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RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
AGE OF HEROES?

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WHAT WILL
BE THE FATE OF
Mary Jane?!

WHAT IS THE
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SPIDER-CYCLE?

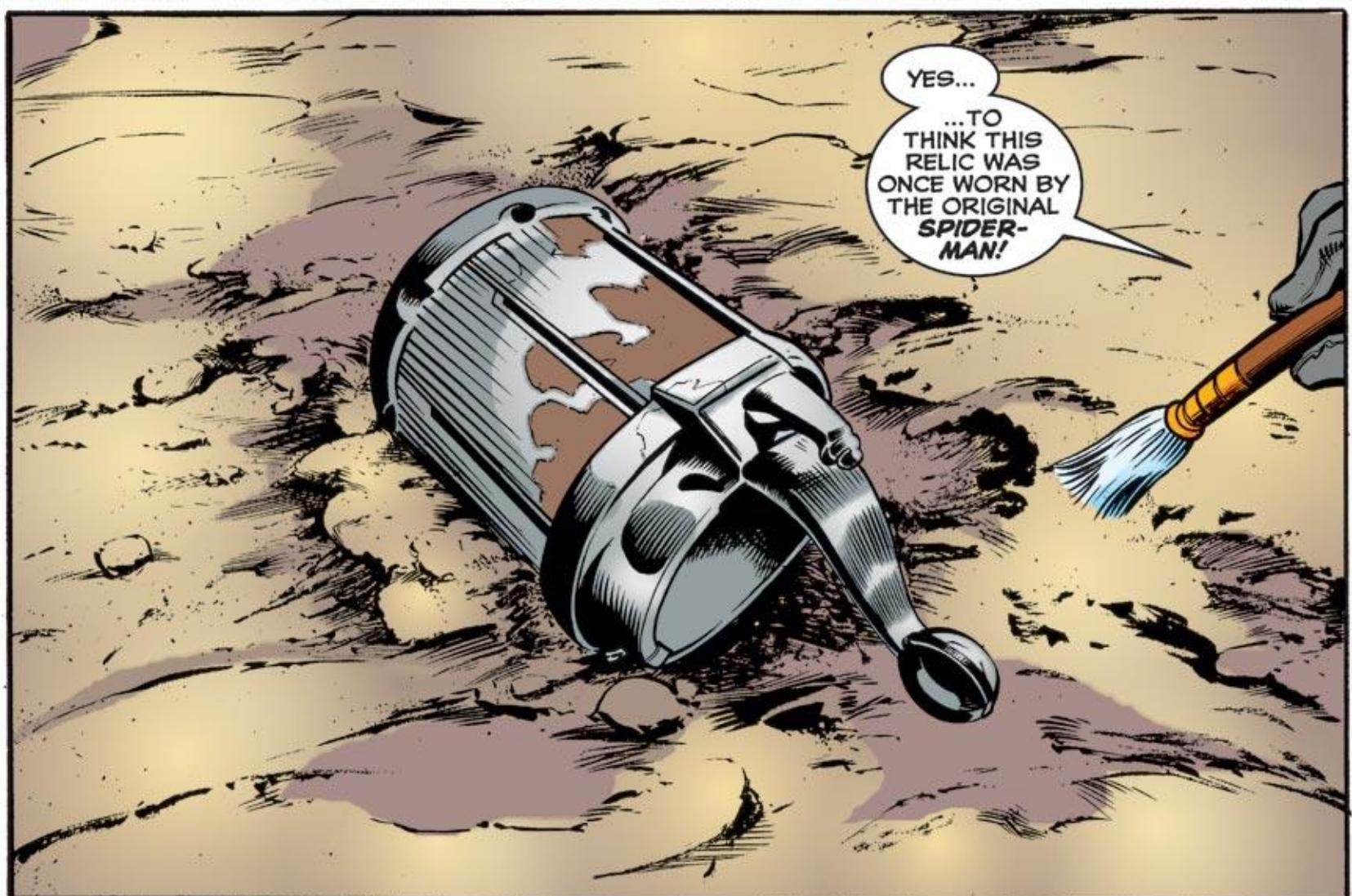
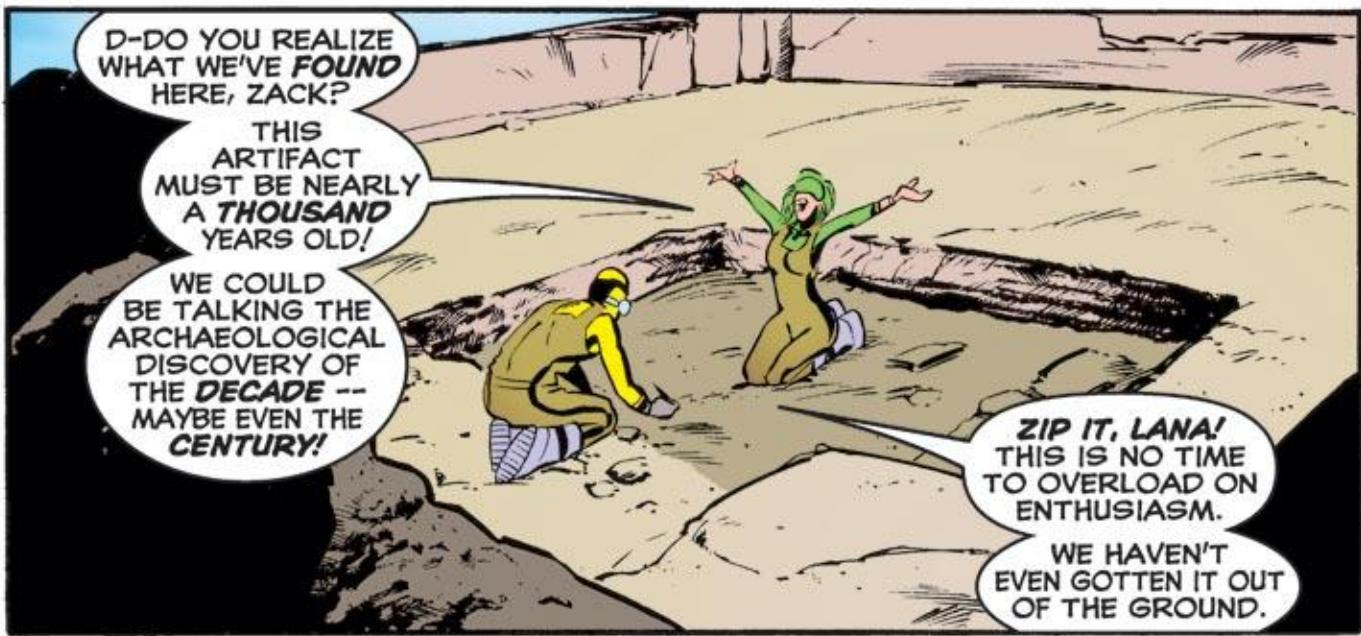
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FIND OUT
INSIDE!



