

"SITTING
IN A
TREE"
PART 2

SPIDER-GWEN

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MARVEL

AS A TEENAGER, GWEN STACY WAS BITTEN BY A MUTATED SPIDER. THE BITE TRANSFORMED HER, GRANTING HER AMAZING POWERS: A PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED AND STRENGTH OF A SPIDER. TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK, SHE IS THE DANGEROUS VIGILANTE CALLED SPIDER-WOMAN, BUT YOU KNOW HER AS...

SPIDER-GWEN



PREVIOUSLY...

WHEN MY POWER-UPS ARE GONE, SO IS SPIDER-WOMAN.

I'VE BROKERED A DEAL WITH CINDY MOON.
UNLIMITED POWER-UPS. THE SPIDER-WOMAN CHEAT CODE.

MEANWHILE...

YOUR DAD WAS INTERCEPTING ONE OF THESE.

THIS IS TECH THAT LETS A PERSON TRAVEL BETWEEN REALITIES.

BETWEEN DIMENSIONS.

I FEAR YOUR DAD, AT THE MOMENT, IS NOT IN THIS DIMENSION.

I NEED YOU TO GO GET HIM.

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WHY DO YOU
KEEP CHECKING
YOUR PHONE?

YOU'RE
NOT GONNA
GET SERVICE
HERE, MAN.

YEAH--UH...
JUST HABIT,
I GUESS.

YEAH,
I GET THAT.
HERE.

NO, THANKS,
I TRY NOT TO
DRINK MUCH
SODA.

DUDE,
CMON. YOU NEED
TO FOCUS.

PRO-TIP:
CAFFEINE.

HO-LEE...
THIS.
THIS IS...
WHOA.

HEH, I
THOUGHT SO.
JESS SAYS IT'S
LIKE WE USE
"REAL SUGAR" IN
EVERYTHING.

BUT, LIKE--
WHY IN THE HELL
WOULD FAKE SUGAR
EVEN BE A
THING?

DEMAND,
PROBABLY.
EVERYONE BACK
HOME IS TOTALLY
ADDICTED.

I DUNNO IF
THE FAKE STUFF IS
REALLY ANY BETTER
OR WORSE.

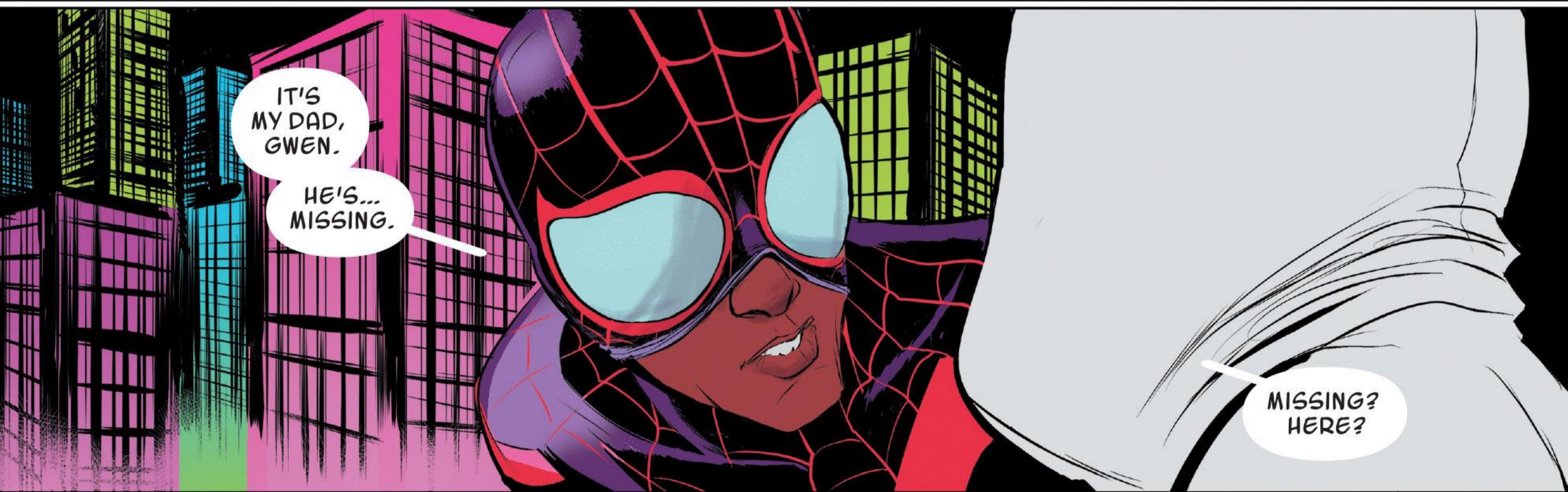
BUT BOY...
EVERYONE
SURE HAS AN
OPINION.

MAN, I CAN'T
DRINK ALL
OF THIS. I'LL
EXPLODE.

MILES...LOOK.
MY HEAD IS AN
ANGRY BEEHIVE.

SO I AM
REALLY
HAPPY TO KEEP
TALKING ABOUT
NOTHING...

BUT
C'MON...



SORRY,
YOU HAVE
YOUR OWN
STUFF TO
WORRY
ABOUT.

I GOT
THIS. I DO.
I'M SPIDER-
MAN.

MILES...
STOP.
DON'T
DO THAT.

LOOK,
IT'S OKAY TO
BE FREAKED
BY THIS,
OKAY?
I MEAN,
TRUST ME--IF
ANYONE KNOWS
HOW THIS FEELS,
IT'S ME.

MY DAD
IS MY WHOLE
WORLD.

