

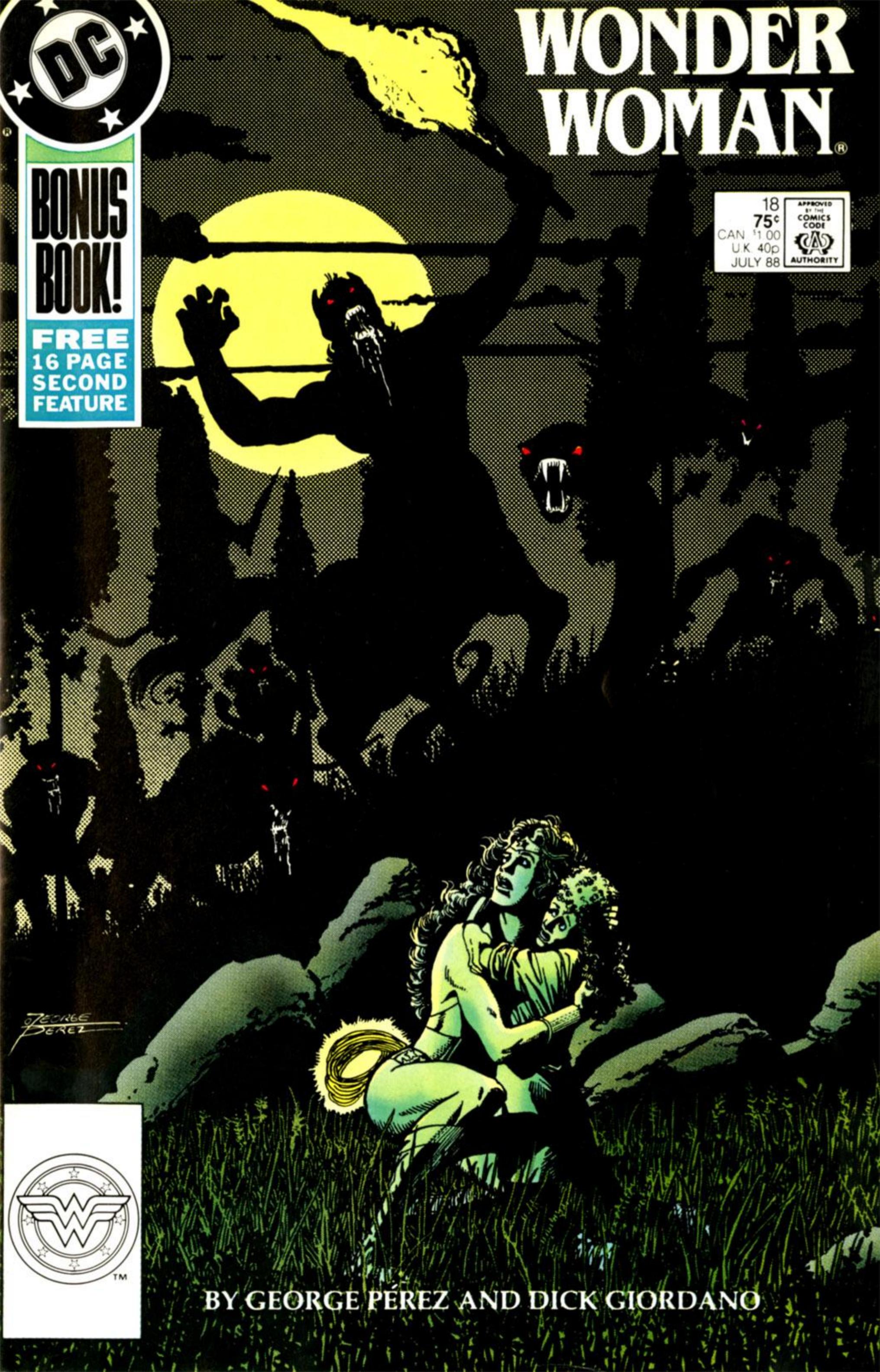


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ONCE THERE WAS
AN AGE OF GOLD.
THE AGE OF THE
OLD GODS.

IT WAS
AN AGE OF
TITANS...

OF LIGHT...

...AND IT WAS
GOOD.

BUT THE GOLDEN
LIGHT DIMMED WHEN
THE TITANS'
CHILDREN WAGED
A CATASTROPHIC
WAR AGAINST THEIR
ELDERS.

AS THE SON SLEW
THE FATHER, THE
TITANS FELL, AND
THE LIGHT OF
GODHOOD'S FIRST
GOLDEN AGE WAS
FINALLY EXTINGUISHED...

...UNTIL ONLY THE
DARK REMAINED.

IN THE BLACKNESS,
THREE BROTHERS,
GODS AND KINGS
ALL, APPORTIONED
THE SPOILS OF WAR
AMONG THEMSELVES.

THE GREAT PACT WAS
SEALED AND PLACED
WITHIN THE TWISTED
REMAINS OF THEIR
FATHER, CRONUS,
THE EARTH GOD...

...AN ACT OF
BOTH DEFIANCE
AND RESPECT.

AND WITH THE TREATY
SECURE, THE GODS
SET FORTH ON A NEW
GOLDEN AGE...

THUS, IN THIS SILENT
LIMBO BEYOND THE
LIGHT, THE OLYMPIAN
PACT HAS
REMAINED FOR
COUNTLESS
MILLENNIA...

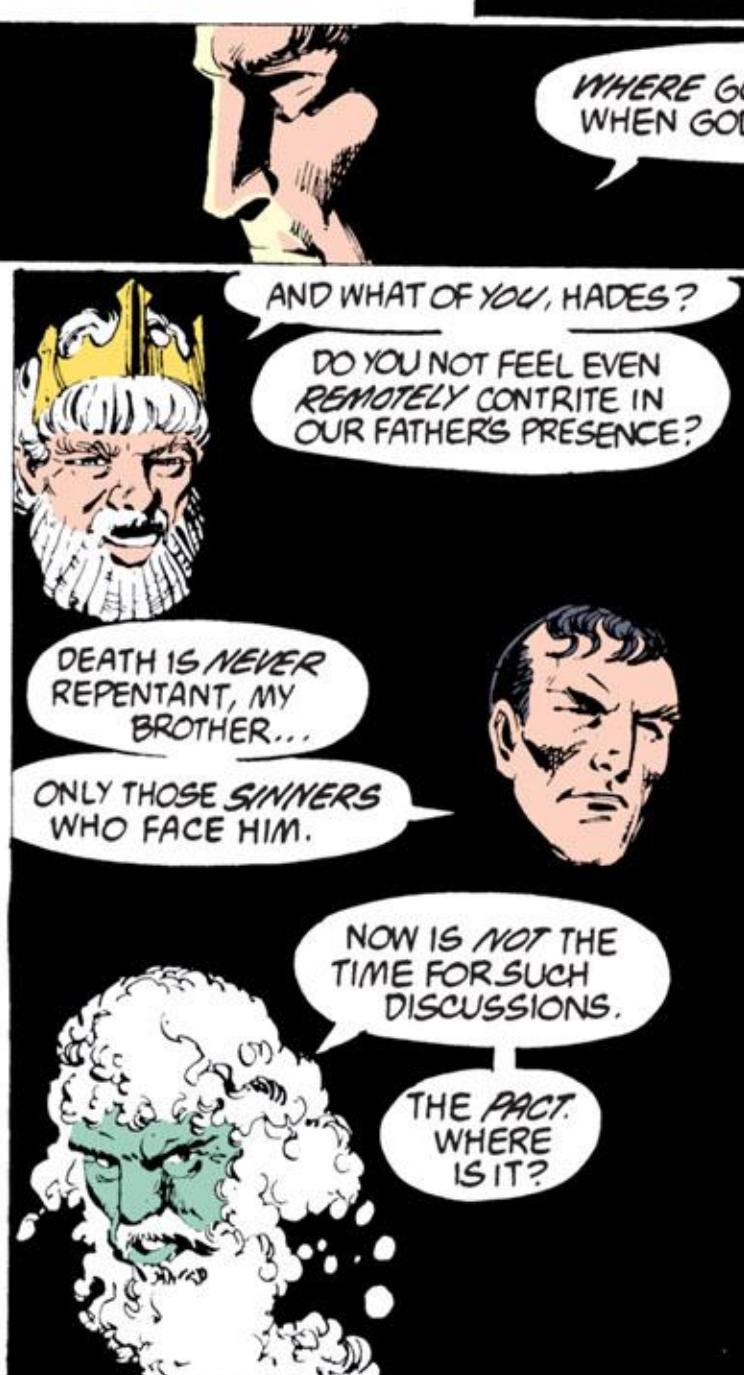
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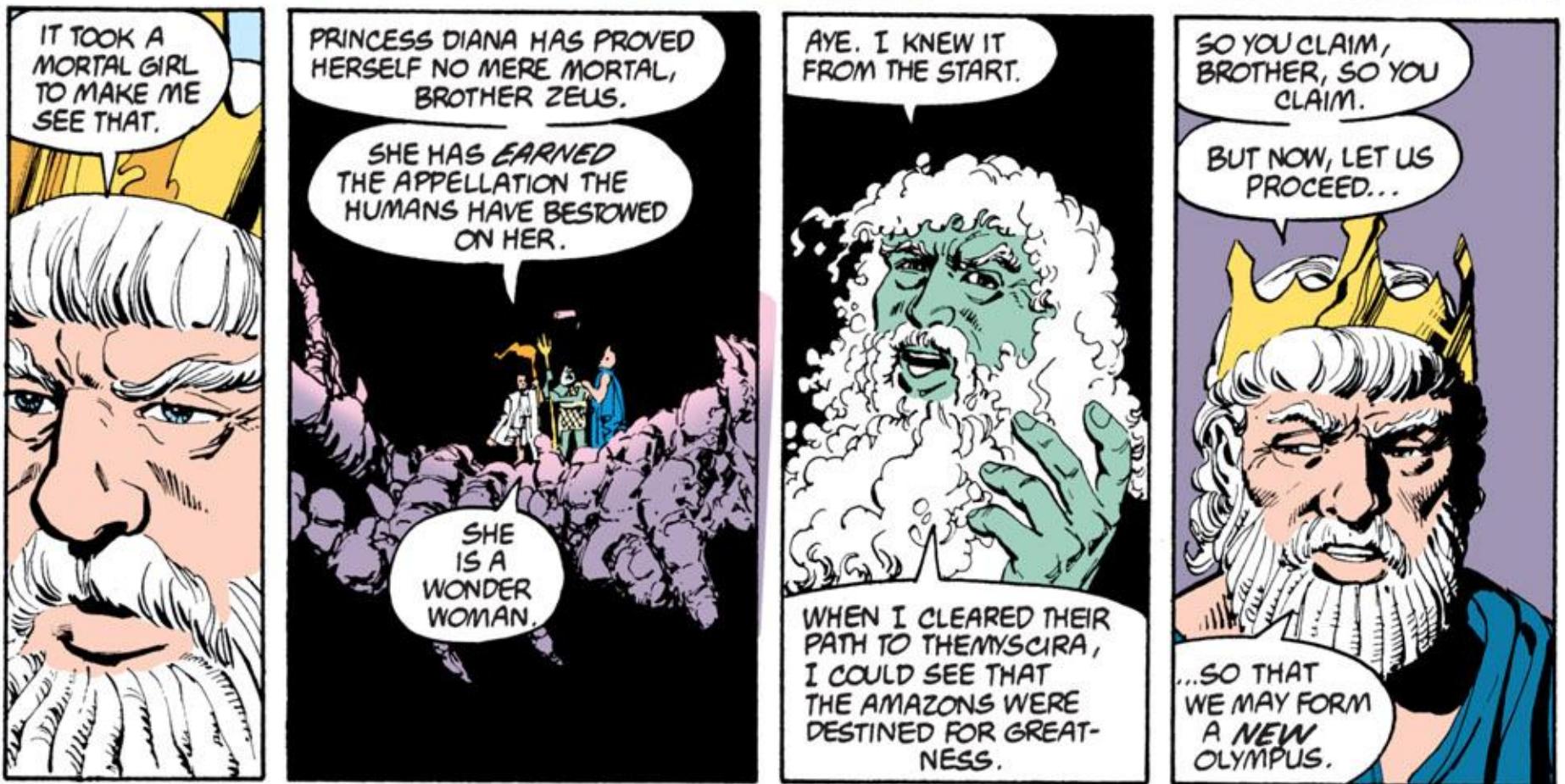
...UNDISTURBED...