THERE ONCE WAS A SPIDER...!

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HISTORY
REMEMBERS
THE LEGENDARY
WEB-SWINGER AS A
PIVOTAL PLAYER
IN THE AGE OF
HEROES!

NO
STATIC! MY OLDER
BROTHER WROTE
HIS DOCTORAL
THESIS -- AND STILL
TEACHES A GRADUATE
SEMINAR -- ON SPIDER-
MAN'S POST-
ONSLAUGHT
PERIOD.

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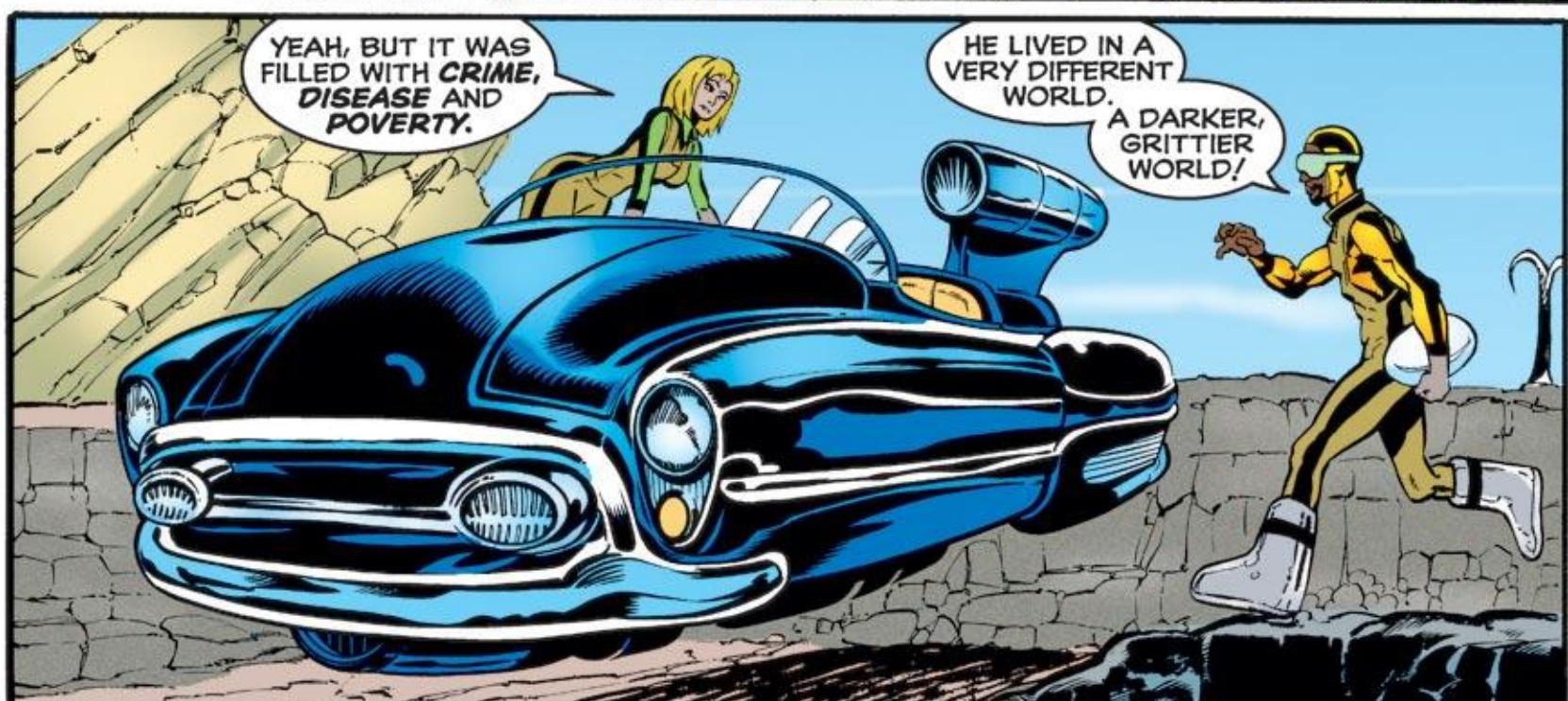
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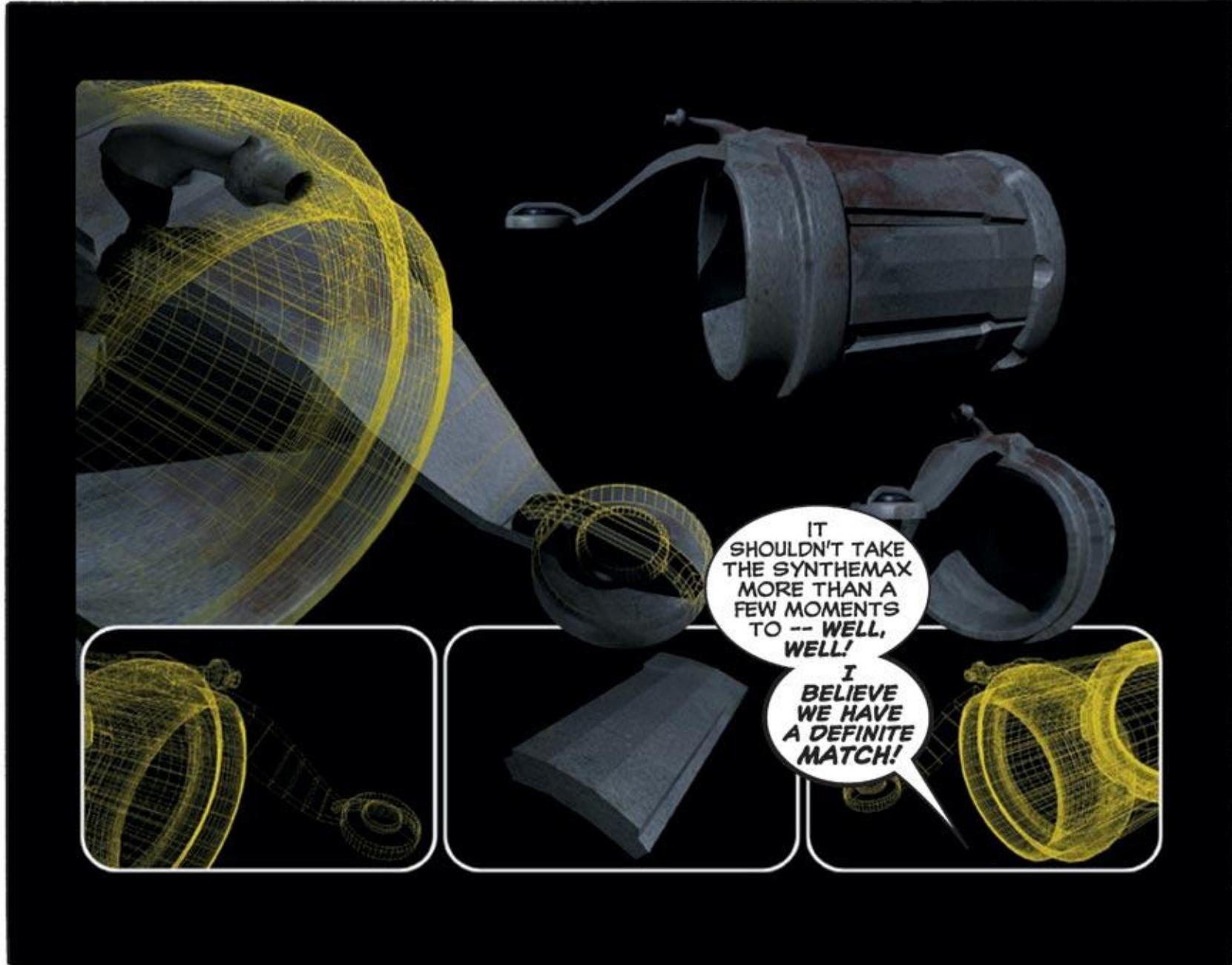
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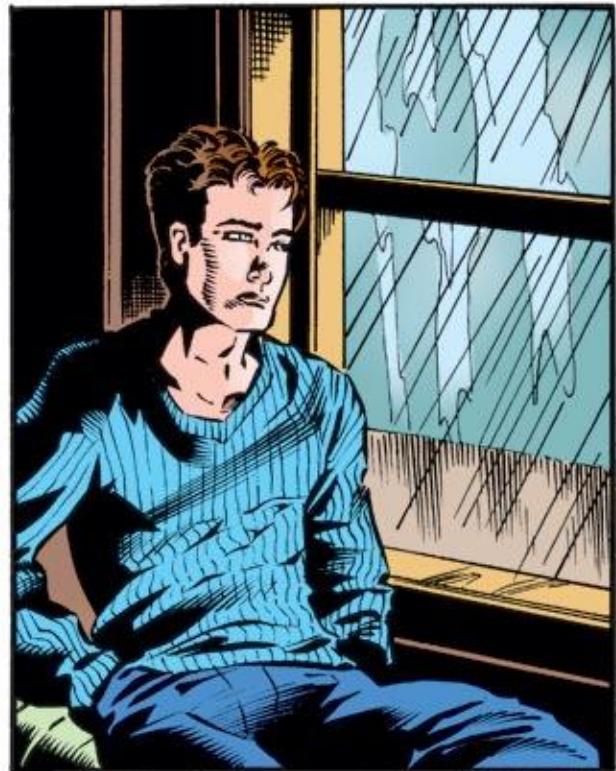


