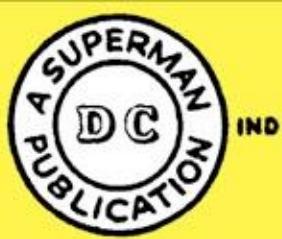


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JUNE...JULY



BATMAN

MORE
WHIRLWIND
ADVENTURES
OF THE
"WINNING TEAM"
- **BATMAN**
AND **ROBIN!**



BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN

-THE BOY WONDER-

BOB KANE

SOME MEN STRIVE TO BE FIRST IN COURAGE, IN LOYALTY, IN PATRIOTISM... OTHERS TO LEAD IN FAME AND REPUTATION... BUT ONLY A SUPREME EGOTIST WOULD MAKE A FETISH OF BEING FIRST FOR ITS OWN SAKE... AND ONLY A CLEVER EGOTIST WOULD SUCCEED! THIS IS THE STORY OF SUCH A MAN... FIRST IN PEACEFUL PURSUITS, FIRST IN CRIME-BUT CERTAINLY NOT FIRST IN THE HEARTS OF HIS COUNTRYMEN! AND WHEN HE PITS HIS CUNNING AGAINST THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND RECKLESS ROBIN, HE COMES OUT... WELL, READ FOR YOURSELF IN THIS TALE OF THE MAN WHO FOR A TIME WAS BATMAN'S...

"ENEMY NO. 1"

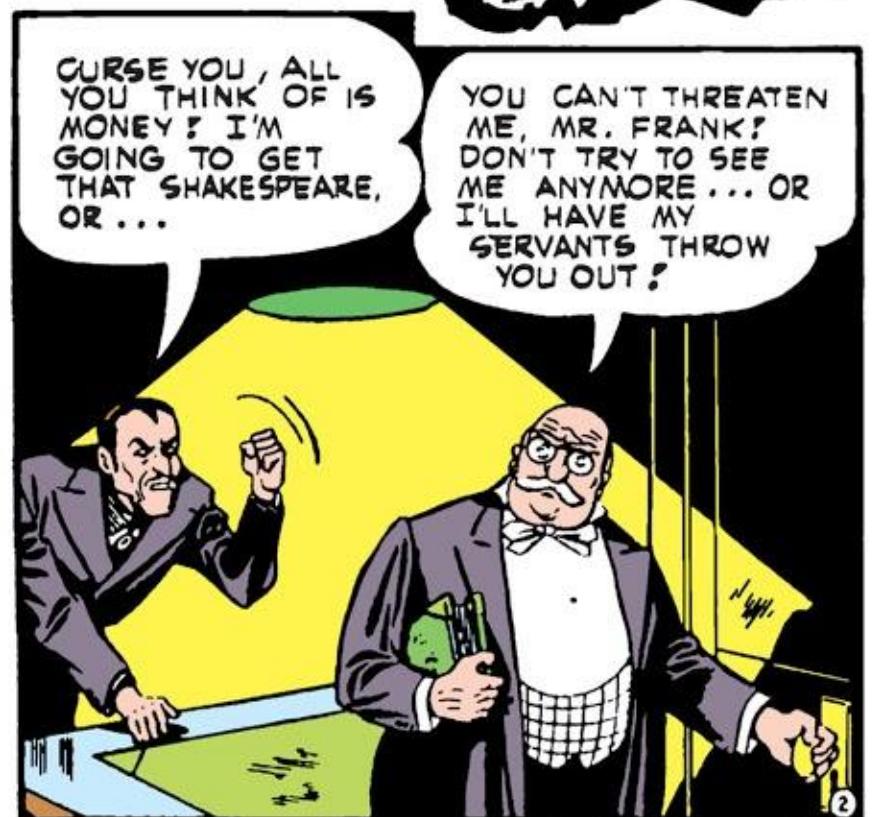
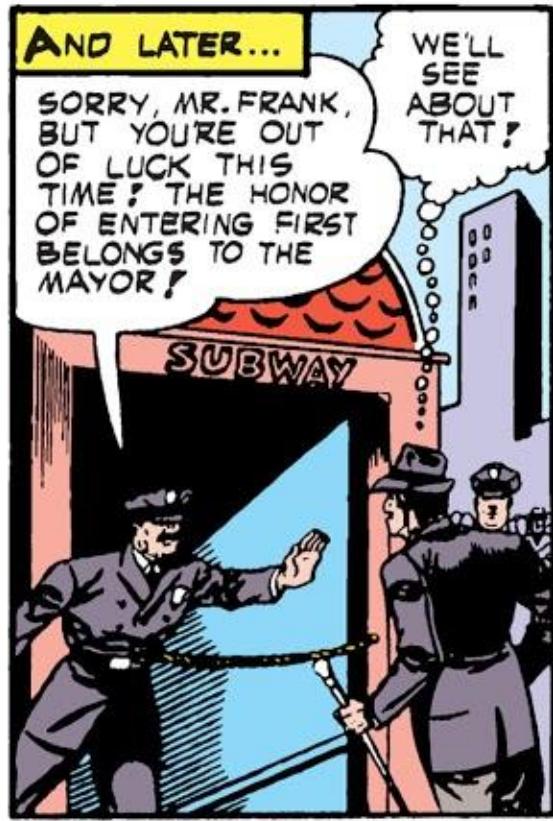
THE FIRST NIGHT OF A NEW PLAY... AND ADAM FRANK, WELL-KNOWN CHARACTER ABOUT TOWN, IS FIRST TO ENTER THE THEATRE...

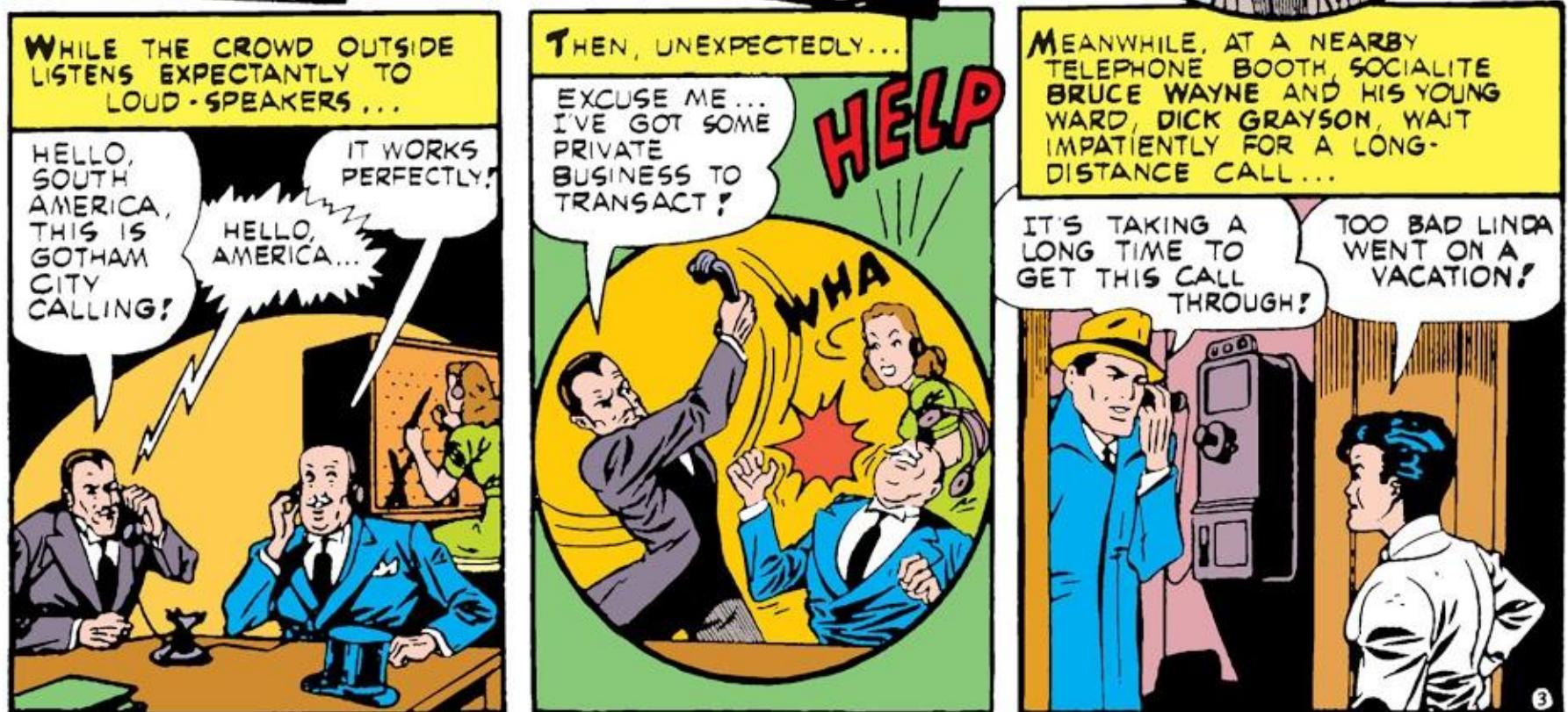
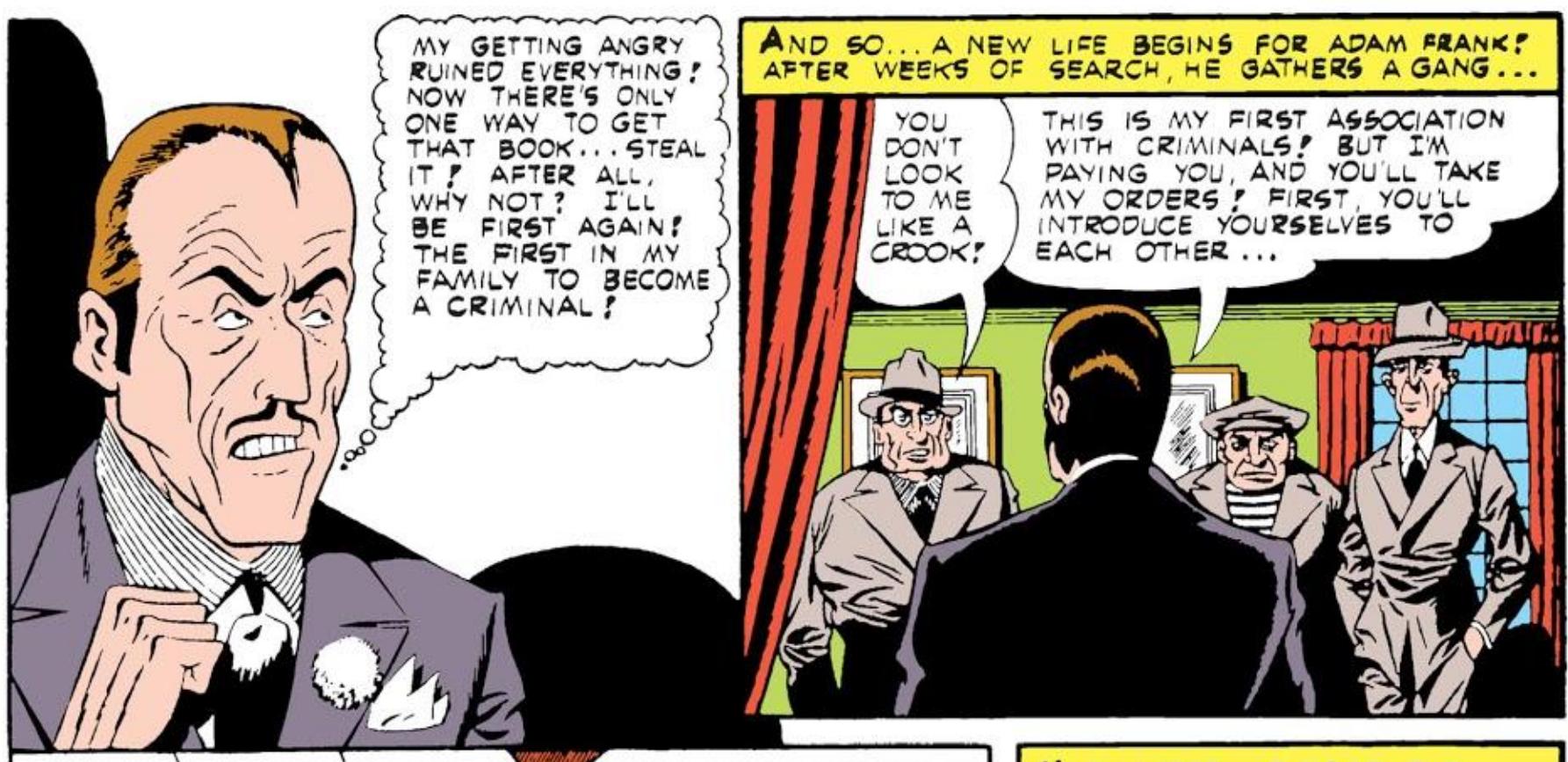
FIRST ROW, MR. FRANK... IT'S MY FIRST SEAT OFF THE AISLE!

YES, IT'S MY FAVORITE SEAT!

ADAM FRANK... HOW APPROPRIATE. TWO FIRST NAMES... AND ADAM WAS THE FIRST MAN!



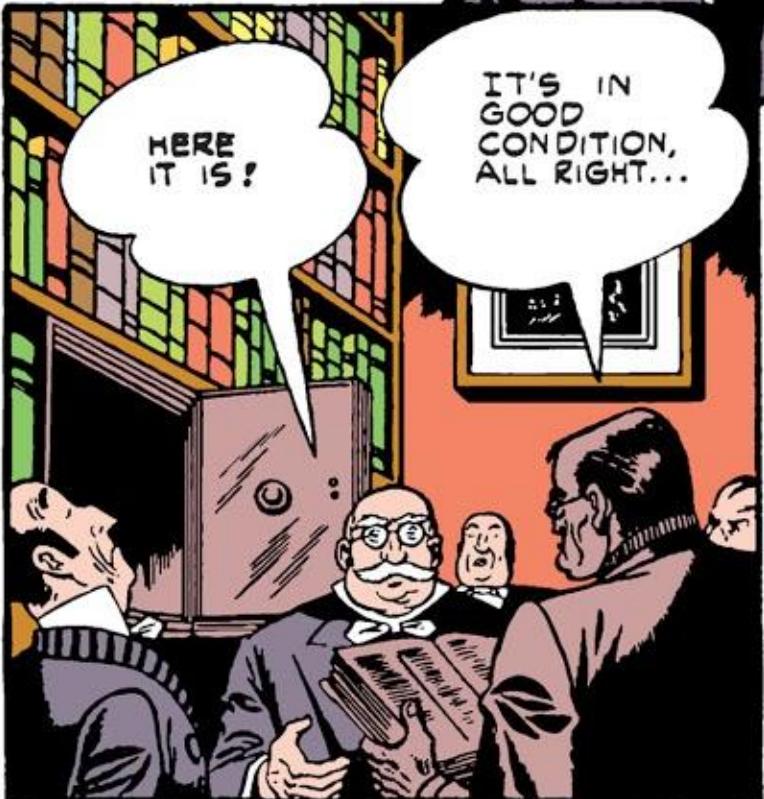
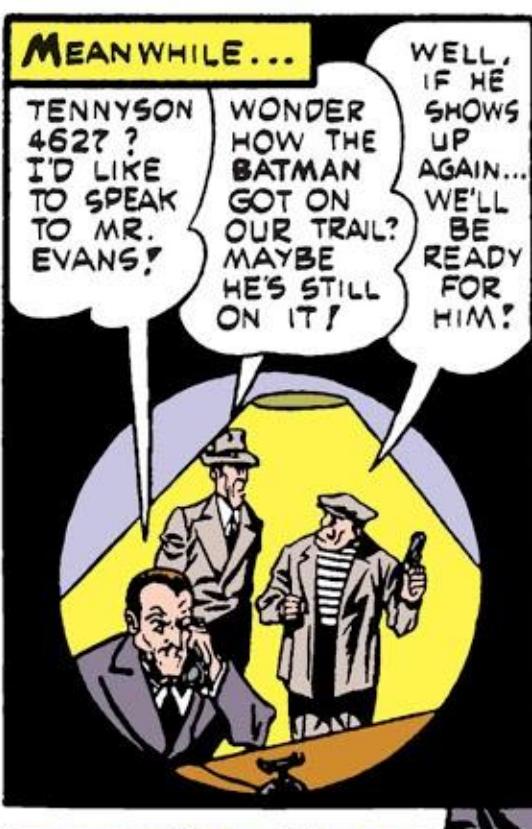
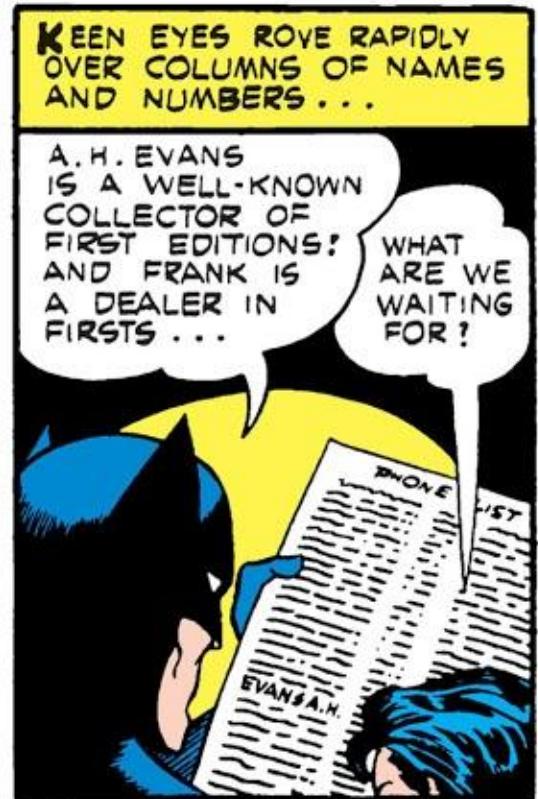


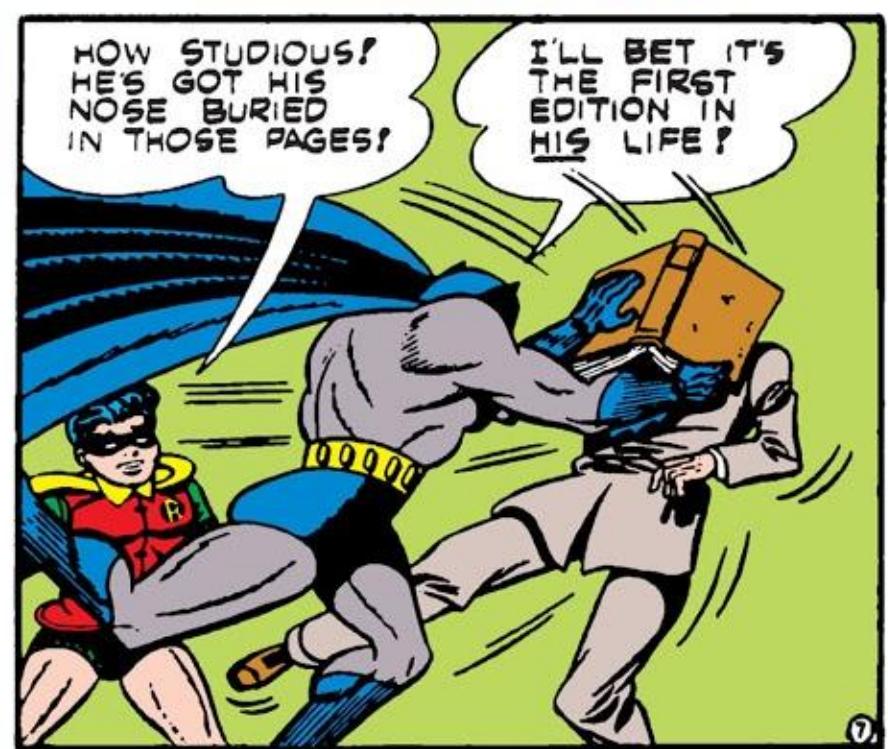
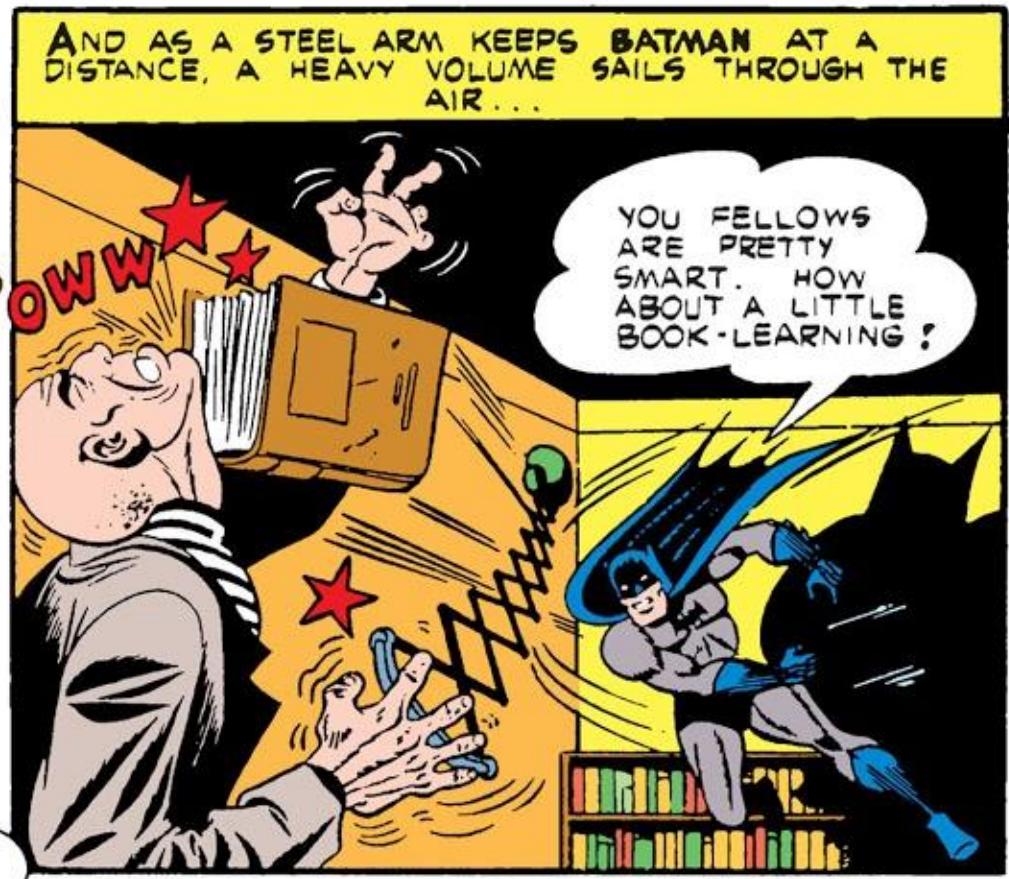




I ALWAYS LIKED TO PLAY WITH MARBLES? BUT I NEVER HAD SUCH A BEAUTIFUL SMOOTH FLOOR!