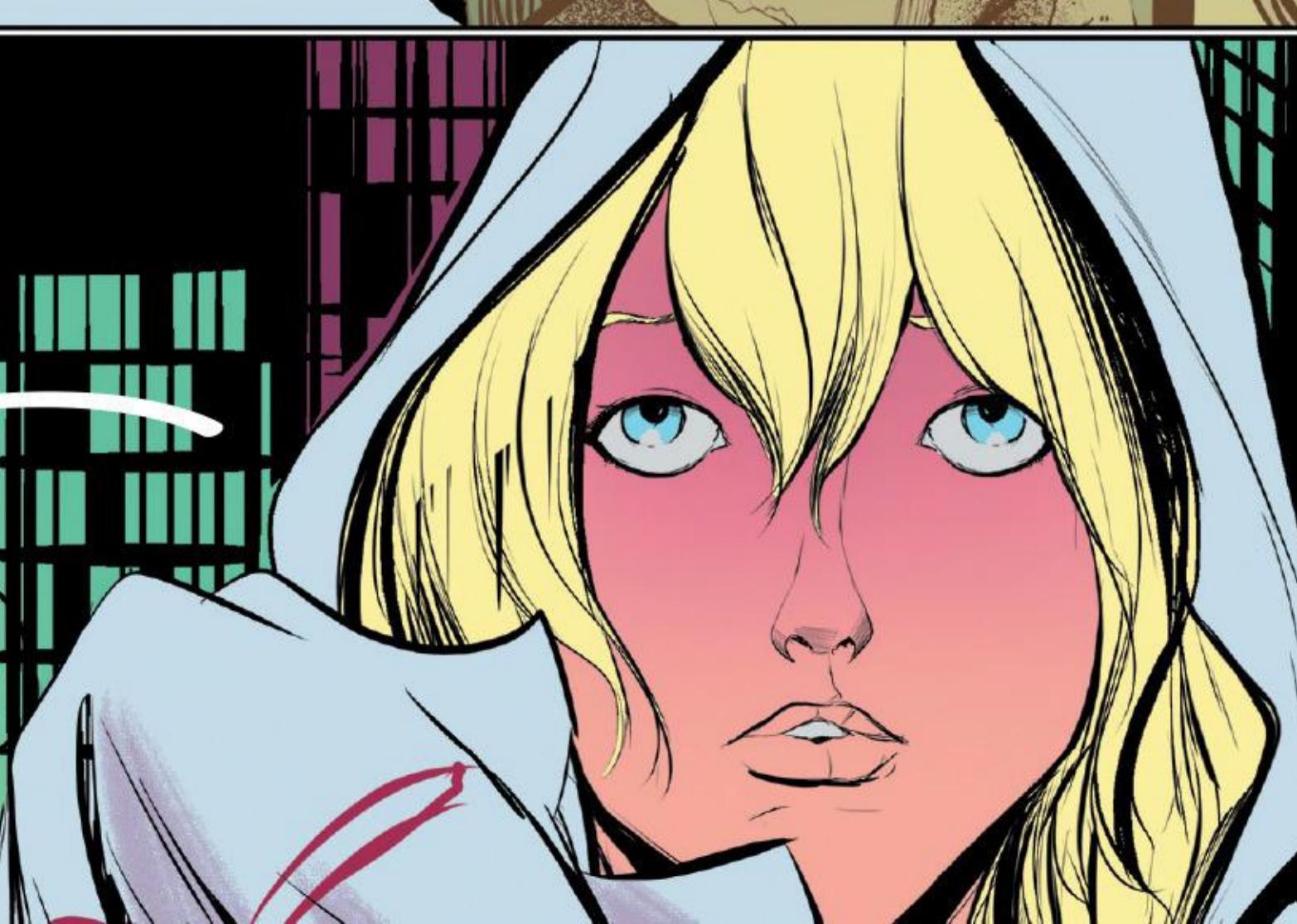
AND
HE--HE
PUT HIMSELF
IN A LOT
OF DANGER
BECAUSE
OF ME.

HE WENT
TO JAIL TO
PROTECT
ME.

LOOK AT
ME, MILES--

YEAH, WE'RE
SPIDER-FOLKS,
AND WE HAVE TO
REP WHAT THAT
STANDS FOR...

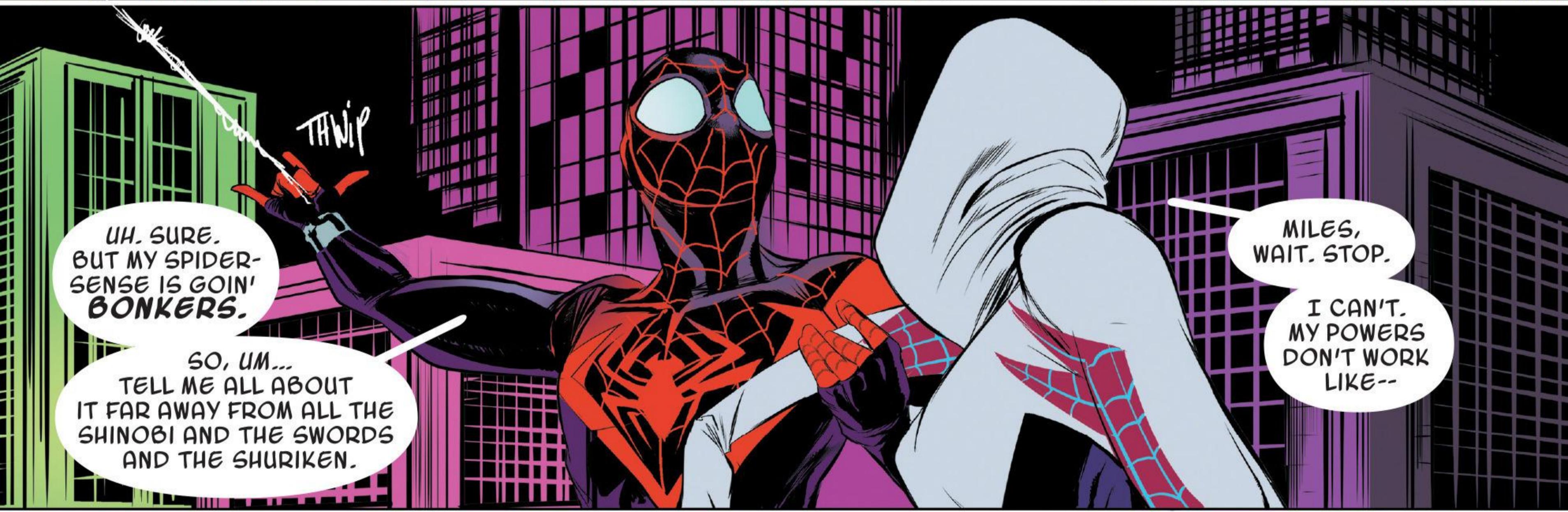
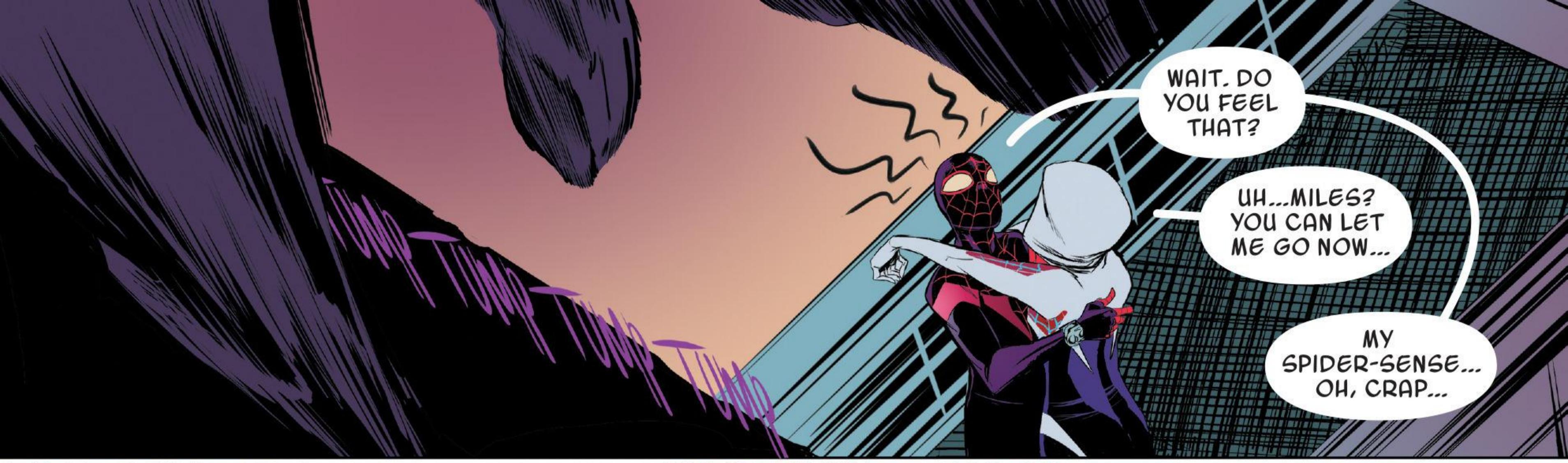
...BUT THAT
DOESN'T
MEAN WE DON'T
GET TO BE
SCARED.



