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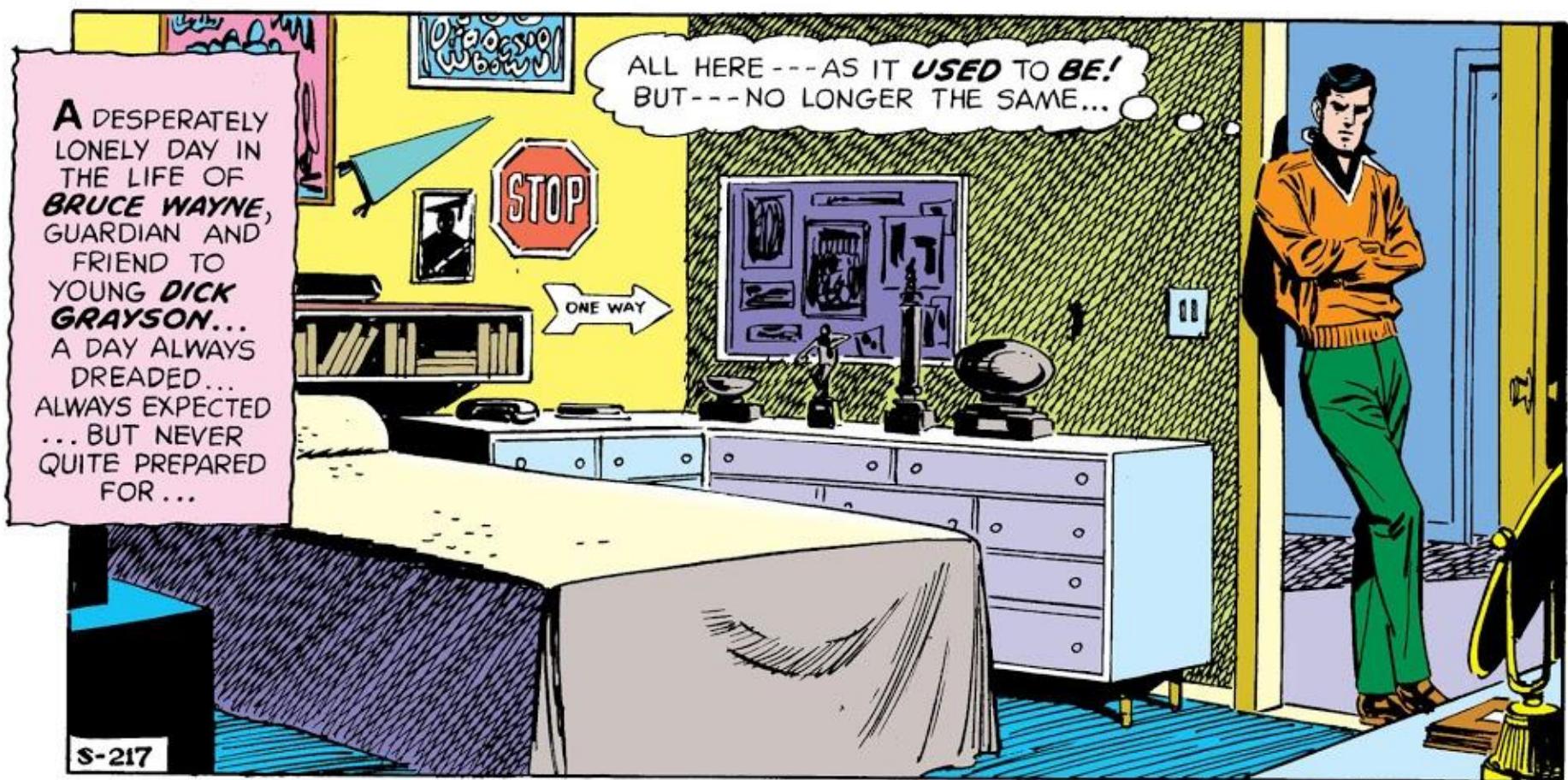
TAKE A
LAST LOOK,
ALFRED--

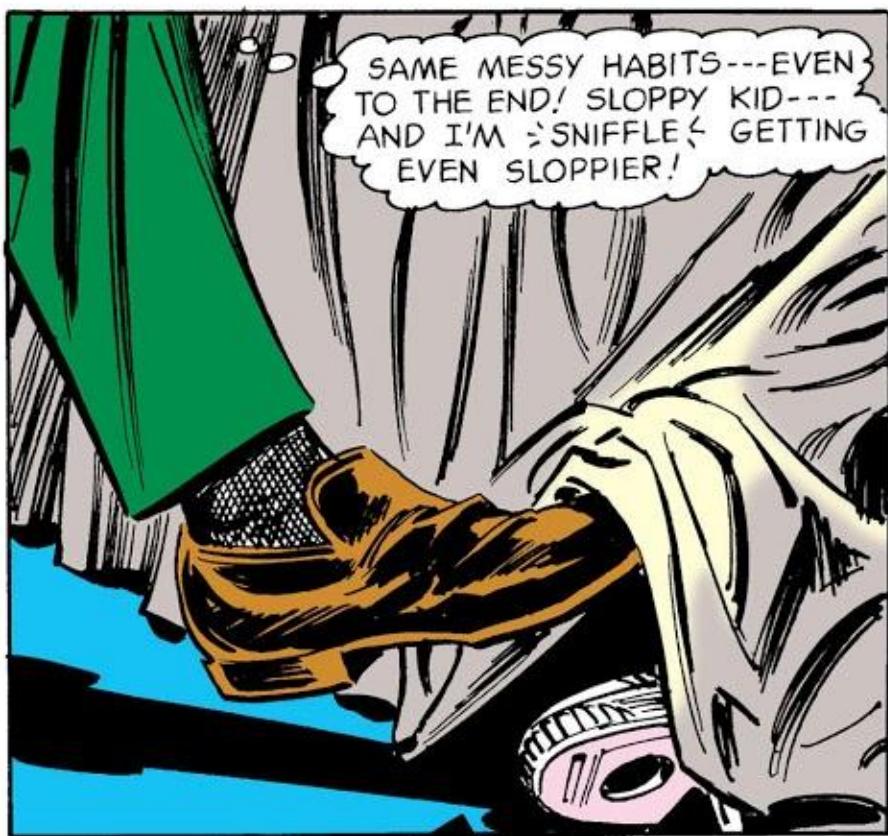
THEN SEAL
UP THE
BATCAVE...
FOREVER!