BUT AS THE CRIME-FIGHTING PAIR GAINS THE UPPER HAND...

THE FIRST TIME I EVER FIRED A GUN! BUT I COULDN'T ASK FOR A BETTER TARGET!

DOWN, ROBIN!

HE ISN'T FIRING BULLETS! WHAT...

SCRATCH AROUND A LITTLE, AND YOU'LL FIND OUT, BATMAN!

THE CRIMINALS STAGE A HASTY RETREAT, WHILE...

WOW! THE GUN WAS LOADED WITH ITCHING POWDER!

YES, AND I'M ITCHING TO GET MY HANDS ON THAT MAN AGAIN!

LATER... GARBED AS BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON ONCE MORE...

SO YOU THINK FRANK WILL ATTEMPT ANOTHER "FIRST" CRIME, BRUCE?

YES... AND I BELIEVE I KNOW THE ONE! THE ICE SHOW IS HAVING A GALA PREMIERE TONIGHT! IN FACT, IT'S ALREADY STARTED! HE WON'T PASS THAT UP!

SO... THAT EVENING...

ISN'T ANYONE HERE?

TOO BAD WE'RE SO LATE!

JUST A MINUTE...

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING... I WAS PUTTING AWAY THE EVENING'S RECEIPTS!

IN THE BOSS'S VALISE!

FOUR-EYES? THOSE THUGS HAVE STARTED WORK ALREADY!

TWO ORCHESTRA SEATS, PLEASE!

A SWIFT TRANSFORMATION IN THE MANAGER'S OFFICE NEARBY... AND THE DYNAMIC DUO HURTS INTO...

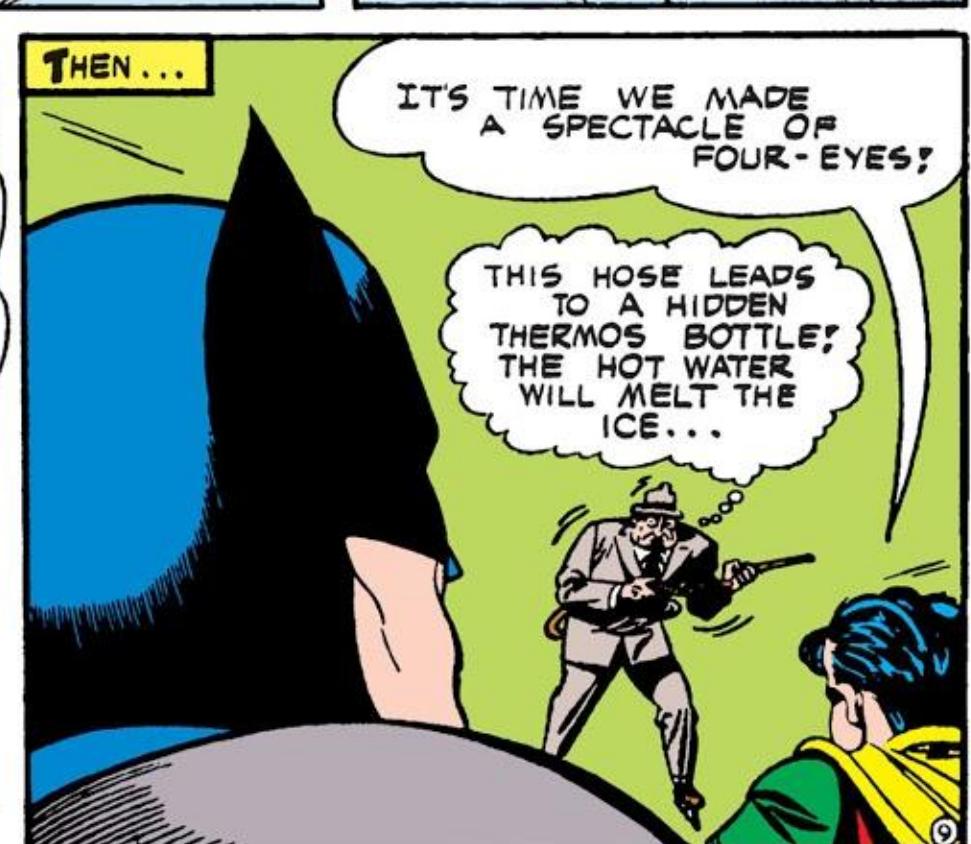
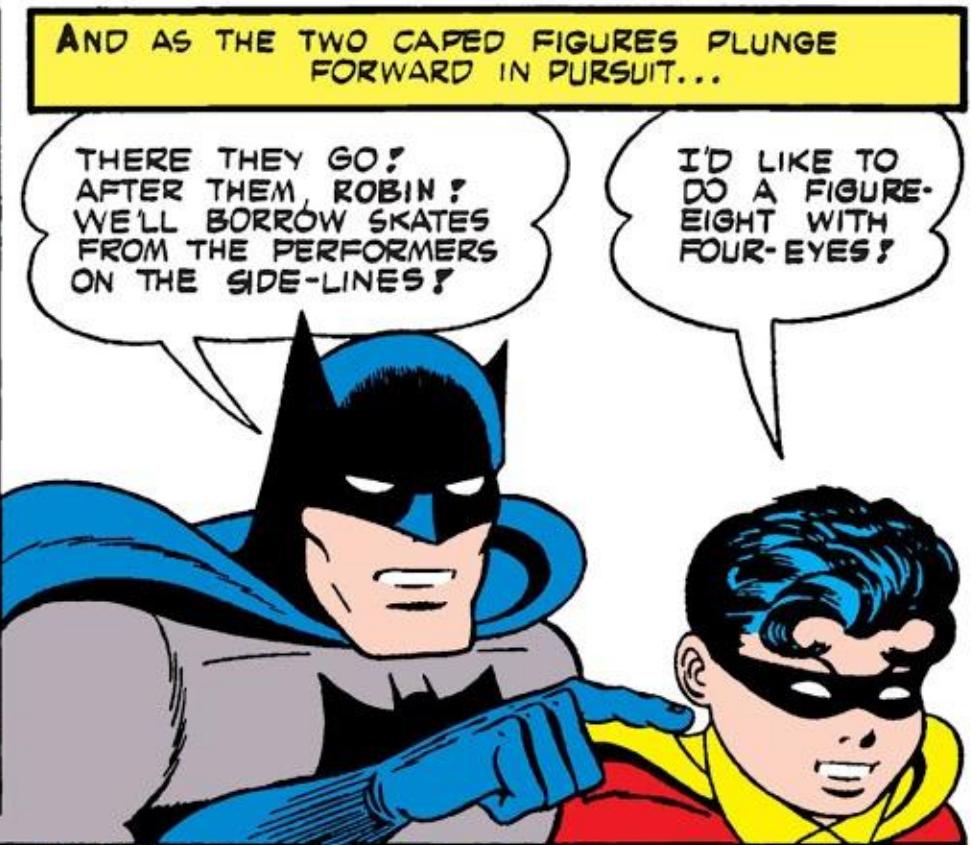
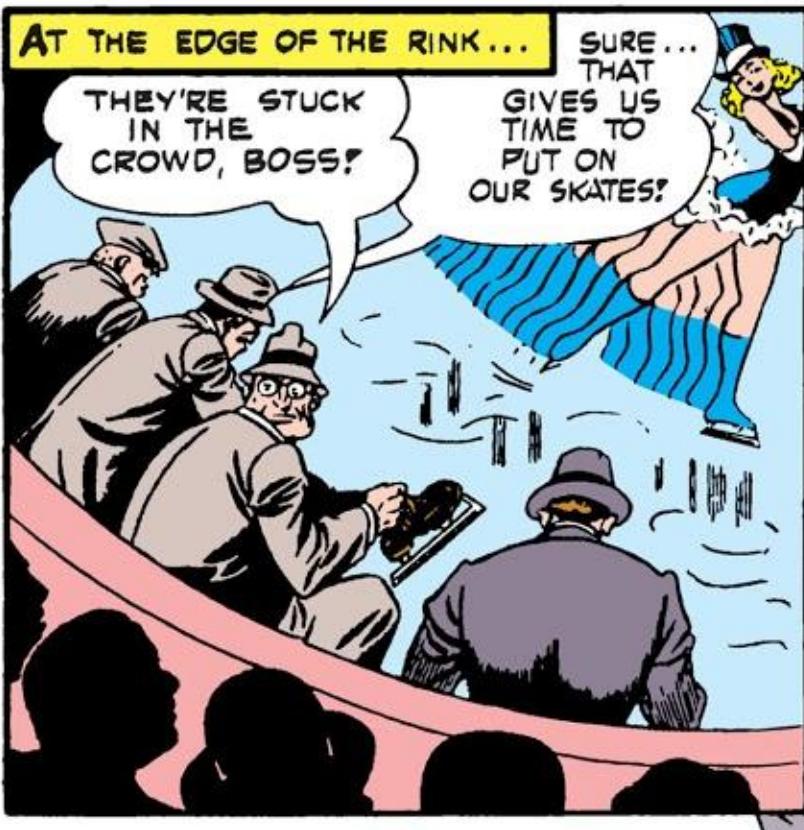
NO TIME TO FREE HIM NOW! WE'LL COME BACK AFTER WE CATCH THOSE CROOKS!

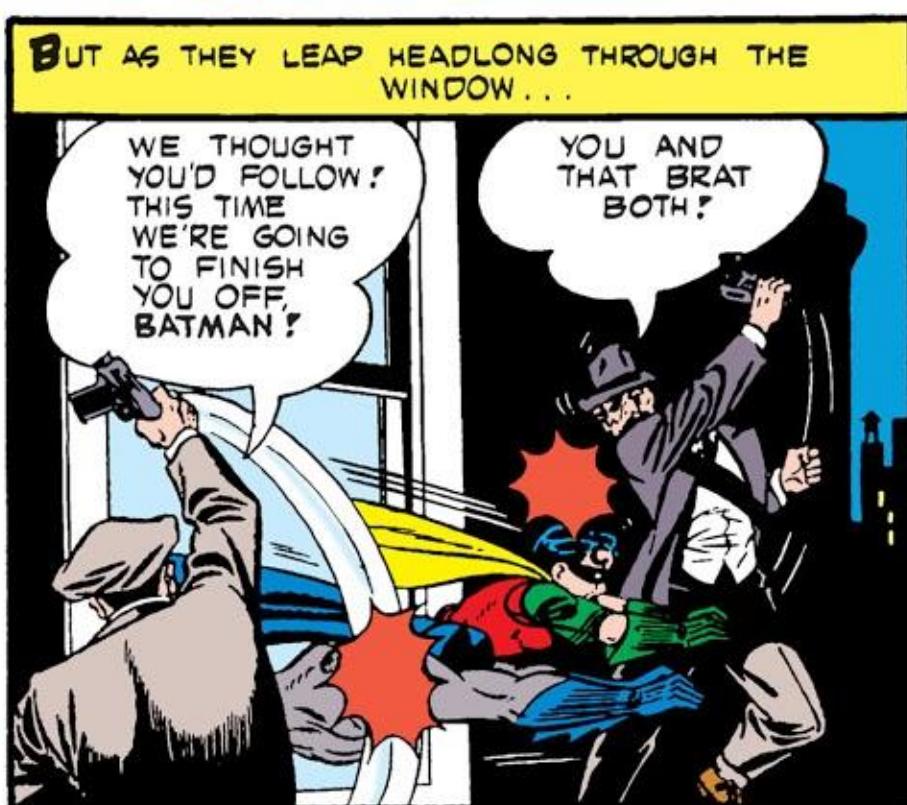
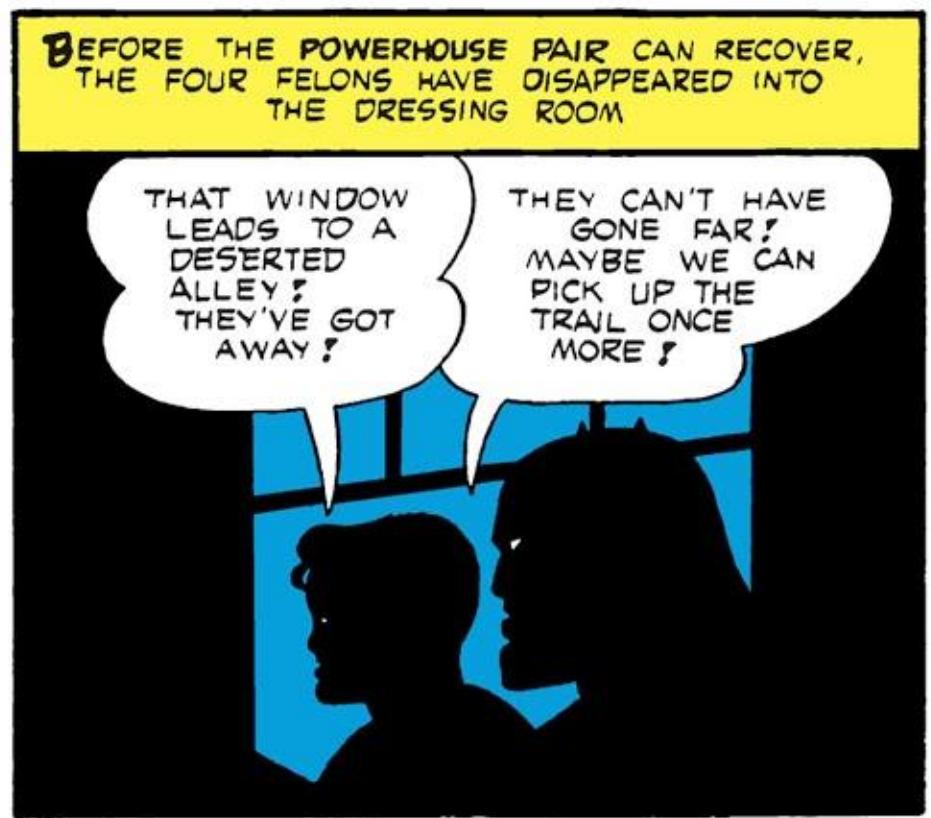
THIS TIME WE'VE GOT THEM COLD!

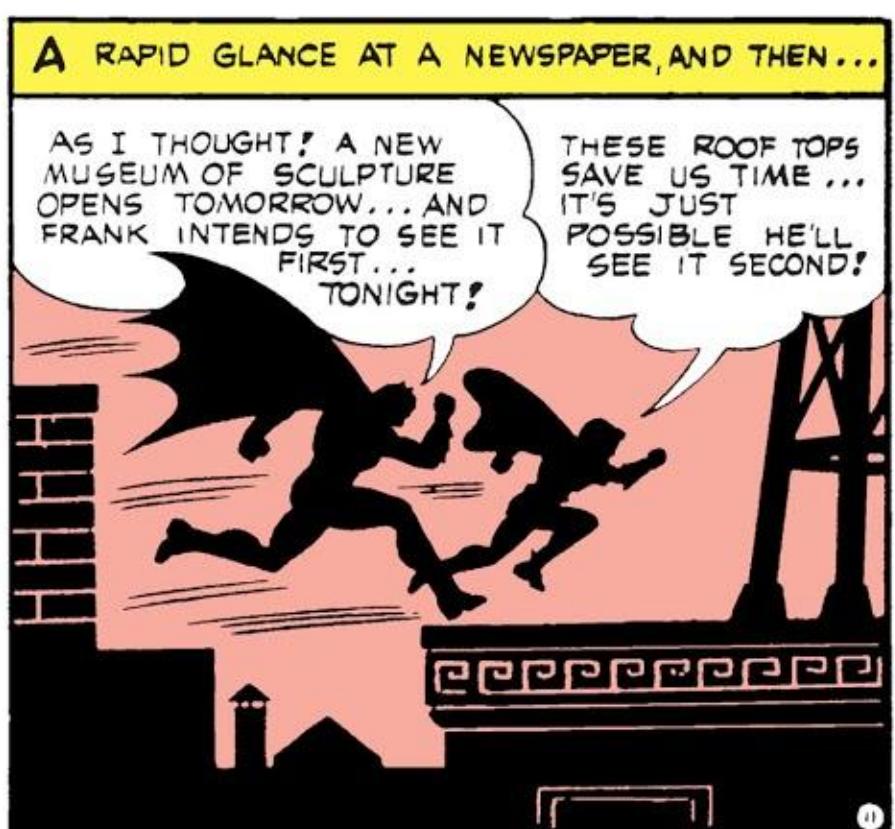
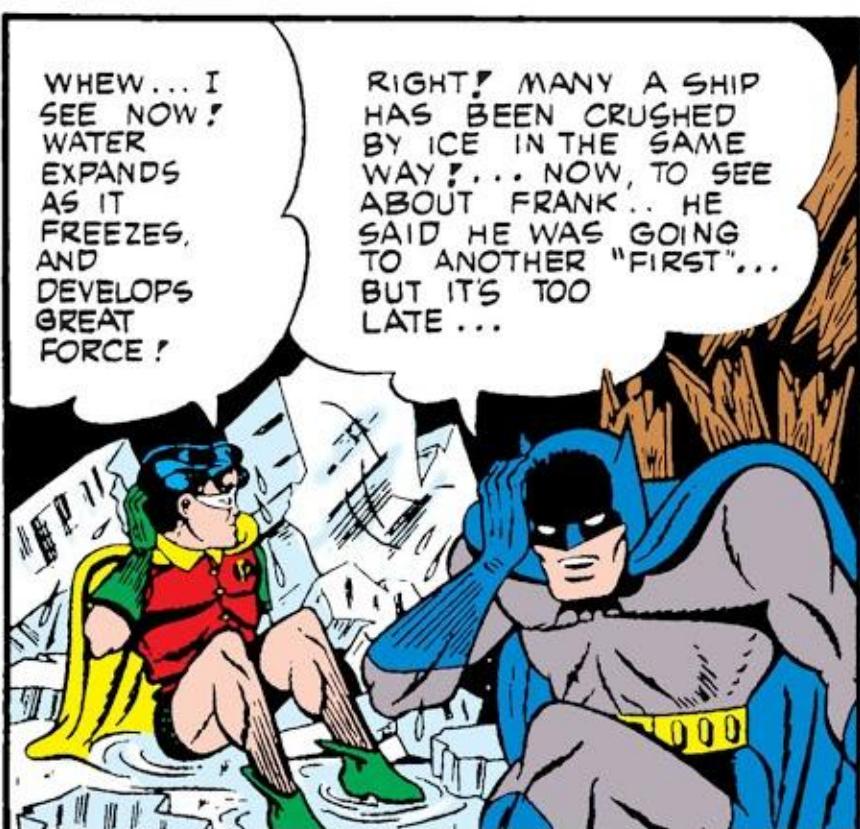
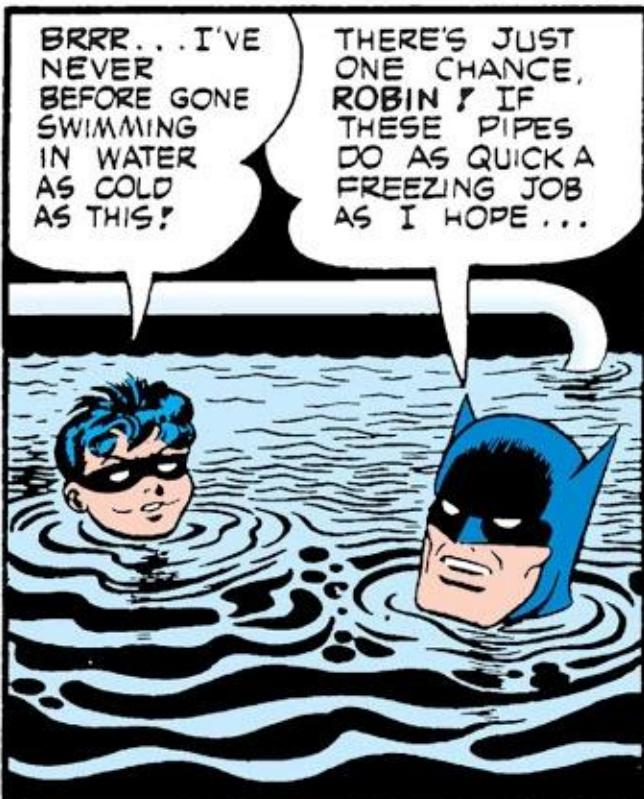
HEY, BOSS! THOSE GUYS ARE HERE AGAIN!