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IT'S PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE AVERAGE CITIZEN TO EVEN IMAGINE THE SPECTACULAR LIFE HE MUST HAVE LED!

FROM ALL HISTORICAL REPORTS, SPIDER-MAN -- MORE THAN ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL -- SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN IN THE DIRECT CENTER OF THE AGE OF HEROES!

THE X-MEN! THE AVENGERS! THE THUNDERBOLTS! EVEN THE FANTASTIC FOUR! ALL OF THEM SOUGHT HIS ASSISTANCE AND EXPERTISE ON OCCASION!



SMALL WONDER THAT HE'S STILL KNOWN AS THE FRIENDLY, NEIGHBORHOOD SUPER HERO.

AND THE HONORS WHICH A GRATEFUL POPULACE SURELY HEAPED UPON HIM --

-- ONE MUST ASSUME THAT THERE WERE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO FILL A SMALL MUSEUM!





ZACK, THE
SYNTHEMAX JUST
KICKED OUT ITS
VERDICT ON THE
STAIN--!

IT IS **BLOOD**... WHICH
APPEARS TO HAVE
COME FROM A
**MUTAGENICALLY
ENHANCED**
INDIVIDUAL.

INTERESTING!

THAT NARROWS
IT TO SPIDER-MAN
HIMSELF OR ONE OF
HIS MANY SUPER-
POWERED
FOES.

IT ALSO
LEND'S WEIGHT
TO MY
THEORY!