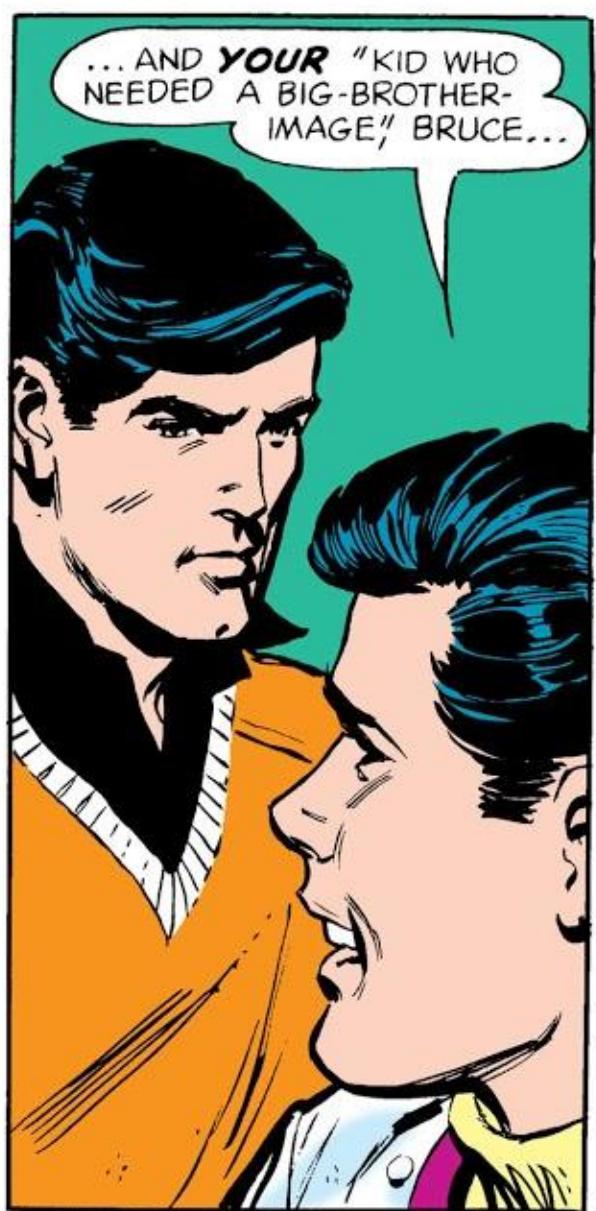
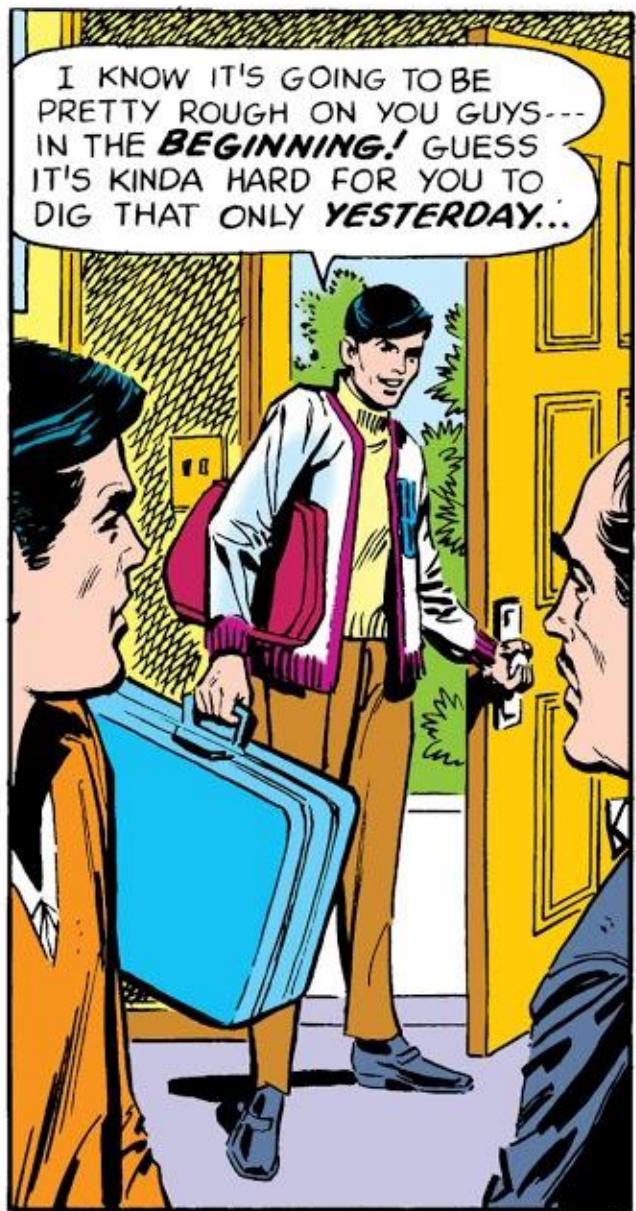
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"ONE BULLET TOO MANY!"

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&
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Story:
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AND SUDDENLY A BIG, UNDER OCCUPIED **WAYNE
MANOR** BECOMES VASTER... EMPTIER!

ALFRED, YOU KNOW ALL **THIS** JUST ISN'T GOING TO WORK ANYMORE--- NOT THE WAY IT USED TO BE!



AS THEY TAKE THE SECRET **BATCAVE**
ELEVATOR...

WELL, WE CAN'T SAY THIS CAME AS A **SURPRISE!** I'VE THOUGHT A LOT--- PREPARED...



YES--- **BATMAN**
TOO!

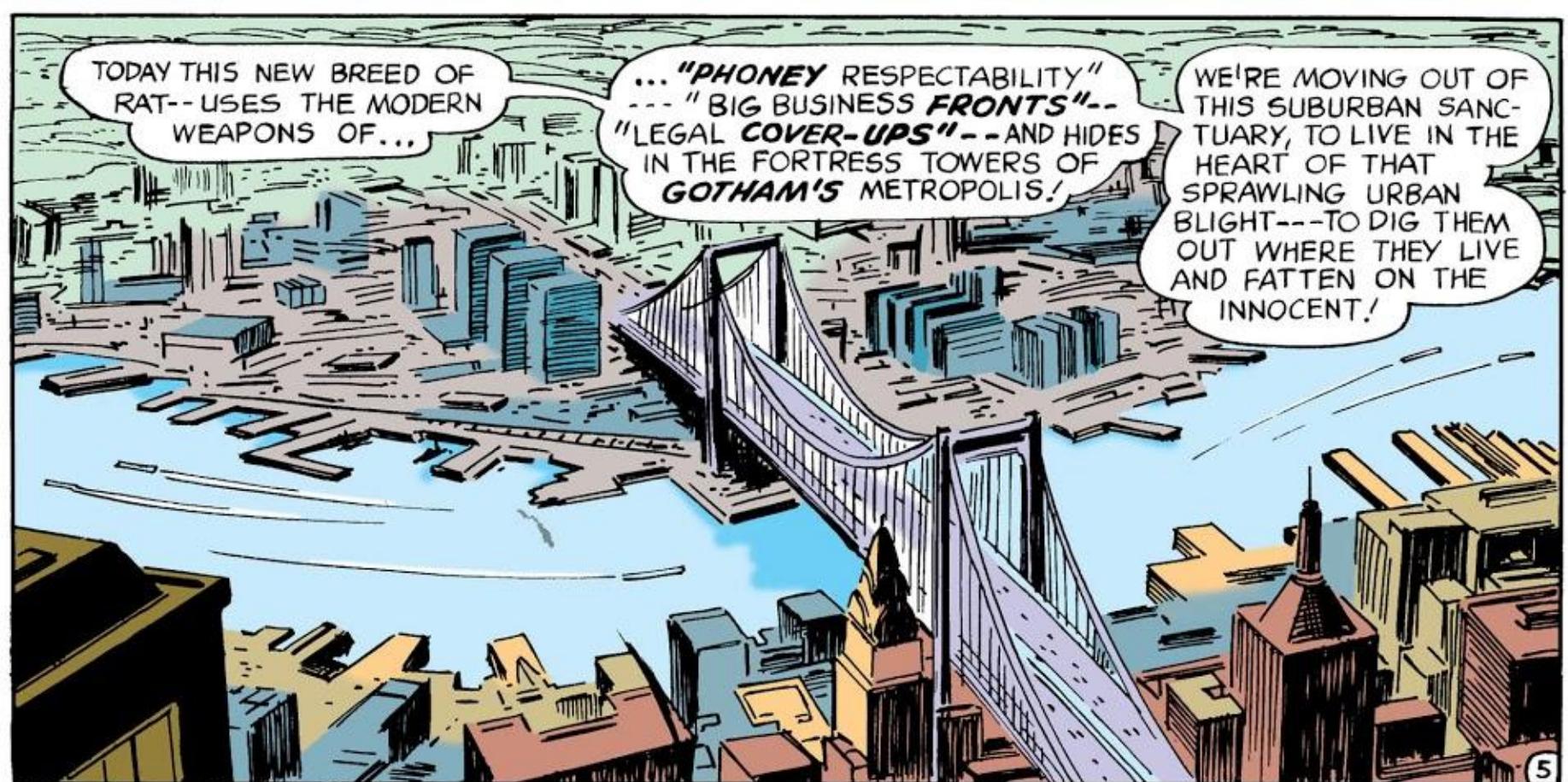
DICK'S LEAVING BROUGHT HOME THE STARK FACT THAT OUR **PRIVATE** WORLD HAS CHANGED!