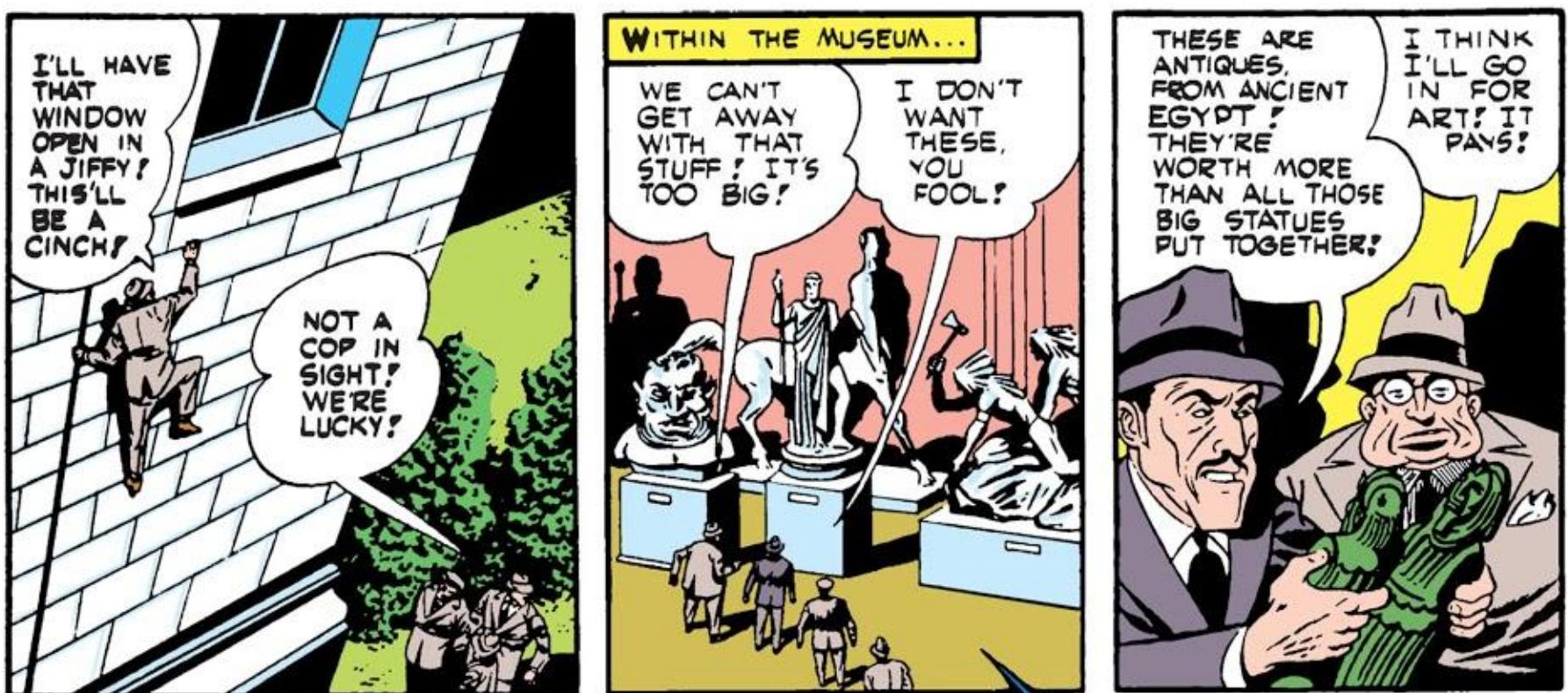
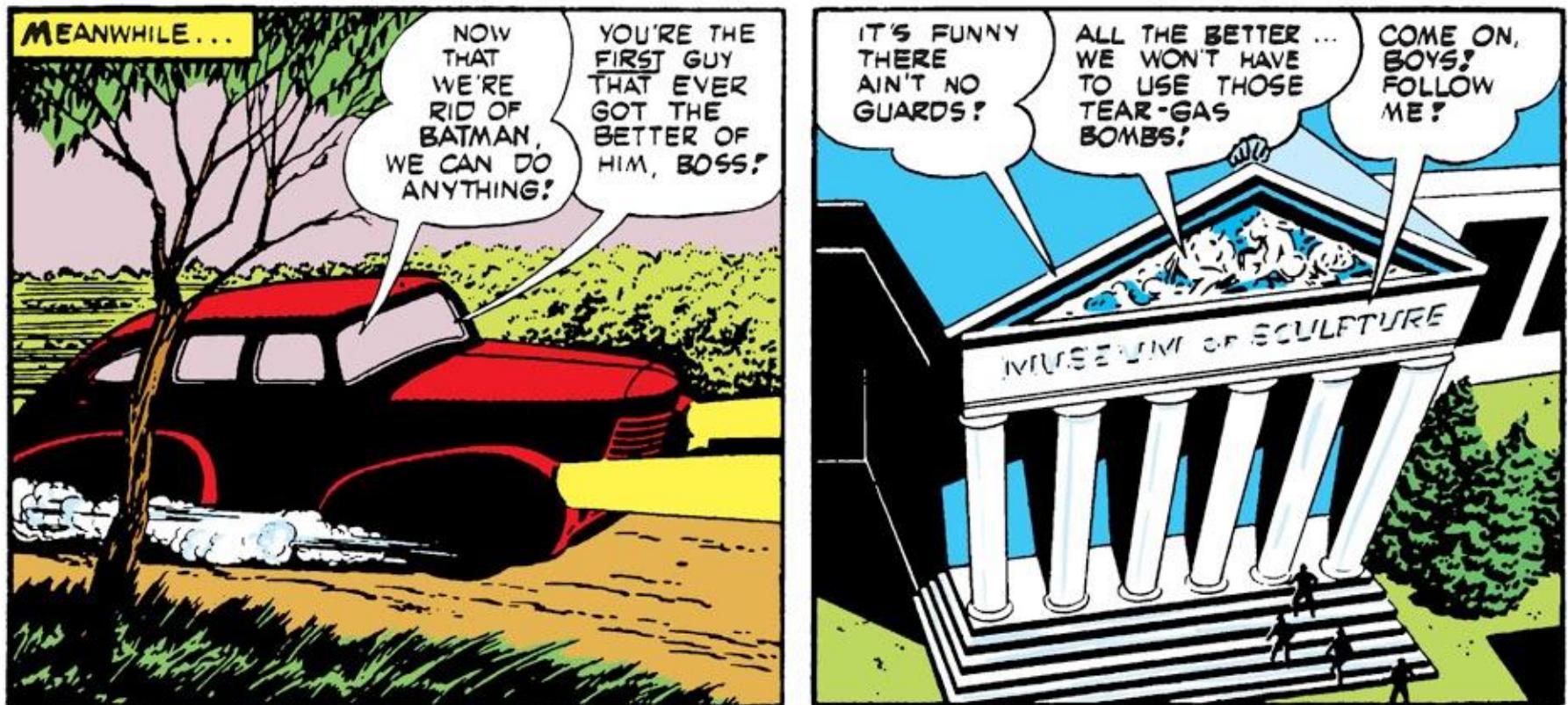
THEN HEAD FOR THE ICE AS WE ARRANGED!













The Adventures OF ALFRED

ALFRED, BUTLER EXTRAORDINARY, ALWAYS ALERT TO IMPROVE HIS ALREADY UNIQUE SKILL IN THE ART OF DETECTION, RECEIVES UNEXPECTED INSTRUCTION FROM HIS OWN PUPIL...

"THE BUTLER'S APPRENTICE!"

I THINK YOU'D BETTER WEAR YOUR STRIPED SUIT TODAY, SIR!

IN A QUIET RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, SEVERAL BUSINESS MEN DISCUSS PROSPECTS...

SLUGS, DIS JERNT WE WANNA CRACK IS GONNA BE TOUGH! DA PLACE IS GUARDED SO WELL, DA ONLY CHANCE IS FER AN INSIDE JOB!

BUT HOW ARE WE GONNA GET INSIDE, APE? ALL THE SERVANTS HAVE BEEN THERE FOR YEARS... THEY DON'T NEED ANY NEW ONES.

THEY DON'T NOW... BUT DEY WILL AT DA END OF DA MONTH! I HOID DAT DA BUTLER'S QUITTIN'.

AND YOU THINK THAT ONE OF THE BOYS CAN GET THE JOB?

NOT ME, BOSS! I DON'T KNOW NOTHIN' ABOUT BUTTLIN'!

ME NEIDER!

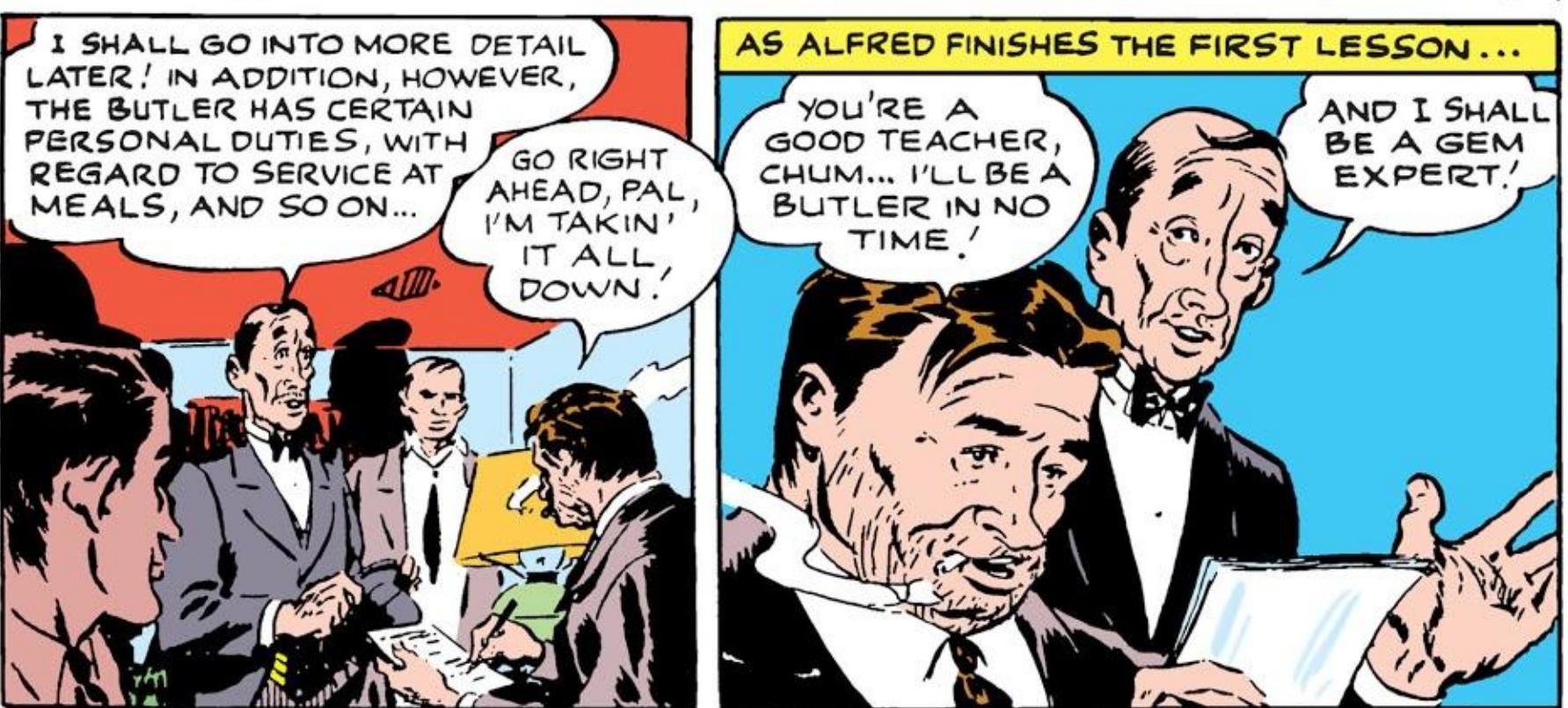
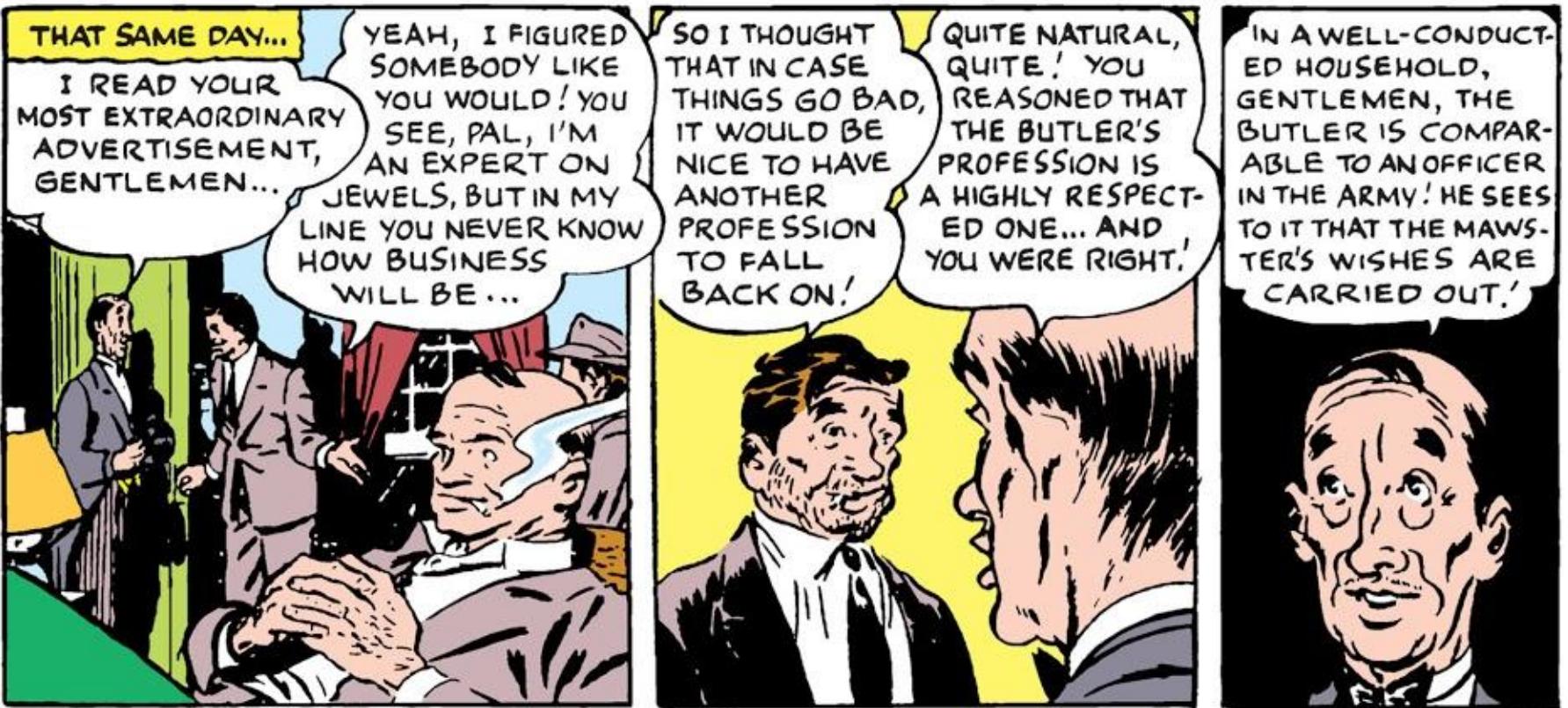
BUT WE CAN'T PASS UP THIS OPPORTUNITY!

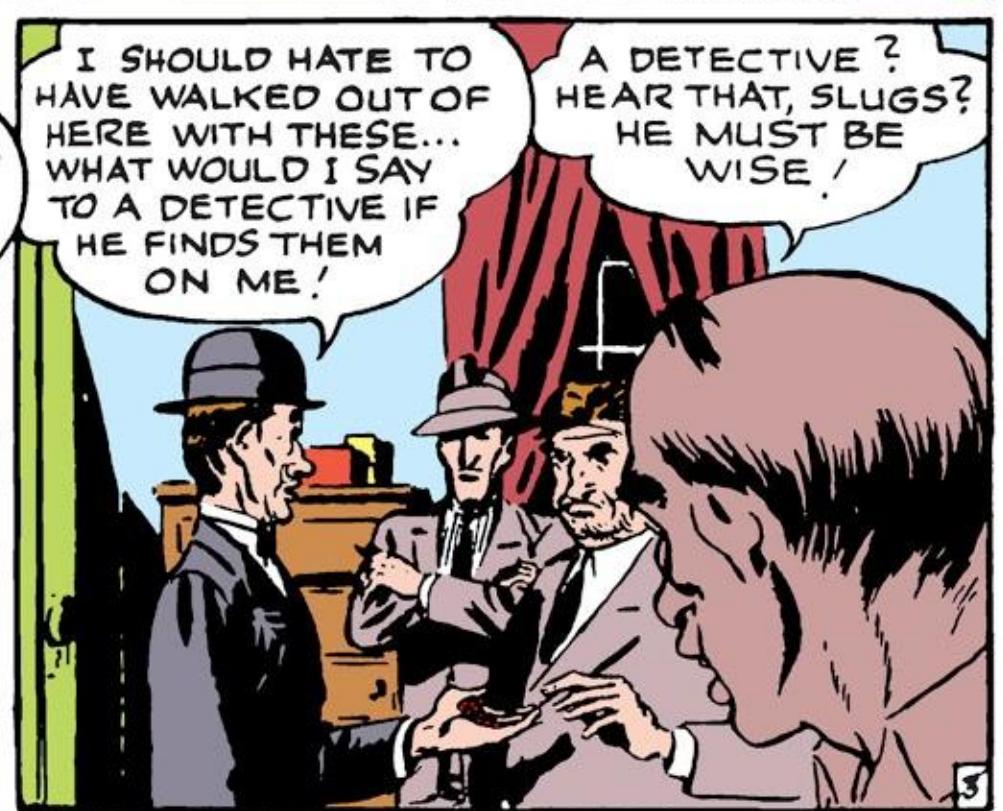
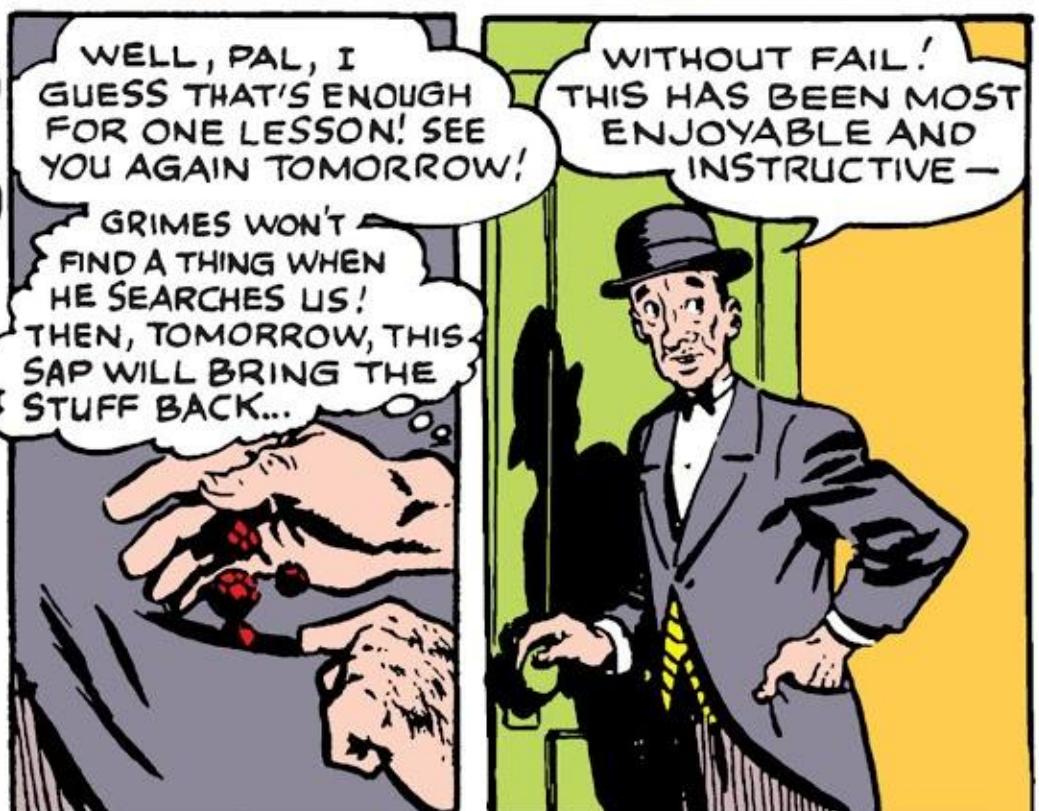
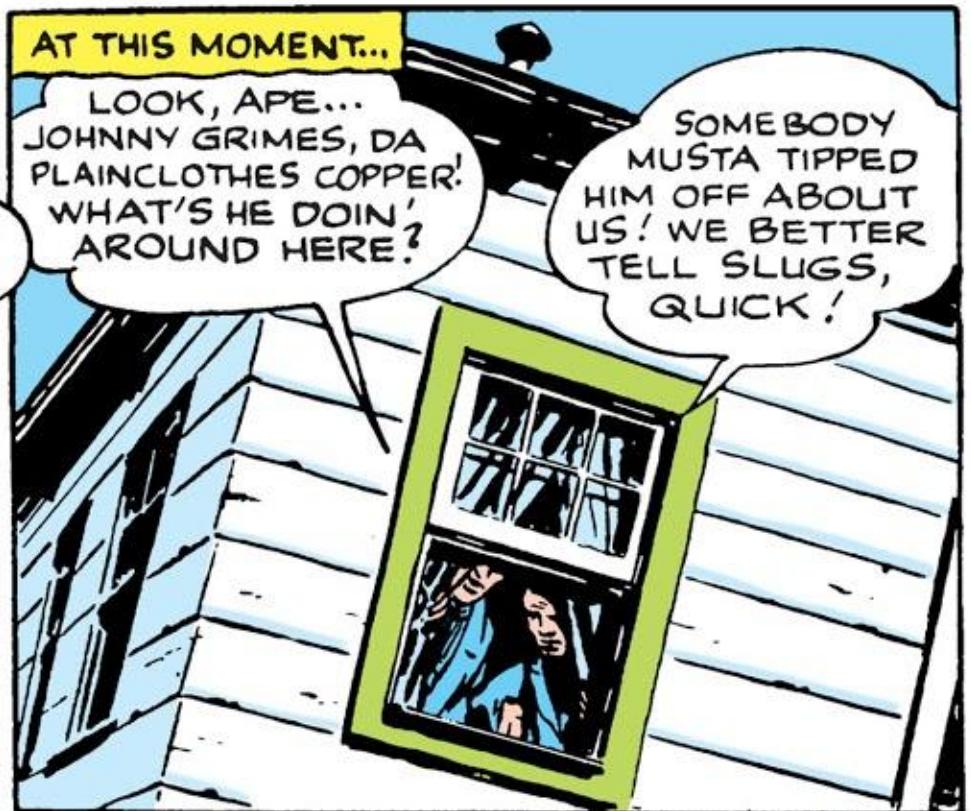
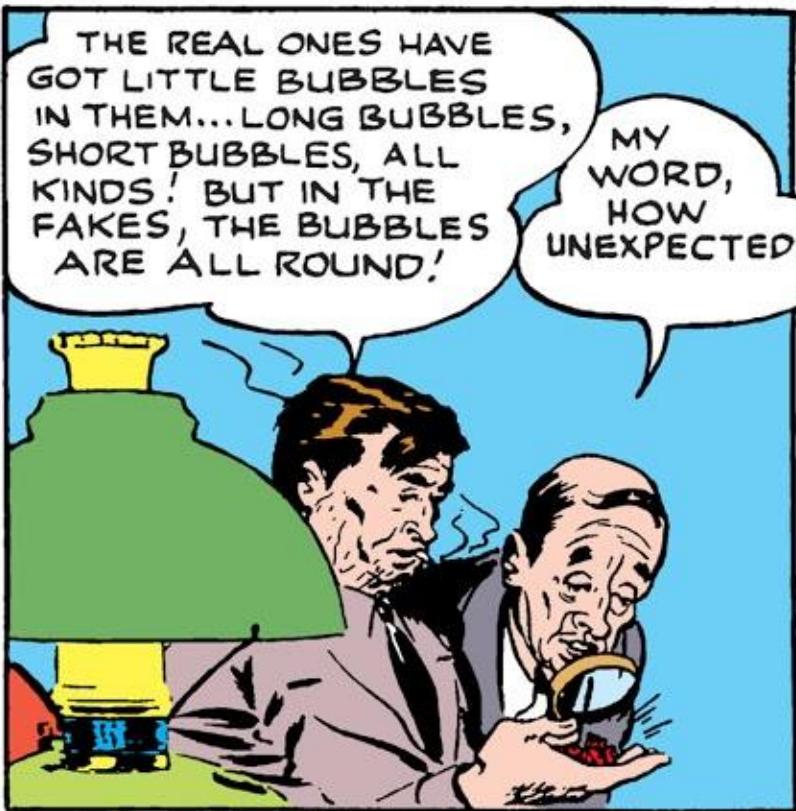
I GOT IT! WE GOT ENOUGH DOUGH LEFT FROM THAT CRUSTMORE JOB TO KEEP US GOIN' FOR A WHILE... IN THE MEANTIME, ONE OF US CAN LEARN TO BE A BUTLER!