...LEAVING
THE DARKNESS
BEHIND THEM.

...UNTIL
NOW.

...WITH THE
DOMINION OF THE
BOUNTIFUL EARTH
TO BE SHARED BY
ALL THE GODS.





CREATURES of the DARK

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A HOSPITAL IN THE GREEK ISLE OF CEPHALONIA... WHERE AN AMAZON PRINCESS HAS BEEN ADMITTED AFTER HER MYSTERIOUS COLLAPSE ABOARD A BOAT ON THE IONIAN SEA...

(WELL, PRINCESS, IN ALL MY YEARS AS A DOCTOR, YOU ARE WITHOUT A DOUBT THE HEALTHIEST PATIENT I'VE EVER EXAMINED.)*

(ARE YOU SURE,
DOCTOR?)

(WHEN WE BROUGHT
HER HERE, SHE WAS
AS COLD AS ICE.)

(TAKE IT EASY, HONEY.
YOU'RE JUST TIRED.)

(YOU'VE BEEN
PUSHING YOUR-
SELF FOR
MONTHS.)

(PERHAPS
I SHOULD
PRESCRIBE
SOMETHING?)

(NO.)

(I DON'T
USE
DRUGS.)

(I'M ALL RIGHT
NOW, JULIA...)

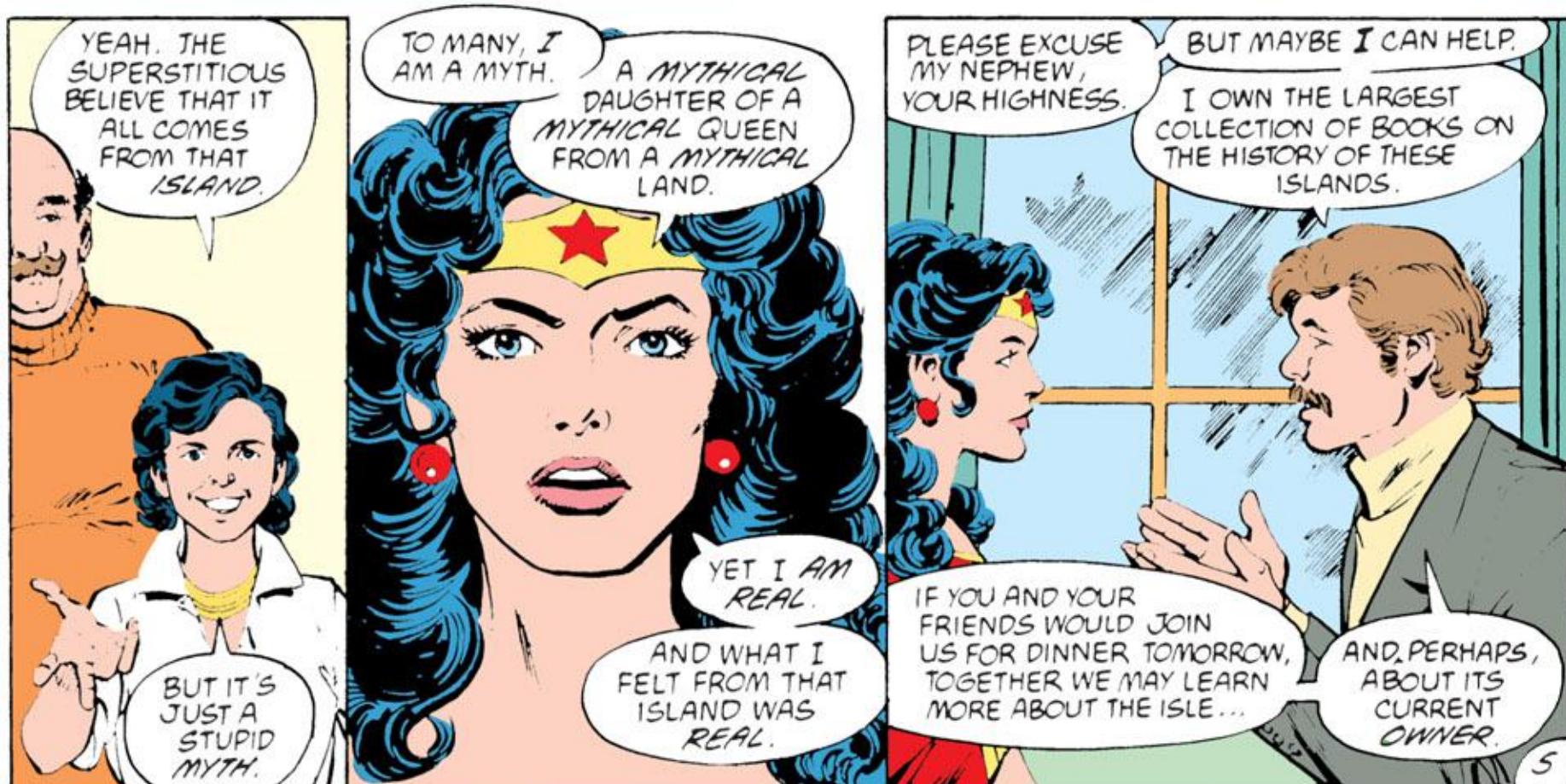
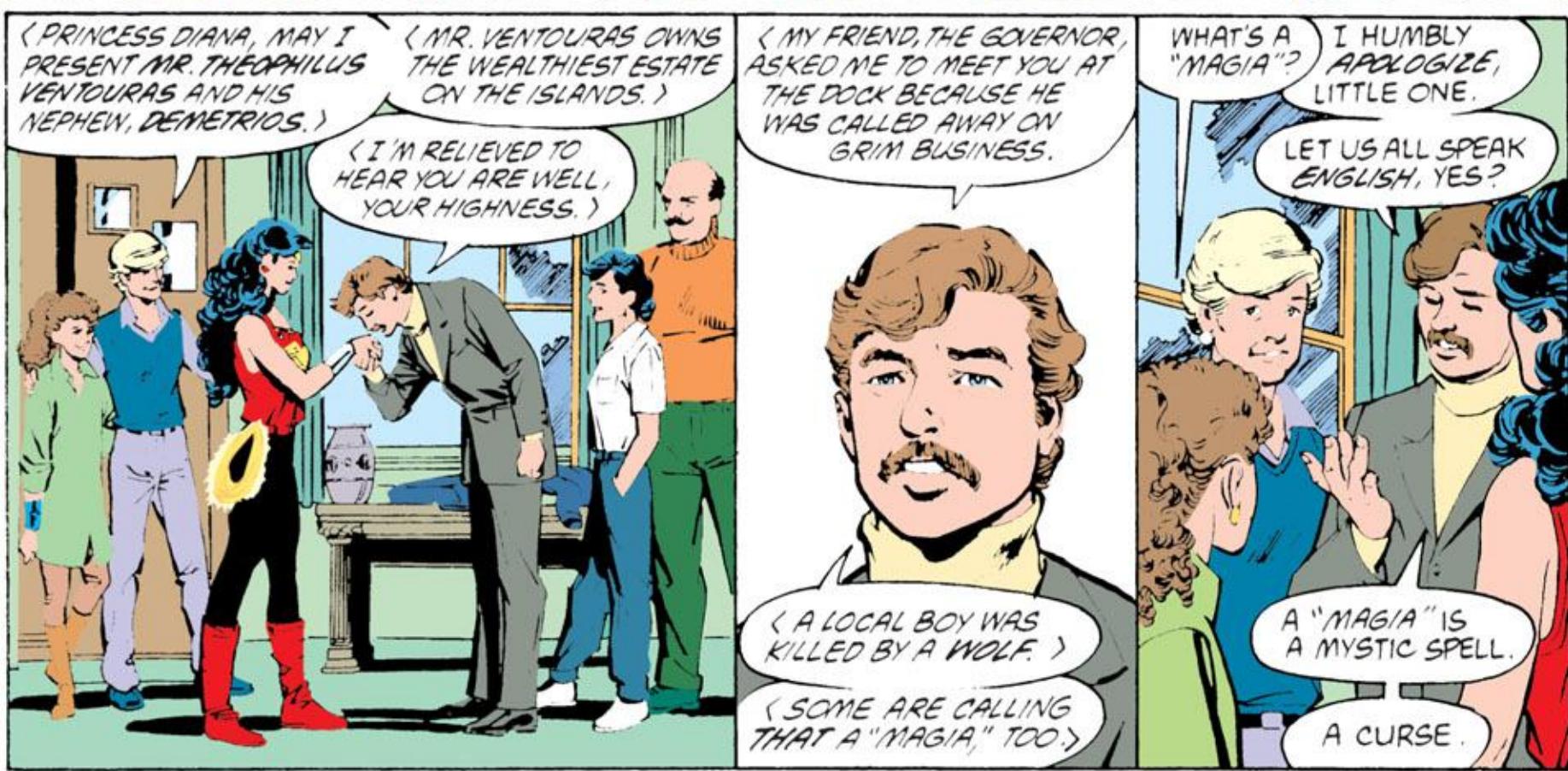
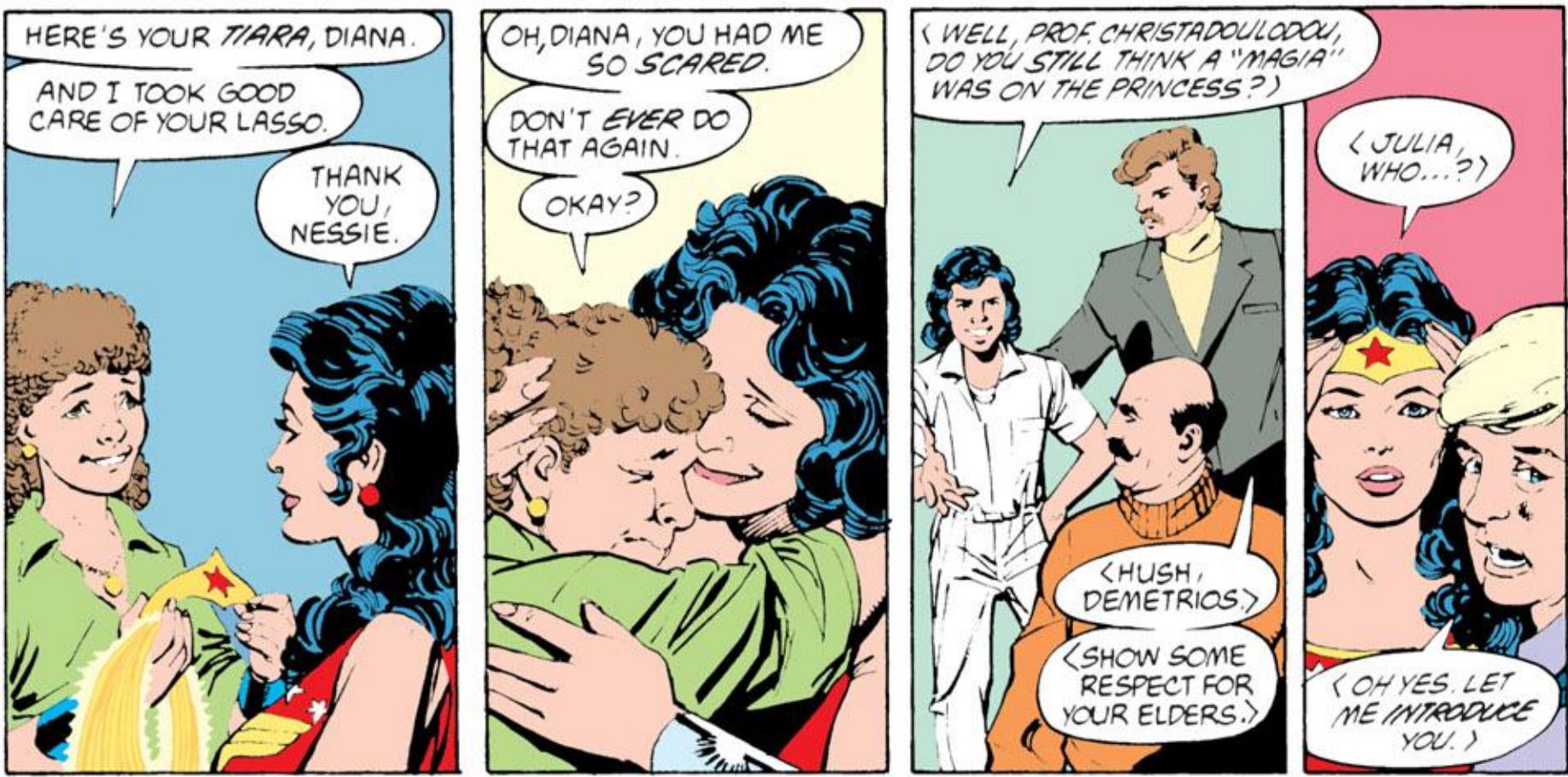
(IT WAS THAT
ISLAND. ITS AURA
SEEMED TO CLUTCH
ME IN A CHILLING
GRIP.)