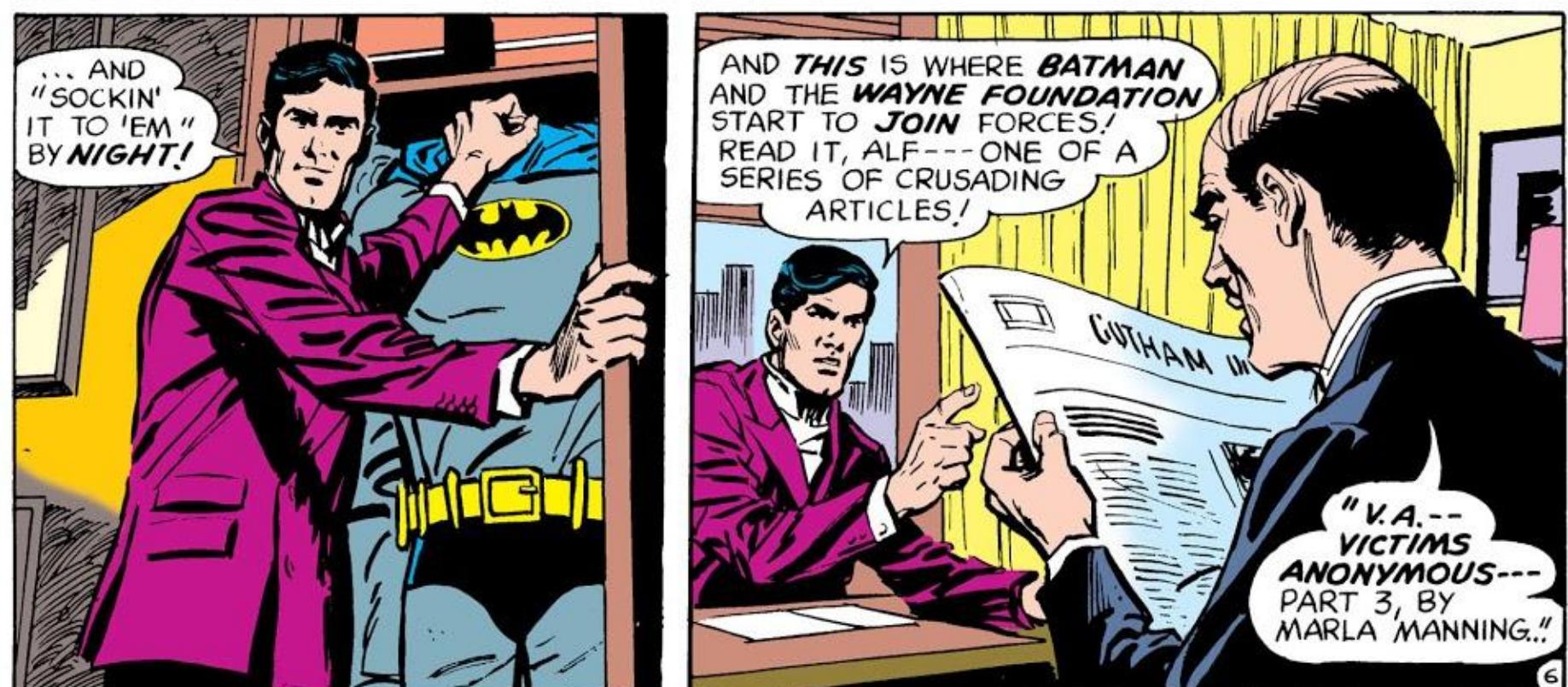
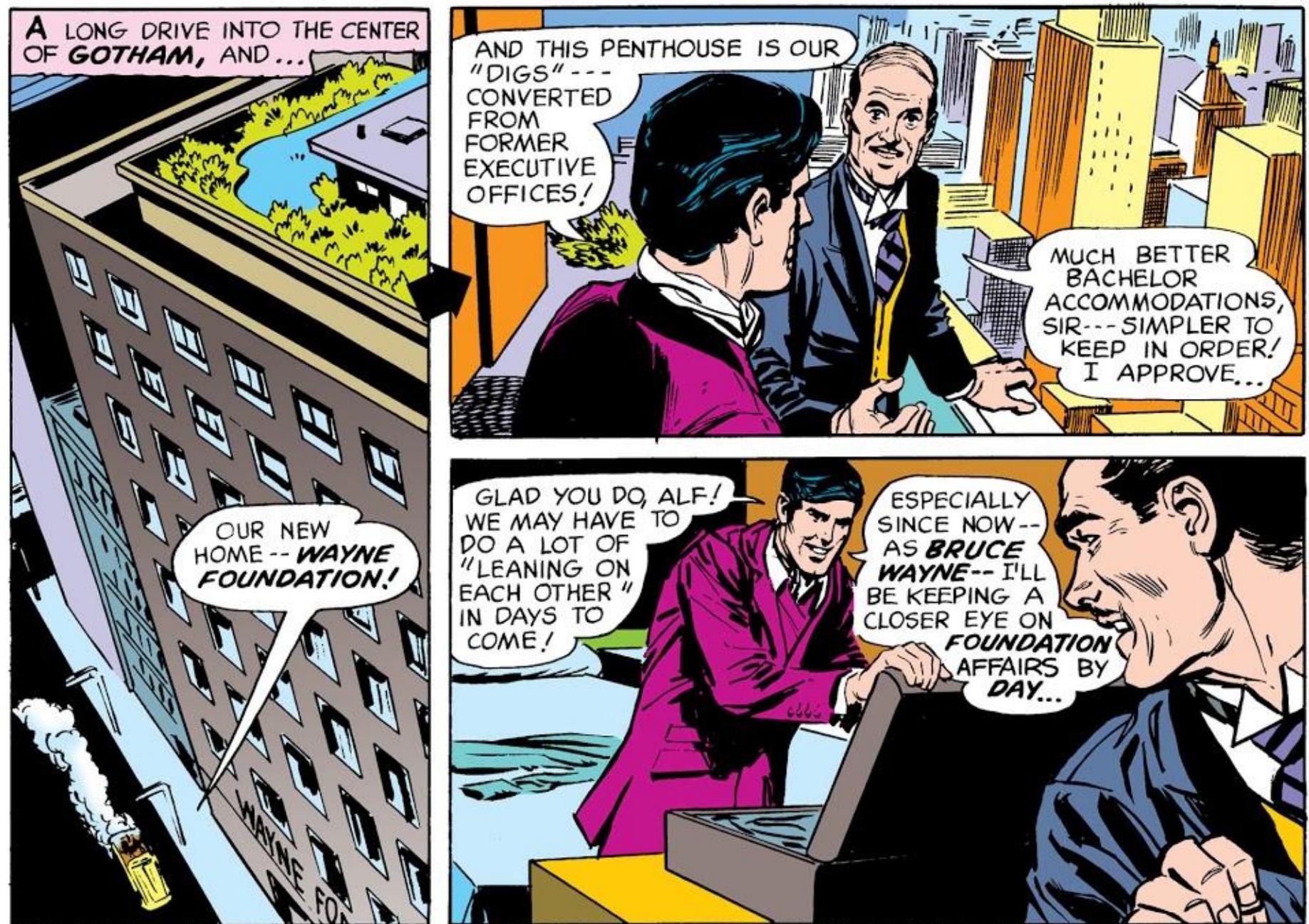