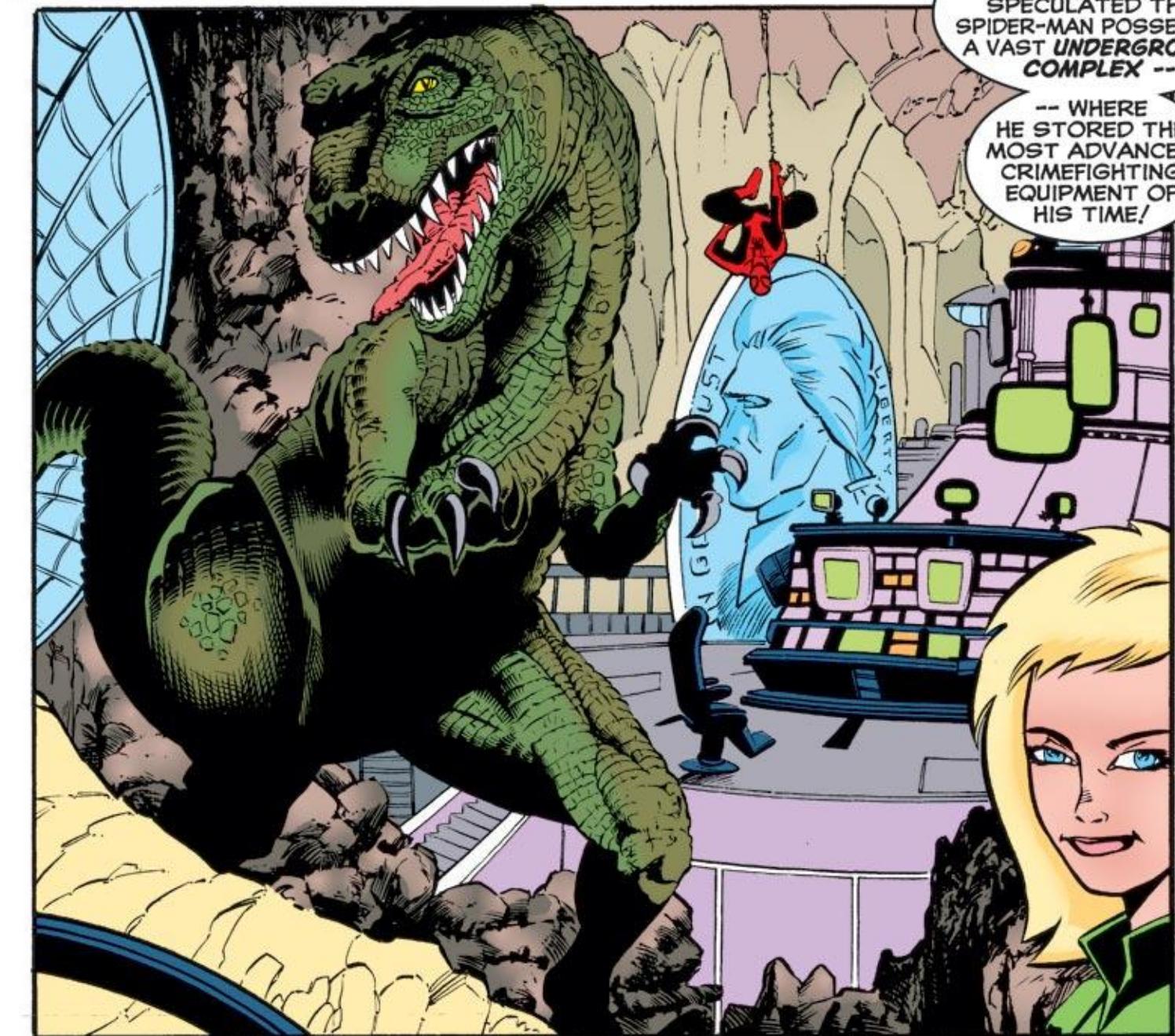
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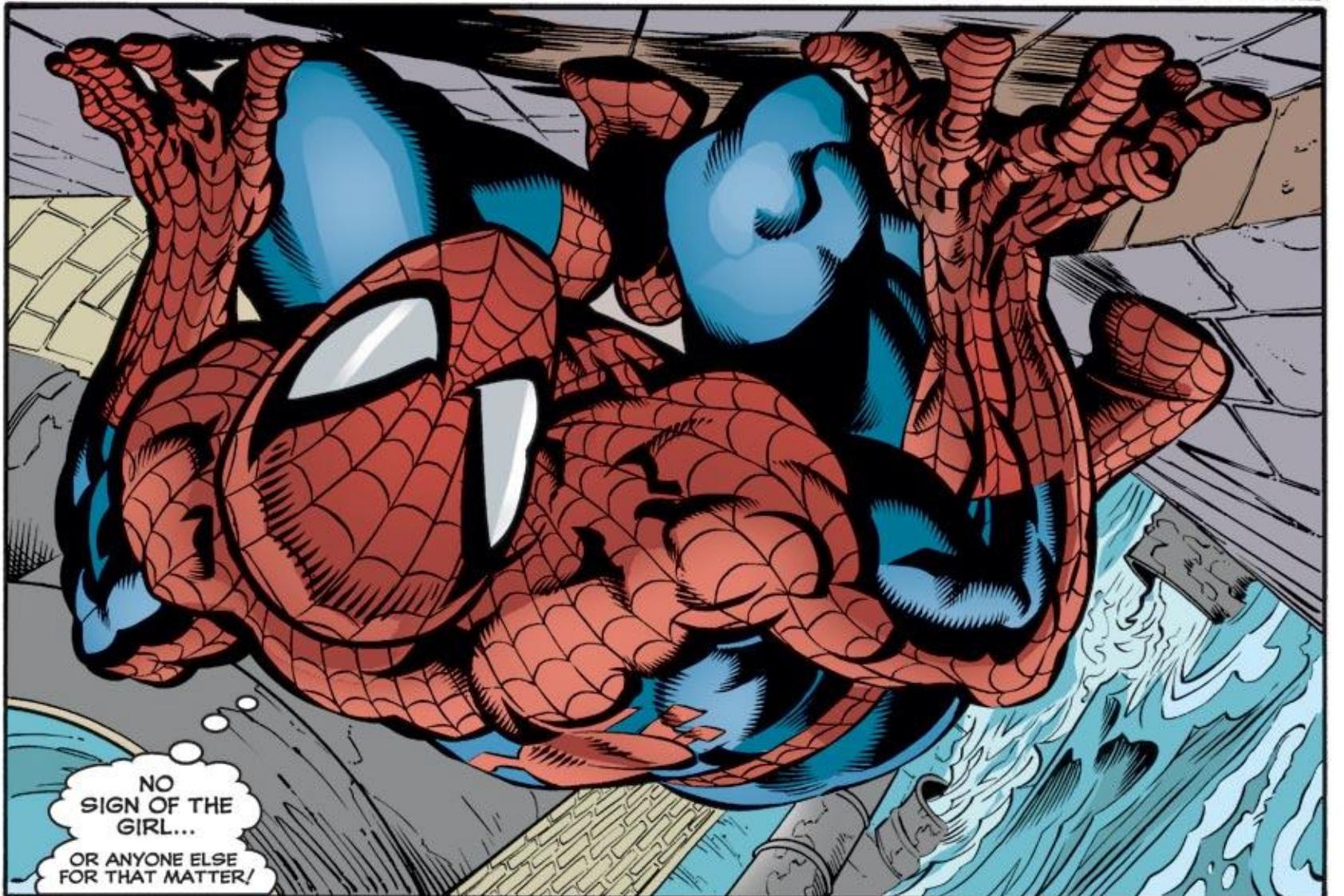
