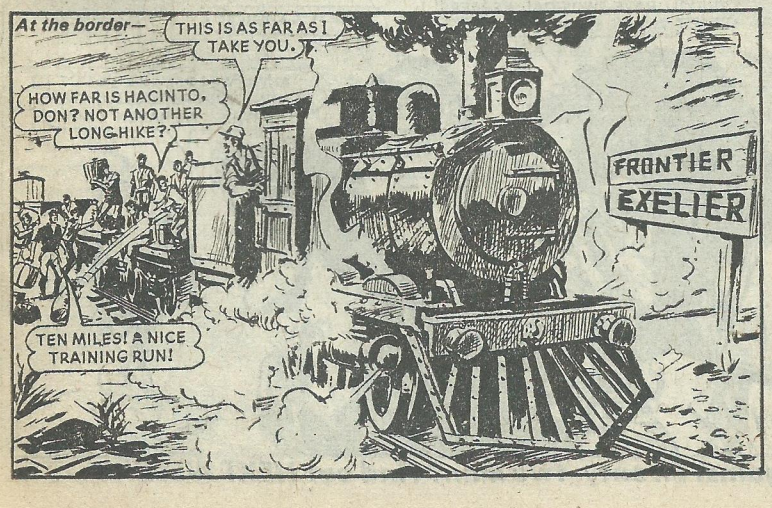

OKAY, YOU TWO, BACK TO HELP THE DEFENCE. SEND TWO MORE UP HERE FOR A REST.
I FEEL A BIT MORE ENERGETIC. THAT TEN MINUTES BREAK'S MADE A DIFFERENCE.

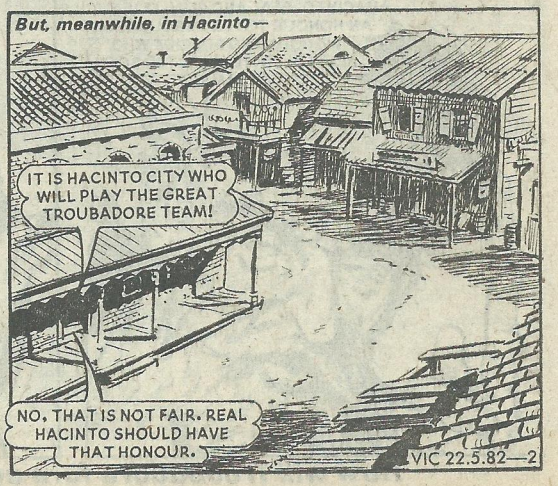

Although Elmar City tried everything to score a goal, the gallant, tired Troubadore team held out.
FINAL WHISTLE . . . THANK GOODNESS!
I COULD SLEEP FOR A WEEK!
OH, JUST LET ME LIE DOWN.

An Elmar City official approached Don Carlos after the game.
DON CARLOS, I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU MANAGED TO BEAT US, BUT YOU DID. YOU WILL RECEIVE FREE TRAIN PASSAGE TO EXELIER, AS WE PROMISED.
THANKS, CHUM . . . YAWWWN!

The following morning—
WHEN HE SAID WE'D GET FREE TRAIN PASSAGE, I DIDN'T THINK HE MEANT THIS SORT OF TRAIN!
WE ARE ONLY POOR PEOPLE. WE SHOULD NOT EXPECT TOO MUCH.

The train rumbled on into the night.
WHO DO WE PLAY IN EXELIER, DON CARLOS?
IT'S NOT A TOUGH GAME THIS TIME. WE HAVE AGREED TO PLAY THE LOCAL TEAM OF HACINTO.


At the border—
THIS IS AS FAR AS I TAKE YOU.
HOW FAR IS HACINTO, DON? NOT ANOTHER LONG-HIKE?
TEN MILES! A NICE TRAINING RUN!
FRONTIER
EXELIER


But, meanwhile, in Hacinto—
IT IS HACINTO CITY WHO WILL PLAY THE GREAT TROUBADORE TEAM!
NO, THAT IS NOT FAIR. REAL HACINTO SHOULD HAVE THAT HONOUR.