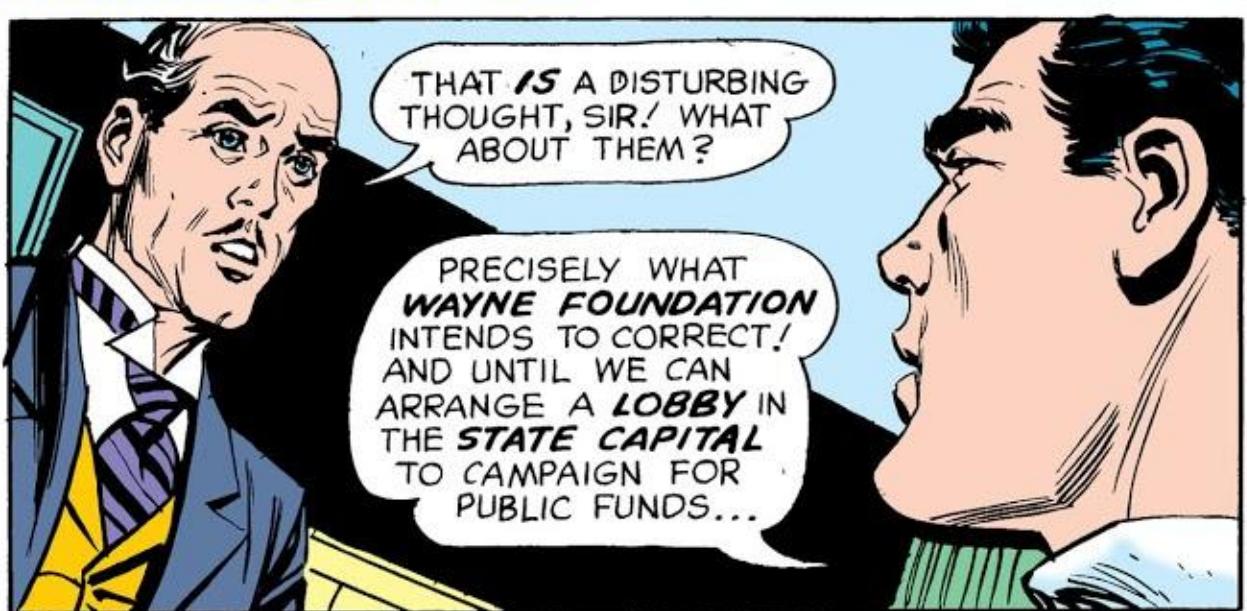
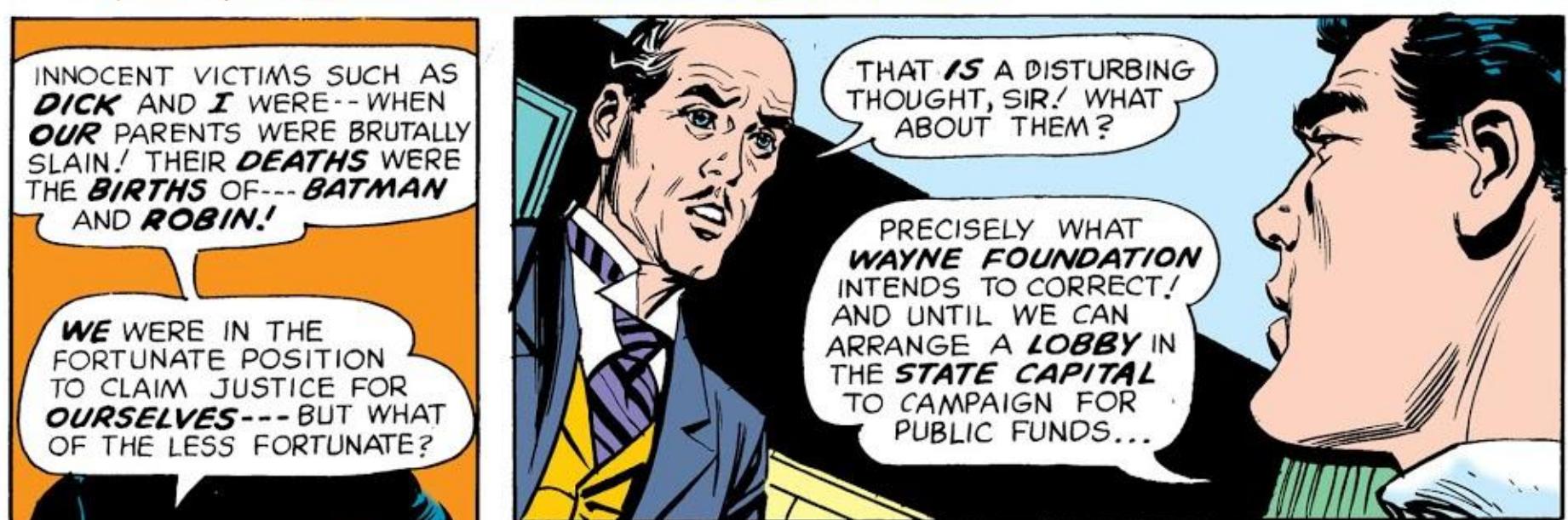
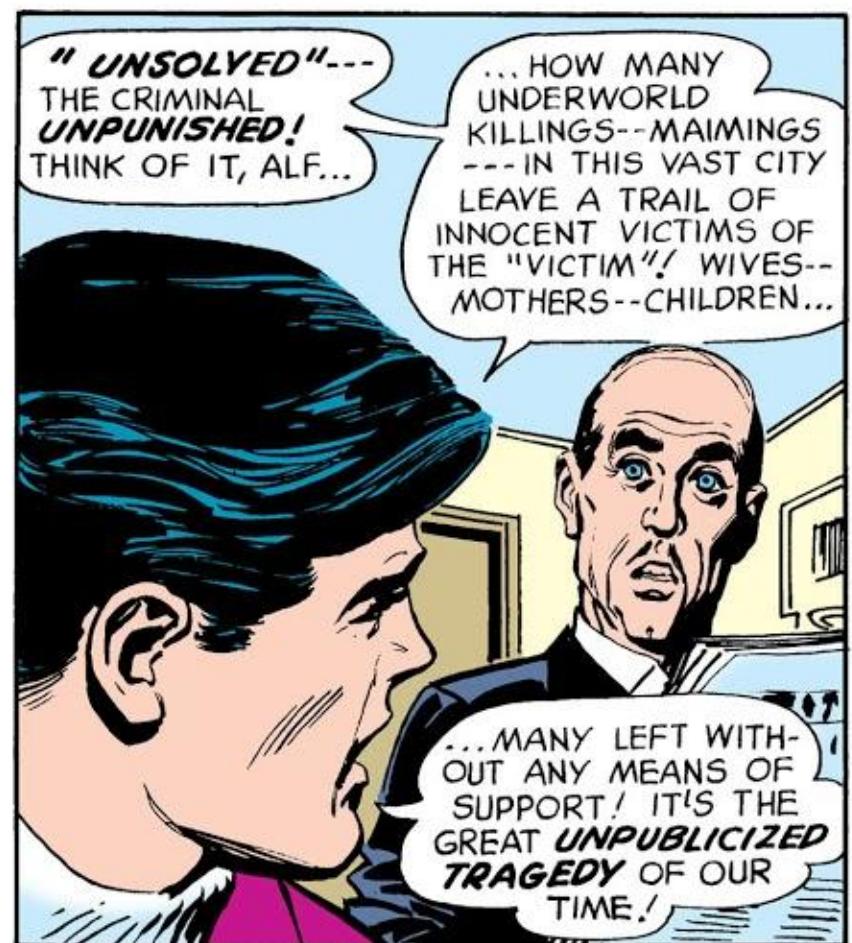
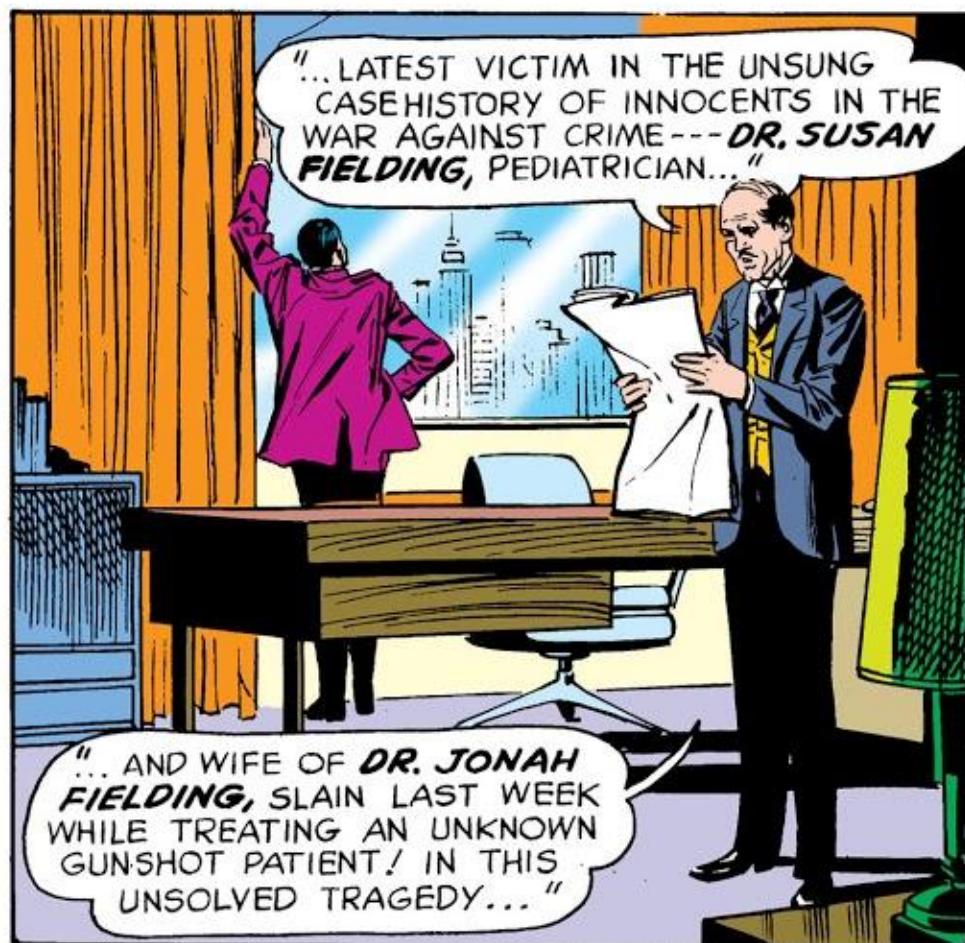
WE'RE IN GRAVE DANGER OF BECOMING --- **OUTMODED!**
OBsolete DODOS OF THE **MOD WORLD** OUTSIDE!