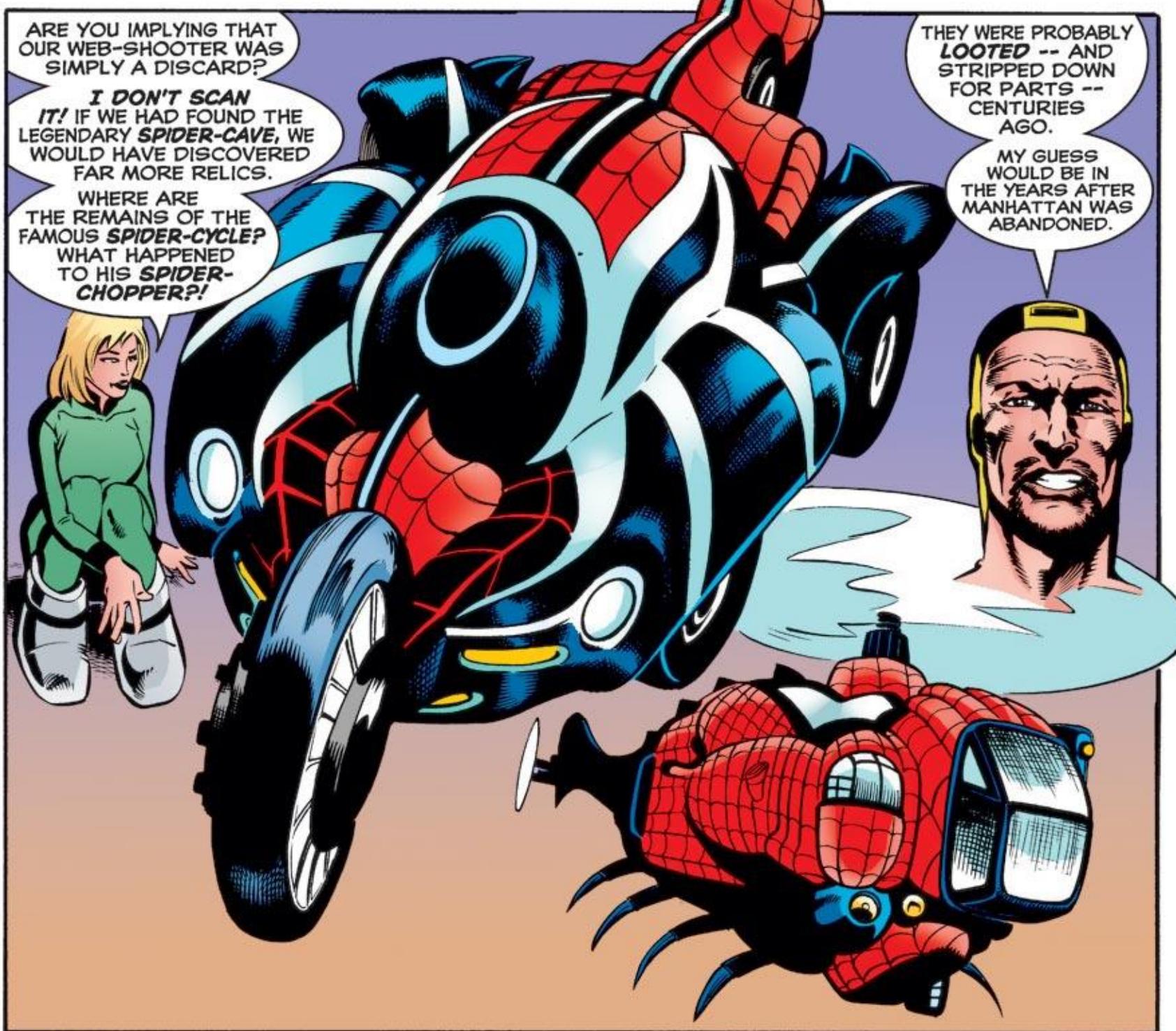
BUT THE FACT
THAT WE FOUND THIS
WEB-SHOOTER BURIED
UNDERGROUND REMINDS ME
OF ANOTHER WIDELY HELD
BELIEF CONCERNING THE
WEB-SWINGER.

