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I REMEMBER BEING AROUND 10 YEARS OLD AND GOING TO A GARAGE SALE IN OHIO. THERE WERE COOL GI JOE TOYS AND A PILE OF COMICS! THEY ONLY WANTED 10¢ EACH FOR THE COMICS SO I BOUGHT THE WHOLE LOT! SOME GI JOE COMICS HAD MY FAVORITE CHARACTER OF ALL TIME STORM SHADOW IN THEM! ALSO THE RARE FIREFLY! IT WAS SUCH A GREAT FIND AND AMONG THE COMICS THERE WAS ALSO A MAD MAGAZINE STYLE ONE CALLED "PLOP" WITH A STRANGE GROTESQUE FACE AND IT WAS JUST A SUBVERSIVE AND WETTED COMIC FRONT TO BACK. IT WAS MY FIRST TASTE OF UNDERGROUND ART. MAD MAGAZINE WAS THE ONLY THING I COULD FIND FOR YEARS AFTER THAT RESEMBLED "PLOP" UNTIL WE MOVED TO BRIGHTON AND I WENT TO THE COMIC PIT, PLAYING MAGIC THE GATHERING, READING COMICS, WIZARD, INQUEST, TOYFARE, HEAVY METAL. EVENTUALLY AD BUSTERS & WIRED. ITS ALWAYS BEEN AN INTEREST AS A LITERATURE MAJOR BUT I LACKED TECHNICAL SKILL. FINALLY IN PRISON WE HAD NO WAY TO PLAY MAGIC THE GATHERING UNLESS WE MADE OUR OWN CARDS SO I DID JUST THAT. EVENTUALLY LOVING MY OWN ART STYLE AND MAKING MORE COMIX, FINALLY SHEFTING TO PAINT, INK, AND LATELY YARN CRAFTS! WHAT SORTA ARTS DO YOU MAKE?