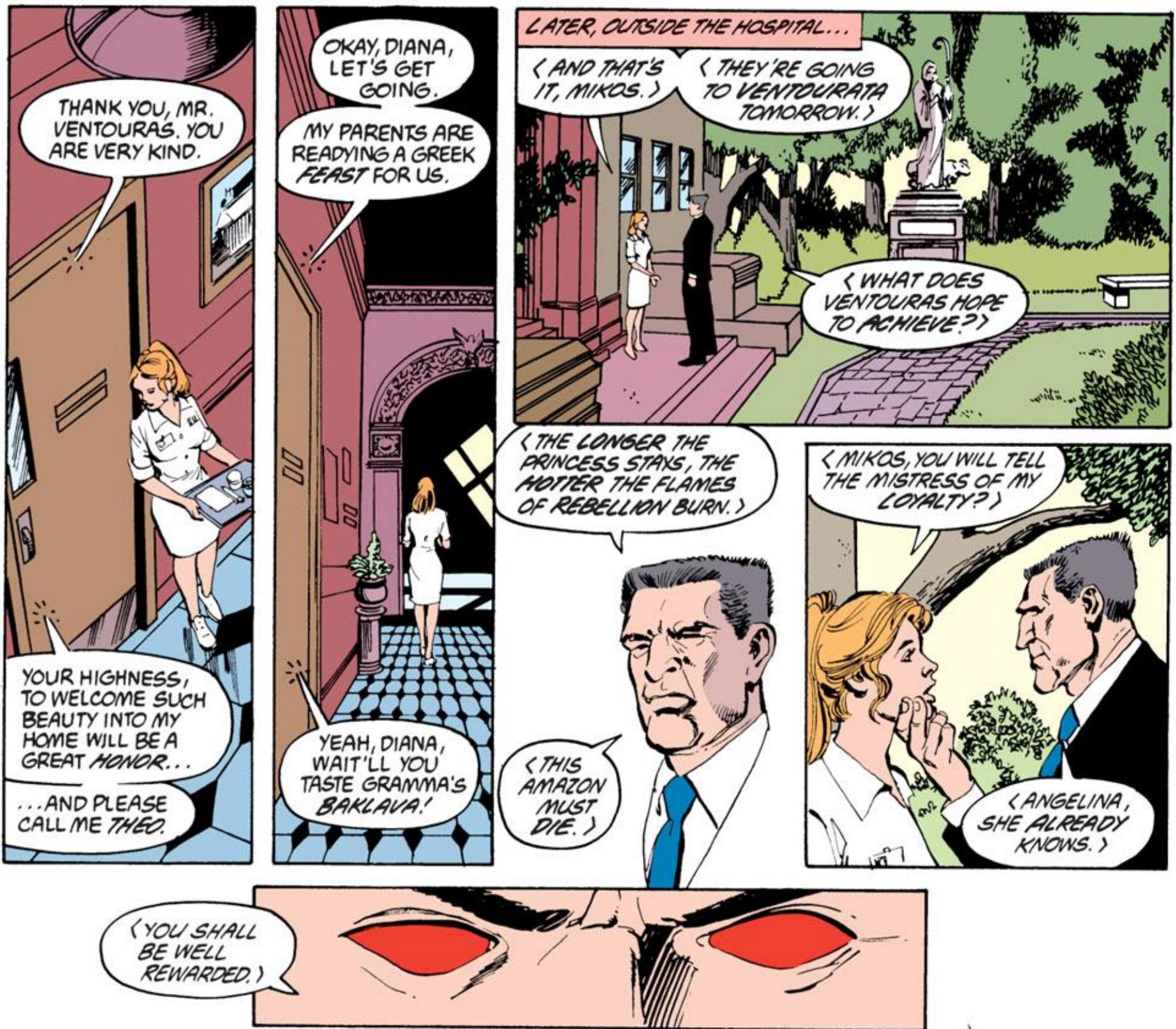
(AS YOU WISH. COME NURSE,
THERE'S NOTHING MORE WE
CAN DO HERE.)

(ALTHOUGH
I AGREE WITH
THE PROFESSOR,
PRINCESS.)