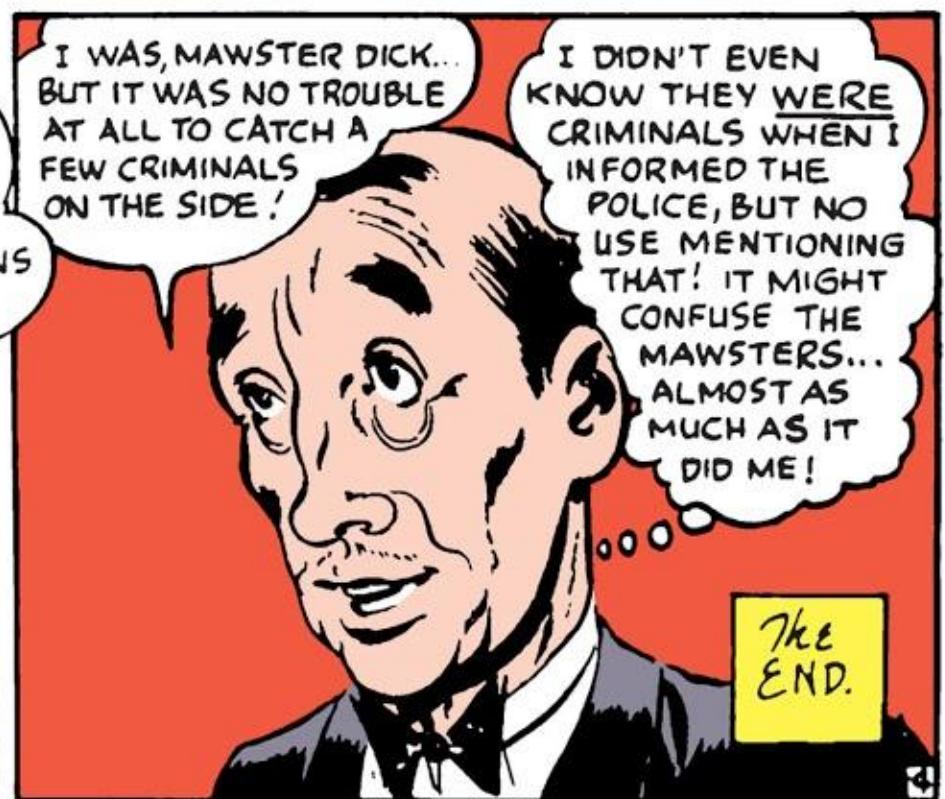
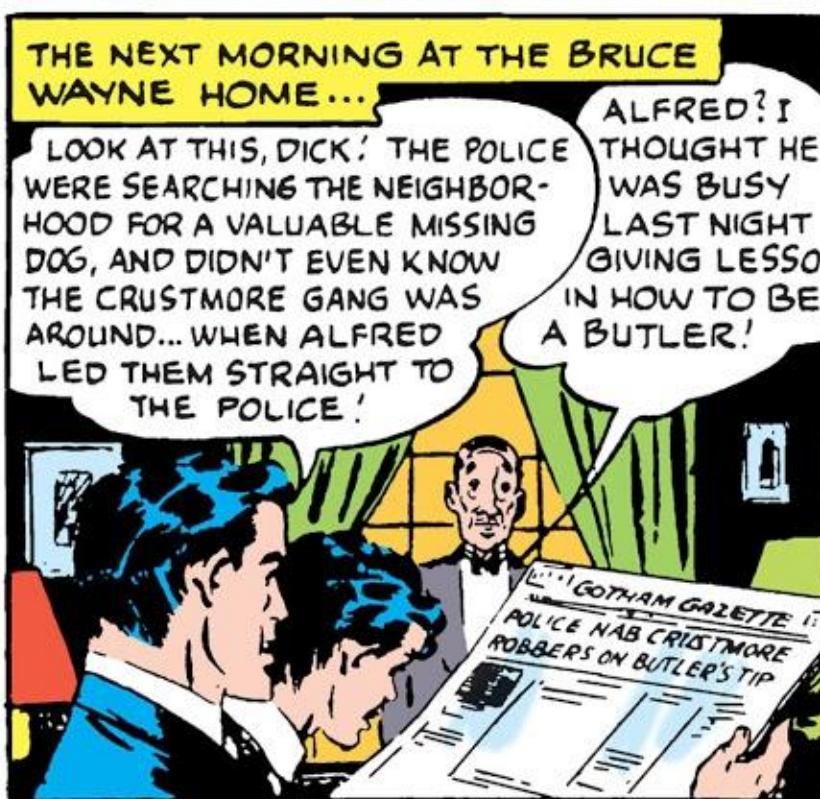
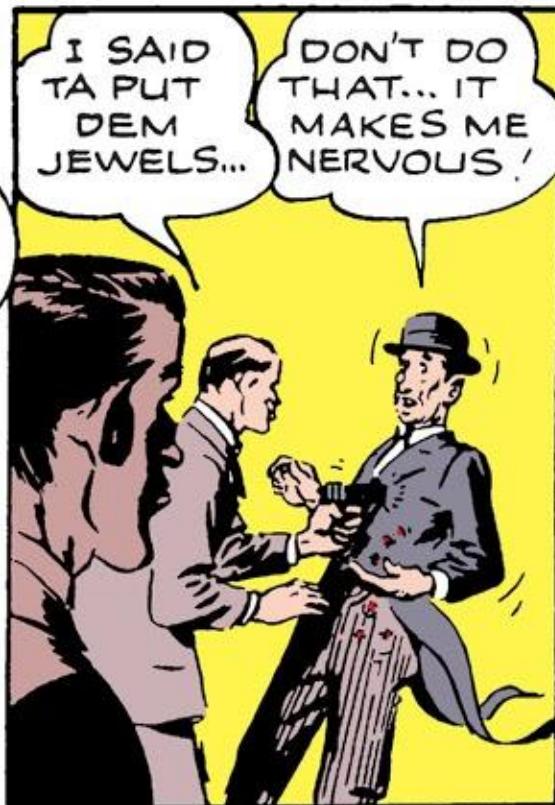
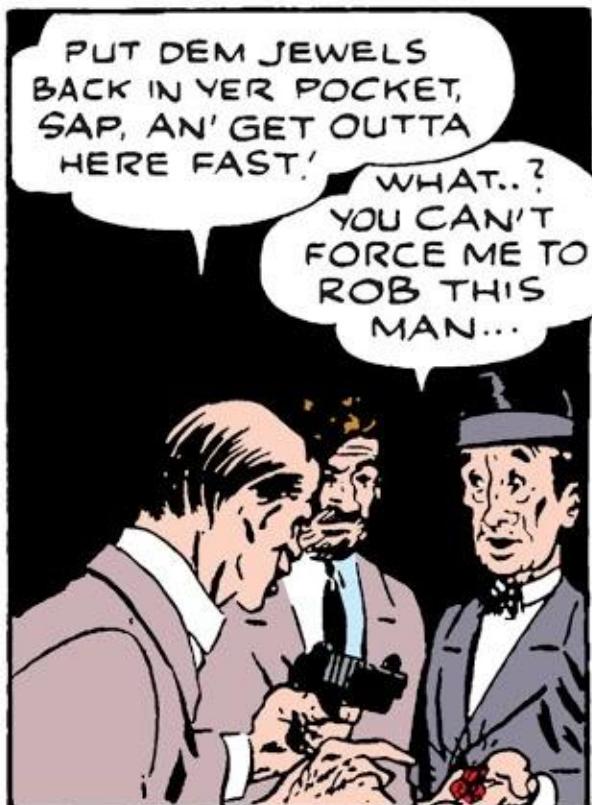
AND SO, SHORTLY...

MY WORD... WHAT AN UNUSUAL OFFER! AND WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY TO PERFECT MY SKILL IN AN IMPORTANT BRANCH OF CRIME DETECTION! THIS AD SAYS: "GEM EXPERT WILL EXCHANGE LESSONS IN OWN SUBJECT IN RETURN FOR INSTRUCTION IN DUTIES OF BUTLER!"









BATMAN

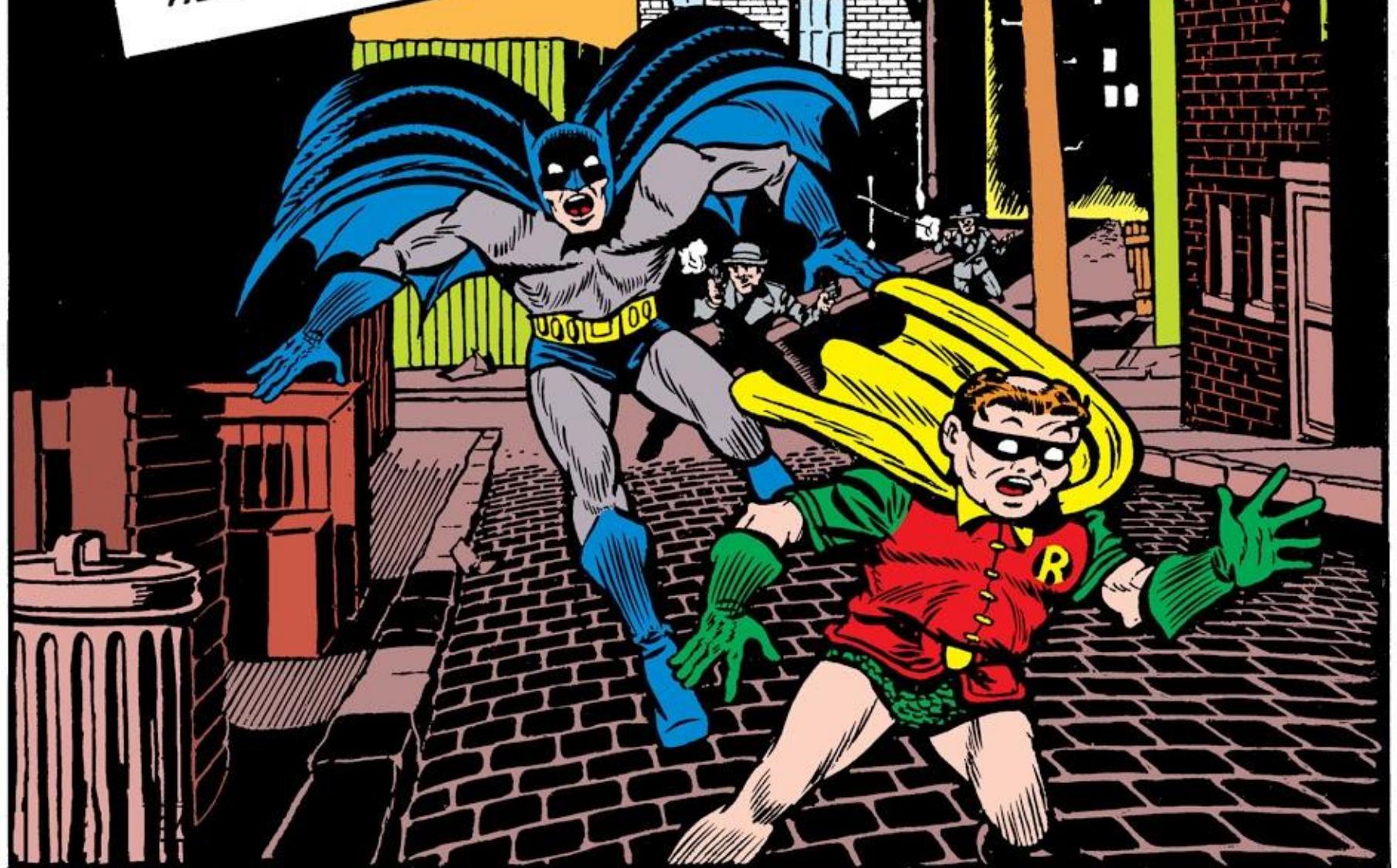
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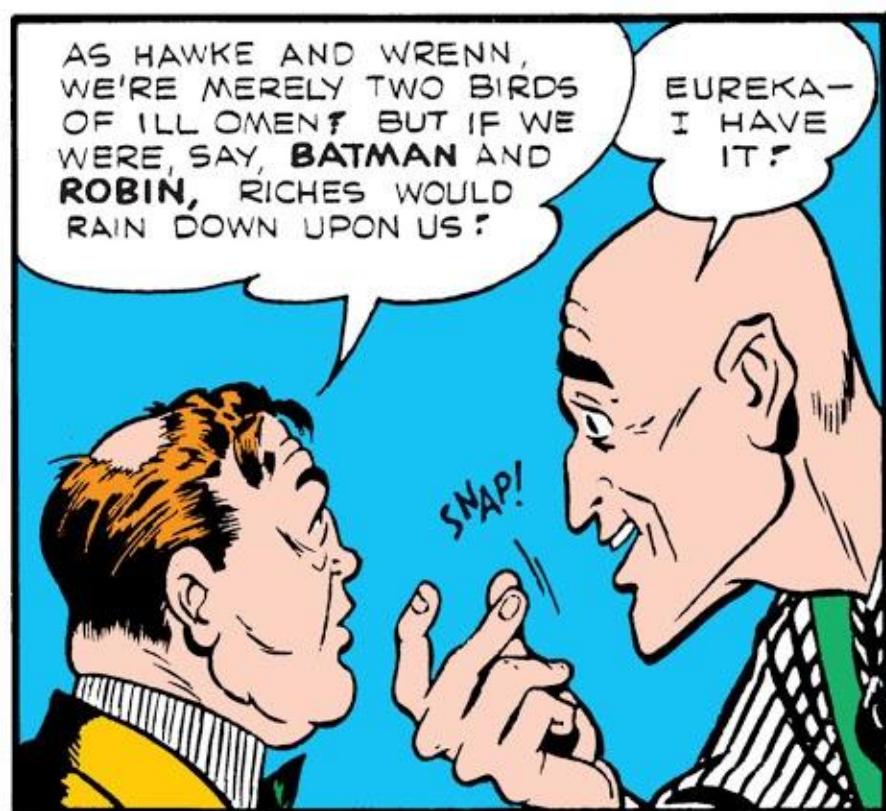
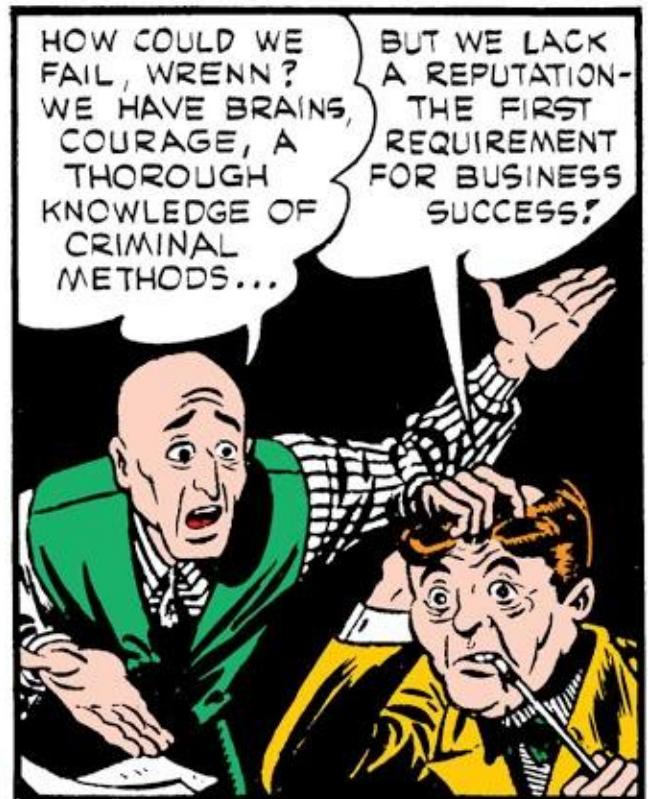
- THE BOY WONDER -

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WHAT'S THIS? DO WE SEE THOSE BOLDEST OF ALL BATTLERS, THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND THE RECKLESS ROBIN, IN SHAMEFUL GUNS?.. AH, NO — FOR IF YOU LOOK AGAIN, YOU WILL SEE TWO TEAMS OF CAPED FIGURES, ONE SPURIOUS AND ONE GENUINE — AND THEREBY HANGS A TALE WORTH REMEMBERING?... FOR CLOTHES CAN MAKE A SCARECROW — BUT IT TAKES STEELY NERVE, SUPPLE STRENGTH AND UNFLAGGING COURAGE TO SEND THE DYNAMIC DUO CHARGING TO THE RESCUE OF A WELL-MEANING BUT MISGUIDED PAIR WHO WANTED TO BECOME —

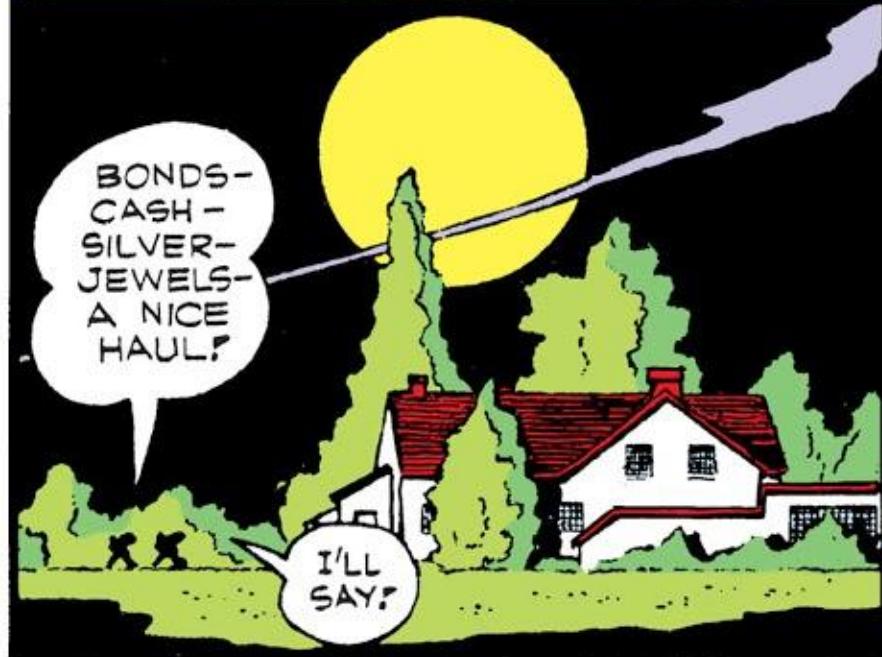
"HEROES by PROXY!"

