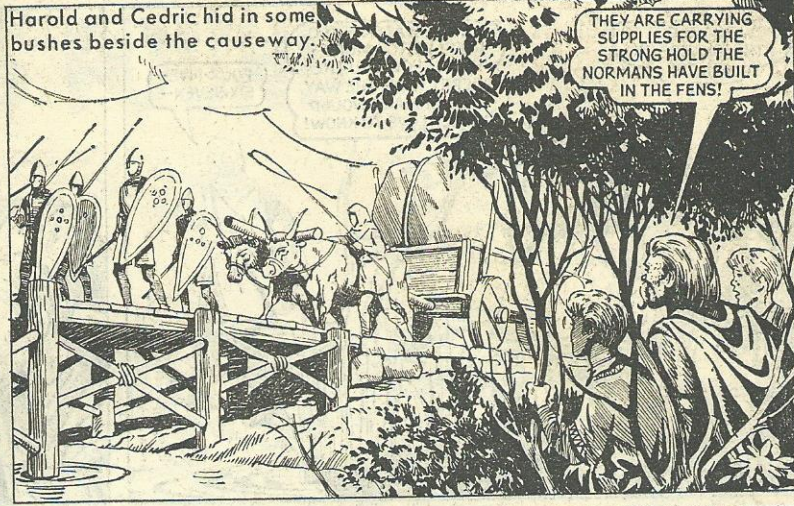


# The tip-up that trapped the supply train.



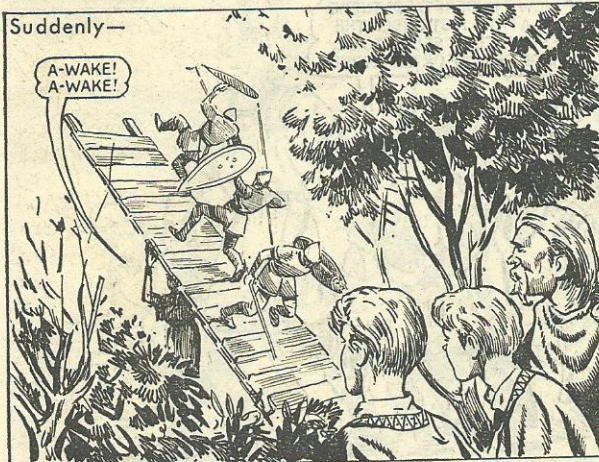
WE'LL HAVE TO CROSS THIS CAUSEWAY!

LOOK! NORMAN SOLDIERS!



Harold and Cedric hid in some bushes beside the causeway.

THEY ARE CARRYING SUPPLIES FOR THE STRONG HOLD THE NORMANS HAVE BUILT IN THE FENS!



Suddenly—

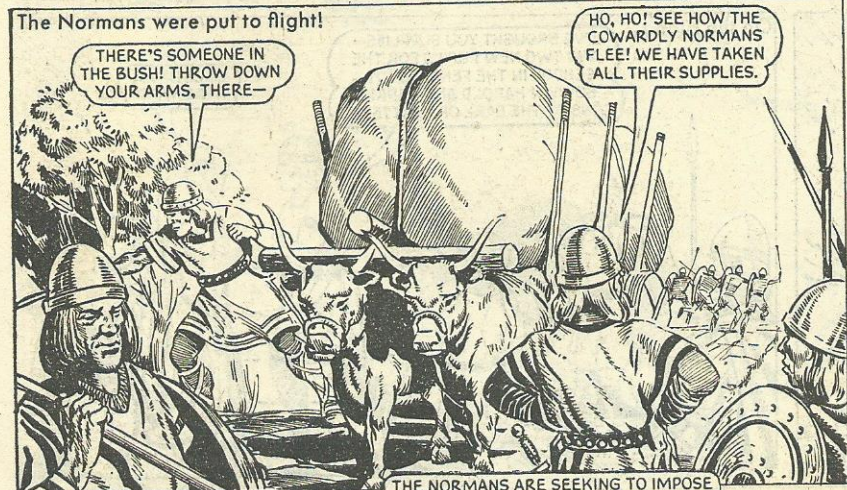
A band of Saxons leaped from hiding and fell on the Norman soldiers.

A-WAKE!  
A-WAKE!

IT'S HERWARD THE WAKE!

IT'S A SAXON AMBUSH!

A-WAKE!



The Normans were put to flight!

THERE'S SOMEONE IN THE BUSH! THROW DOWN YOUR ARMS, THERE—

HO, HO! SEE HOW THE COWARDLY NORMANS FLEE! WE HAVE TAKEN ALL THEIR SUPPLIES.



SIR HERWARD! IT IS MURT! I'VE BROUGHT TWO NEW PUPILS FOR THE SCHOOL IN THE FENS.

AH, THE TRUSTY MURT! AND I WAS ABOUT TO ATTACK YOU.

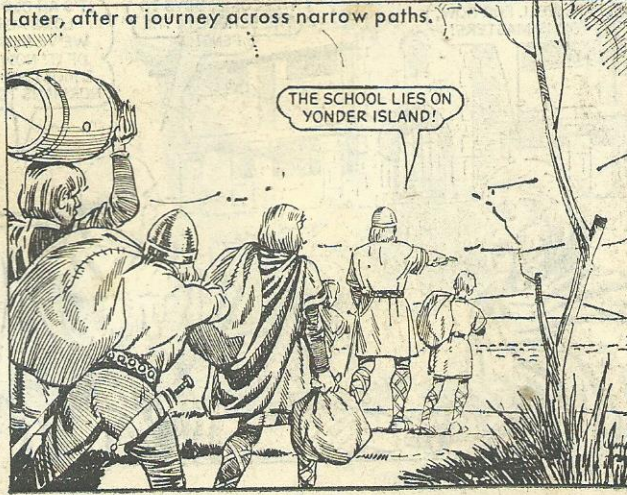


Murt explained about Harold and Cedric, and what had befallen them.

I KNEW YOUR FATHER WELL IN THE DAYS BEFORE THE INVASION! YOU'VE ARRIVED AT THE RIGHT TIME! WE WERE-ER-COLLECTING SUPPLIES FOR THE SCHOOL!

SCHOOL! WHAT SCHOOL IS THIS YOU SPEAK ABOUT, SIR?

THE NORMANS ARE SEEKING TO IMPOSE BY FORCE THEIR LANGUAGE AND CUSTOMS ON OUR PEOPLE! MY MEN AND I ARE PROTECTING A SECRET SCHOOL IN THE FENS FOR LADS LIKE YOU! YOU WILL KEEP ALIVE THE BEST TRADITIONS OF THE SAXON RACE! YOU WILL LEARN ARCHERY AND QUARTERSTAFF WORK INTO THE BARGAIN!



Later, after a journey across narrow paths.

THE SCHOOL LIES ON YONDER ISLAND!