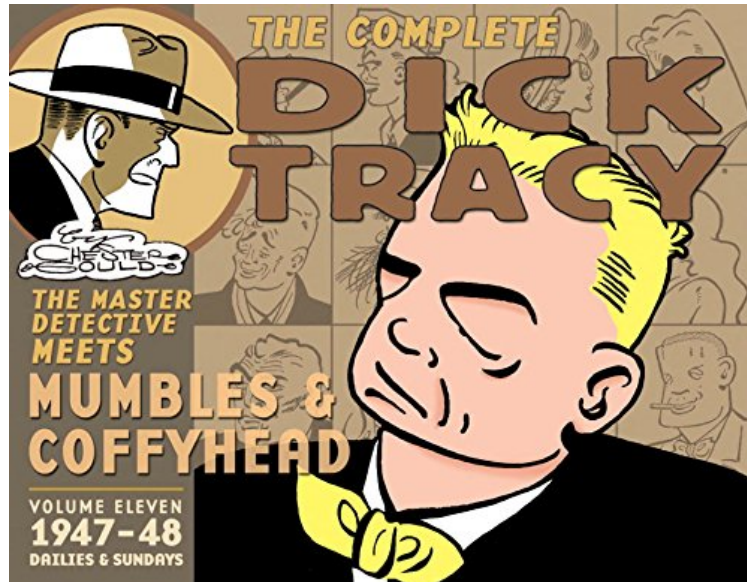


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Volume 11 is one of the bestBy The Green EagleVolume 11 is really great, packed with action and interesting characters. I am hooked on Gould's artistic style and quirky story lines. What a unique talent.I thank god for Chester Gould and Dick Tracy. I have had so much enjoyment over the past few months reading these "complete" volumes. I wish that volume 1-6 had been printed in the larger format, as the Sundays are so tiny in those, but it is just great to have them all nonetheless.IDW did a great job on the layout/graphic design of these books; what eye candy! The only negative is that the spine can be weak due to the greater with vs. short spine height.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Next great Dick Tracy volume from the late 40sBy Michael R. BrownHere we have the latest Dick Tracy volume. This one covers the years 1947-48. For me, the only sequence I had already read was the Mumbles storyline, and knew about another event that is covered here.First off, we have the Hypo sequence. This one is brought in with the wrap up of the storyline that ended the last volume, with the silly girl in love with Tracy. Hypo was an interesting character, but I didn't get the name. This storyline also introduces a magazine, Glance, to the Tracy universe. It is mentioned several times in this volume, but don't know how long this magazine was kept around.Then we have the introduction of Junior's Crime Stoppers, a group of kids who try to look out for crime, as well as making sure kids don't get into trouble. Some segments of this story was a bit strange. We first deal with a kid who steals Junior's bike and tries to beat up Junior when caught. Instead, they reform the kid, and help him get a job so he could buy a bike. Ok, but then we have a older and bigger kid who is stealing vending machines to break into them. He actually tries to run down Junior and some other Crime Stoppers, then gets himself into trouble trying to dispose of the evidence. Instead, the Crime Stoppers save him and reform him. This is a little surprising considering what he did was pretty serious (attempted murder, if you will).While this is going on, we get info on what's going on with BO Plenty Gravel Gertie. They are having a BABY!!! As a couple of 'grotesques', what

will their kid look like?? Instead, we get the lovely Sparkle Plenty, who will be another major secondary character in the Tracy universe, and an early marketing coup for Gould. Glimpse magazine is heavily involved with both the birth of Sparkle and the establishment of the Crime Stoppers. This leads into the story of Coffyhead and Autumn Hews, who try a campaign to discredit the Crime Stoppers. Which doesn't work, even their jailbreak. Then the famous Mumbles sequence. Mumbles leads a quartet of singers, who use this as a front to steal. He comes to a sorry end. This leads into the return of the infamous Shoulders. I guess if there is no body, they will come back. But this is the end of this criminal, brought about by a little old lady, the antique dealer Ms Varnish. We then get the storyline of the criminal Volts family, which also involved the Crime Stoppers. This one deals with the highjacking of electrical equipment. One would think that if this was going on, the police would have been reported about it, not find out about it second hand thru minor acts of vandalism. They are defeated by BO Plenty and Gertie. Mrs Volts, in her attempt at getting her dog back (who doesn't like her, go figure), she burns down the Plenty's beloved home "Sunny Dale Acres". Diet Smith steps in to rebuild their home exactly as it was, crooked columns and all. While this is going on, we have the wrap up of Mrs. Volt and her nephew, who takes a bad turn, which leads us to the next character. The giantess Acres O'Riley is introduced during the Volts storyline. Her story continues with her corrupt midget 'boy friend' Heel Beals. He comes to a bad end more or less, again with a tie in with Sparkle Plenty. The end of the volume is a sort of cliffhanger story with Diet Smith and a new scientific device. We'll get the wrap up in the next volume. I look forward to it, which should wrap up the 40s. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. " I said it was a pretty good book By Sport McNicholwsprtygdbk "what did he say?" I said it was a pretty good book.. mumbles was a good character but "what did he say" got repetitive

This volume introduces Mumbles — one of Dick Tracy's greatest villains — and sees Tracy form the Crime Stoppers Club, teaching young boys and girls crime detection techniques. The fascinating (and sometimes grotesque) parade of characters continues, including Coffyhead, Hypo, Bronko, Kiss Andtell, Acres O'Riley, Heels Beals, and Autumn Hews. Plus, everyone dreads seeing what the baby born to B.O. Plenty and Gravel Gertie will look like! Edited and designed by Eisner Award-winner Dean Mullaney, with introductions by Max Allan Collins and Jeff Kersten, this collection contains all the daily and Sunday comic strips from March 17, 1947 through September 26, 1948.

About the Author Chester Gould (1900–1985) was born in Pawnee, Oklahoma, the son of a newspaperman and grandson of a circuit-riding preacher. He attended Oklahoma AM (now Oklahoma State University) before transferring to Northwestern University in Chicago, from which he graduated in 1923. He produced the minor comic strips Fillum Fables and The Radio Catts before striking it big with Dick Tracy in 1931. Originally titled Plainclothes Tracy, the rechristened strip became one of the most successful and lauded comic strips of all time, as well as a media and merchandising sensation. He was twice accorded the “Cartoonist of the Year” Reuben Award by his peers. Gould continued to write and illustrate Dick Tracy until his retirement in 1977.