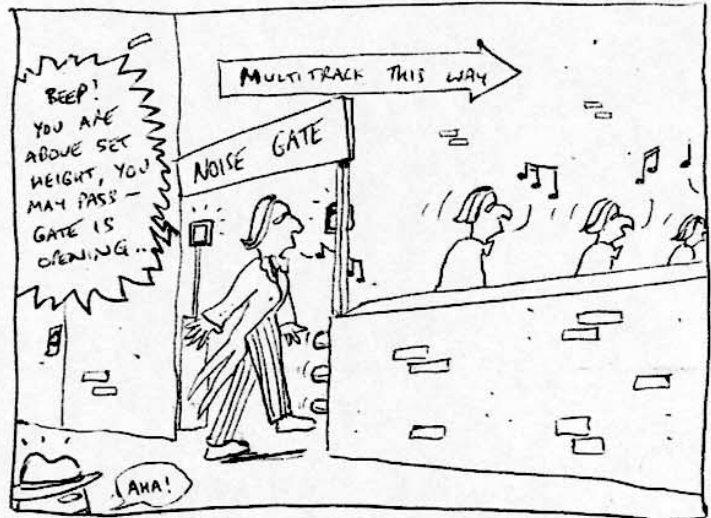


Avenge of the Noise Gate



THIS IS SHIFTY SIGNAL. SHIFTY AND HIS GANG OF SMALL SIGNALS ARE PLANNING TO ENTER THE FLOW OF ORDINARY SIGNAL PEDESTRIANS AS THEY MAKE THEIR WAY TO THE MULTITRACK RECORDER...

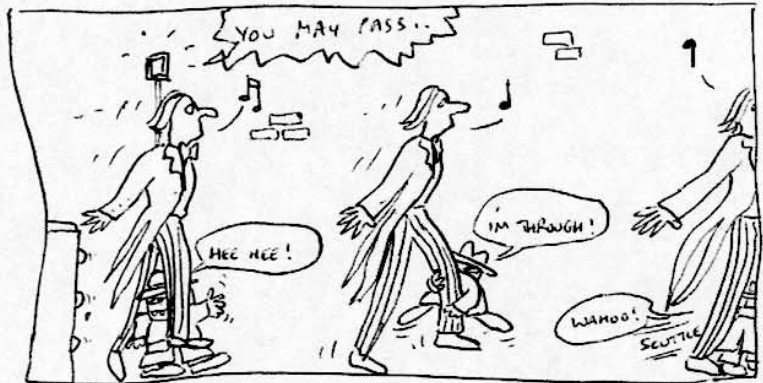


HOWEVER BEFORE ANYTHING CAN GET TO THE MULTITRACK IT HAS TO GO THROUGH... THE NOISE GATE!!

IT HAS A HEIGHT SENSOR (THRESHOLD), AND EVERYTIME AN ORDINARY SIGNAL PEDESTRIAN TRIES TO GO THROUGH THE GATE, IT REGISTERS THAT HE IS ABOVE THE SET HEIGHT AND LETS HIM PASS THROUGH.



HOWEVER WHEN SHIFTY TRIES TO PASS THROUGH...



SOME OF HIS GANG CAN PASS THROUGH VIRTUALLY UNDETECTED, BY USING THE LARGER PEDESTRIANS TO COVER THEIR PRESENCE...



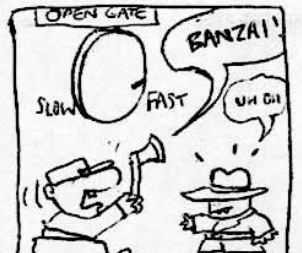
SHIFTY DECIDES ON A DIFFERENT PLAN - HE ENTERS THE NOISE GATE'S CONTROL ROOM, HOING TO FIND A CONTROL WHICH WILL LET HIM AND HIS GANG TAKE CONTROL OF THE EATE ...



BUT, AS SOON AS HE IS OVER THE THRESHOLD



THE GUY IN CHARGE OF THE HEIGHT SENSOR NOTICES HIM!



THE GUY WHO DETERMINES HOW FAST OR SLOW TO OPEN THE GATE ATTACKS SHIFTY!



THE GUY WHO SAYS HOW LONG THE GATE SHOULD STAY OPEN HOLDS SHIFTY...



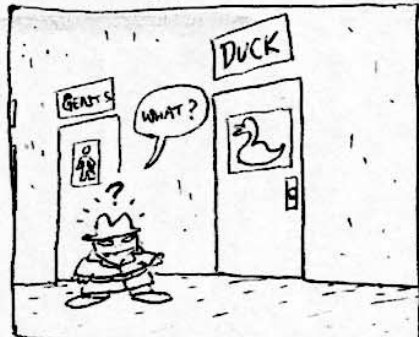
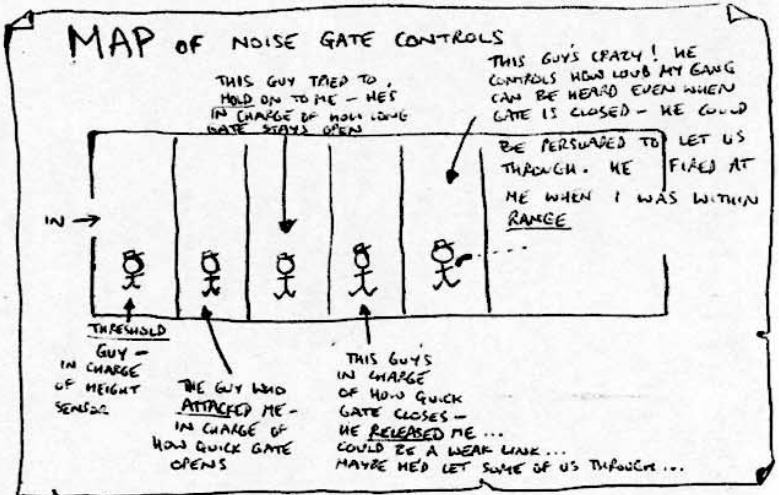
FORTUNATELY FOR SHIFTY THE GUY WHO SAYS HOW LONG THE GATE SHOULD TAKE TO CLOSE SHOUTS OUT "RELEASE HIM!"