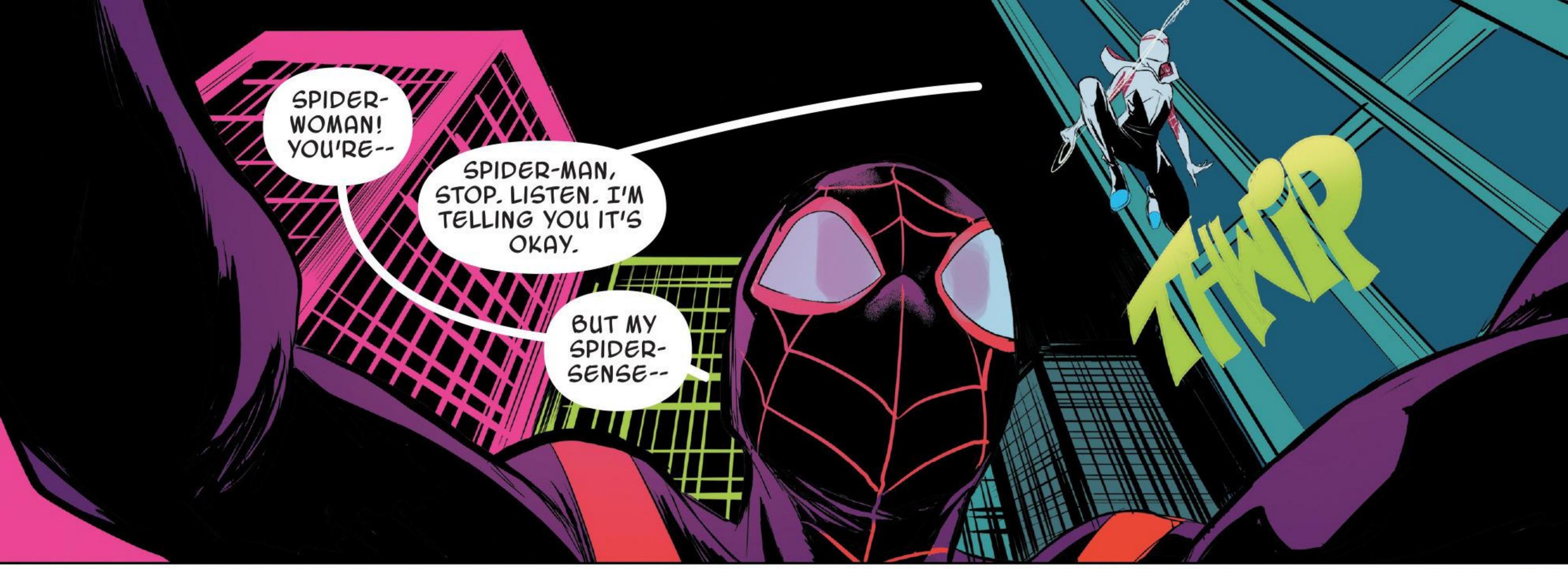
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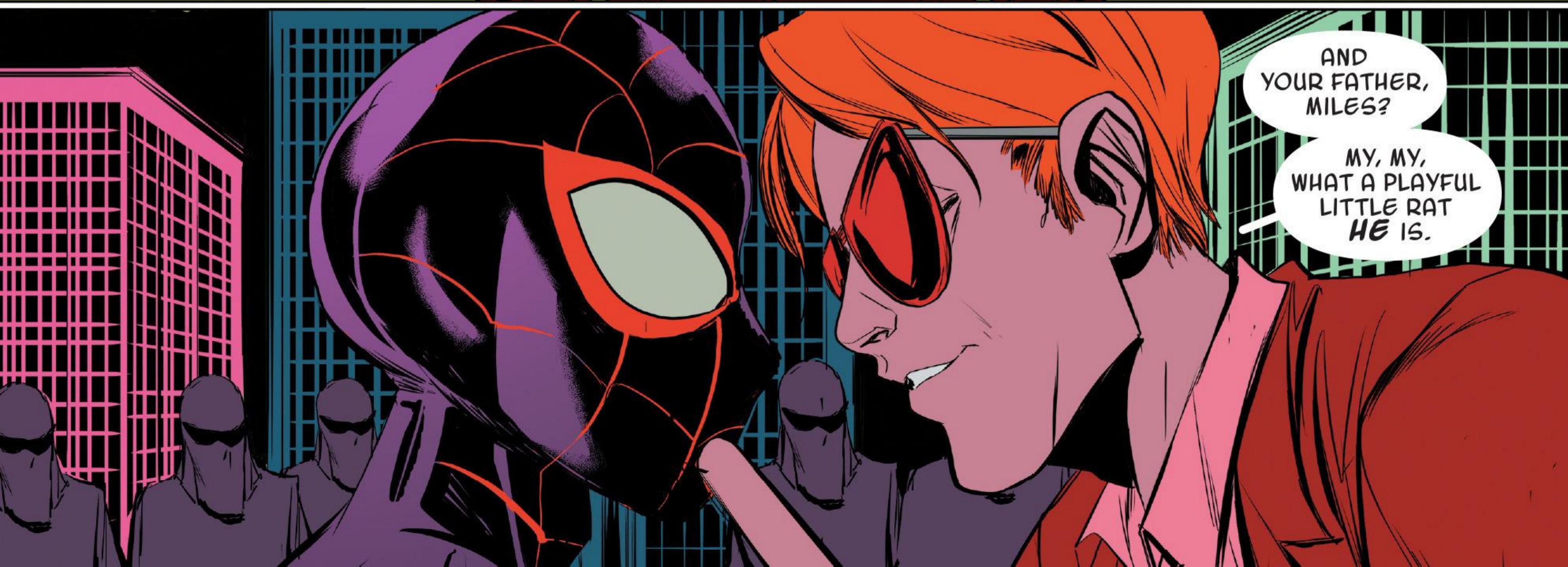












WHAT ARE
YOU EVEN TALKING
ABOUT?
WHY WOULD...
WHAT DOES MY
DAD HAVE TO DO
WITH ANY OF
THIS CRAP?