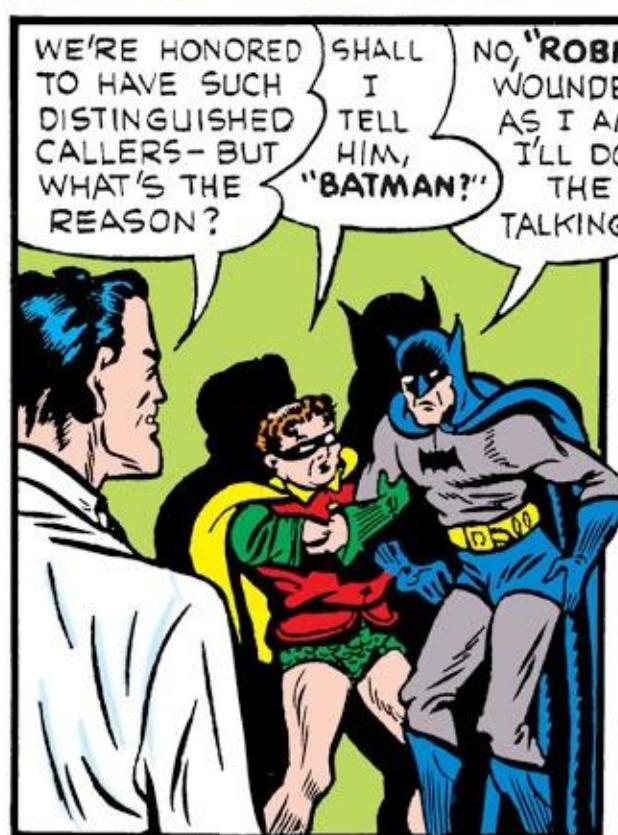
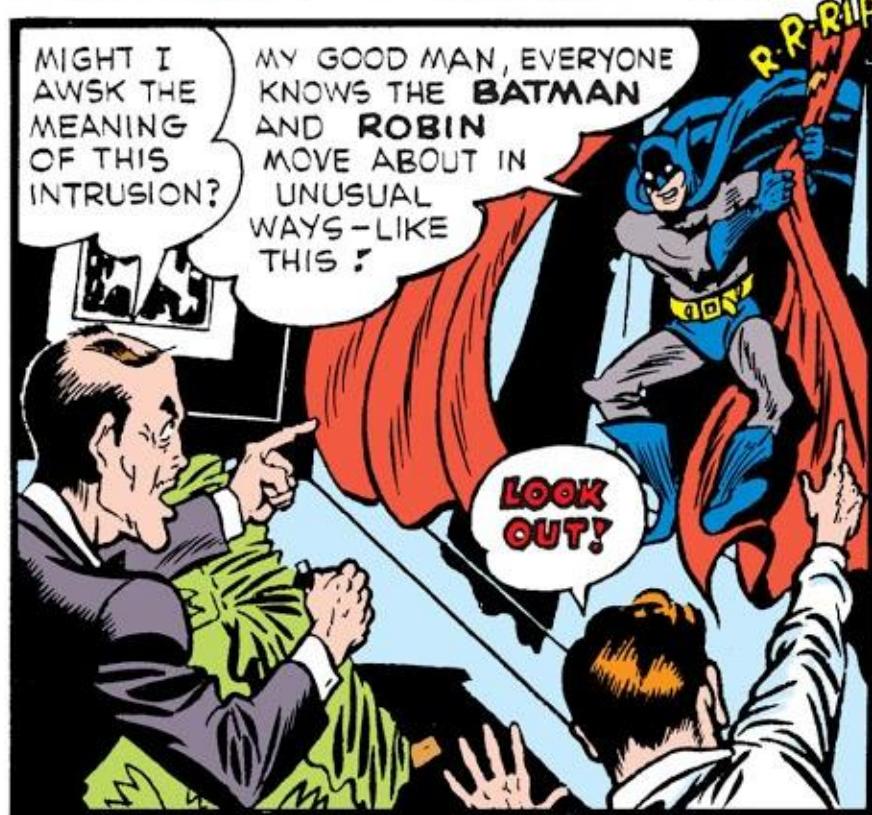
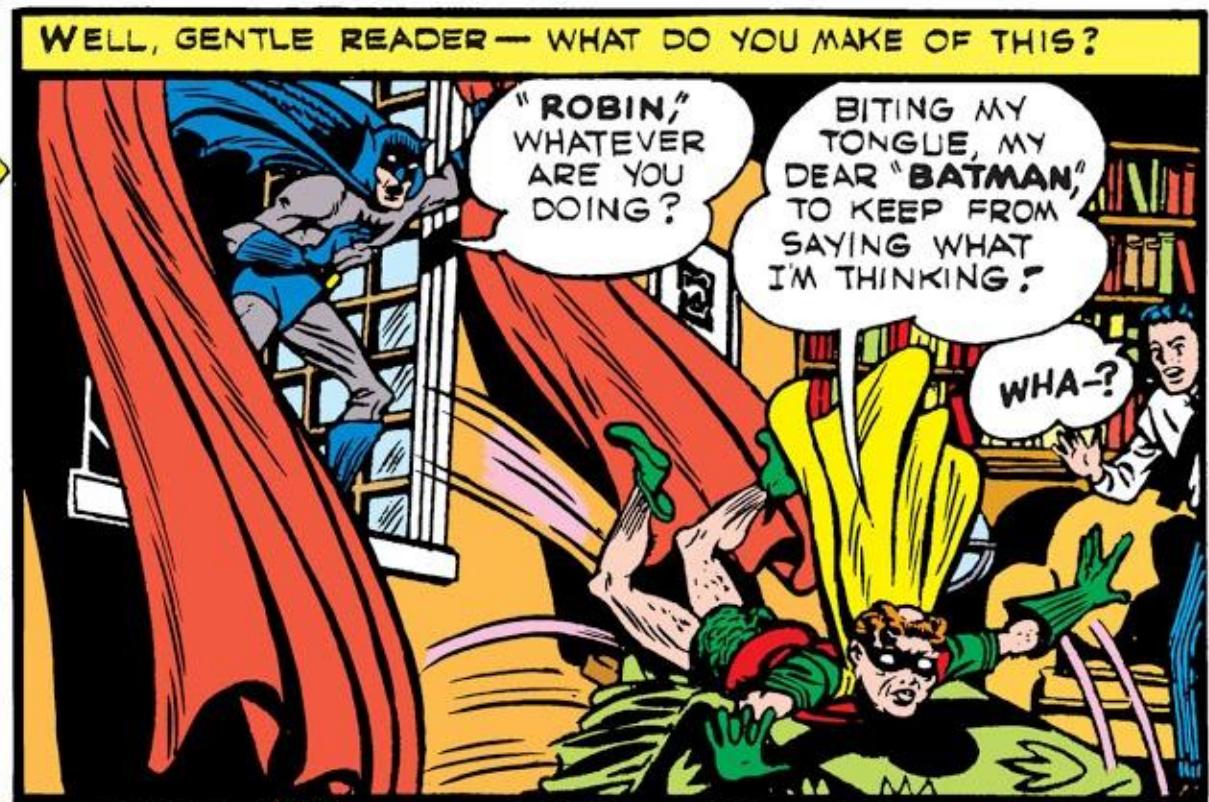


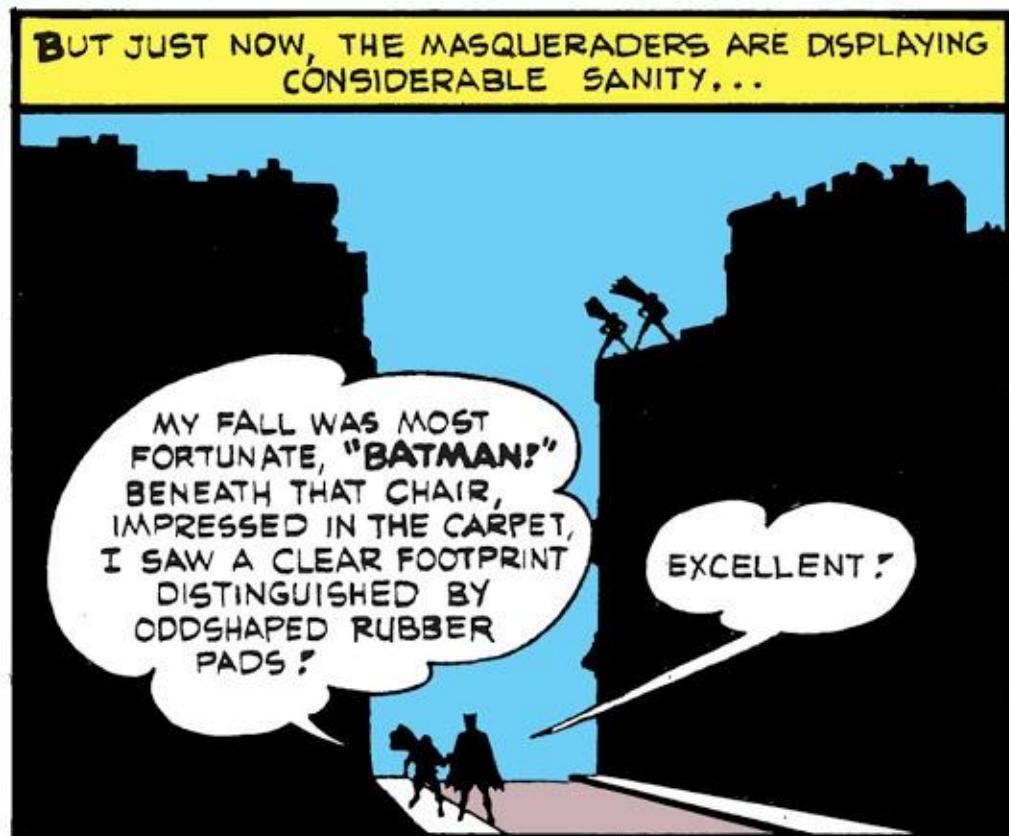
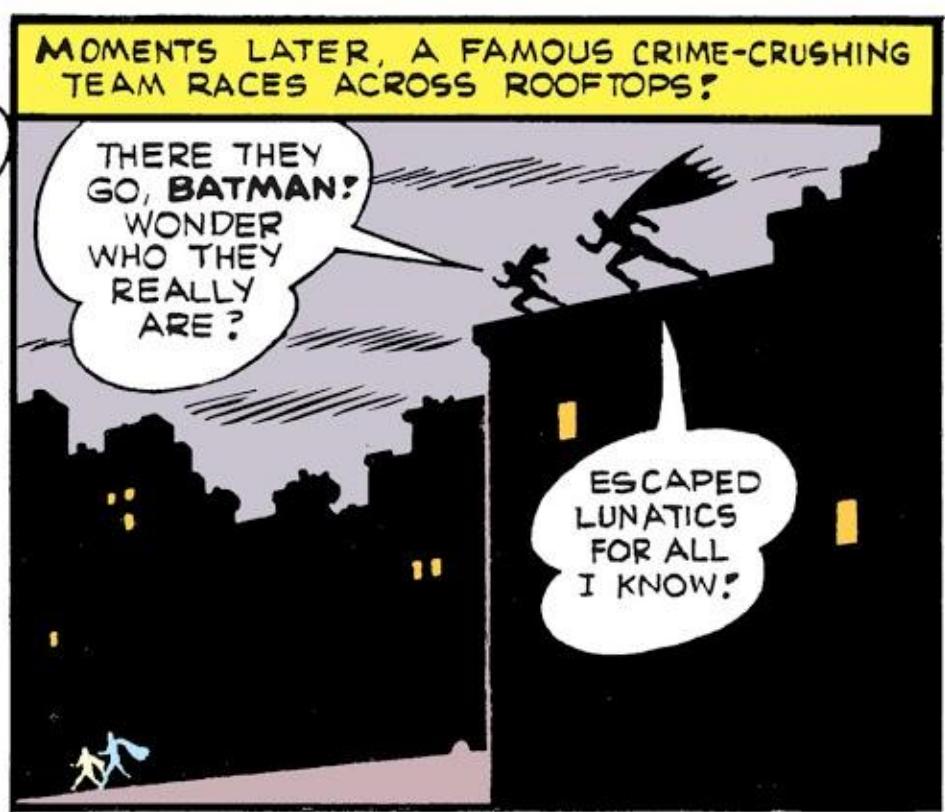


BUT WAIT! WE KNOW THIS HOUSE—THE HOME OF BRUCE WAYNE, SOCIETY PLAYBOY, AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON!

NEXT DAY, BRUCE AND DICK RETURN FROM A FISHING TRIP WITH ALFRED, MAJOR-DOMO AND CHIEF FACTOTUM OF THE HOUSEHOLD...







AND HERE ARE TWO WHO HAVE FOUND PROSPERITY, JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

WEASEL'S A CROOK—
ONLY GIVIN' US FIVE GRAND FOR DA WAYNE SWAG?

OH, WELL—
WE GOT ANOTHER FIVE GRAND CASH OUTA DA JOB!

BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT LOSIN' DAT CORKSCREW, CATSPAWS. EVERYBODY KNOWS I ALWAYS WEAR IT FOR LUCK?

MAYBE YA LOST IT SOMEPLACE ELSE, WHERE IT WON'T MATTER!

FATE BRINGS ABOUT A MEETING...

DA BATMAN AN' ROBIN? DEY'RE AFTER US! BUT DEY'LL NEVER TAKE ME BACK TA DA BIG HOUSE!

CORKY—DO YA SEE WHAT I SEE?



YES, "ROBIN", CORKY HUGGINS AND CATSPAWE CARLIN ARE THE MEN WE WANT!

AND WE'LL GET THEM, "BATMAN", IF IT TAKES A LIFETIME!

OH, YEAH? YOUR LIFETIME'S LIABLE TA BE AWFUL SHORT!

OH, MY GOODNESS!



COME, "ROBIN"—LET US WITHDRAW TO CONSIDER THE SITUATION!

A SPLENDID SUGGESTION, "BATMAN!"

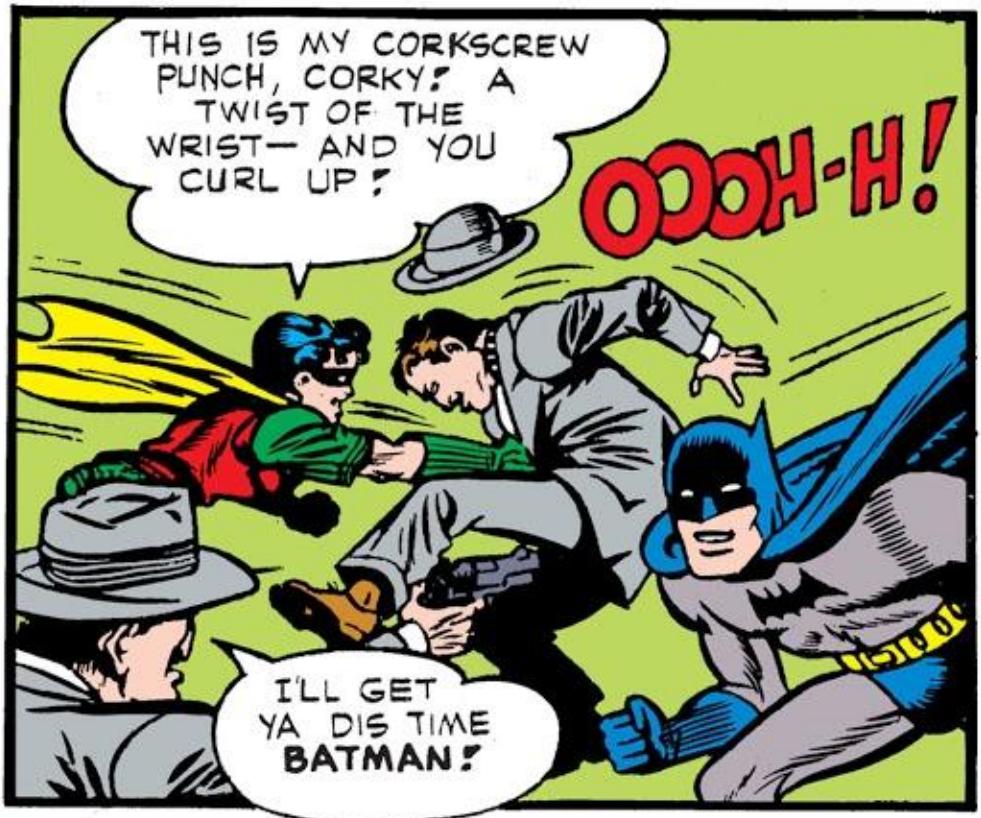
TAKE DAT! AN' DAT!



HERE WE GO, ROBIN!

HAW, HAW!
DID YA SEE 'EM' RUN?

WON'T DA BOYS IN PETE'S POOLROOM HOWL WHEN WE TELL HOW YELLA DA BATMAN AN' ROBIN IS?



MEANWHILE, TWO BLOCKS AWAY...

"WE'RE SAFE FROM THOSE BULLETS, ANYWAY, 'BATMAN!'"
BUT WE CAN'T ESCAPE THE STABS OF CONSCIENCE—
AND DON'T CALL ME 'BATMAN' ANY MORE!"



WE'VE DISGRACED THE REAL BATMAN AND ROBIN!
TOMORROW THE UNDERWORLD WILL BUZZ WITH THE STORY
OF HOW THEY RAN FROM CRIMINALS FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN THEIR LIVES!

I KNOW...



WE MEANT WELL—
BUT WE SHOULD HAVE KNOWN
WE COULDN'T DUPLICATE
THEIR HEROISM!

BUT THAT'S EXACTLY
WHAT WE MUST DO NOW!



THE ONLY WAY WE CAN REDEEM OURSELVES — AND THEIR REPUTATION — IS TO CAPTURE THOSE CROOKS, NO MATTER WHAT THE RISK!

YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT — BUT WHERE WILL WE FIND THEM?



AND HERE WE GO — AS FAST AS THIS MOUNTAIN OF STEEL WILL TRAVEL!

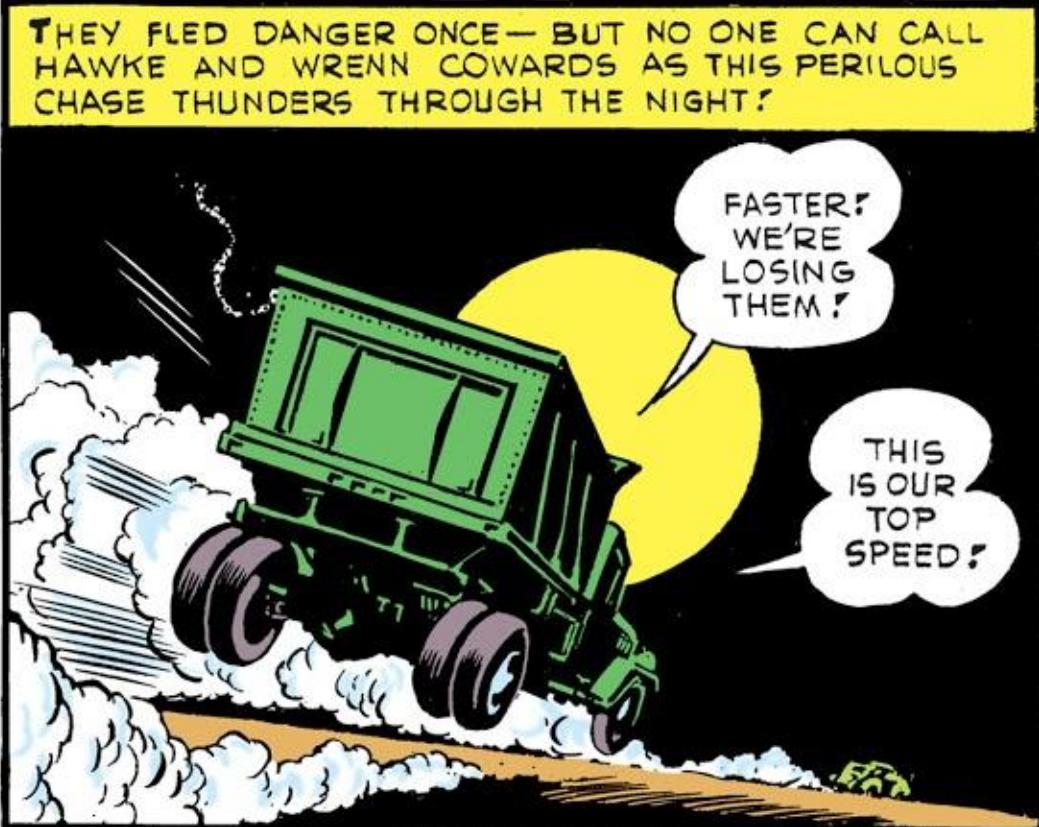
THERE THEY GO!



THEY FLED DANGER ONCE — BUT NO ONE CAN CALL HAWKE AND WRENN COWARDS AS THIS PERILOUS CHASE THUNDERS THROUGH THE NIGHT!

FASTER! WE'RE LOSING THEM!

THIS IS OUR TOP SPEED!



AND FINALLY...

THEY SWUNG INTO THIS ALLEY — AND THAT'S THEIR CAR!

LITTLE MAN, HERE'S WHERE WE DO OR DIE!



THE BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE BEEN TRAVELING, TOO—BY WAY OF OVERHEAD SHORTCUTS...

YOU THINK WE'LL FIND THEM HERE, BATMAN?

