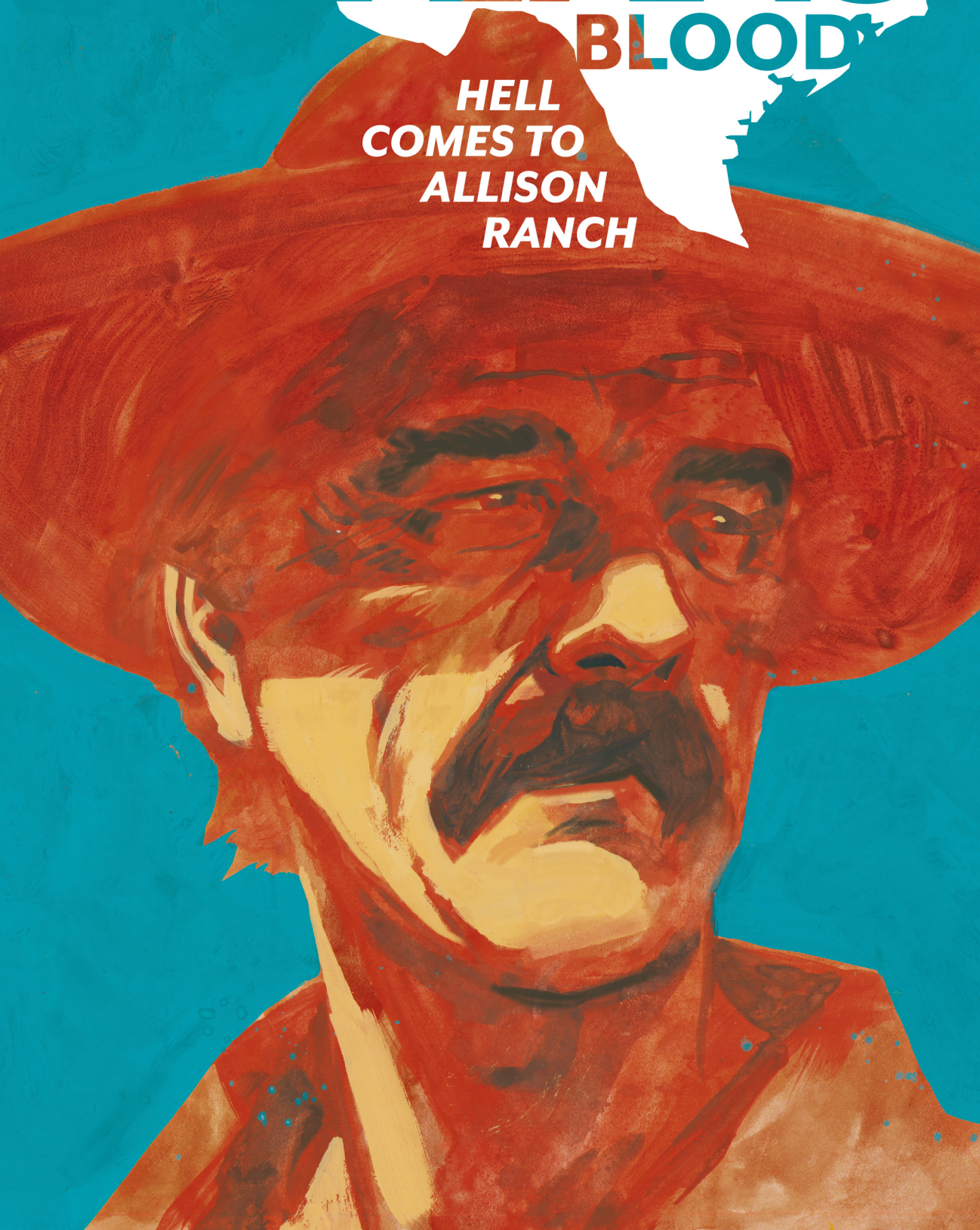


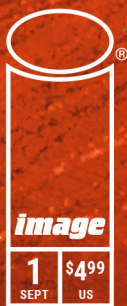


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May God bless
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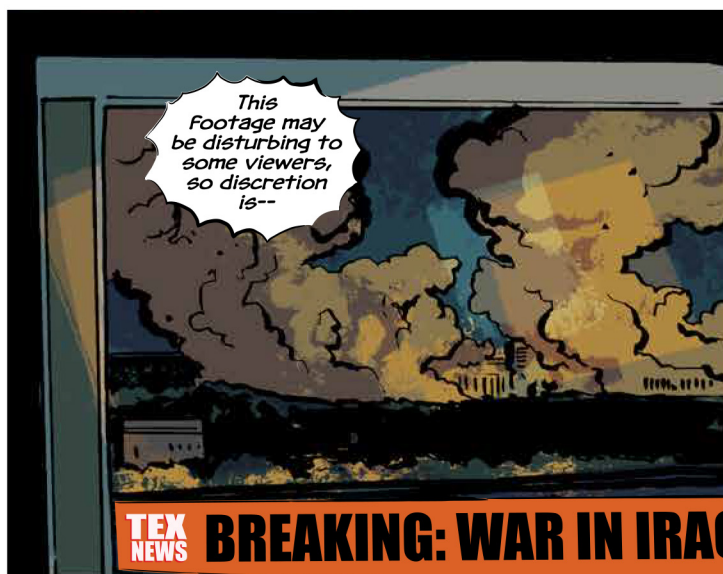
If you're
tuning in now, we
ve just replayed the
sident's remarks to
he nation--in full--
r those of you who
may have missed
them.



Well...

We return now
to footage from
the bombardment
earlier today in Baghdad
Following the president's
forty-eight-hour
ultimatum to the
Hussein regime

TWO DAYS LATER



This
Footage may
be disturbing to
some viewers,
so discretion
is--

**TEX
NEWS**

BREAKING: WAR IN IRAQ



KLIK

Hey--

All
right, Joe.
OFF your
butt.



I'm
watchin'
that.

Not anymore,
you're not. Ya gotta
help me with the
dishes.

But
this's history,
Marty.

History's
like the dishes,
Joe...



...both
repeat
offenders.

C'mon.



Maybe we leave the rest for the mornin' crew...?

Who do ya think *that* is? Just a few more, ya big baby.



Yeah, but I, well, I thought this's Billy's job t'night...

Billy's got himself a *listenin' 'n' doin'* problem these days...

... 'n' if he's not gonna do 'em, somebody's got to. And you 'n I *are* that somebody.



It's those *games*... Maybe it's time we pulled the plug. Tough love 'im.

Ha! You try. See what happens.

Well, I figure maybe *together*, we can--



You ain't been an absent father, Joe, but you ain't pulled the hours I have with that boy...

... 'n' I've known you long enough to know what you mean by *'tough love'*.



It means: *Martha will handle it*. You wanna talk to him, you go right on ahead.

Well, come t' think of it, if he's gonna have his head rotted by the teevee, it should at least be somethin'... *useful*.







Earth to Joe.
Come in, over. Who was on the damn phone?

Oh, uh...



...that was *Willy*.

Didn't sound like much of a social call...

Well... that's 'cause it *wasn't*.



If you think I'm gonna pry all the words outta you like bad teeth...

I'm jus' thinkin'... Mullin' it over. Sounds like somethin's goin' on over at the *Allison Ranch*.

What, they need help countin' their money?

Well...



...seems like *war's* breakin' out all over the place...