SOMEONE
WITH YOUR FATHER'S
FACE IS MAKING A REAL
MESS OF S.I.L.K.'S
PLANS, SON.
A REAL
MESS OF
MINE.

AND SO,
CHILDREN,
YOUR MISSION
IS TO FIND
JEFFERSON
DAVIS...

...AND
BRING
ME HIS
HEAD.

YOU'RE
INSANE.
COMPLETELY
COCOA
PUFFS...

YOUR
NINJAS COULD
EASILY DO THIS.
WHY ASK THIS
OF US?

HEH.
YES. I'LL
REVEAL ALL MY DARK,
SECRET PLANS JUST
BECAUSE YOU
ASKED.

FACE IT,
TIGERS...THIS IS
THE ONLY LEAD
YOU HAVE.

I'M
YOUR ONLY
SHOT.

I DON'T
CARE WHAT I
OWE YOU. I'M
NOT KILLING
ANYONE.
EVER.

MMHMM...
YES. WELL,
WHEN YOU FIND
THE BOY'S
FATHER...

...I HOPE
HE LEAVES
YOU WITH THAT
CHOICE.

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SCORPION

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IT'S
JUST WEIRD HERE,
GWEN.

TOO
WEIRD.

IT'S
LIKE BEING IN A
DREAM WHERE ALL
YOUR FRIENDS HAVE
DIFFERENT
FACES...

...BUT
THEY'RE STILL
YOUR FRIENDS.
YOU KNOW?

YEAH,
I DO.

EVERY TIME I SEE
PETER PARKER FROM
YOUR WORLD, I--

WELL, I'M
PRETTY SURE
MY LAUGH-TO-CRY
RATIO QUALIFIES
ME AS LEGALLY
INSANE.

YOUR
PETER, HE'S...
HE--?

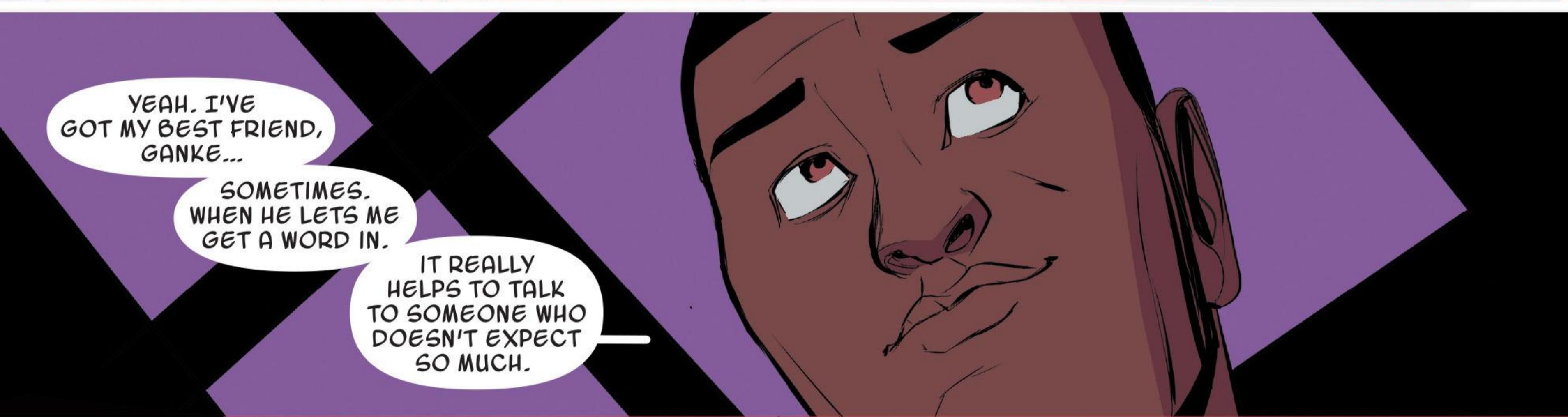
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PETER WAS THE
FURTHEST THING
FROM SPIDER-MAN,
MILES.