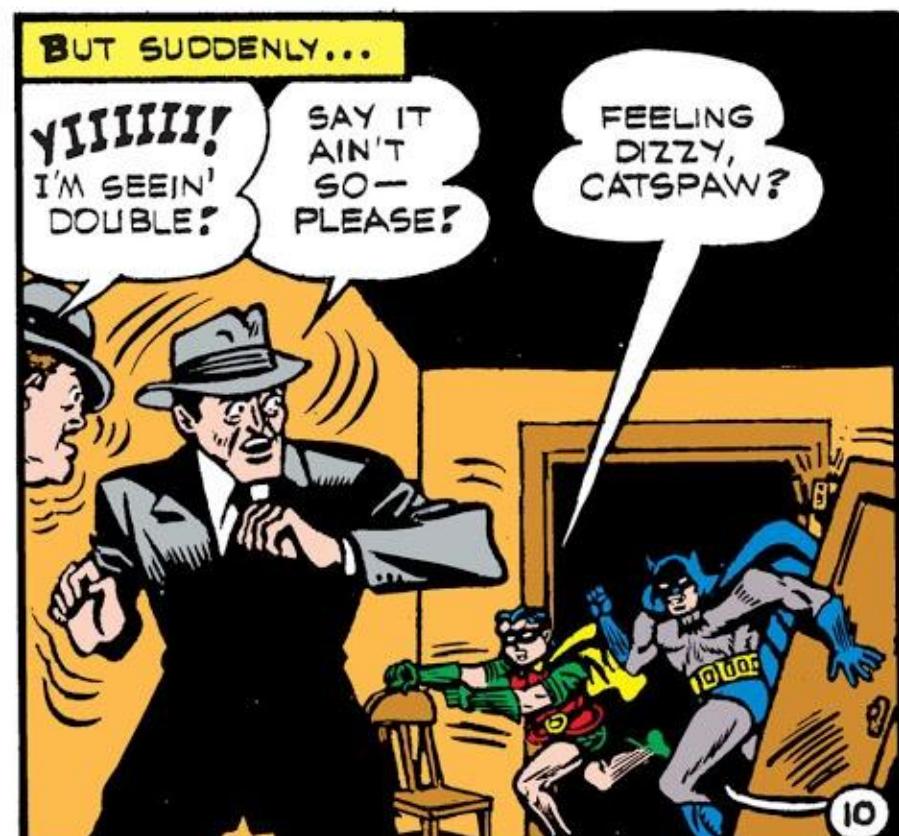
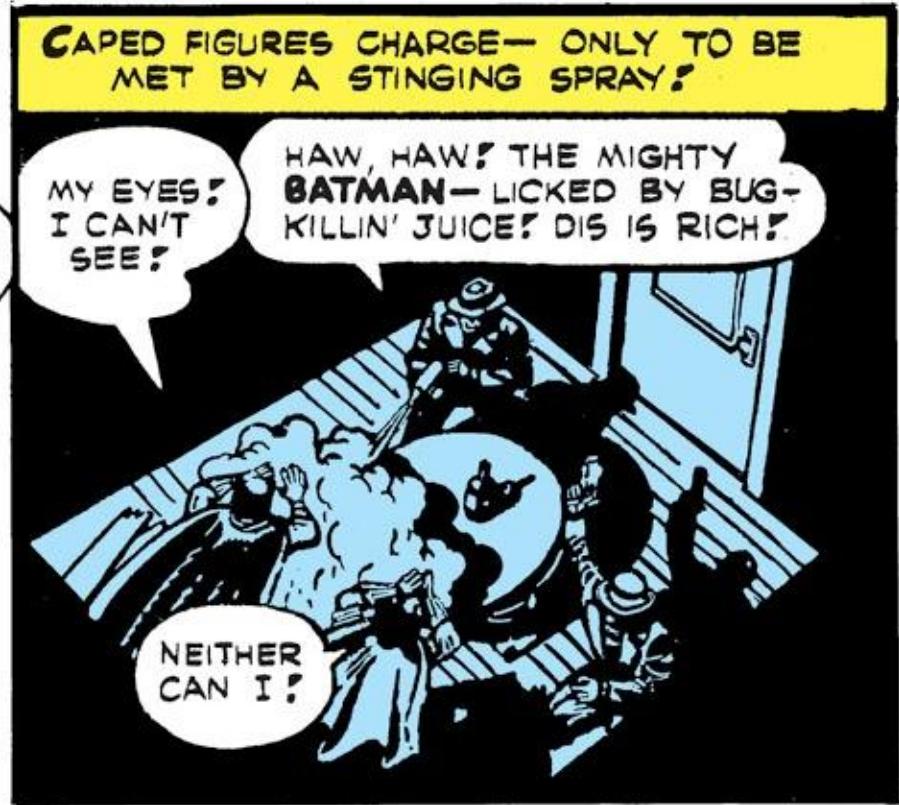
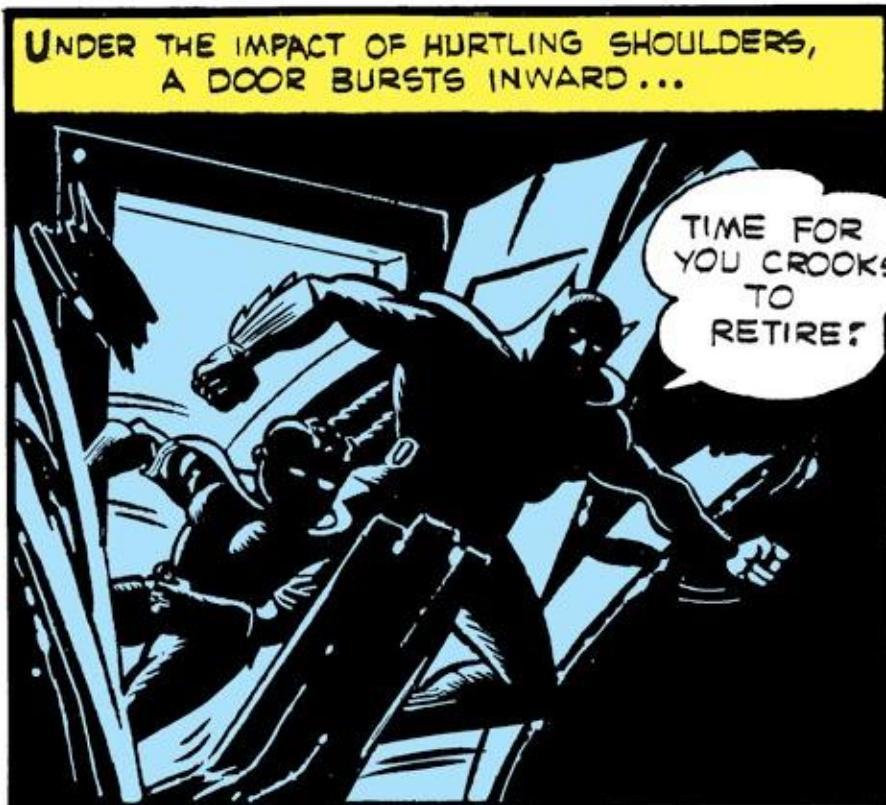
CATSPAW MENTIONED A PLACE WITH THE SAME NAME—AND THIS IS A NOTORIOUS HANGOUT FOR CROOKS!

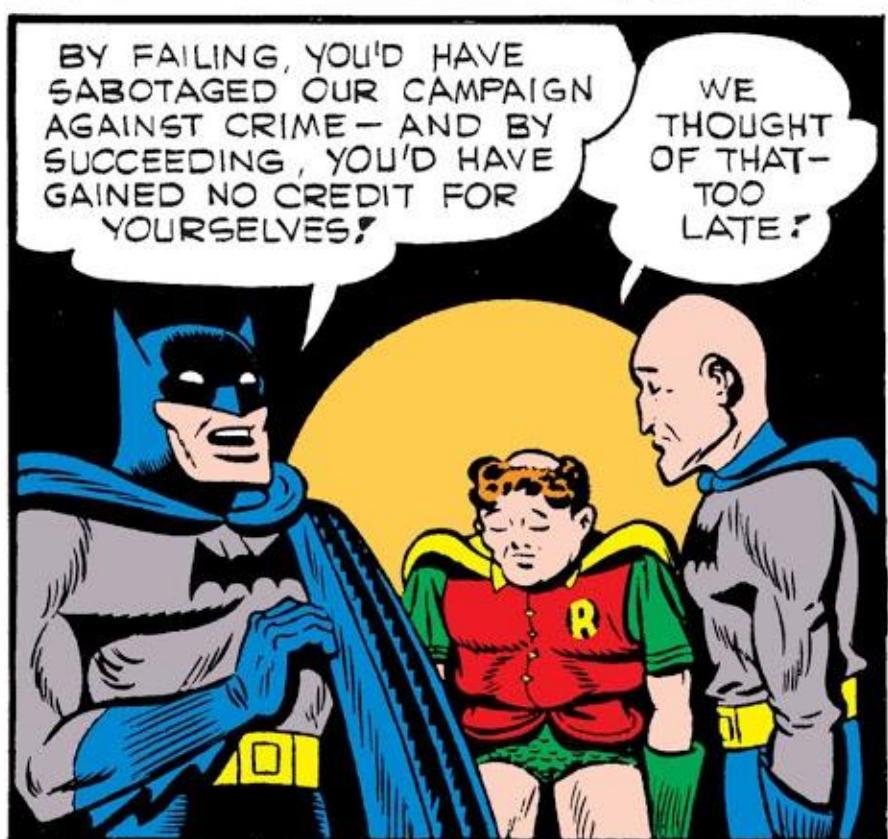
WE WANT CORKY HUGGINS AND CATSPAW CARLIN!

DEY AIN'T HERE, BATMAN—AN' YOU AIN'T WELCOME!

NOW SCRAM—OR ELSE!







BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN
-THE BOY WONDER-

BOB KANE

"NEITHER RAIN NOR SNOW NOR
HEAT NOR GLOOM OF NIGHT STAYS THESE COURIERS FROM
THE SWIFT COMPLETION OF THEIR APPOINTED ROUNDS..."

SUCH IS THE PROUD SLOGAN OF THE FEDERAL POSTAL
SERVICE; BUT HOW MANY ARE ACQUAINTED WITH THE TRULY
VAST WORKINGS OF THE SYSTEM THAT BINDS TOGETHER
THE FARDEST-FLUNG OUTPOSTS OF A GREAT NATION?

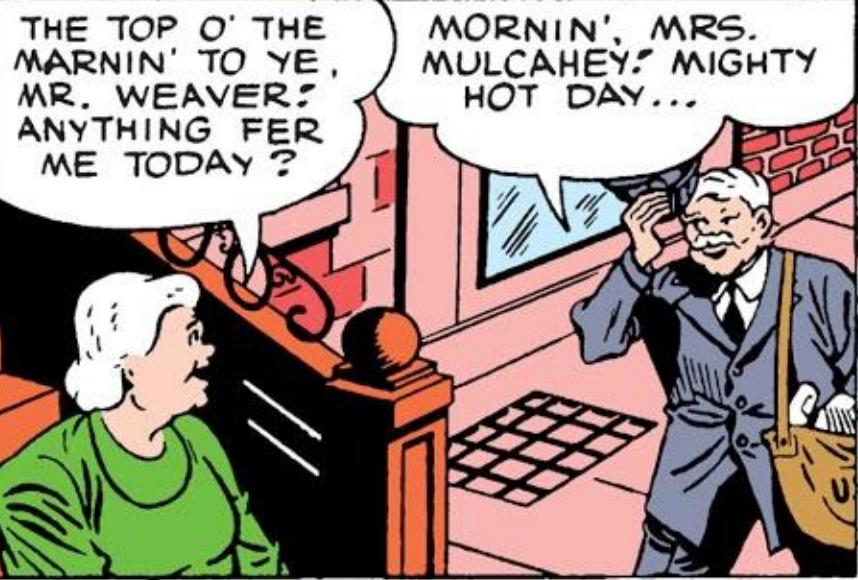
WHEN CRIMINAL INGENUITY DEVISES A CLEVER SCHEME
FOR MULCTING THE UNITED STATES MAILS, EVEN THE
BATMAN AND **ROBIN** LEARN SOMETHING THEY DIDN'T KNOW
BEFORE, AS WITH WILY WITS AND FLASHING FISTS THEY
MAKE SURE THAT... "THE MAILS GO THROUGH!"



IN BLISTERING HEAT, IN BITTER COLD, THROUGH BLUSTERING STORM, THESE ACHING FEET HAVE SOUNDED THEIR CONSTANT TATTOO ON GOTHAM'S PAVEMENTS TO FULFILL THAT HONORED DICTUM OF THE POSTAL SERVICE: "THE MAILS MUST GO THROUGH!"



AND THE WEATHERBEATEN FACE OF OLD JOHN WEAVER IS KNOWN TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD ALONG THE ROUTE HE HAS COVERED FOR TWENTY YEARS...



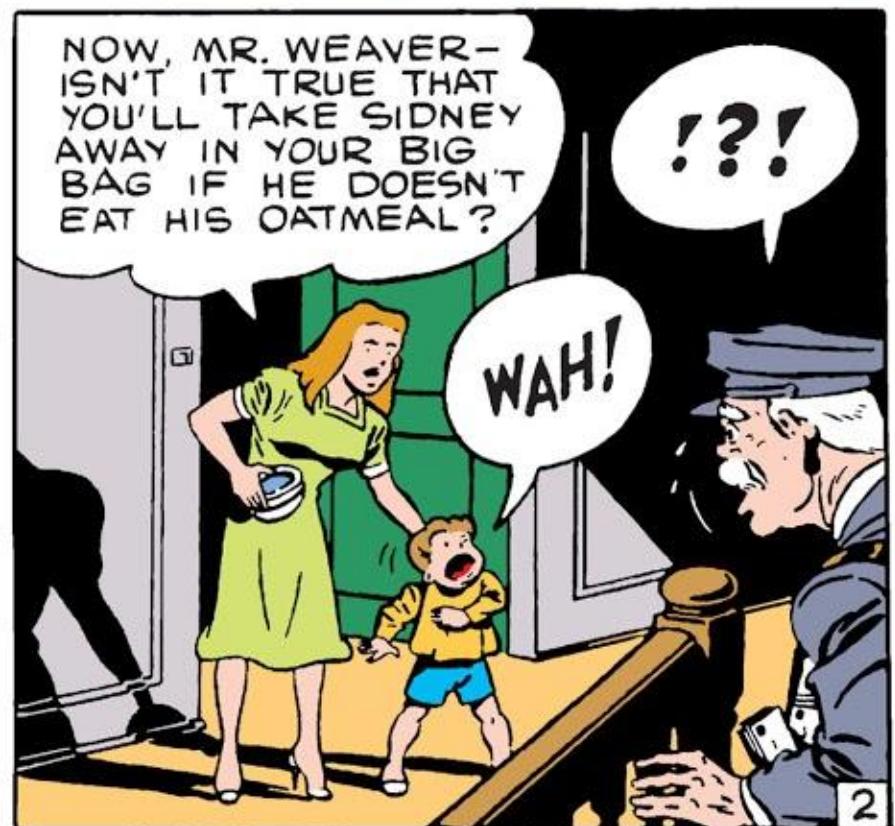
GOT A POSTCARD FROM YOUR SON? HE SAYS EVERYTHING IS GOING FINE IN HIS NEW JOB— WITH LOTS OF LOVE TO YOU FROM HIM AN' THE MISSUS— HERE IT IS!

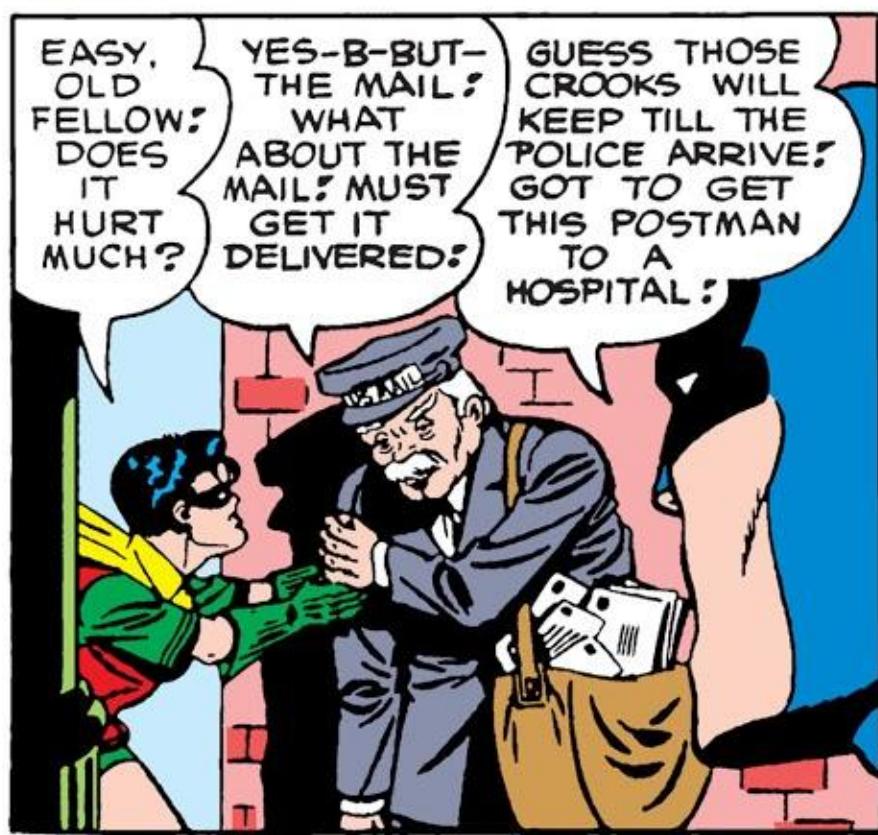
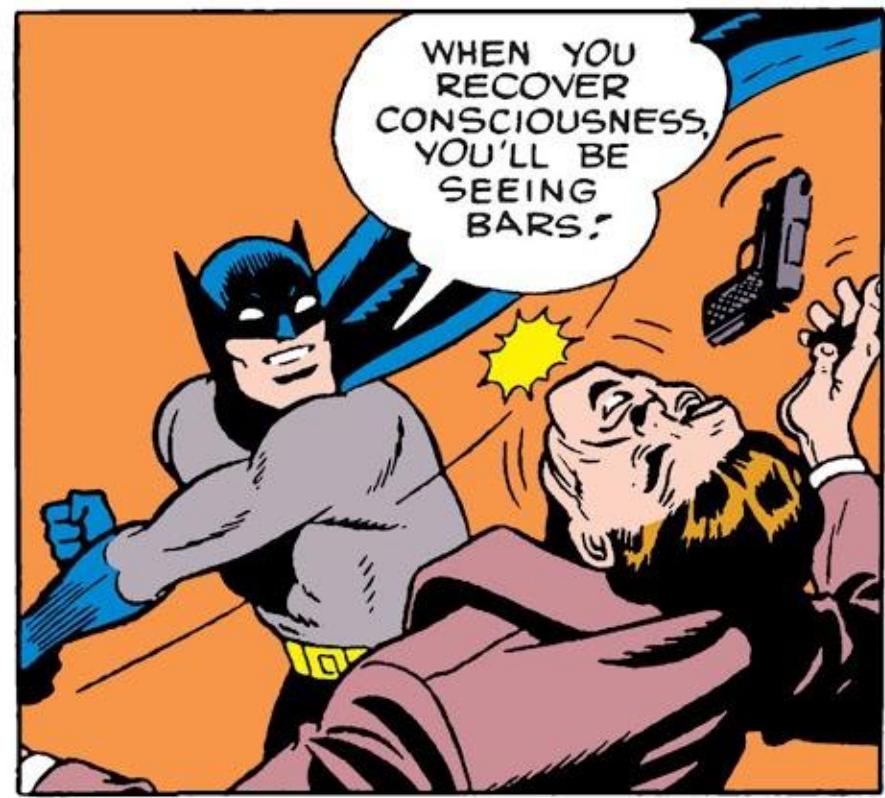
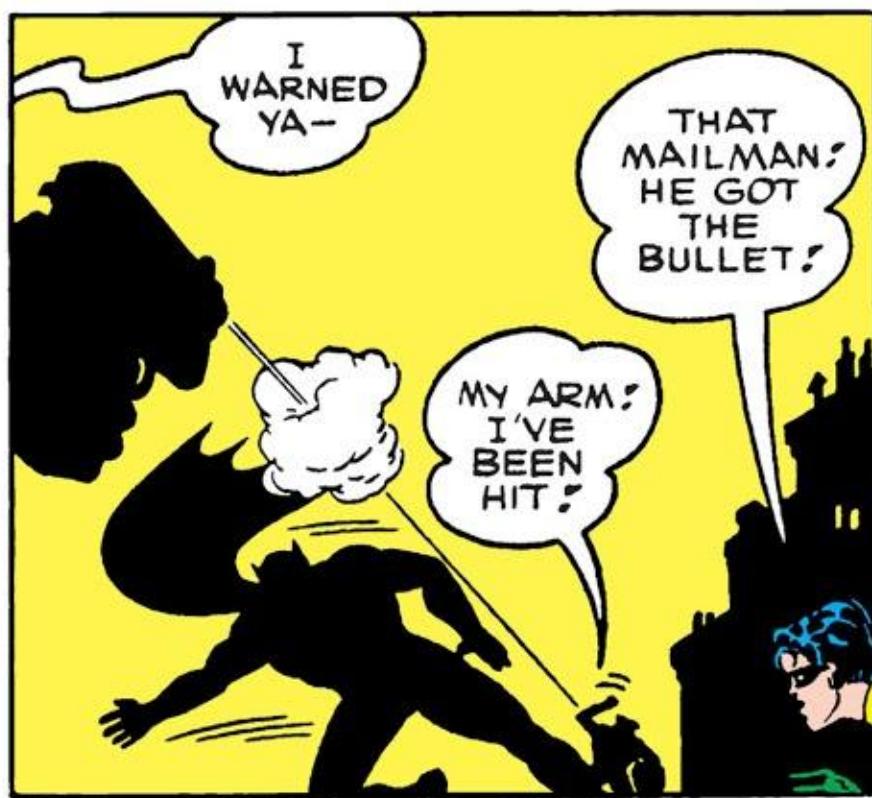
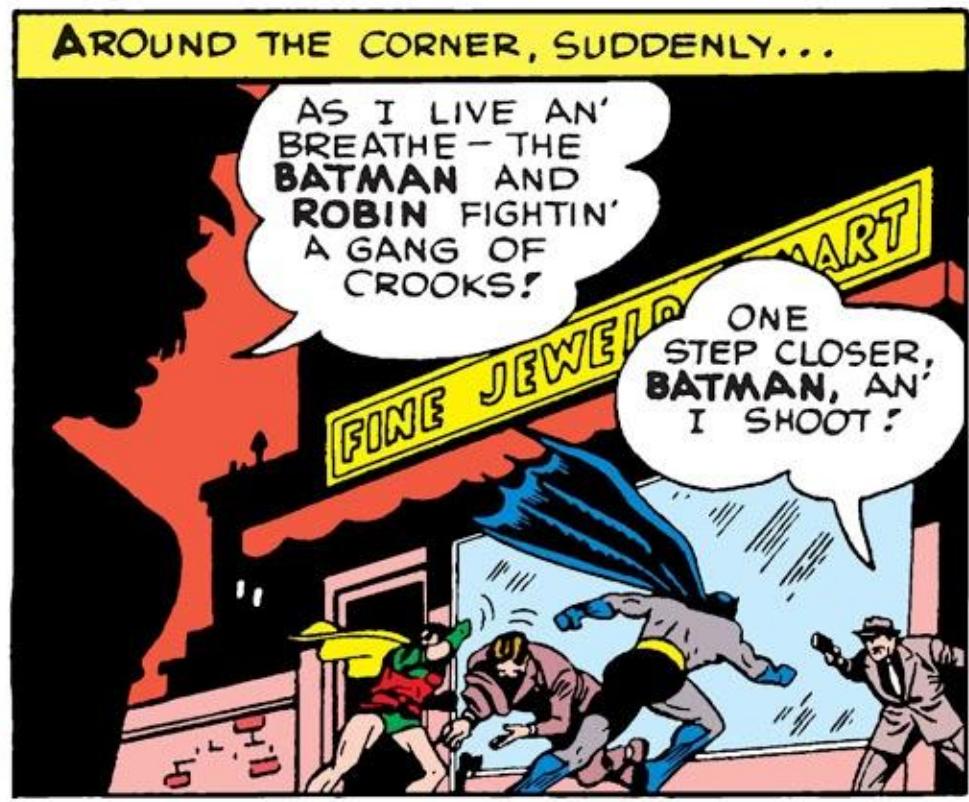
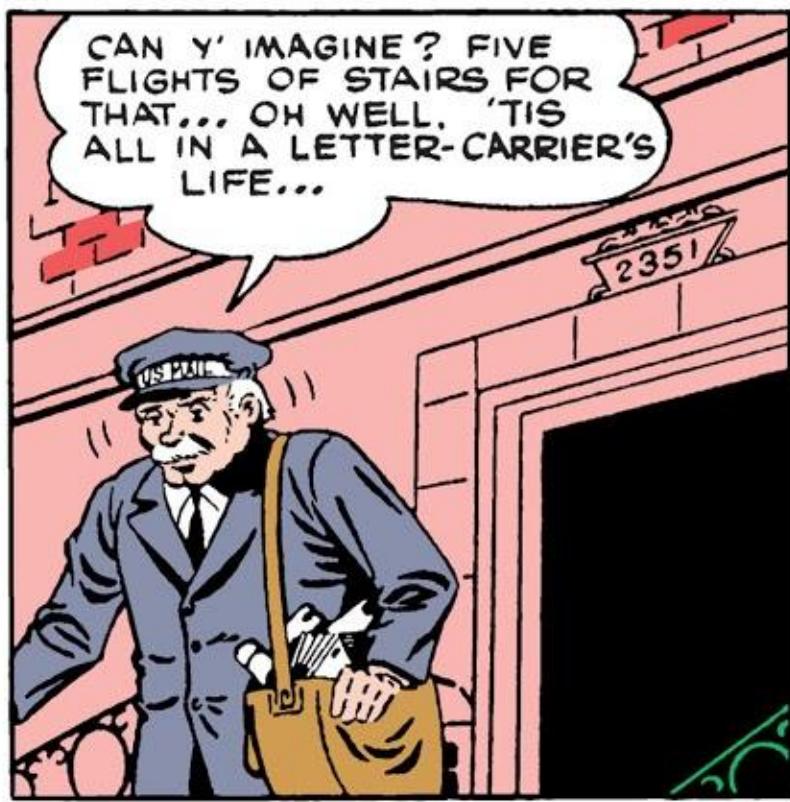
FAITH, AND WHAT WOULD YE DO F'R READIN' MATTER, IF IT WASN'T F'R POSTCARDS, MR. WEAVER?