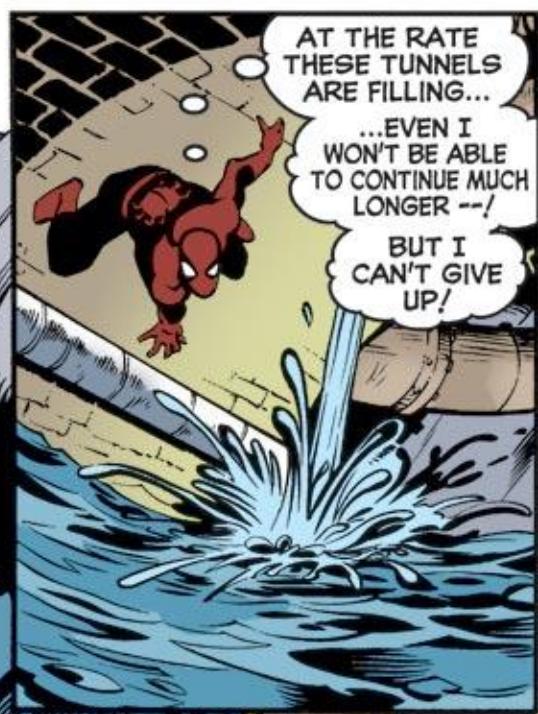
YOU
KNOW THE
ONE I MEAN --
**THE SECRET
HEAD-
QUARTERS!**