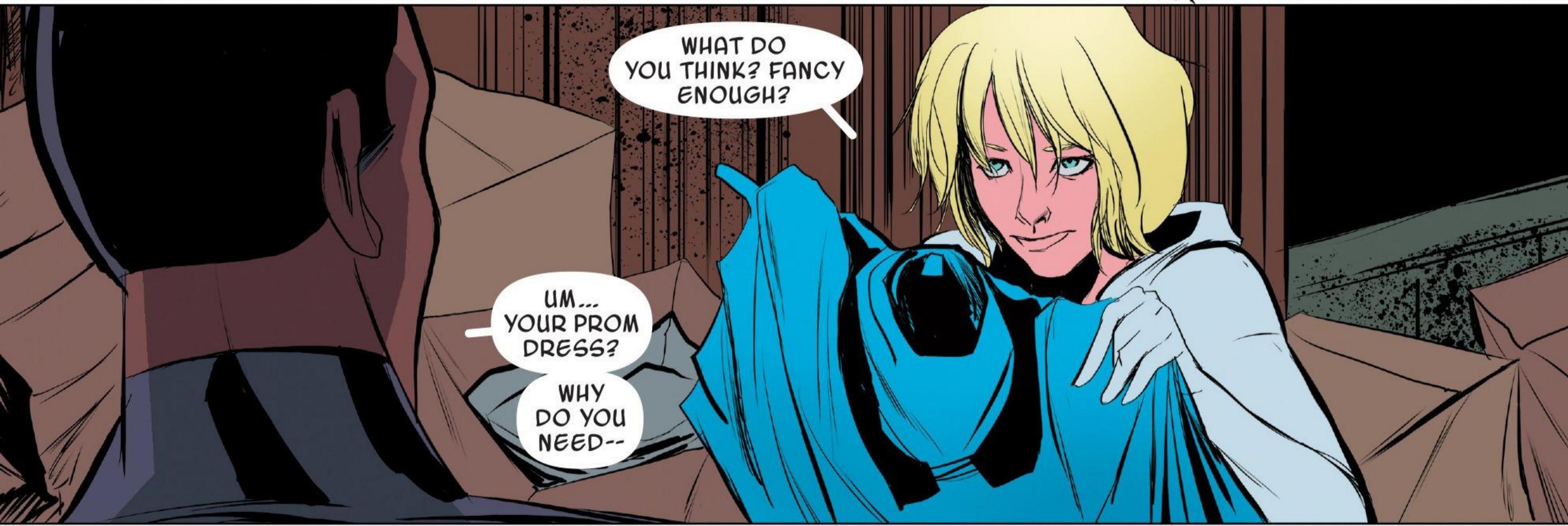
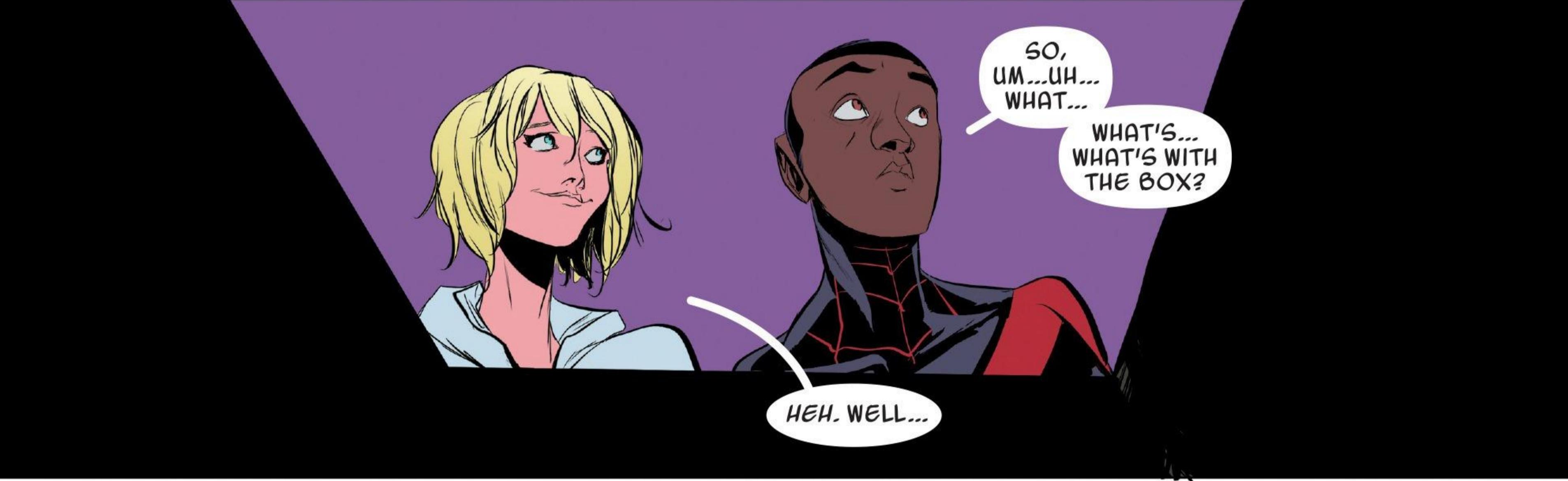
HE WAS
OUR GOOFY
NEIGHBOR. HE
FOLLOWED ME
AROUND LIKE
A PUPPY...

HE TURNED
HIMSELF INTO A
LIZARD ON THE NIGHT
OF SENIOR
PROM.

HE
DIED FIGHTING
SPIDER-WOMAN.