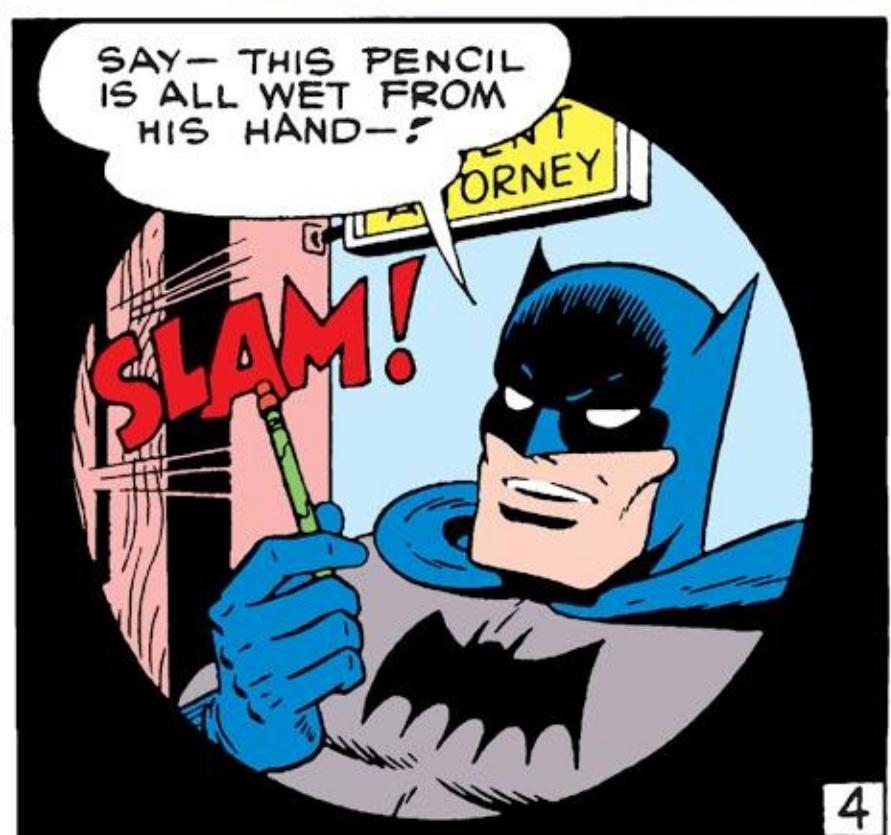
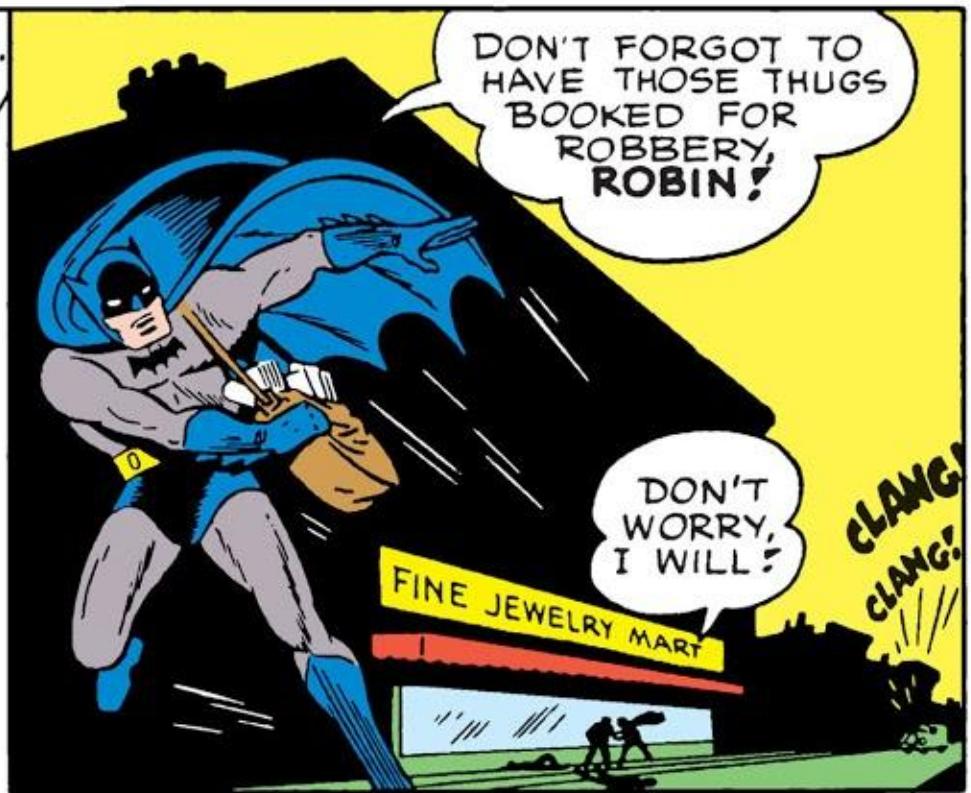


(PUFF) JUST ONE MORE FLIGHT? DON'T SEE WHY SHE CAN'T COME DOWN IF IT'S A LETTER SHE WANTS ME TO MAIL FOR HER...

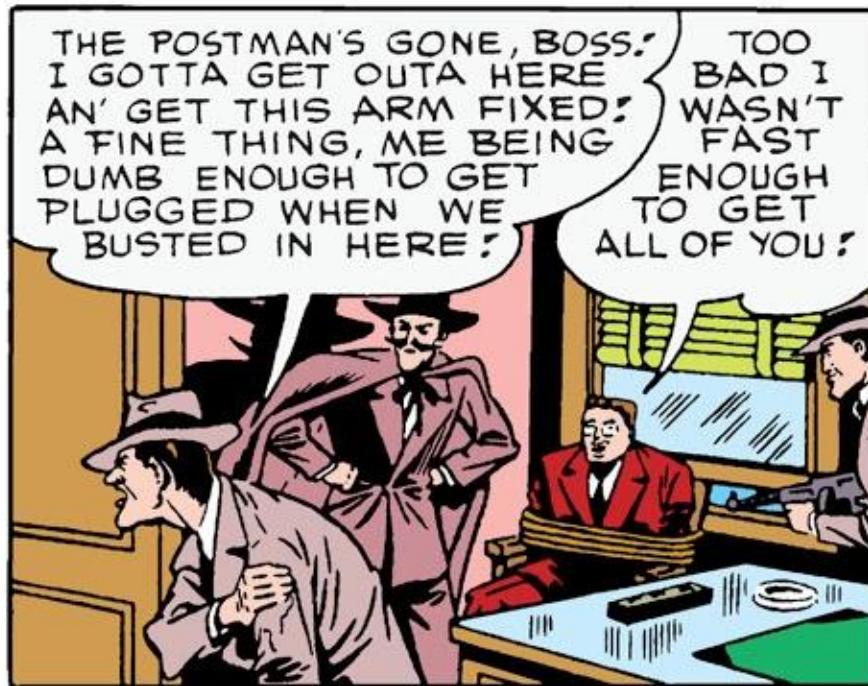
NOW, MR. WEAVER— ISN'T IT TRUE THAT YOU'LL TAKE SIDNEY AWAY IN YOUR BIG BAG IF HE DOESN'T EAT HIS OATMEAL?

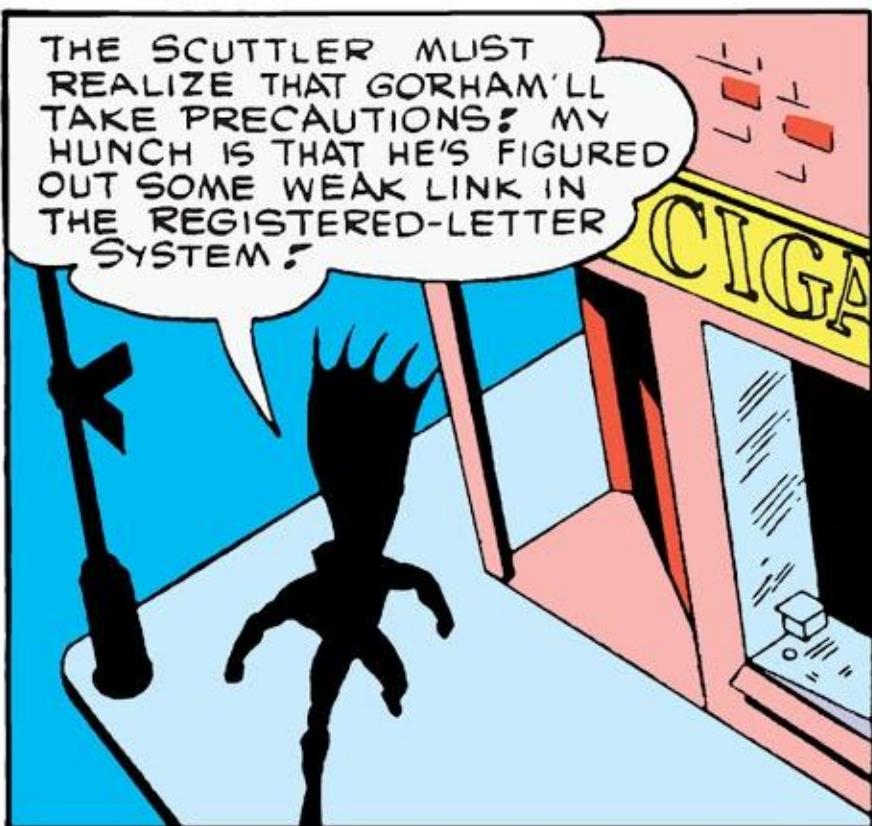
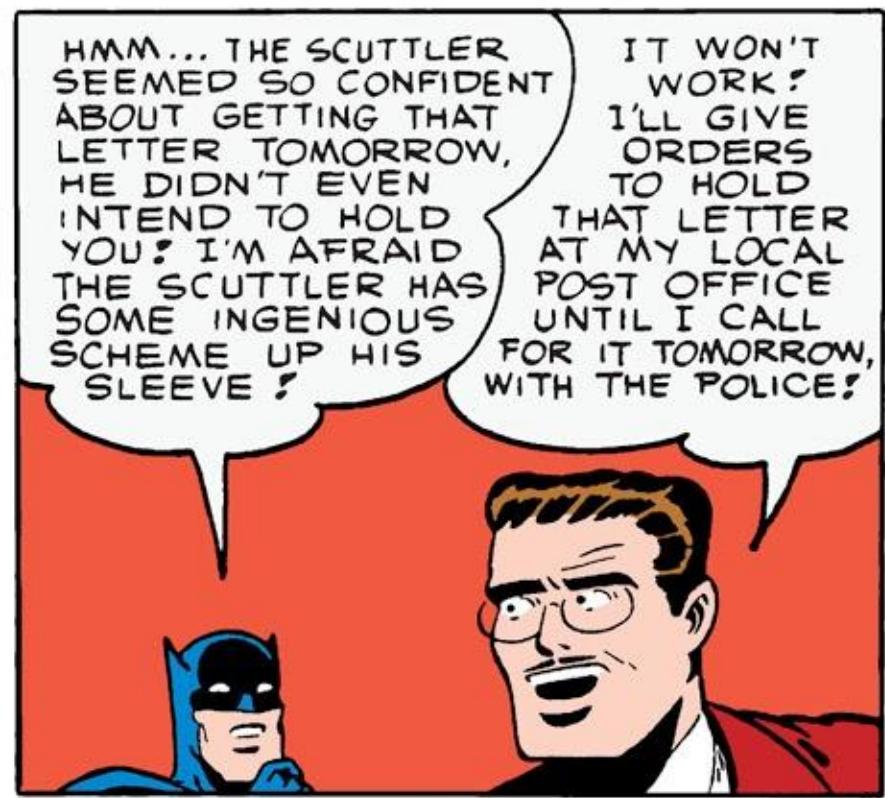
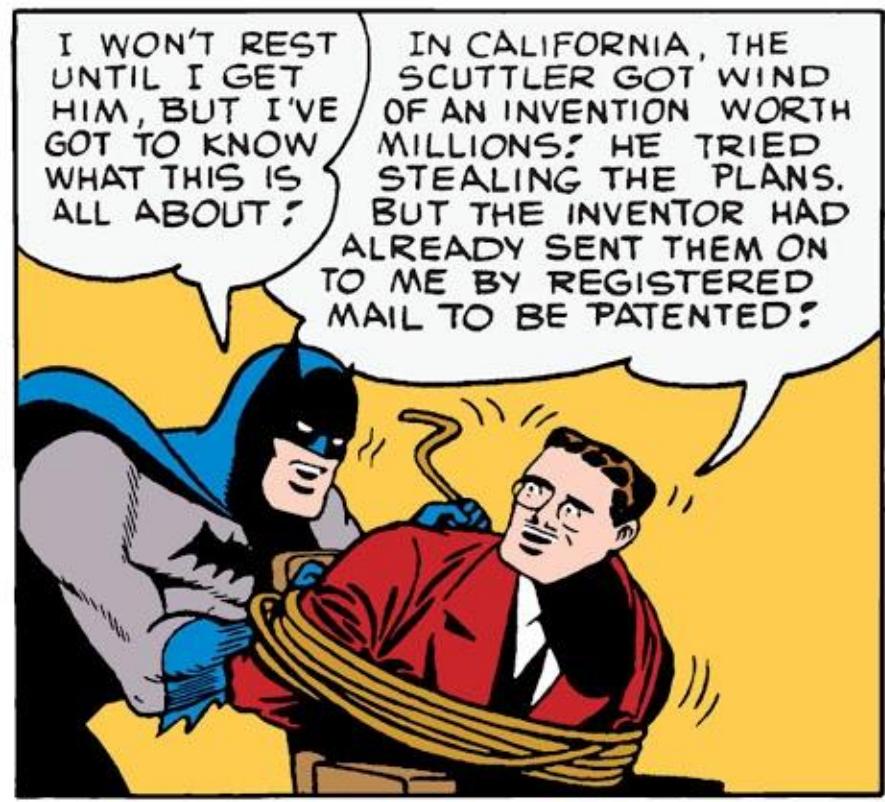
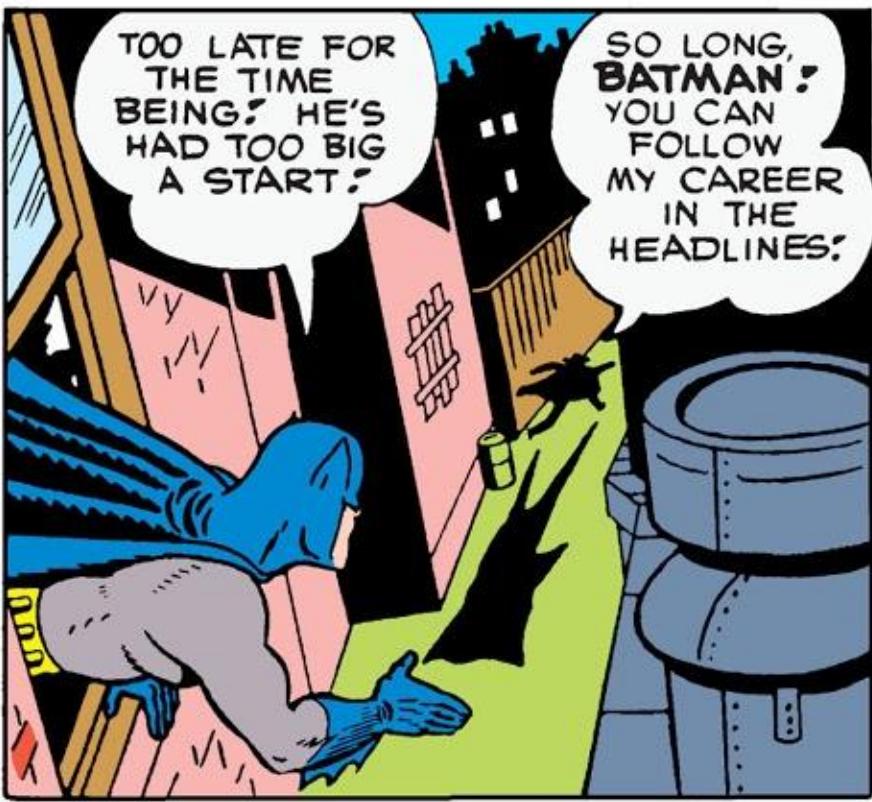