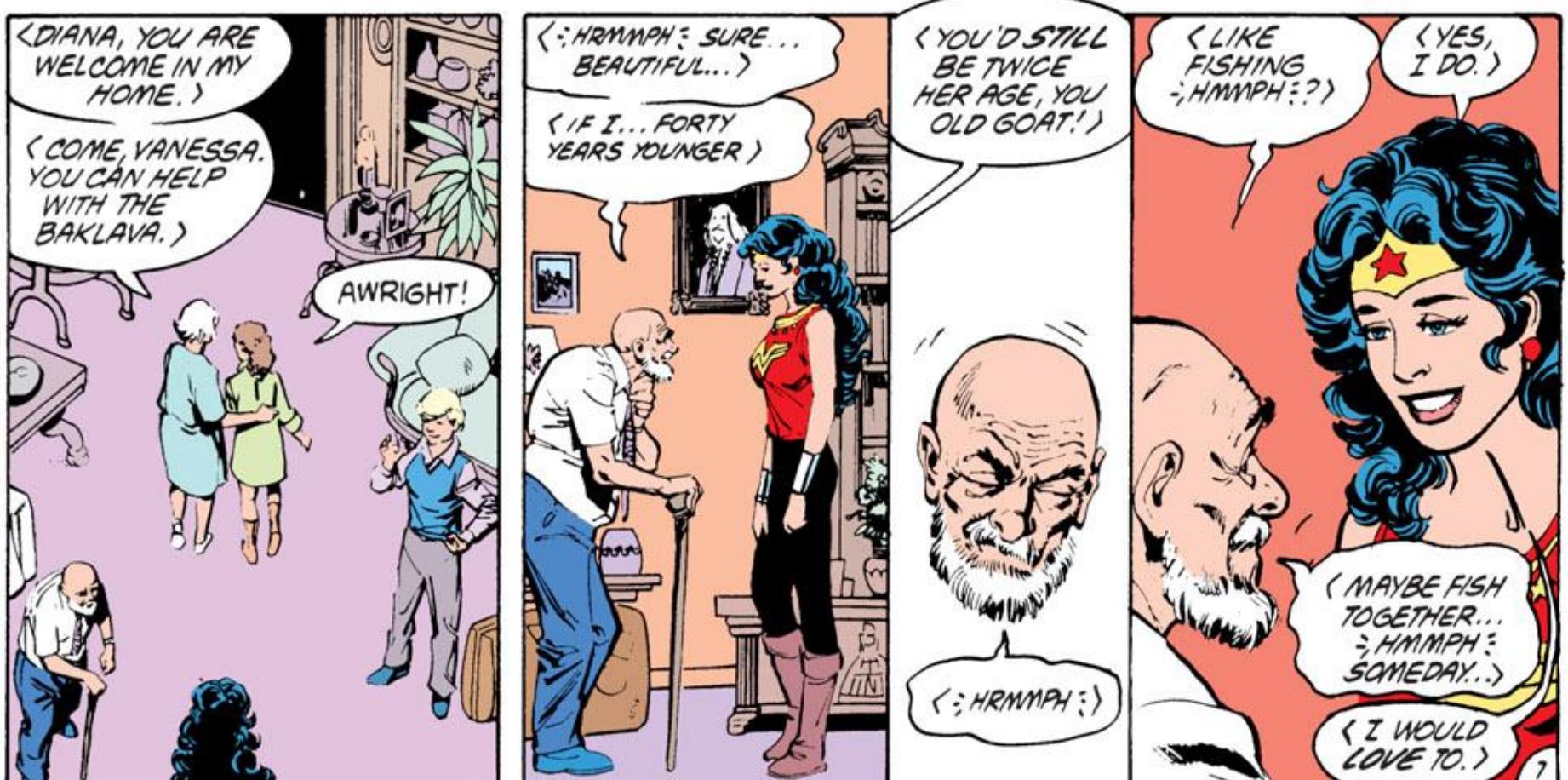
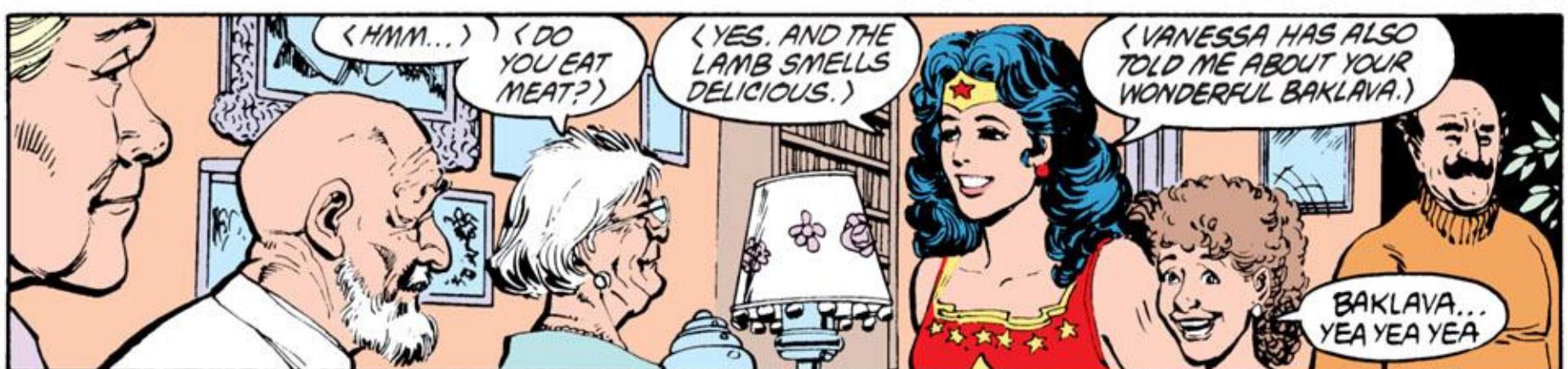
(YOU
NEED
REST.)