PROM







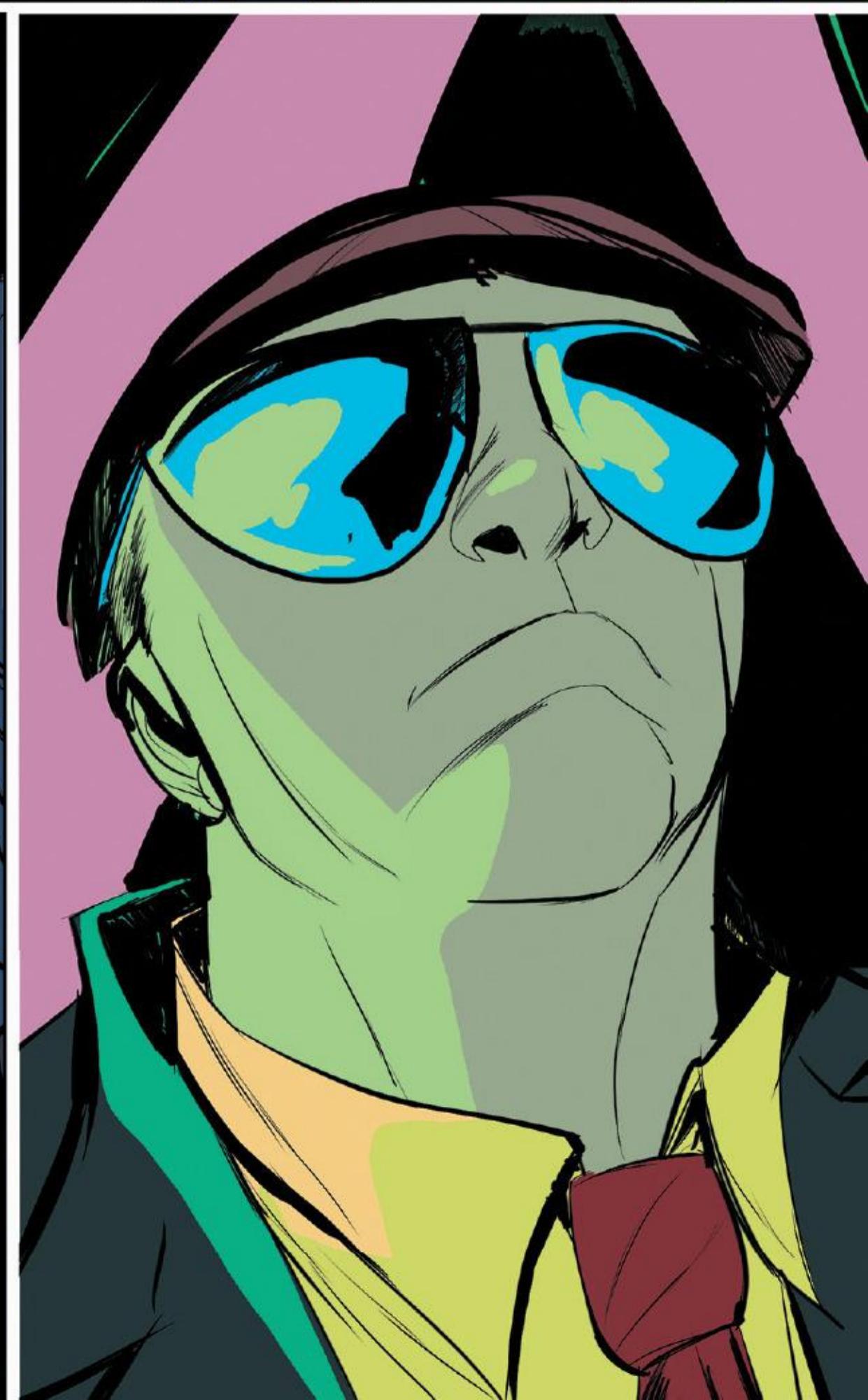


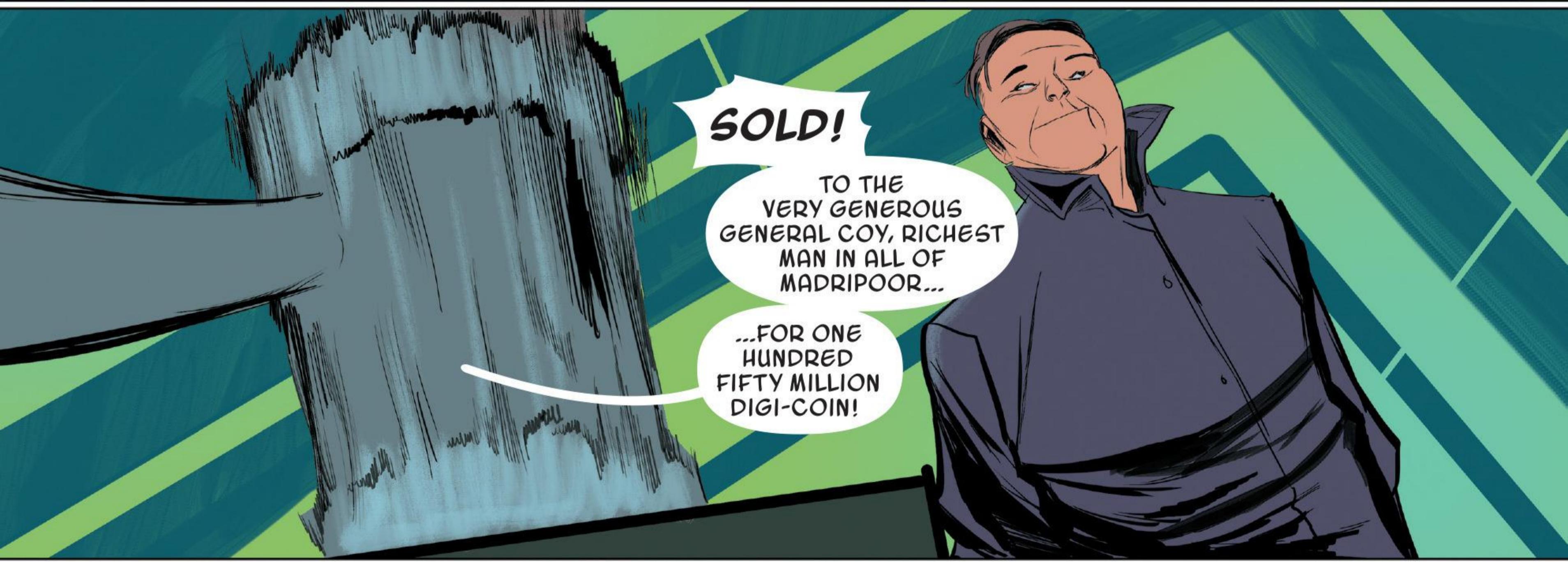
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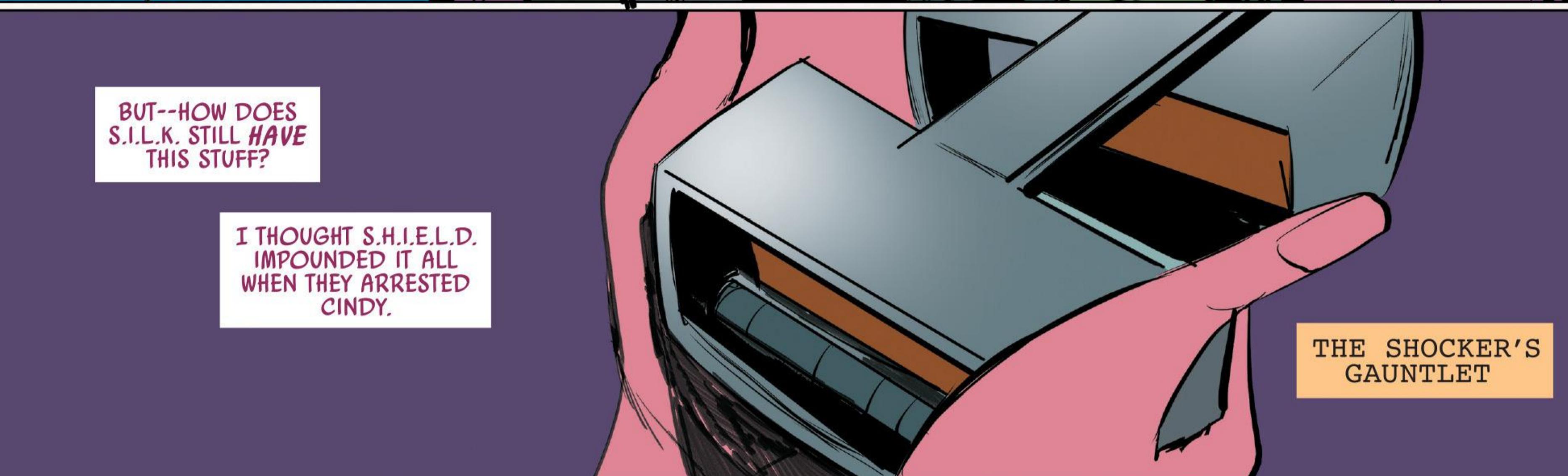
Miles

WOHA.

SO MUCH
FOR A BOND CASINO.







SO YOU
THINK US BUFFOONS,
GWEN STACY?!

DO YOU
THINK US SO
INVALID THAT WE
NOT DARE LIFT A
FINGER TO HALT THIS
INFILTRATION?!

RRRGH...
REALLY?!

DOC...
#*\$%@...
OCK?

WE ARE **S.I.L.K.!**
THE VEIL THAT COVERS
THE **WORLD!**

OUR REACH IS
UNENDING! OUR GRASP
UNBREAKABLE!

YOUR
BREATH...

...INTOLERABLE.

AAGGHH! MILES...
THE SQUID! SCREAMING...
INTO...MY BRAIN!

GET IT OFF...
GET IT OFF...