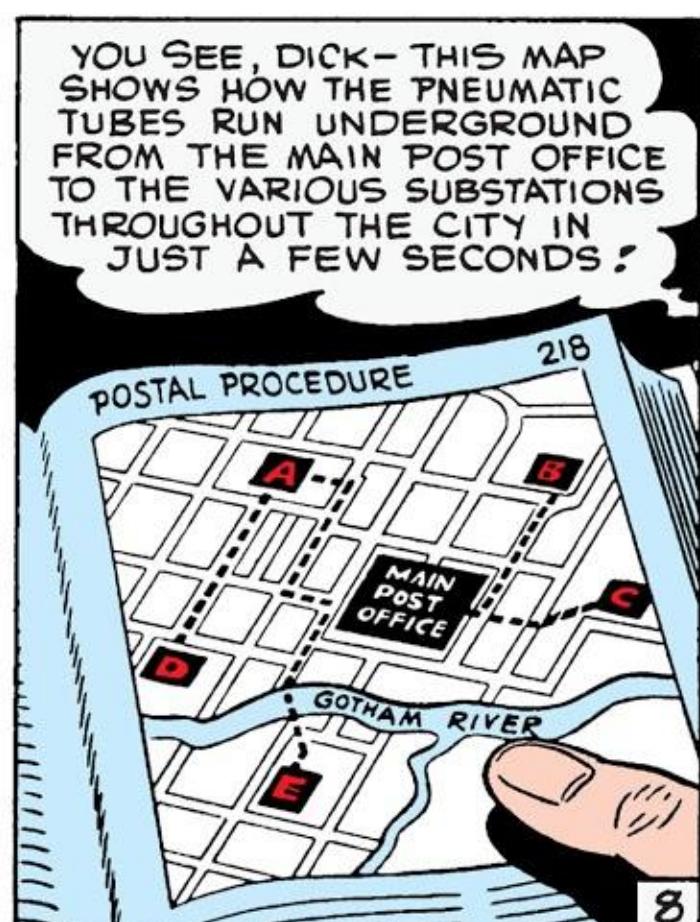
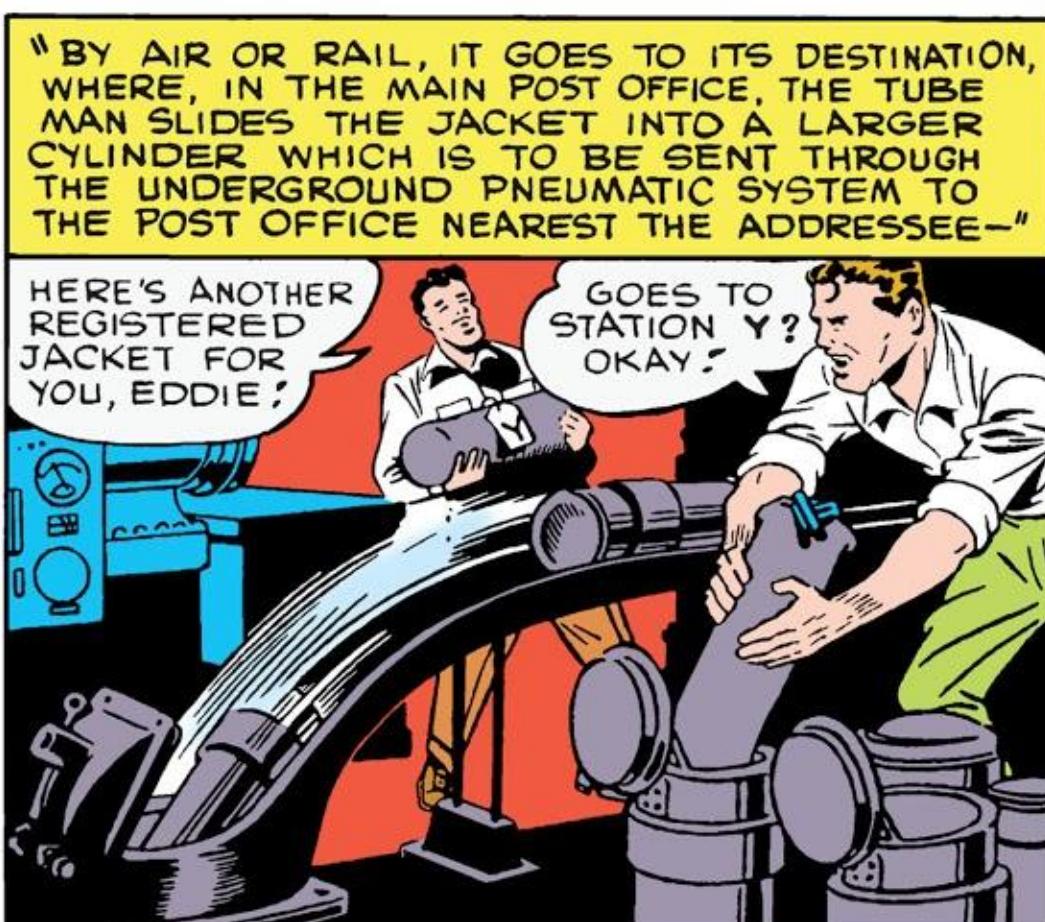
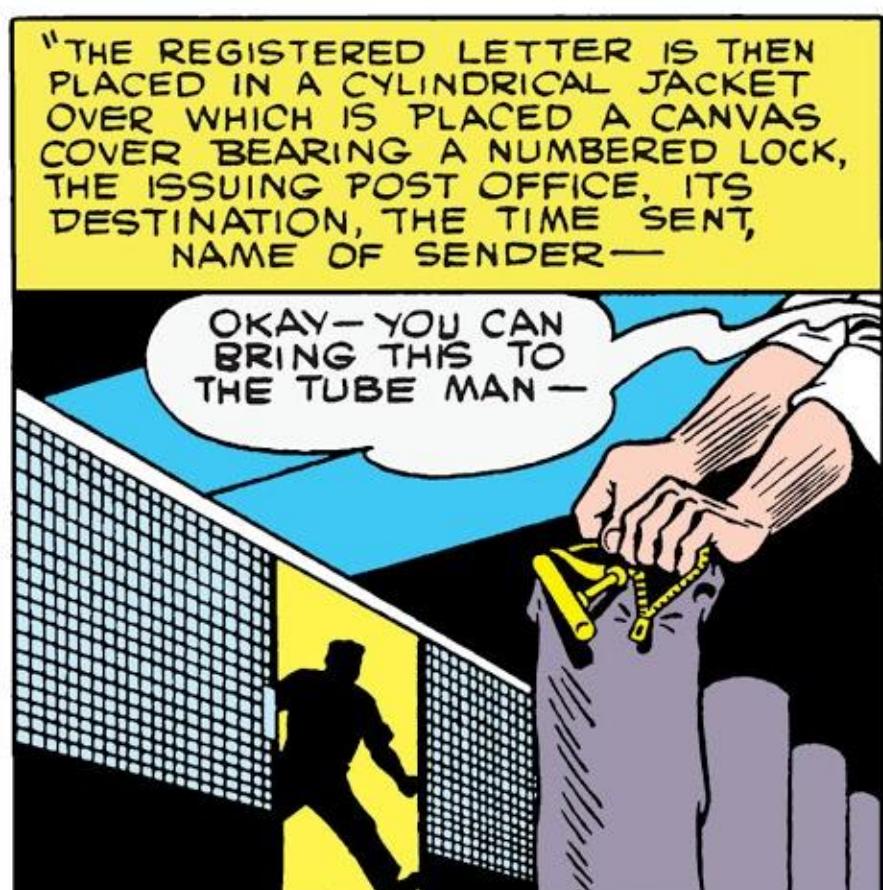
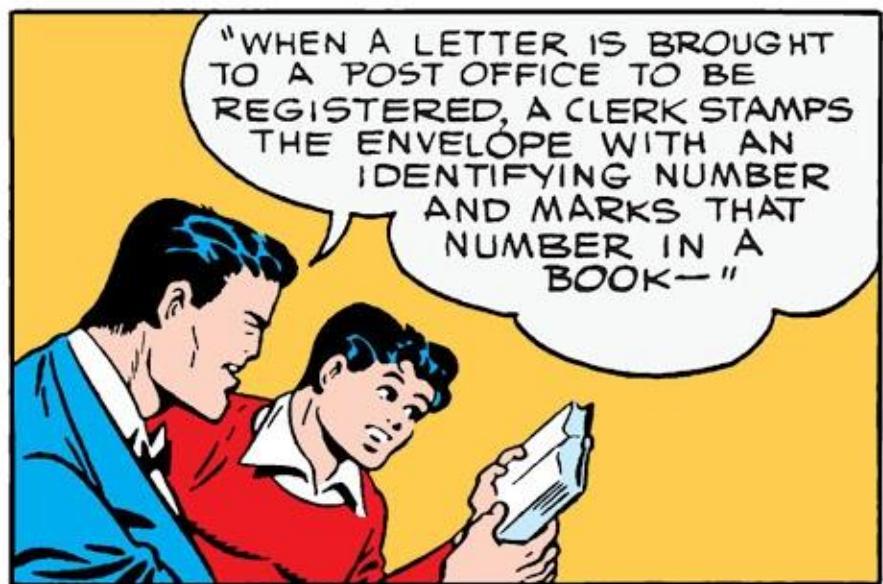
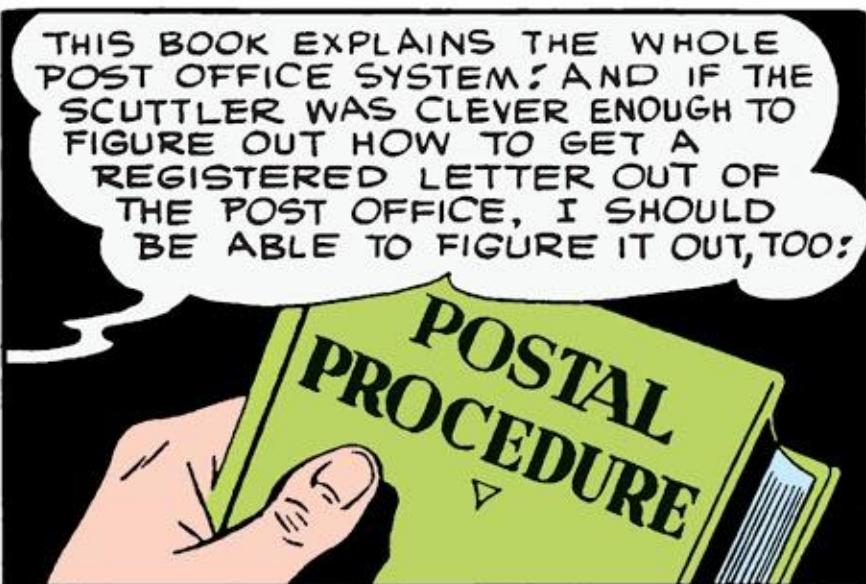






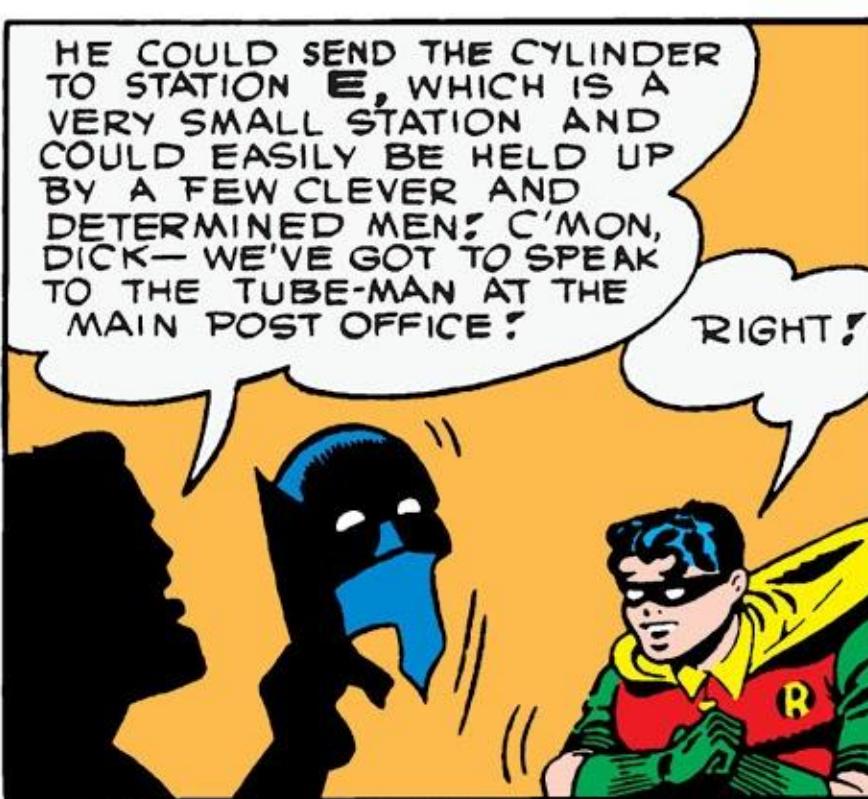
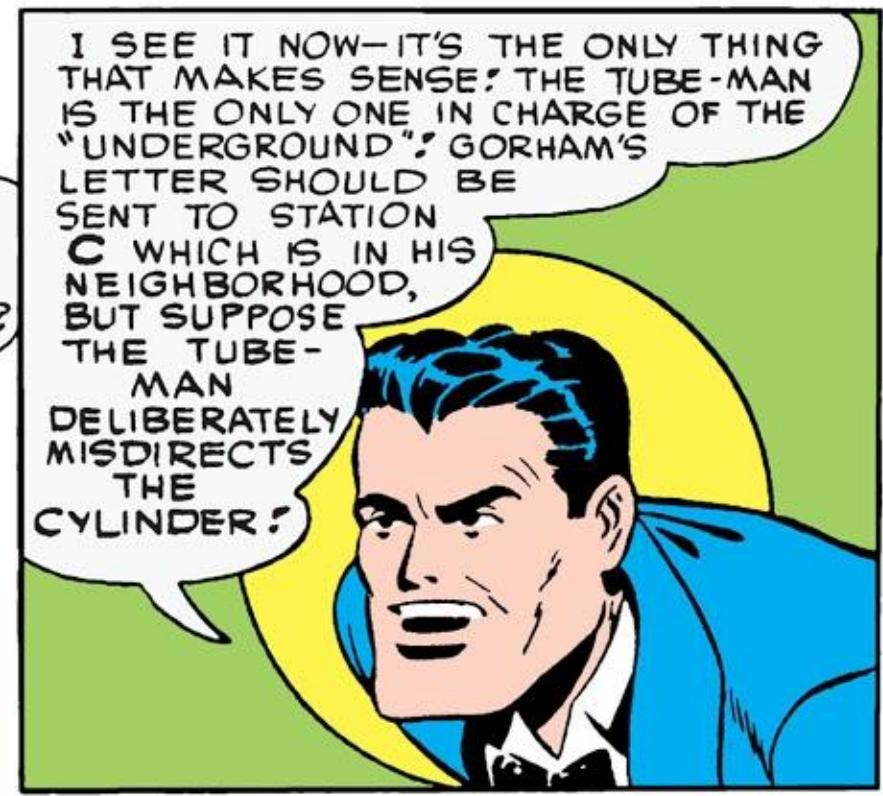




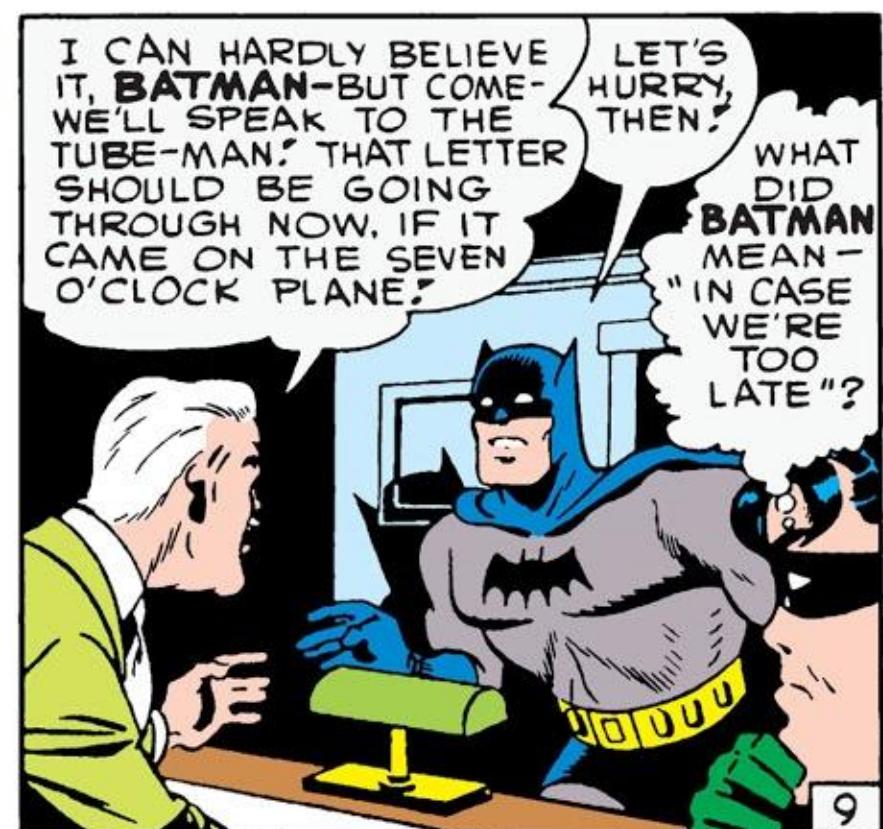
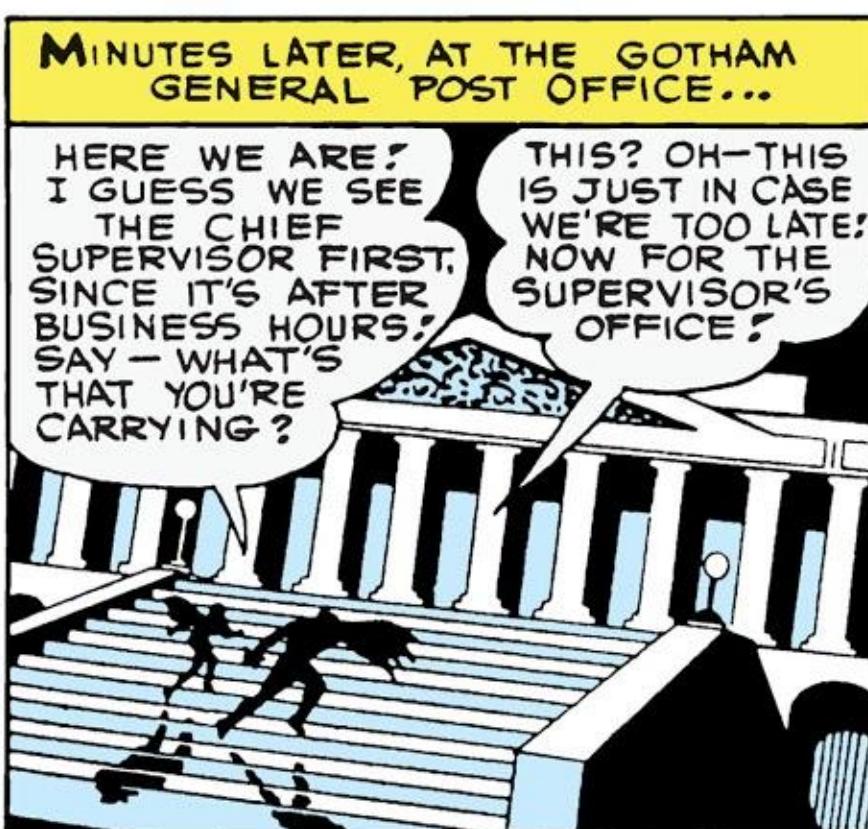
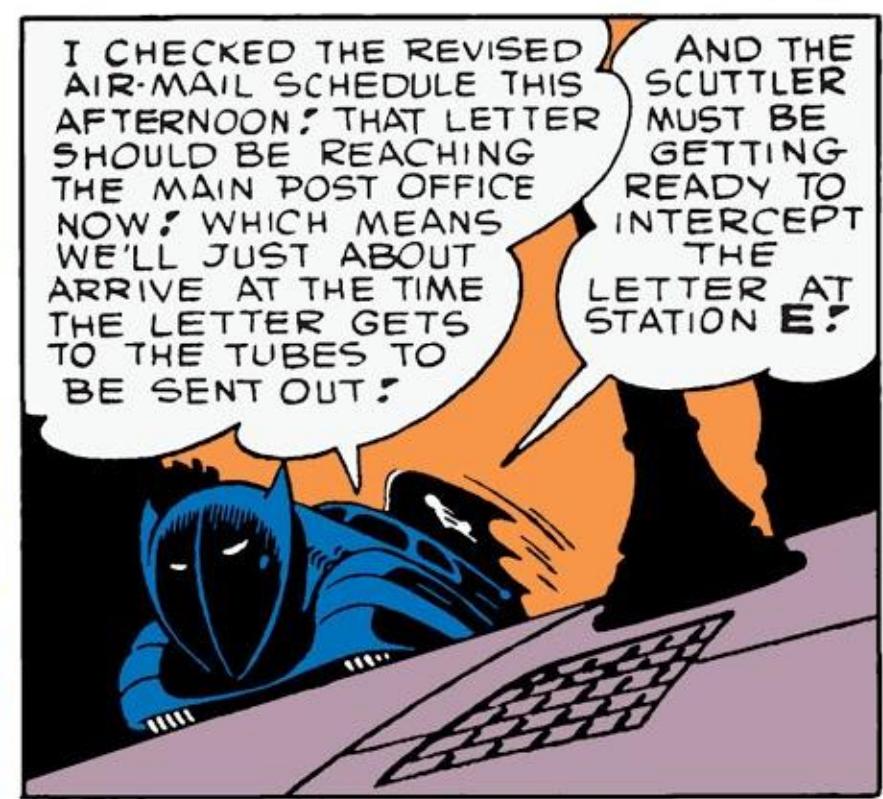




UNDER-GROUND: STATION E: WAIT A MINUTE! COULD THAT BE WHAT THE SCUTTLER MEANT BY THE "E" PLAN?



RIGHT!





YES, READER - IT'S A WELL-KNOWN PSYCHOLOGICAL FACT THAT THE MERE FEAR OF DISCOVERY CAN SOMETIMES STARTLE A GUILTY CONSCIENCE INTO A CONFESSION...