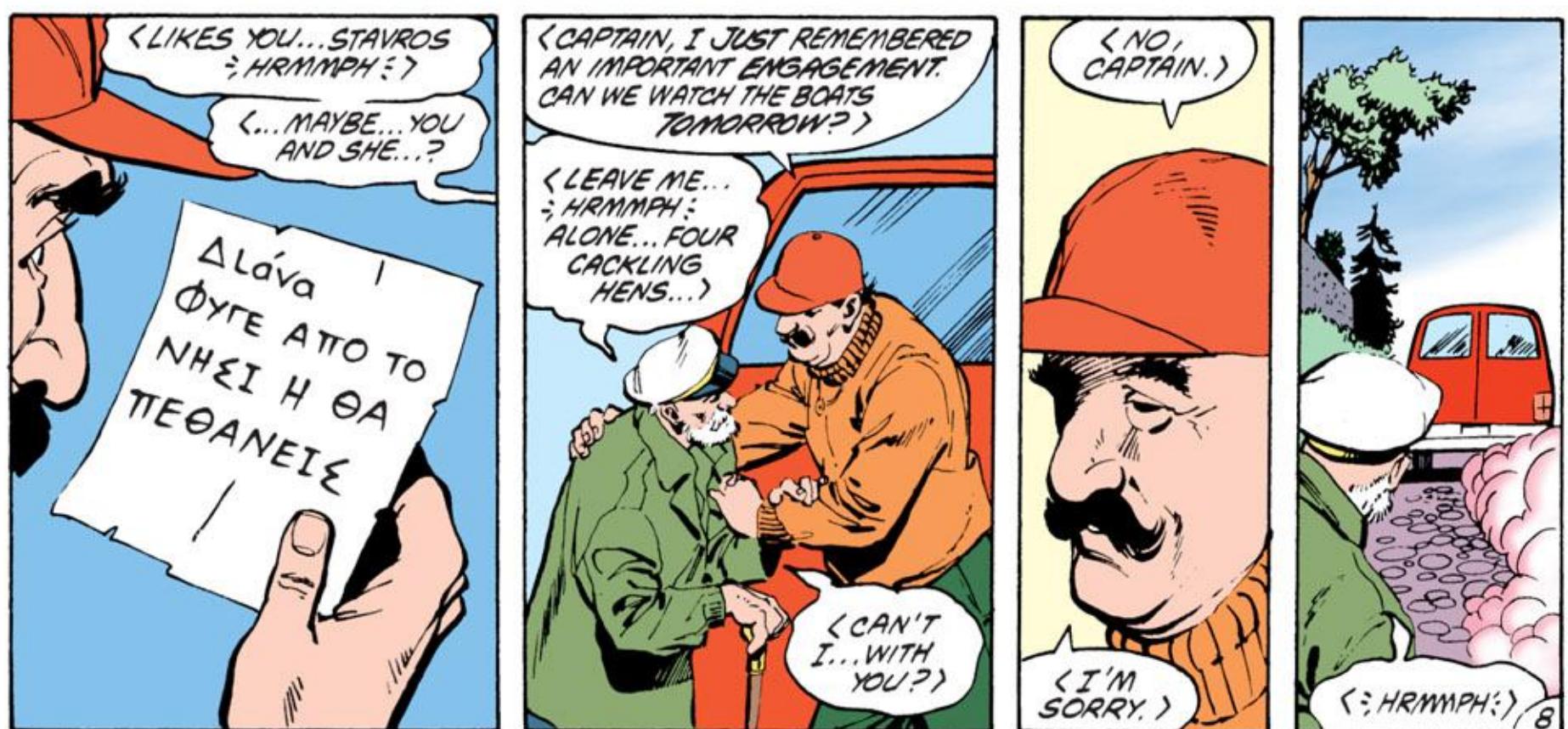
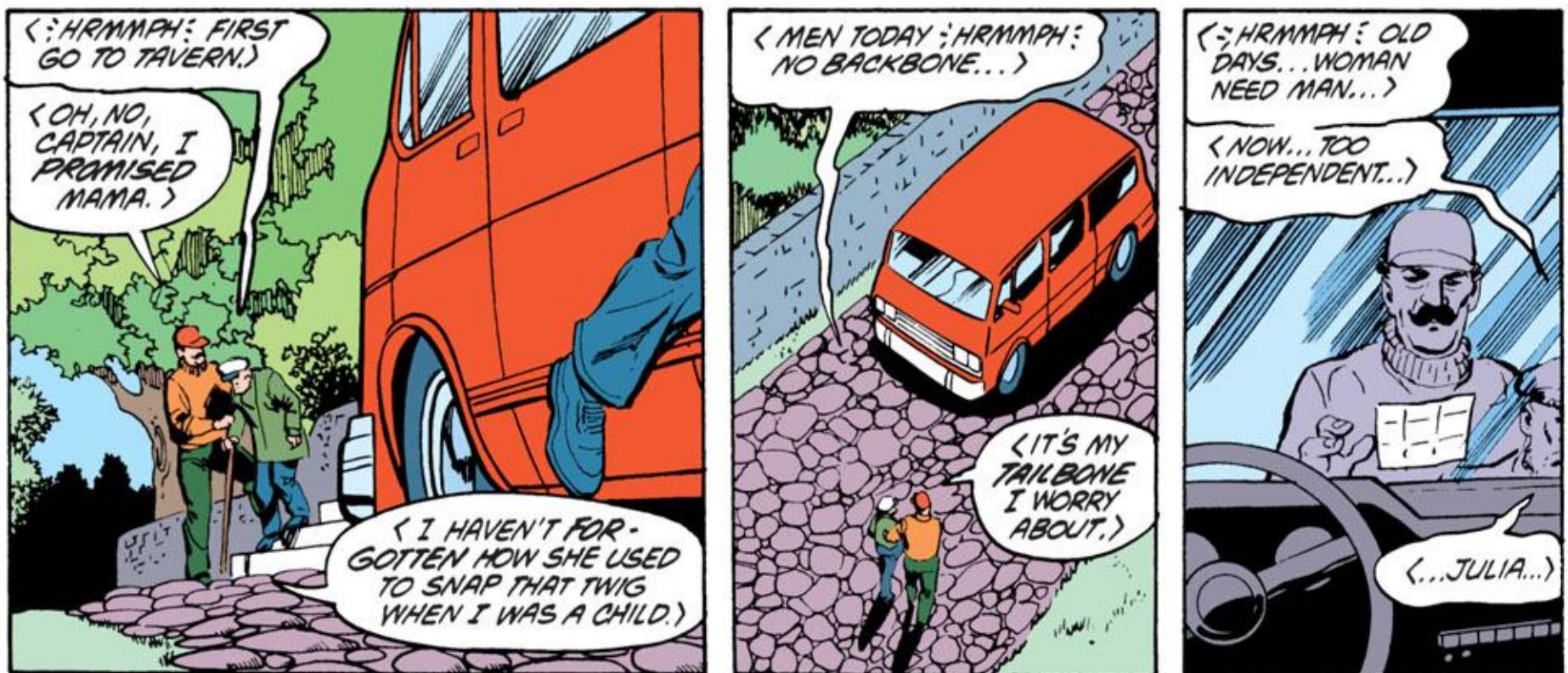
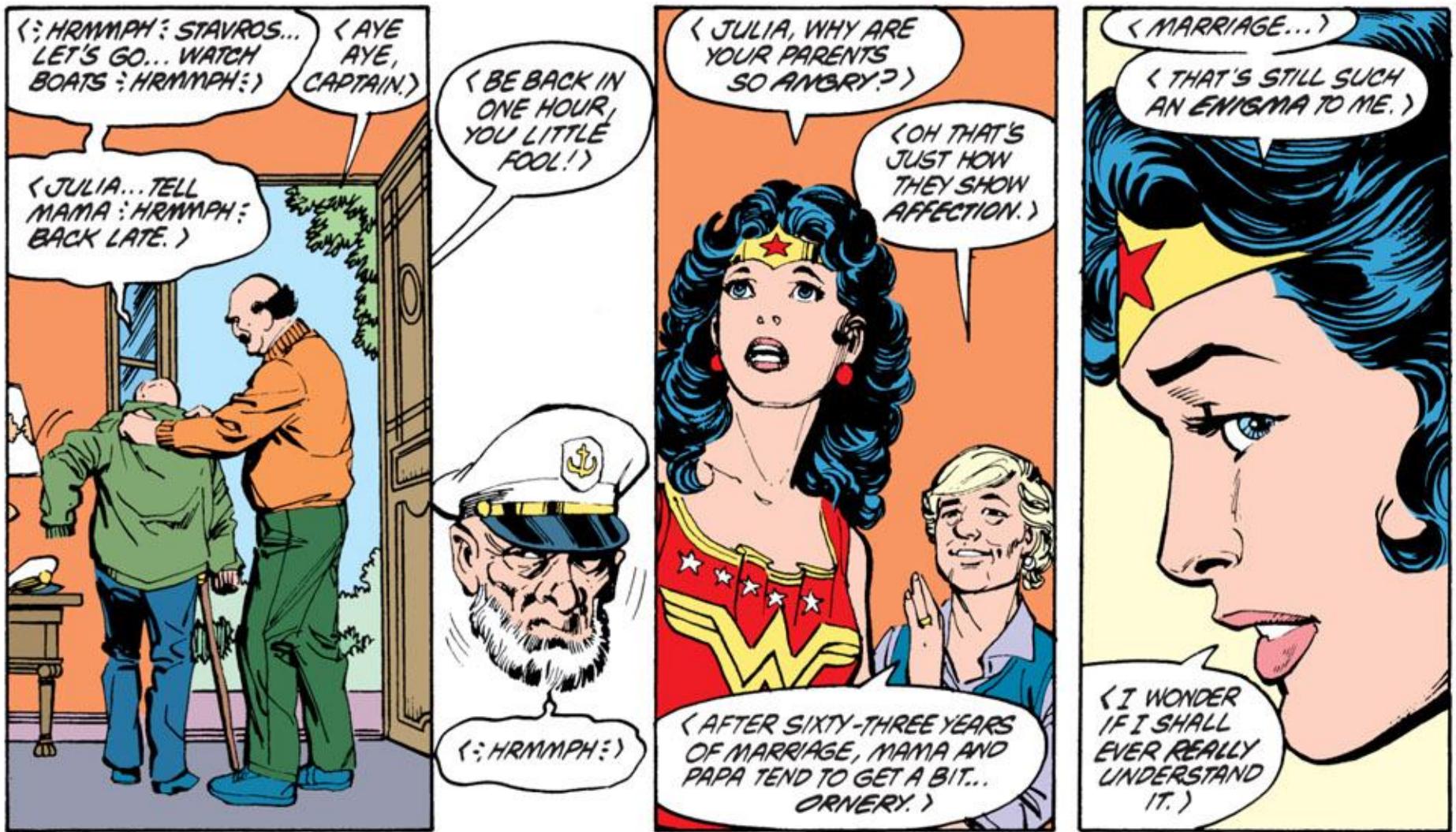
* Translated from the Greek





LATER THAT EVENING, IN A MODEST LITTLE HOME IN THE HILLS OF CEPHALONIA...





A STAR-SPECKLED INDIGO
DRAPES OVER THE IONIAN
SEA AS SHARP BLACK WINGS
SLICE THE COOL NIGHT SKY.

THE WAITING ISLAND BELOW
LOOMS LARGER WITH EACH
FEATHERED STROKE, AND THE
HAWK'S CRIMSON EYES
WIDEN WITH ANTICIPATION...

...UNTIL THE DESTINATION
IS REACHED...

...AND THE
MAN MIKOS
IS HOME.