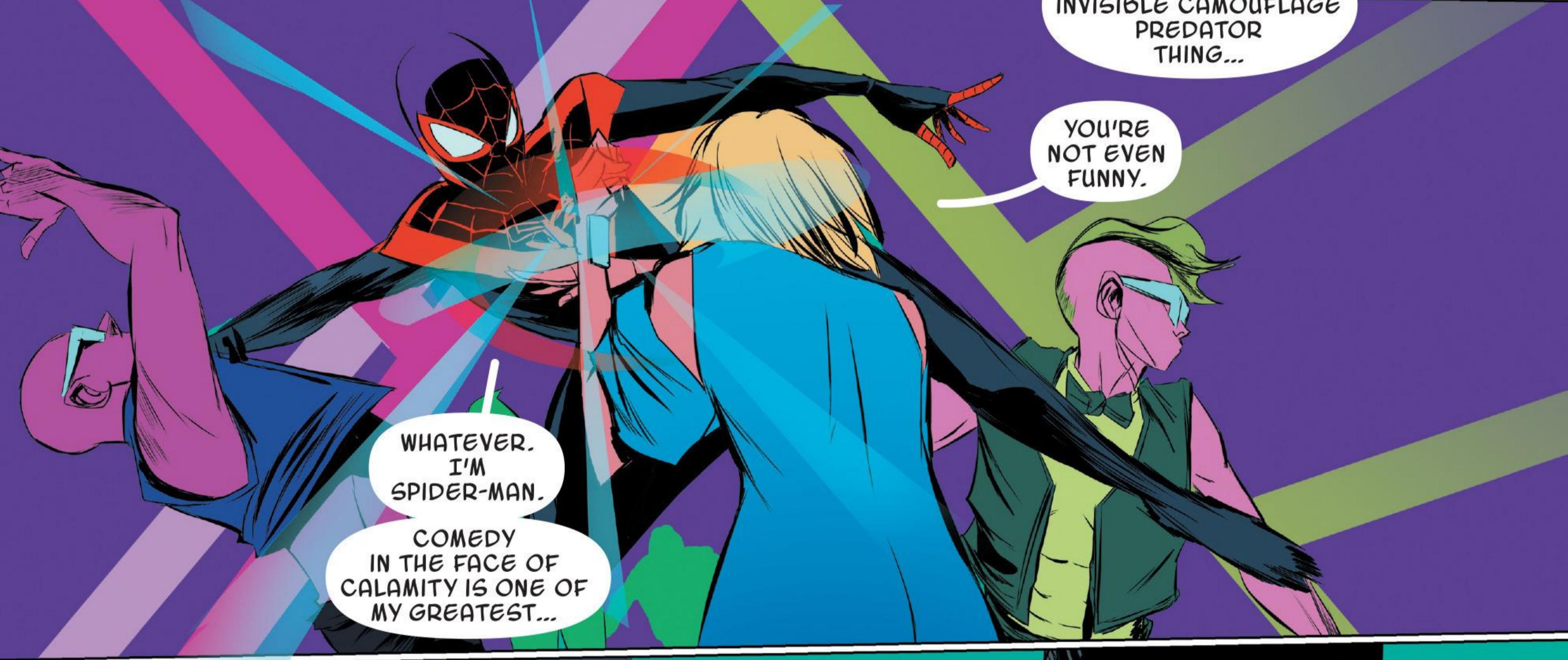
NO...WON'T...
GO...WON'T GO...
BACK...

I'M
TRYING!

OTTO...
HE MAKES...
MAKES
ME...

DANCE...

YEARRGGHHH!



YOU'RE
AWFUL SCRAWNLY
TO BE **ANY** KIND
OF MAN.

DAD?!

TO BE CONTINUED
IN SPIDER-MAN #13.

SPIDER-MAN (MILES MORALES)

REAL NAME: Miles Morales

OCCUPATION: Student, Costumed Adventurer

LEGAL STATUS: American Citizen

OTHER ALIASES: None

PLACE OF BIRTH: Brooklyn, New York

MARITAL STATUS: Single

KNOWN RELATIVES: Rio Morales (mother), Jefferson Davis (father), Aaron Davis (Uncle), Gloria Morales (grandmother)

GROUP AFFILIATION: Formerly The Avengers, The Champions

BASE OF OPERATIONS: New York City (Earth-616)

FIRST APPEARANCE: Ultimate Comics Fallout #4

PARTIAL HISTORY: In the parallel reality of Earth-1610, Norman Osborn provided one of his Oscorp Industries employees, Dr. Conrad Markus, a sample of Peter Parker's radioactive blood to replicate the Oz formula that gave him his Spider-Man abilities. Markus worked on close to fifty individual arachnid specimens, all with the singular purpose of duplicating the unique genetic conditions that made it possible for a spider bite to imbue Peter Parker with his abilities, but when Osborn was arrested for crimes committed by his own rampaging alter ego, the Green Goblin, his facility was shut down, and all of the research Markus was conducting ground to a halt.

With its owner incarcerated, Oscorp Industries was left abandoned, and, in time, the scavengers came. One such scavenger was Aaron Davis, A.K.A. the Prowler. Davis broke into the facility, looking for items of value left behind by the company's employees but failed to notice when one of Markus' specimens, Subject 42, crawled into his duffle bag. He left the facility, unaware that he was taking the spider with him when he did so.

Days later, Aaron's then-15-year-old nephew, Miles Morales, was visiting his uncle when the spider bit him. As a result of the bite, Miles developed superhuman abilities similar to those of Spider-Man as well as powers unique to his physiology.

Initially, Miles was apprehensive about using his abilities for super heroics. His father, Jefferson, was a staunch critic of the masked vigilantes parading around New York City and his distrust of super heroes gave Miles pause. Unable to keep his new abilities to himself, however, Miles chose to confide only in his best friend, Ganke Lee. After witnessing the murder of Spider-Man at the hands of the Green Goblin, Miles was overcome with guilt and decided to follow in Peter Parker's footsteps by fighting crime as Spider-Man.

At first, Miles wore a uniform that bore the same color scheme and spider symbol as Peter Parker's. Many in the superhuman community thought this was in bad taste and an affront to Peter's legacy, so Miles was given a new costume by Nick Fury, head of the clandestine intelligence agency S.H.I.E.L.D. Equipped with a new suit, Miles was ready to properly take up Spider-Man's mantle.

Having witnessed Miles' reaction to the bite that gave him his abilities, Aaron Davis deduced Miles's secret and offered to train and work with him. After being used by his uncle to combat the crime lord Scorpion, Miles refused to assist his uncle further, despite Aaron threatening to inform Miles' father of his secret. During the altercation that followed, one of the Prowler's weapons malfunctioned and caused an explosion. Caught at the epicenter of the blast, Aaron was killed, and with the guilt of another death on his shoulders, Miles continued his work as Spider-Man, more determined than ever to do good.

HEIGHT: 5'8"

WEIGHT: 160 lbs.

EYES: Brown

HAIR: Black

SUPER-POWERS: Bitten by a genetically engineered spider, Miles Morales possesses enhanced strength and agility, strong resistance to injury and the ability to adhere to surfaces, and a buzzing "spider-sense" that warns him of danger.

He also possesses the ability to camouflage himself to match his surroundings, and a paralyzing "venom sting" that he can administer by touch, or by biokinetic such as his webbing. This venom sting must be recharged after use.

WEAPONS/EQUIPMENT: Miles wears a costume and web-shooters given to him by his original universe's S.H.I.E.L.D.

FUN FACT: Miles doesn't know it yet but that one blissful sip of sugary, caffeinated Earth 65 soda he's now tasted will induce in him a craving that nothing else in any existence will ever replicate or satisfy. Poor doomed fool.