BUT THE GUY WHO DETERMINES HOW LOUD SHIFTY'S GANG CAN BE HEARD, EVEN WHEN THE GATE IS CLOSED, HAS A GUN AND WHEN SHIFTY IS IN RANGE, HE FIRES!



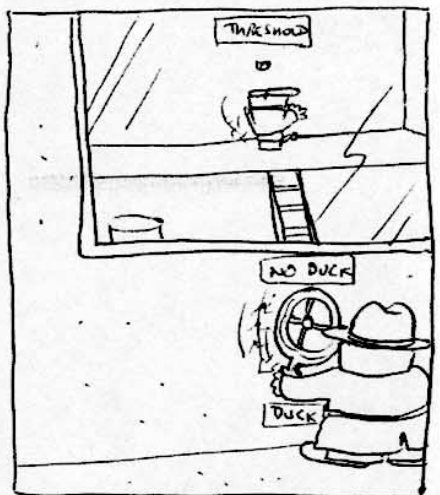
NOISY SHIFTY HAS ESCAPED AND IS EXPLOREING THE INWARDS OF THE NOISE GATE. HE DECIDES TO DRAW A MAP OF THE CONTROLS AND CONTROLLERS, HOPING TO DISCOVER A WEAKNESS THAT WILL LET HIM AND HIS GANG THROUGH THE GATE...



SHIFTY NOW STUMBLES UPON A DIFFERENT CONTROL ROOM... THE DUCK ROOM!



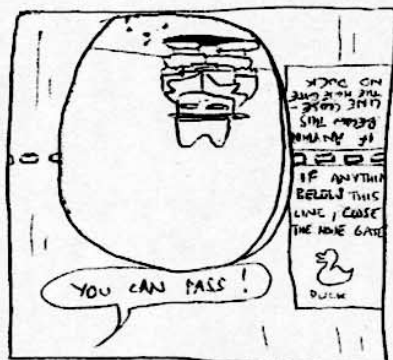
ALL THAT IS IN THE ROOM IS A LARGE WHEEL! SHIFTY IS PUZZLED.



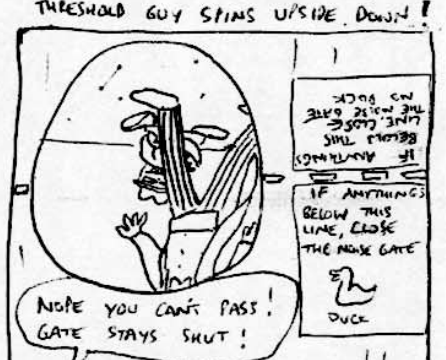
HE TURNS THE WHEEL TIL IT POINTS TO DUCK - TO HIS SURPRISE, THE THRESHOLD GUY STIPS UPSIDE DOWN!



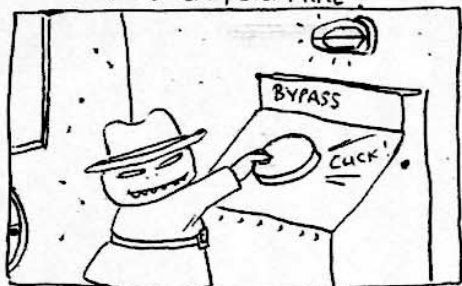
TO SHIFTY'S DELIGHT, THE THRESHOLD GUY NOW HAS A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON THINGS, AND LETS THROUGH SHIFTY'S GANG MEMBERS, EVERYTIME!



THIS IS WHAT THRESHOLD GUY SEES. HE IS LETTING THROUGH ANYTHING BELOW THE THRESHOLD!



HOWEVER, WHEN SOME OF HIS GANG MEMBERS TRY TO GET THROUGH ALONG WITH THE PEDESTRIANS...



BUT SHIFTY WANTS ALL OF HIS NOISY GANG TO GET THROUGH THE GATE. HE NOTICES A LARGE BUTTON, LABELLED "BYPASS", AND SHIFTY PASSES IT



- AND TO HIS AMAZEMENT, ALL THE CONTROLLERS LEAVE THEIR POSTS AND GO DOWN THE PUB FOR LUNCH! EVERYTHING CAN GET THROUGH THE GATE!!



- AND SHIFTY SIGNAL, AND HIS NOISY GANG CAN PASS THROUGH TO THE MULTITRACK ALONG WITH THE ORDINARY PEDESTRIANS! SHIFTY HAS DEFEATED THE NOISE GATE!