MANY OF HIS
BIOGRAPHERS HAVE
SPECULATED THAT
SPIDER-MAN POSSESSED
A VAST **UNDERGROUND
COMPLEX** --

-- WHERE
HE STORED THE
MOST ADVANCED
CRIMEFIGHTING
EQUIPMENT OF
HIS TIME!

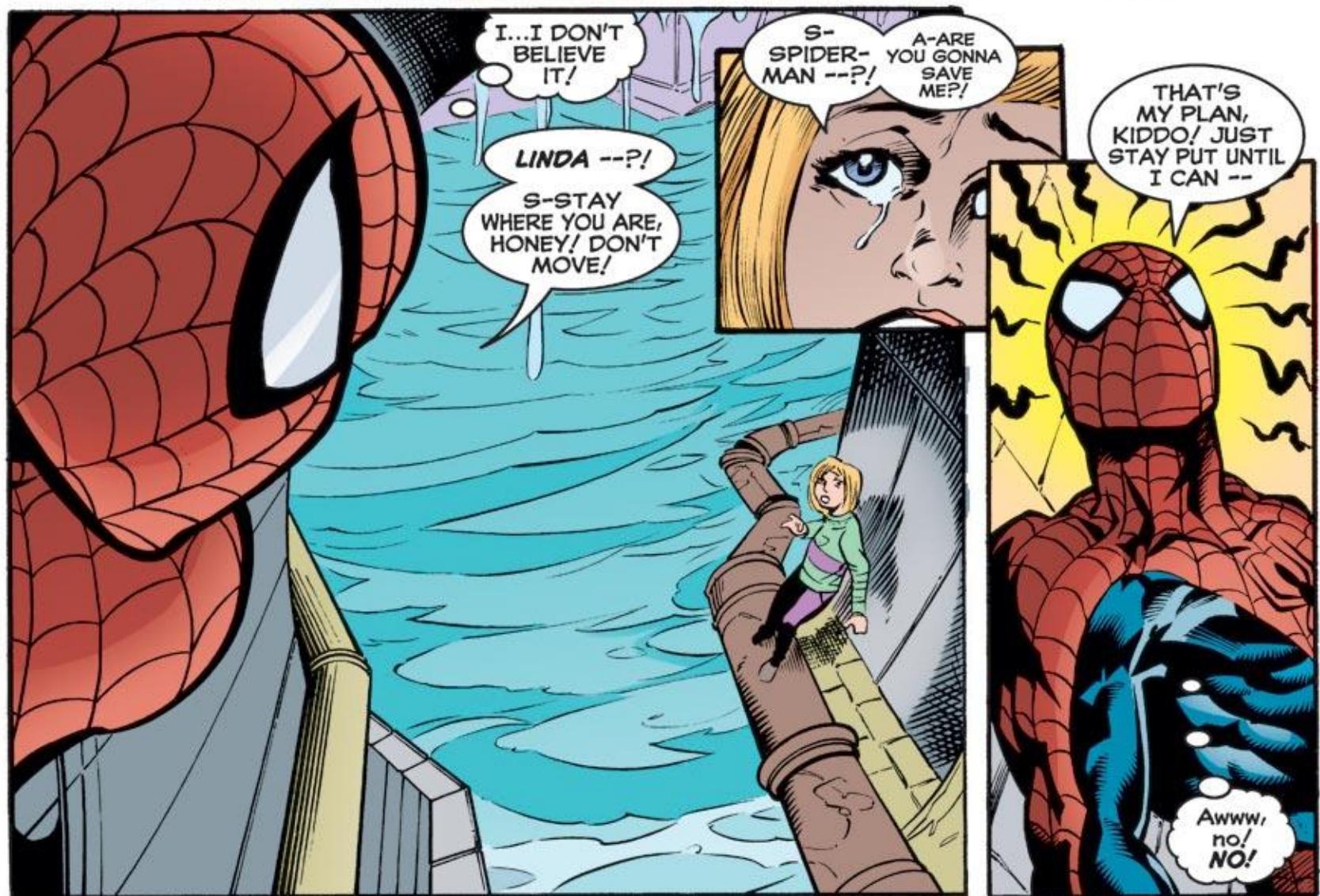








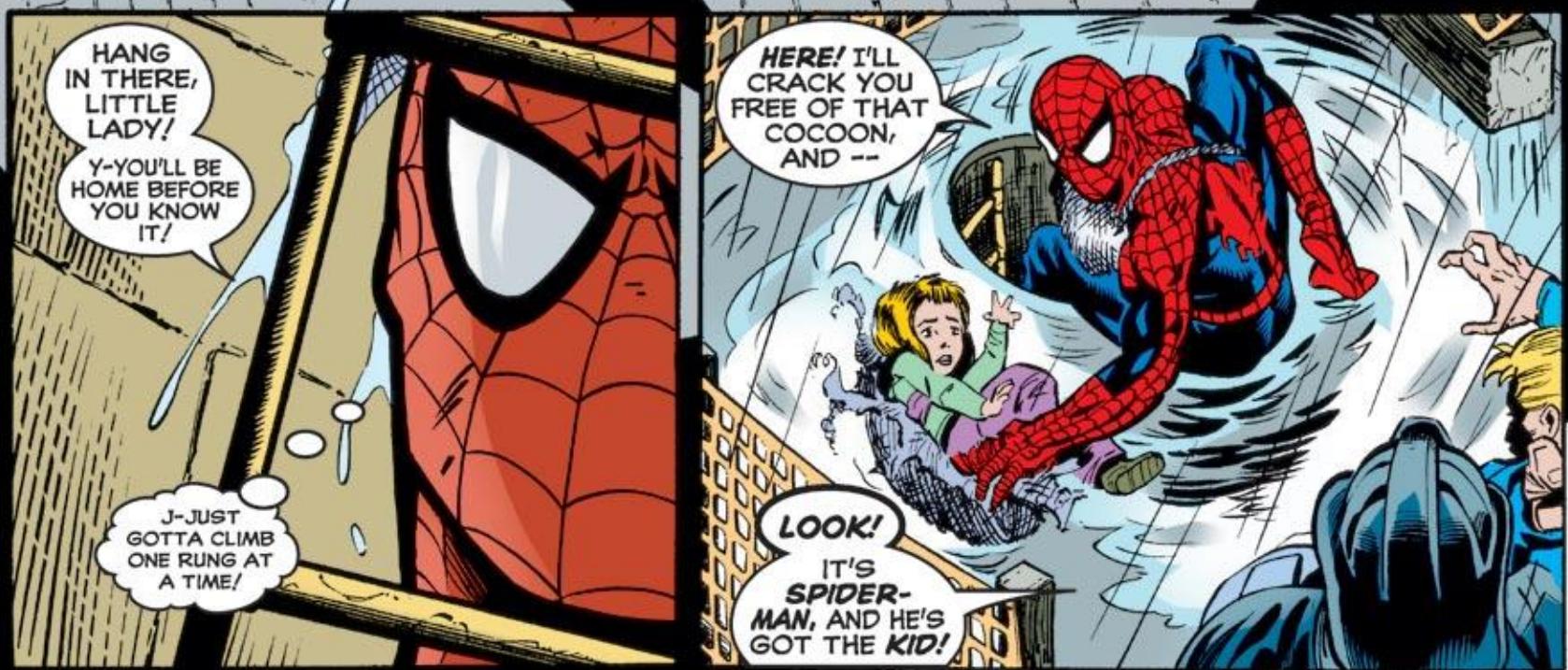












THAT BLOOD SAMPLE, LANA...

...IS THERE ANY CHANCE IT CAN BE...
...REPLICATED?

ZACK! ARE YOU SERIOUSLY
CONSIDERING ---?!

WHY NOT?!
IT'S BEEN
A FEW HUNDRED
YEARS SINCE THIS
WORLD HAD ITS
LAST SUPER
HERO.

A NEW MILLENNIUM
IS APPROACHING!

MAYBE IT'S
ALSO TIME FOR
A NEW AGE OF
HEROES...

AND I
COULD FOLLOW
IN THE FOOTSTEPS
OF THE GREATEST
**COSTUMED
CRUSADER**
OF ALL!