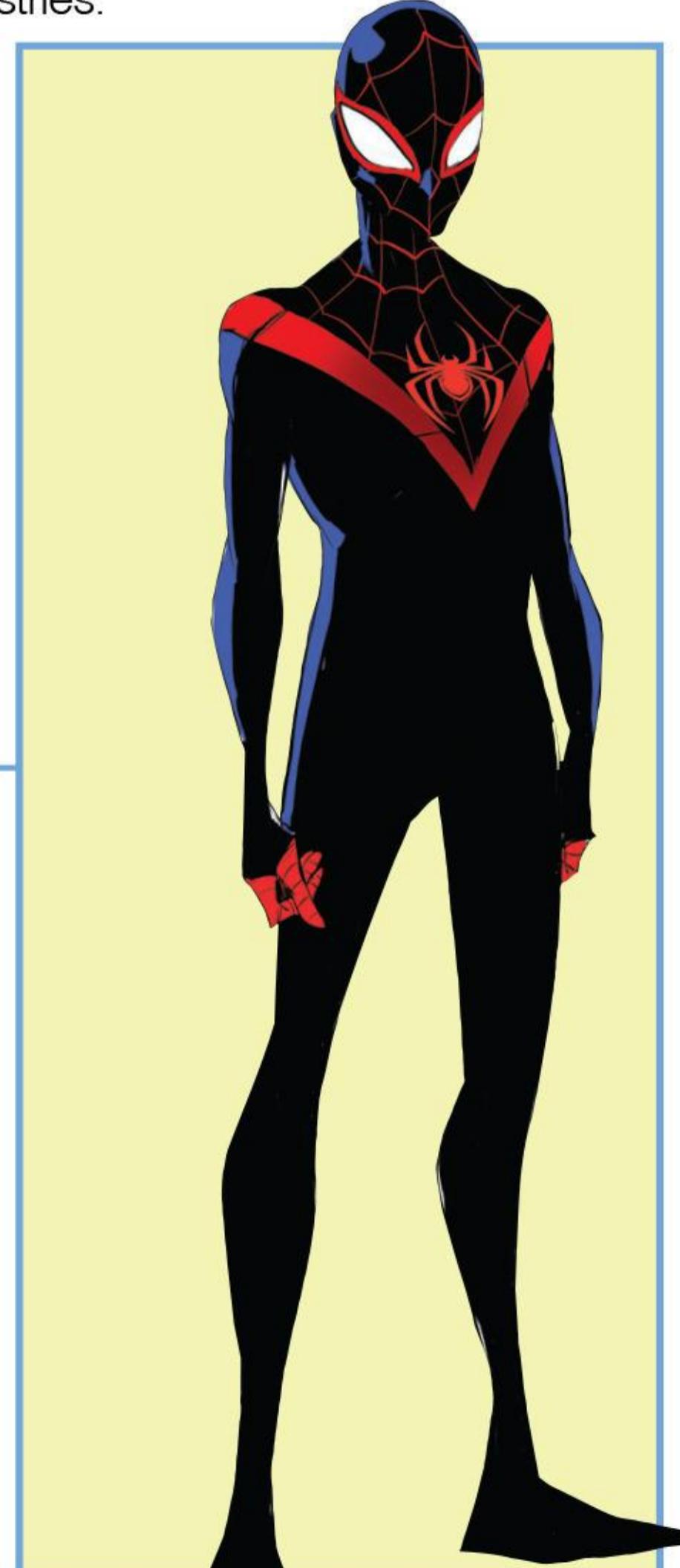
Daily Bugle reporter Betty Brant began a dogged investigation into the identity of the new Spider-Man and incorrectly surmised that Miles' father, Jefferson, was the masked vigilante. Changed after the murder of his former intern and freelance photographer Peter Parker, Bugle publisher J. Jonah Jameson refused to publish the exposé, asserting that it would only ruin another family and end Spider-Man's superhero career. Undeterred, Brant tried to publish the report independently, but was murdered by none other than Conrad Markus, the man responsible for the creation of the spider that gave Miles his abilities and then-host of the Venom symbiote. Acting off of Brant's incorrect information, Venom located the Davis house and confronted Jefferson, only for Miles to fight the creature off as Spider-Man – but not before his father was injured and taken to a nearby hospital. His bloodlust unfulfilled, Venom pursued the family to Jefferson's hospital room, where the police attempted to stop the creature. In the ensuing firefight, Markus was separated from the Venom symbiote and killed. Unfortunately, so was Miles' mother, Rio, whose dying wish was that her son not reveal his dual identity to his father. After the death of his mother, Miles refused to don the mantle of Spider-Man, but after succumbing to pressure from Spider-Woman and Ganke, he resumed fighting crime as the wall-crawling vigilante.

A short time later, the planet-eating entity called Galactus was transported to Miles' reality. As the creature attempted to absorb the energy of Miles' homeworld, Miles and the planet's residents were convinced that the destruction of the planet was imminent. Not wanting the end of the world to arrive without the truth coming out, Miles confessed his secret identity to his father. Brokenhearted at the prospect that his son played a part in the deaths of both Rio and Aaron, Jefferson disowned him, disappearing from his son's life for a time. When Jefferson resurfaced, he had come to terms with his son's dual identity and not only expressed regret for abandoning him, but also explained that he himself had had to grapple with a double life as both an agent of S.H.I.E.L.D. and a criminal. It was only after meeting and marrying Miles' mother that Jefferson chose to leave that world behind.

During the events of SECRET WARS, Miles managed to survive the destruction of his home reality by infiltrating an escape vessel constructed by a group of multiversal super villains known as the Cabal. Trapped together on the patchwork planet called Battleworld, Miles, Earth-616's Peter Parker, and the other surviving 616 heroes battled against Doctor Doom, who had used the powers of the Beyonder and the Molecule Man to manipulate reality and appoint himself as God Emperor of all creation. At the battle's end, the Ultimate Universe was wiped from existence, but the Molecule Man chose to spare Miles and his family and give them a home on the reformed Prime Earth.

Miles and his family live in Brooklyn and he has continued working as a super hero. Now, though, he and Peter Parker share the mantle of Spider-Man, with Miles patrolling New York City and Peter acting as a global Spider-Man thanks to the resources at his disposal as the C.E.O. of growing tech conglomerate Parker Industries.

Recently, Miles has discovered that his father has struck a deal to return to S.H.I.E.L.D. in order to guarantee Miles' protection, physical, legal, and otherwise. However, Jefferson has disappeared while on a mission to Earth-65. With no other options, S.H.I.E.L.D. director Maria Hill has enlisted Miles to travel across dimensions to find him...■



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WHAT HAPPENS *NEXT?***



MARVEL

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MISS**

SPIDER-MAN #13

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THE SEVEN SEAS

With

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