<WELL, MIKOS, WHAT
NEWS HAVE YOU ON
DIANA?>

<NOT
GOOD, YOUR
WORSHIP.>

<THE AMAZON
FOOL IS DETERMINED
TO LEARN THE
SECRETS OF THIS
ISLE...>

<...AND YOU>

<SO MY WARNING
DIDN'T DETER HER?>

<I'M REALLY
NOT SURPRISED.>

<AFTER ALL, SHE
IS AN AMAZON.>

<"SINCE THE DAWN OF THE
GODS, OUR PATHS WERE
FATED TO CROSS. >

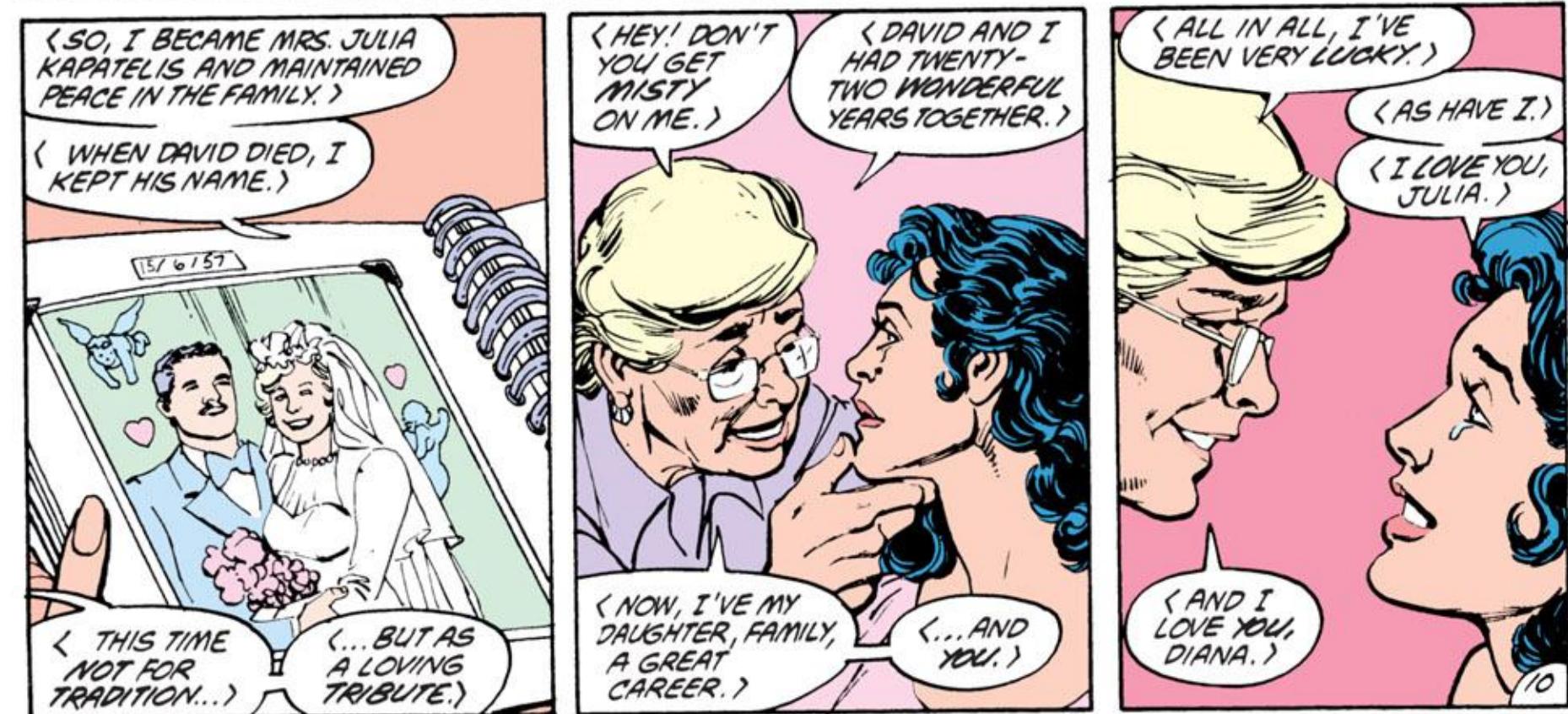
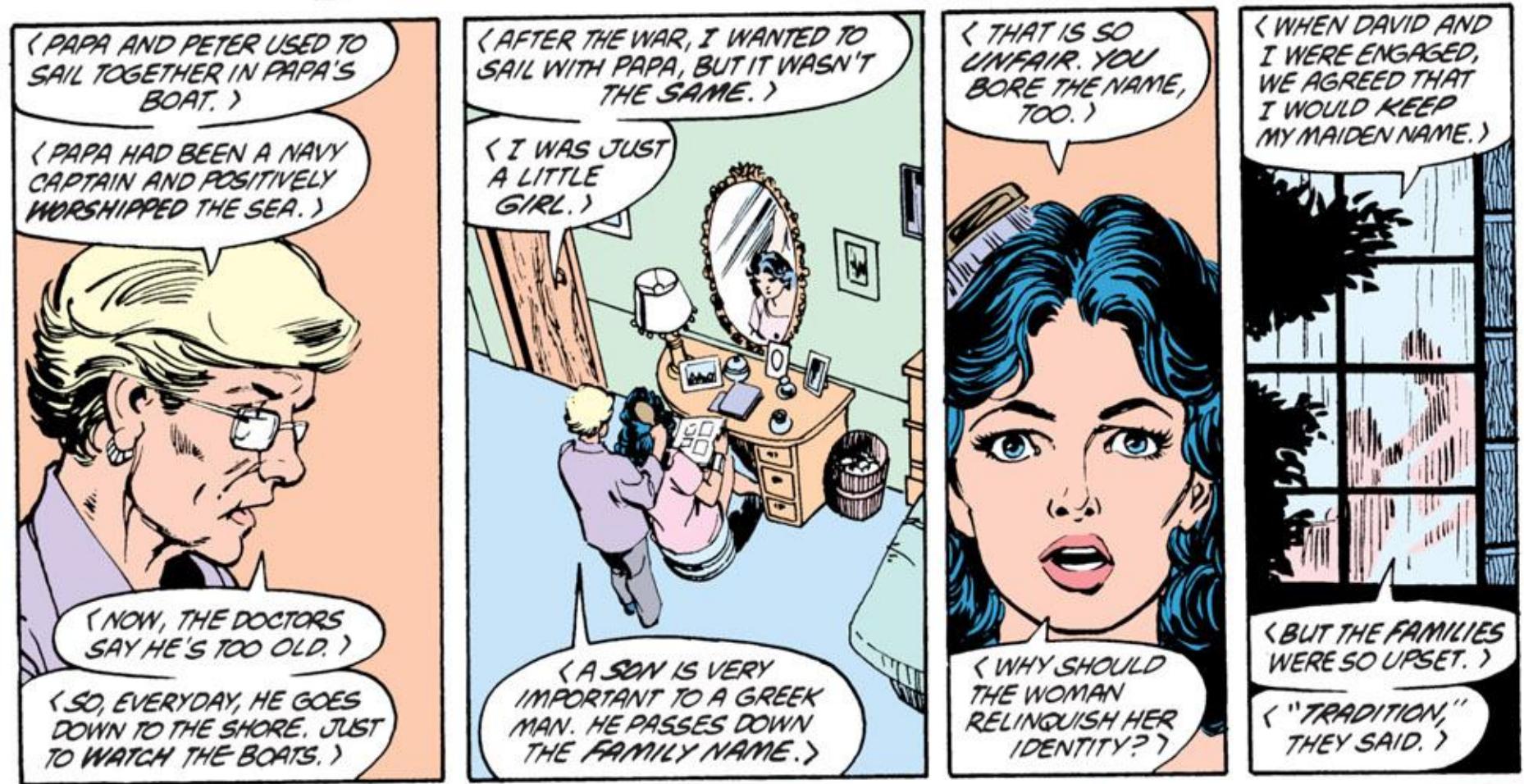
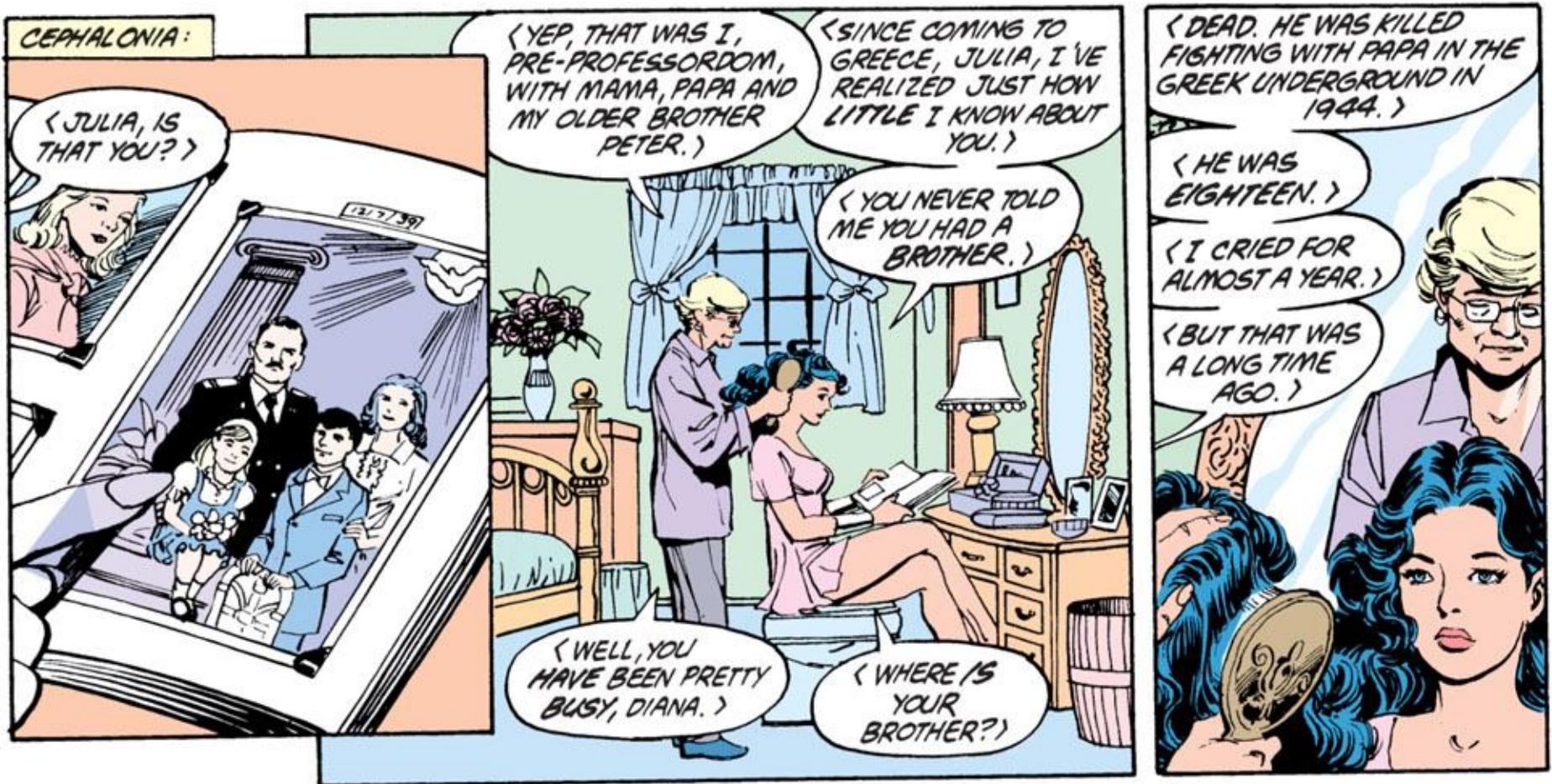
<"NOW, THE JOURNEY IS
ENDING AND OUR ROADS
WILL FINALLY MEET... >