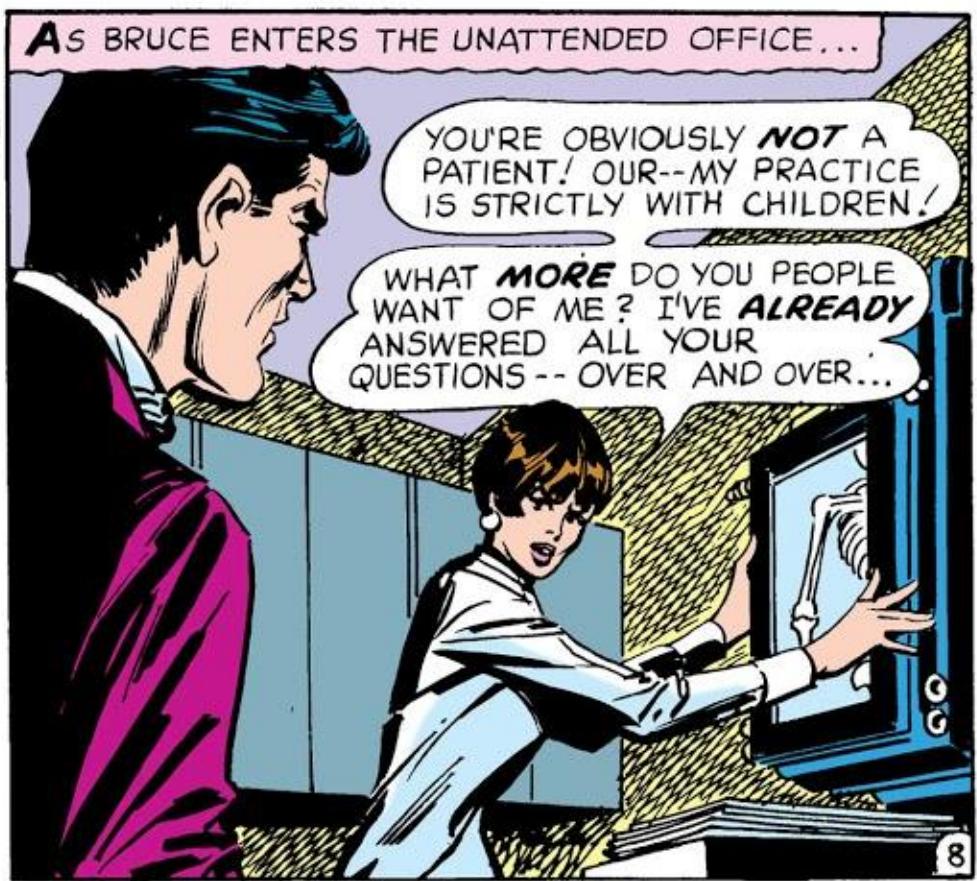
OUR BEST CHANCE FOR SURVIVAL IS TO--- **CLOSE**
UP SHOP HERE!