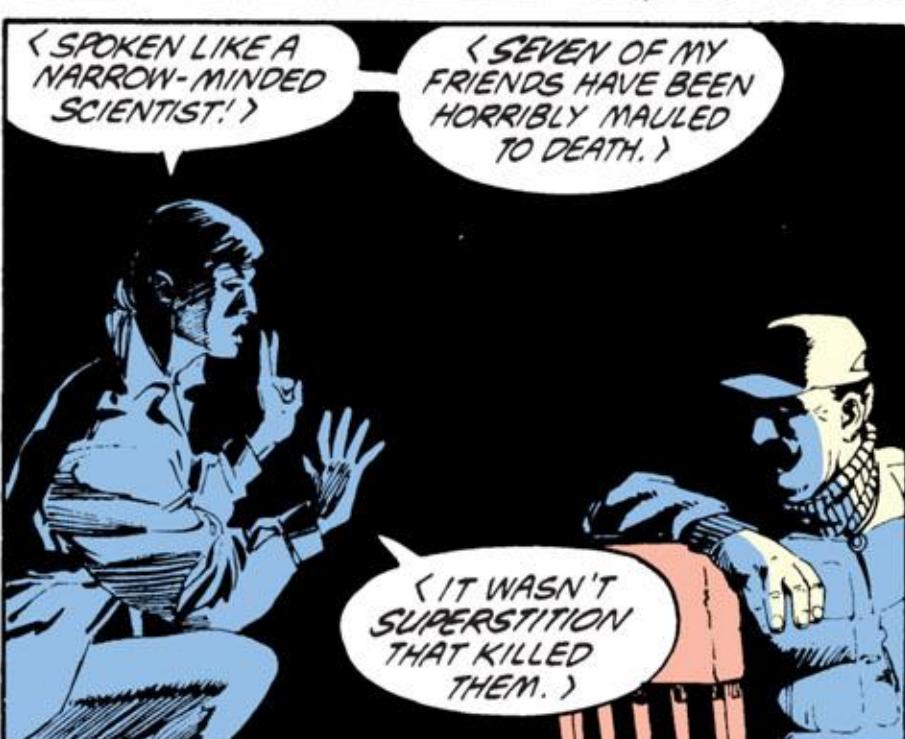
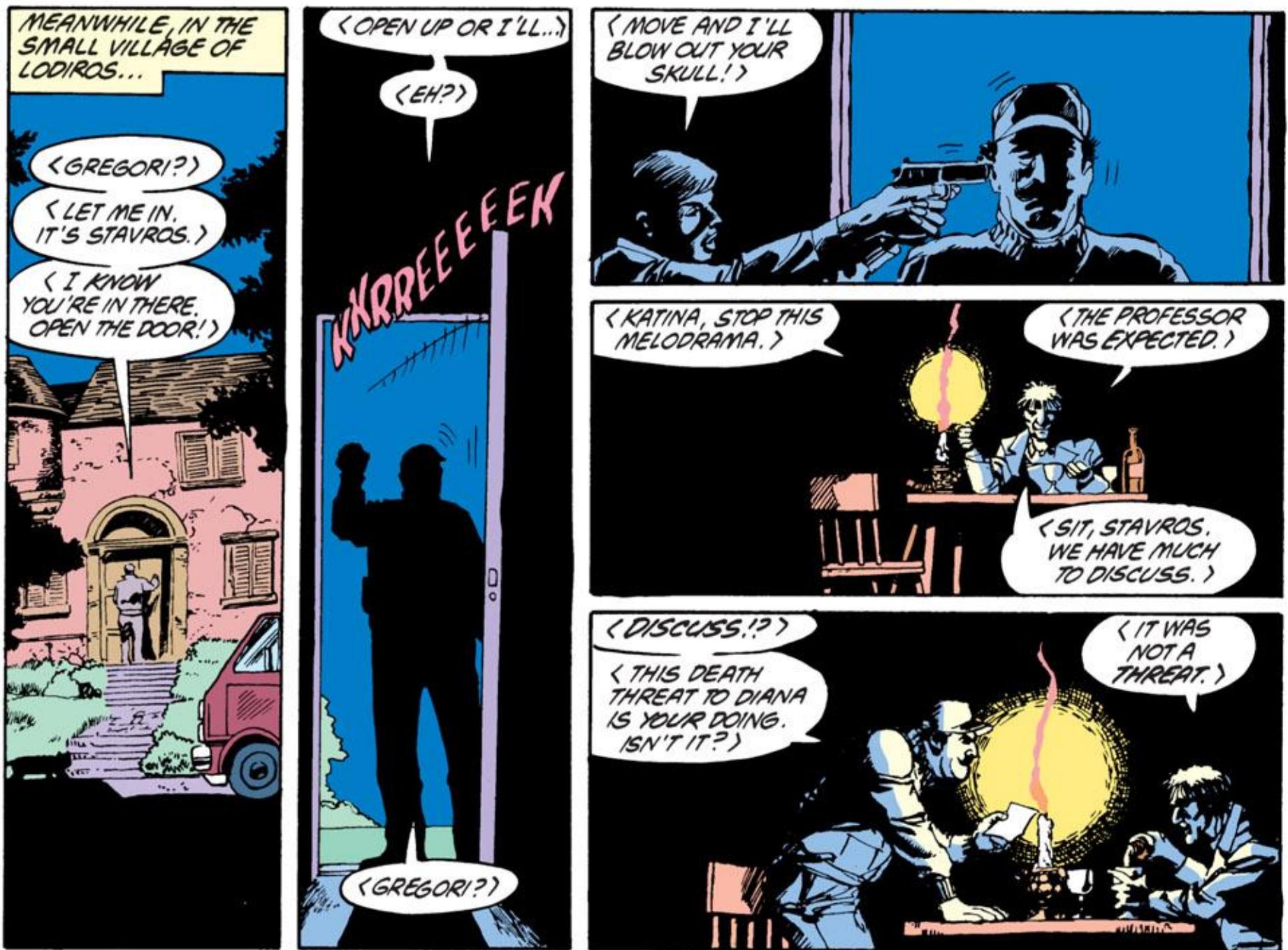
<"WITH DEATH WAITING
AT THE JUNCTION. >

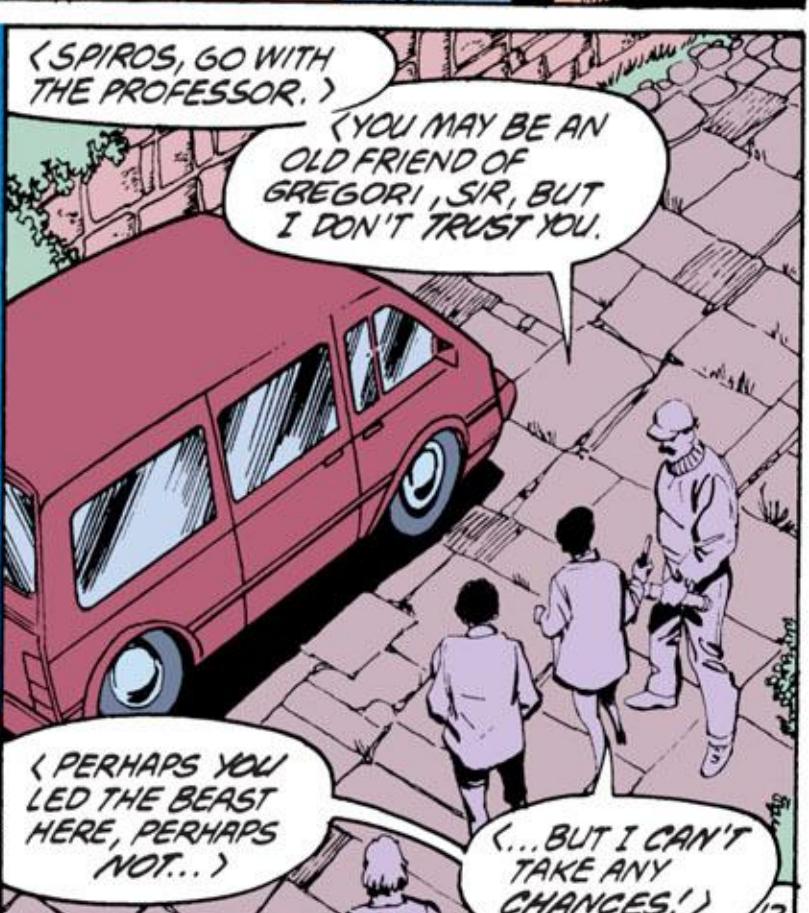
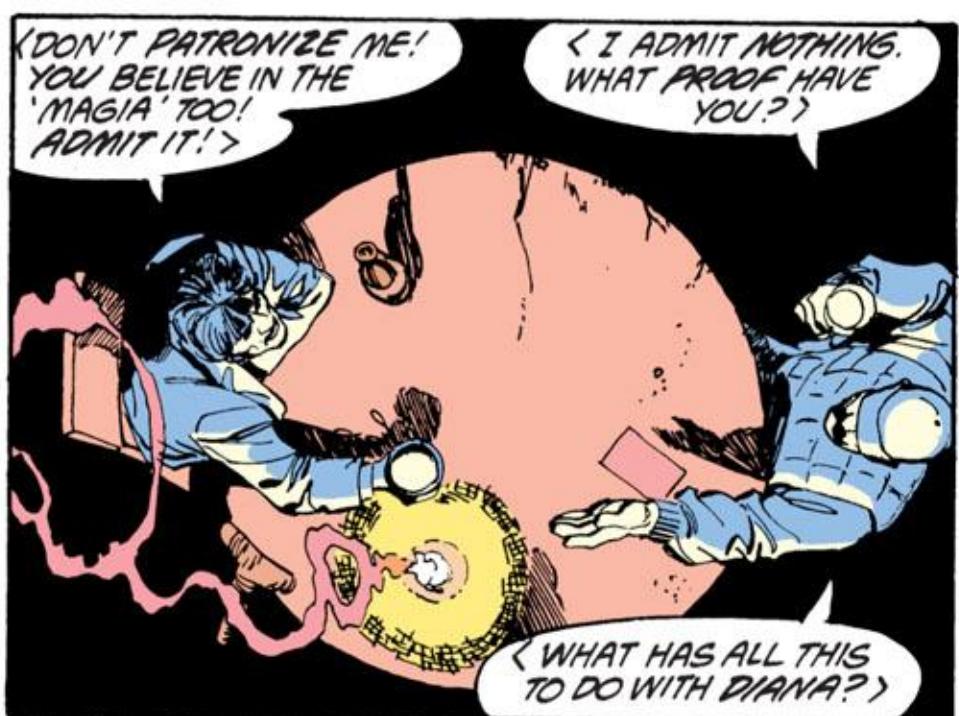
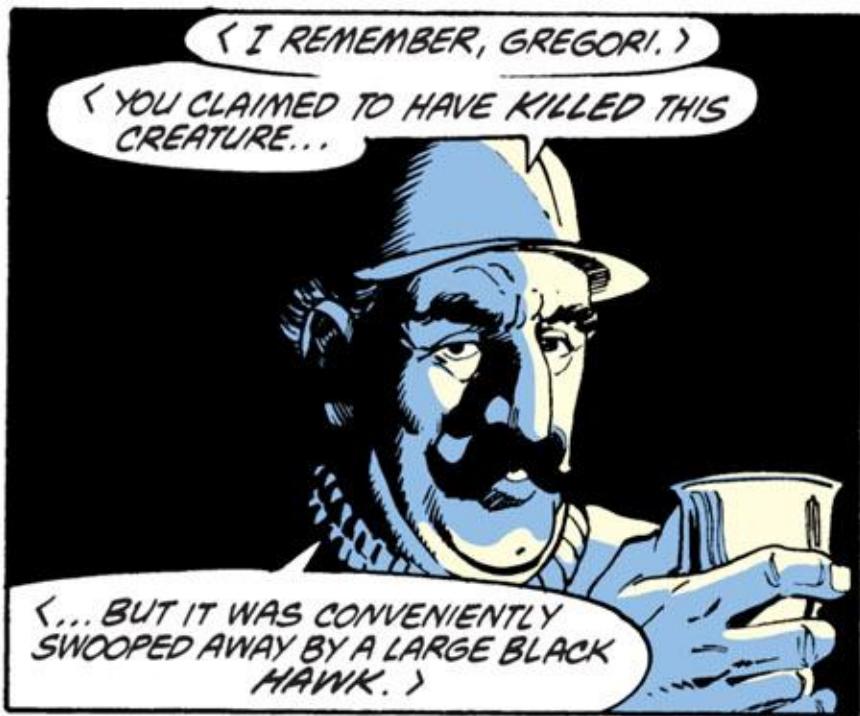
<"BUT THAT IS FOR
ANOTHER NIGHT. YOU
LOOK COLD, MIKOS. >