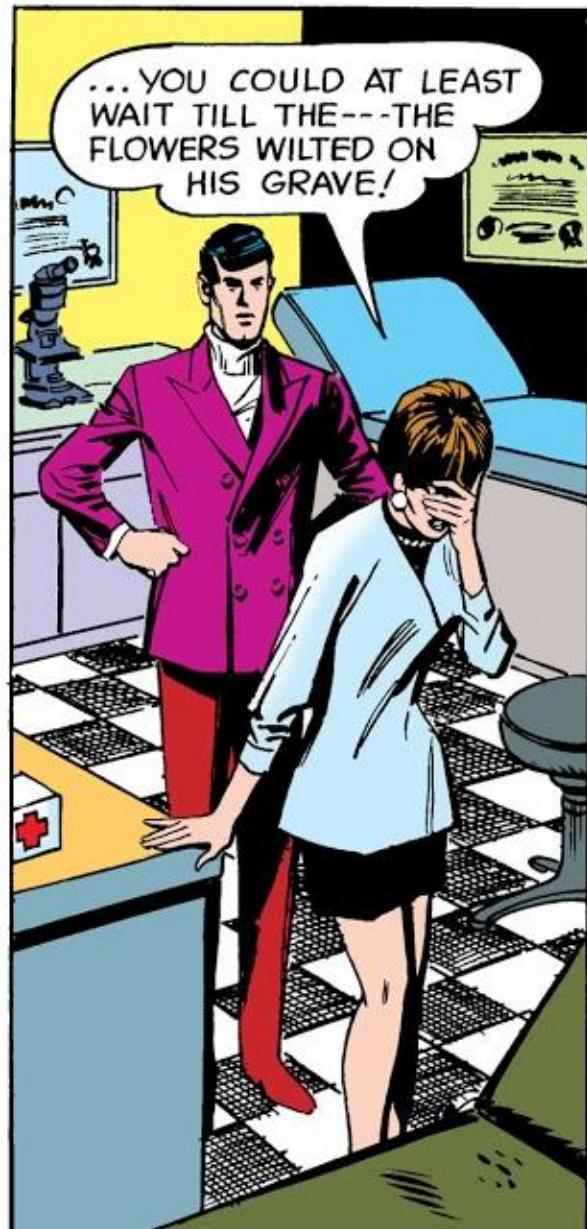






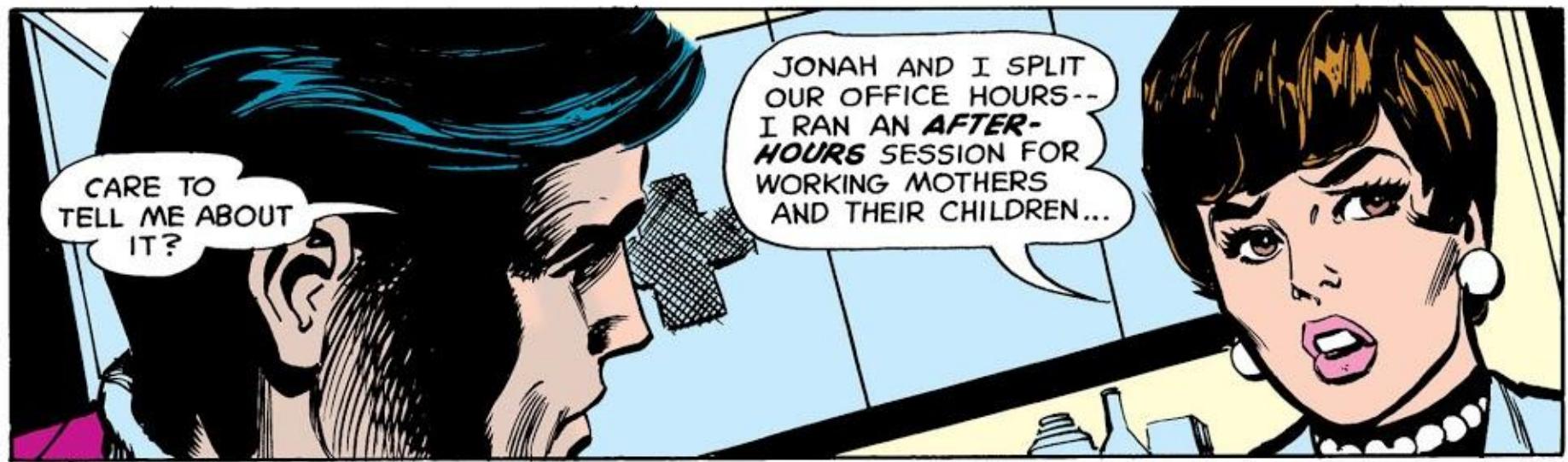


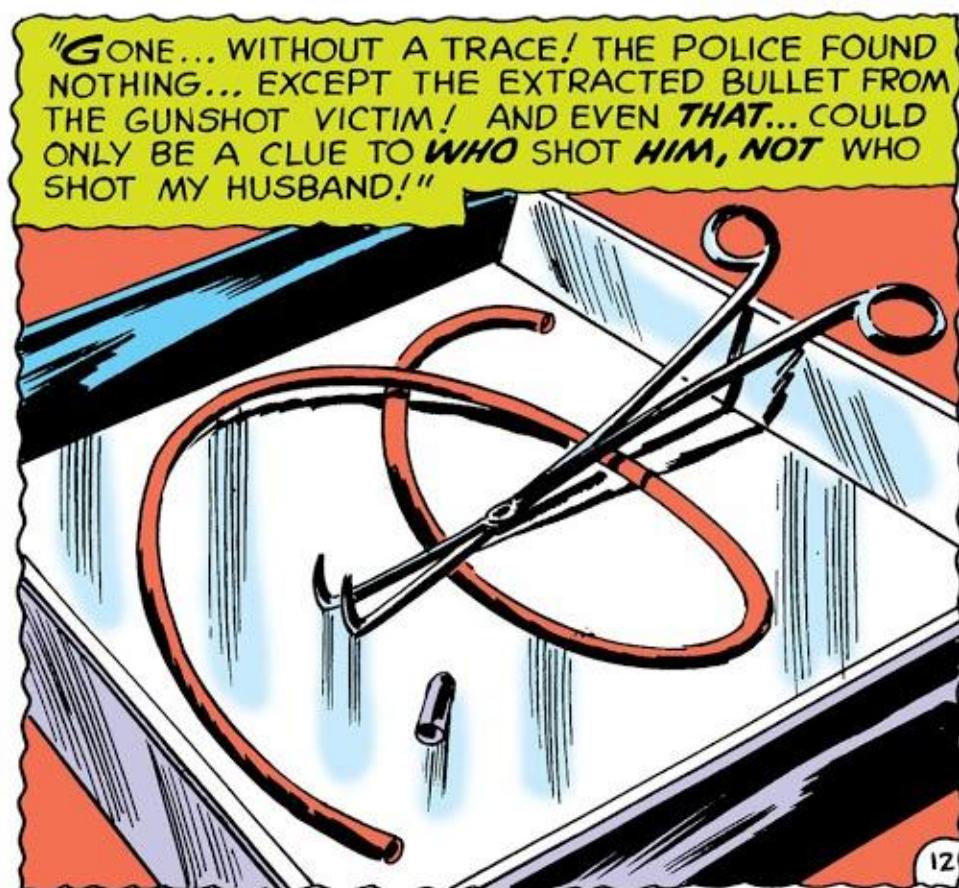
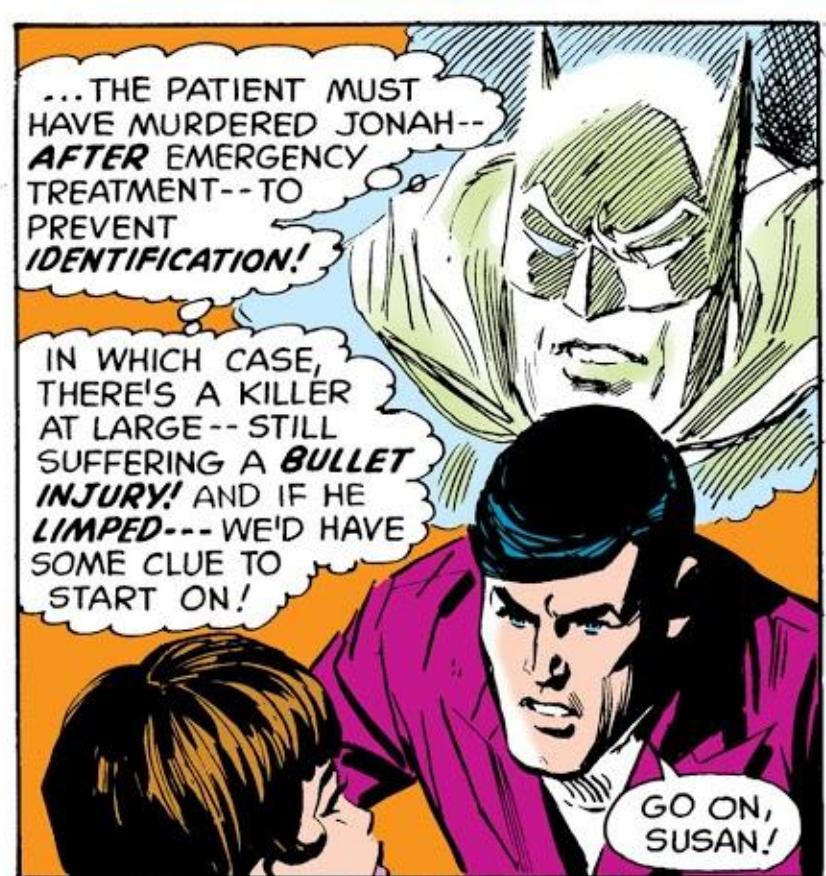


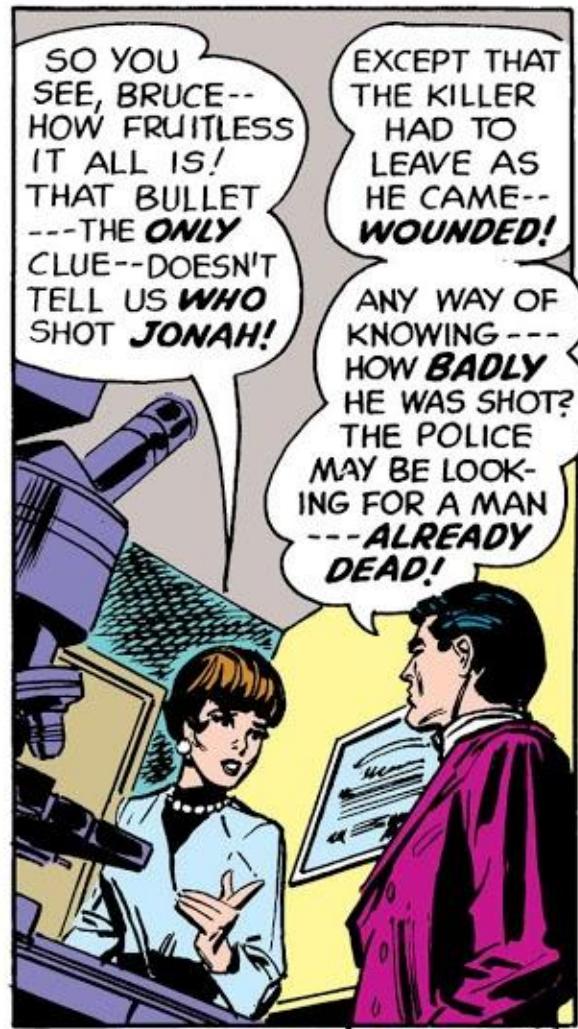


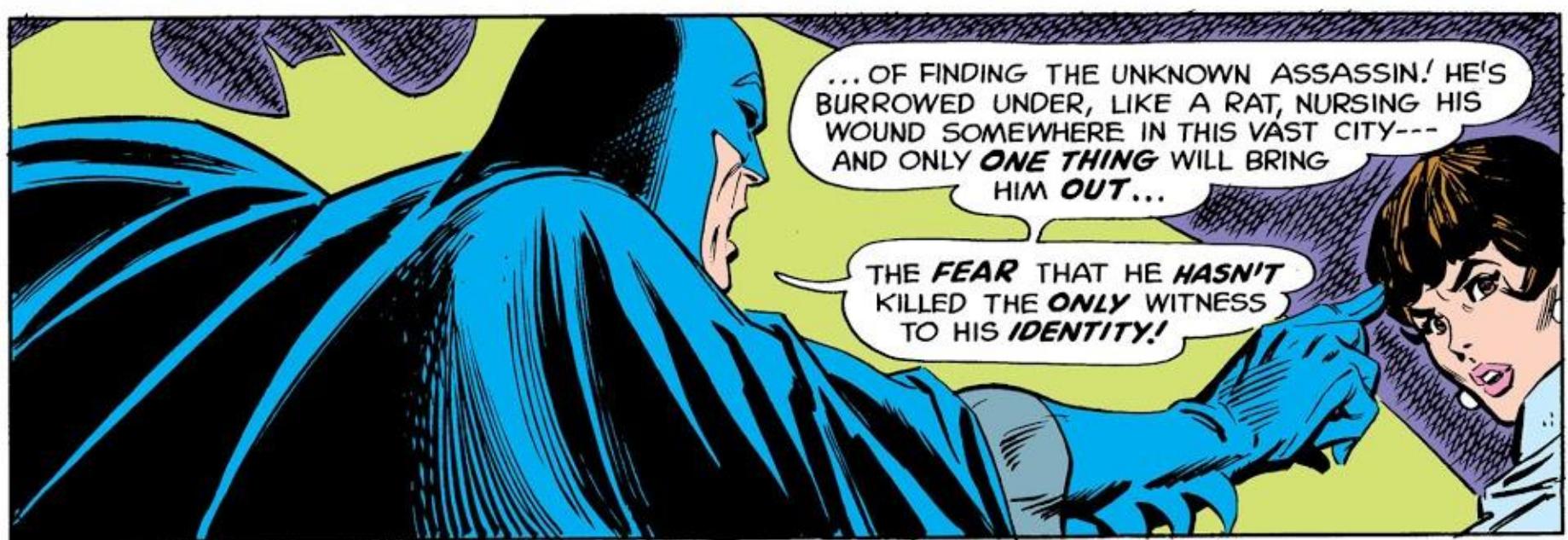


BUT, YES
---YES!
I ACCEPT
YOUR
OFFER!









WITH SUSAN'S GO-AHEAD, **BATMAN** WASTES NO TIME! BECOMING A MAN OF A "THOUSAND FACES"...

HEAR TELL THAT DOC'S WIFE GOT HER GLIMS ON THE JOKER WHAT PUT THE SLUG INTA HER BETTER HALF... HEH!

MAY HEAVEN SMILE ON YER, SON!

PASS THE WORD-- THE GAL MEDIC IS ABOUT TO SPILL!

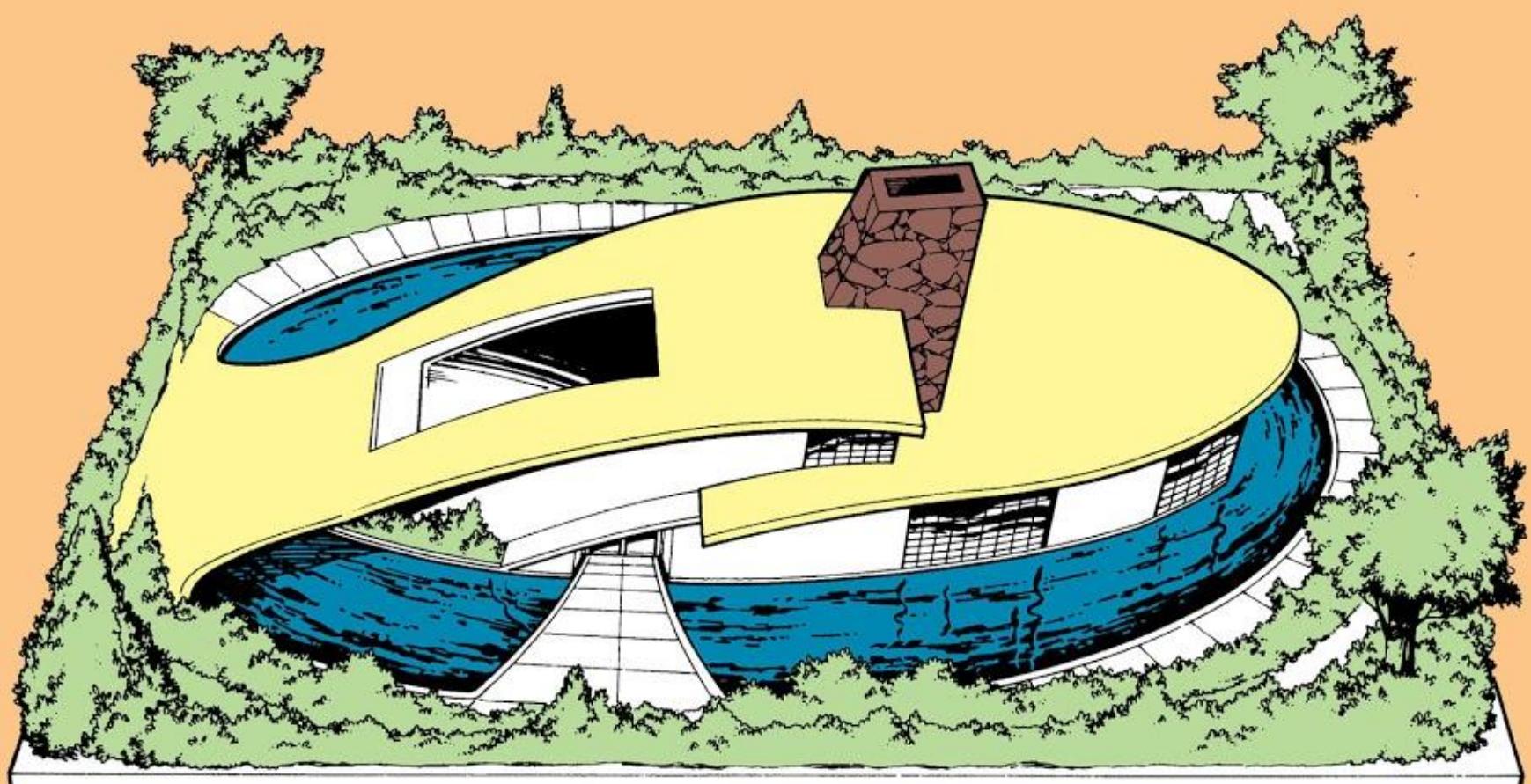
AND IN THE EARLY HOURS OF DAWN...

KNOWING THE SPEED OF THE UNDERWORLD GRAPEVINE, ALFRED-- BY TONIGHT OUR BOY SHOULD BE **REAL** WORRIED...

...AND I'LL BE WAITING FOR HIM!

NEVER TRUST A WOMAN T'KEEP HER BIG MOUTH SHUT, BUB! Y'HEAR ABOUT THAT FIELDING BABE...

THE WAYNE FOUNDATION PENTHOUSE











BUT EVEN AS THE GUNMAN FIRES, **BATMAN** MAKES A SACRIFICE INTERCEPT, AND...

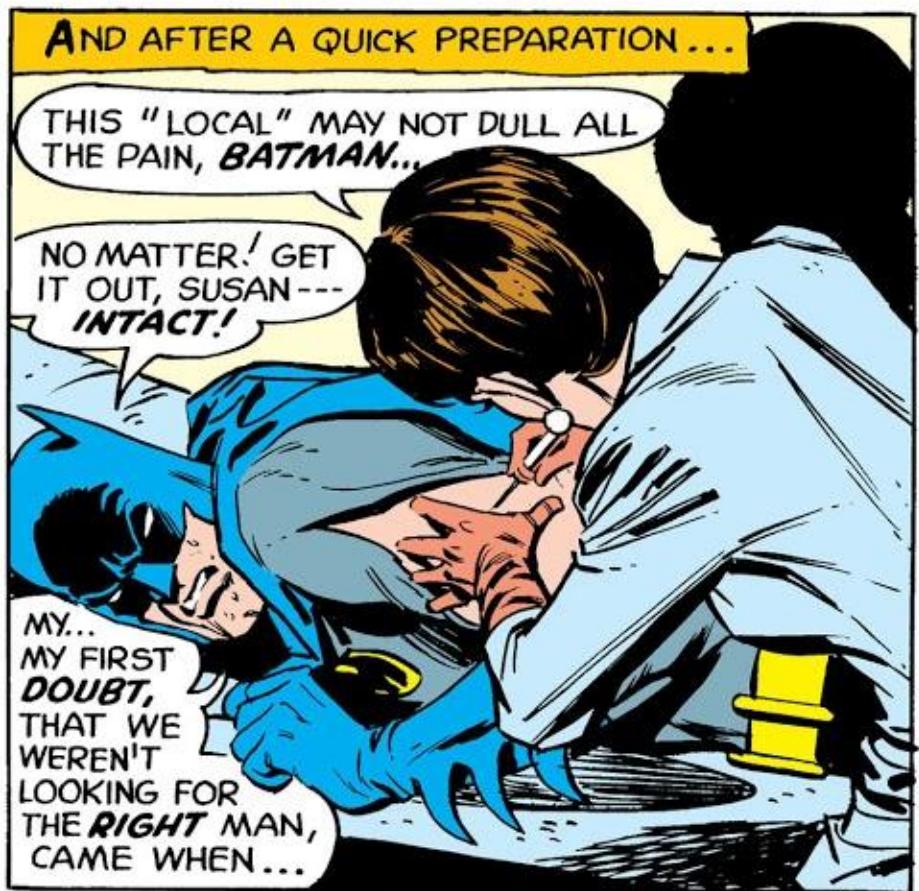


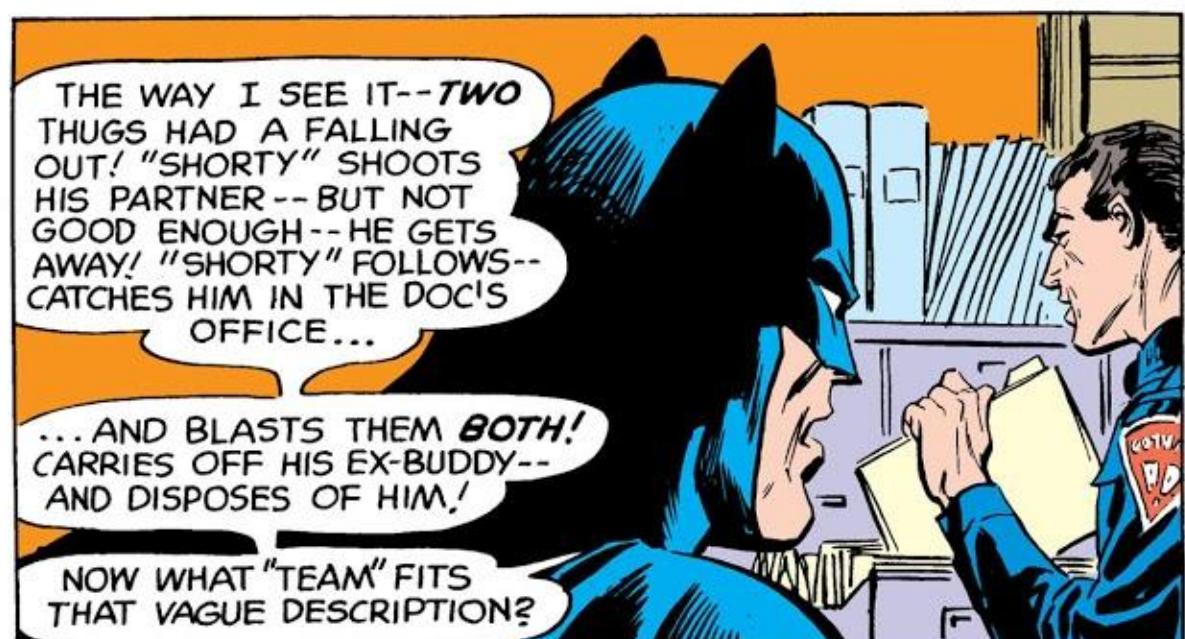
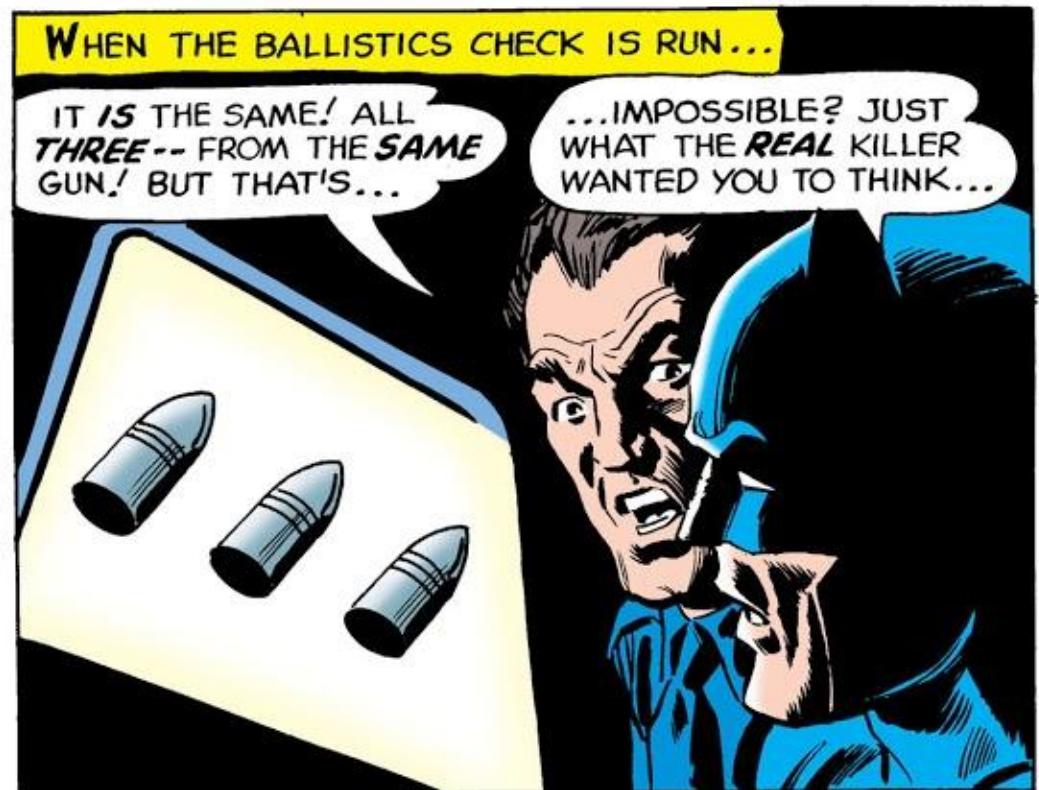
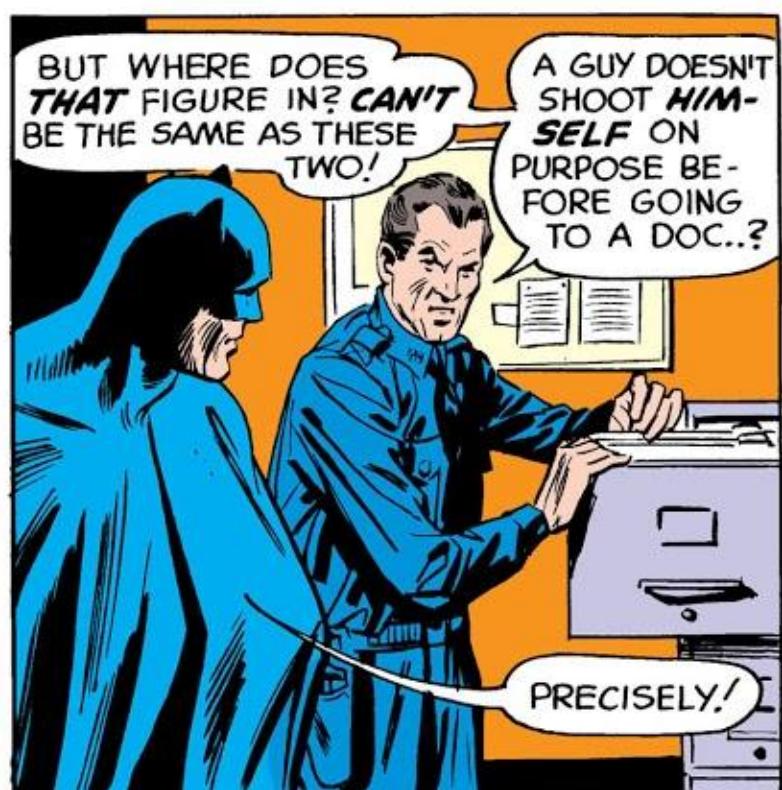
AND AT THAT MOMENT...



AS ONE POLICEMAN GIVES CHASE...







THE NEXT DAY...

...DUE TO BATMAN'S BRILLIANT DEDUCTION IN THE UNSOLVED DR. FIELDING CASE, THE REAL KILLER, "STUB" SARTEL, WAS CAPTURED EARLY THIS MORNING!

ONLY IT'S A SHAME HE'S FORCED **BATMAN--BRUCE WAYNE**-- TO TAKE A SUDDEN "BUSINESS" TRIP, BECAUSE OF THIS ARM, ALFIE! I'VE SO MUCH TO DO!

THE WHEELS ARE ALREADY IN MOTION, SIR! YOUR **VICTIMS, INC.** PROGRAM IS OFF TO A FINE START!

SOMETIME LATER, IN HIS FOUNDATION OFFICE...

...SO, AS YOU CAN GATHER, DICK... BY NOW THE **V.I.P.** IS A HOWLING SUCCESS! WITH THE CRIME-WORLD DOING ALL THE HOWLING!

BUT HIS LETTER TO DICK GRAYSON AT **HUDSON UNIVERSITY** IS SUDDENLY INTERRUPTED BY A COMMOTION OUTSIDE...

SIR... SIR---
YOU CAN'T
GO IN THERE!

OH... NO?

WAYNE-- I'M ONE O' YORE "**VICTIMS, INC.**" --- AND YUH'RE THE **NEXT ONE!**

IN THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF **DETECTIVE COMICS**--
"A VICTIM'S VICTIM!"