<"COME, LET ME
WARM YOUR
BLOOD." >

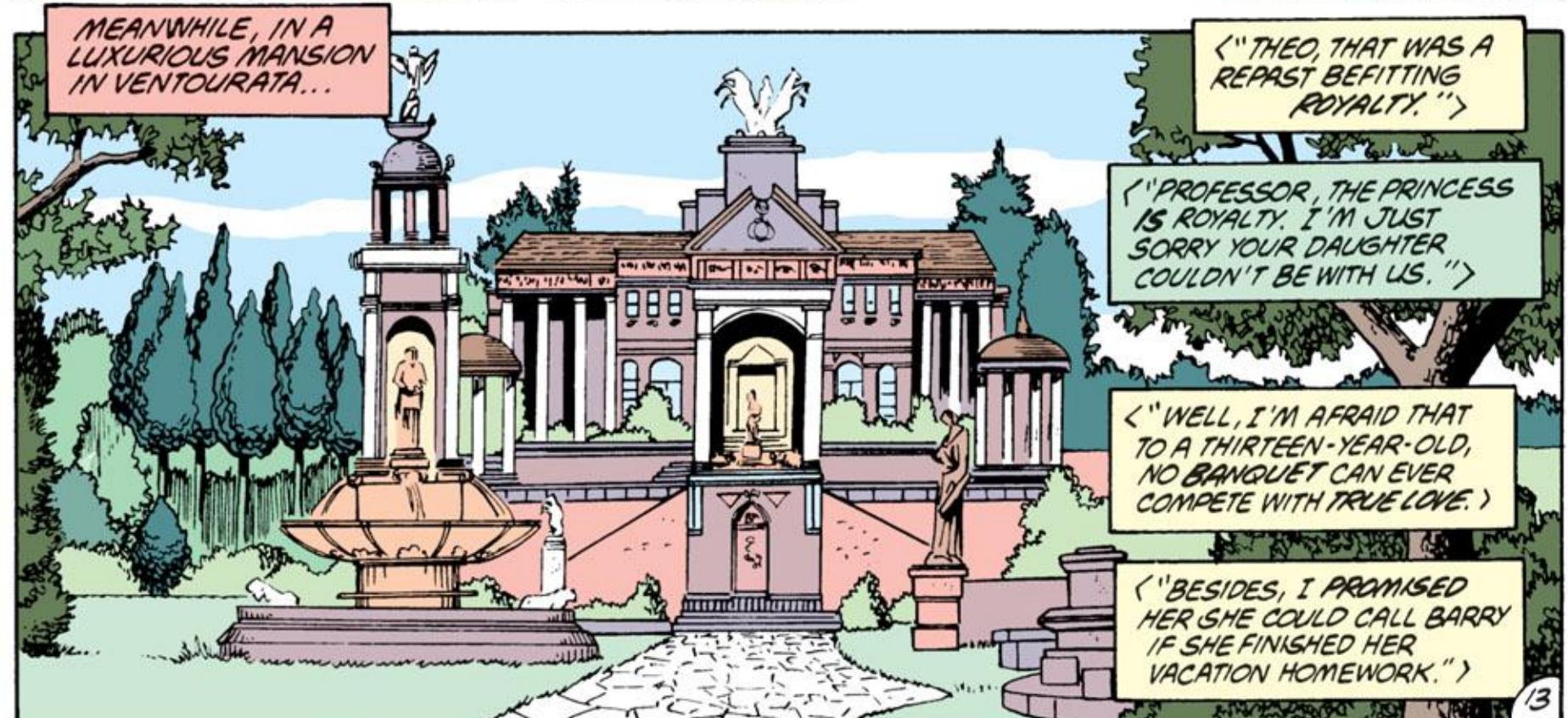
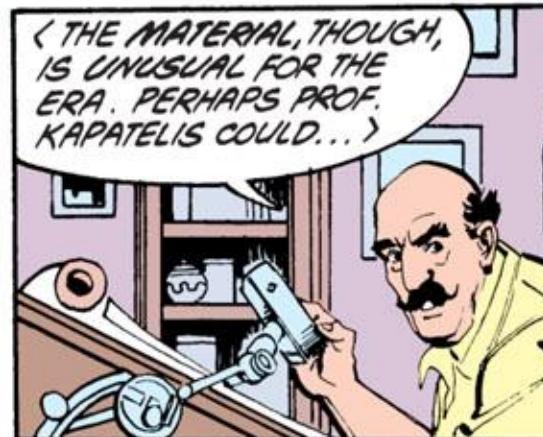
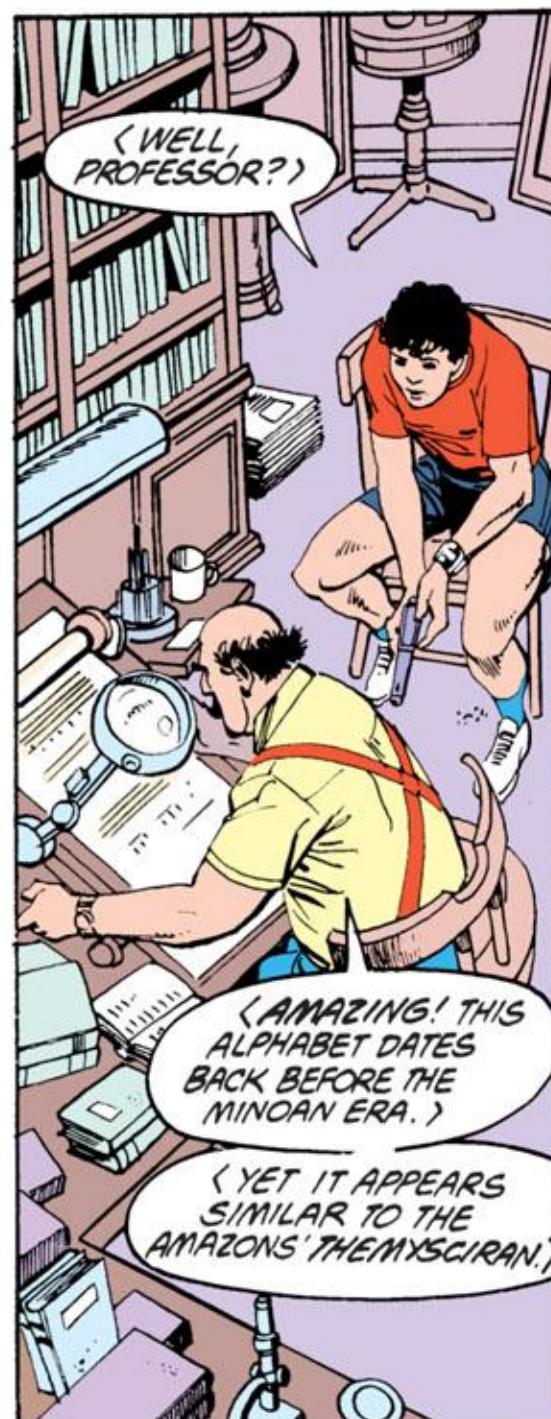
<"YES, BELOVED
MISTRESS." >

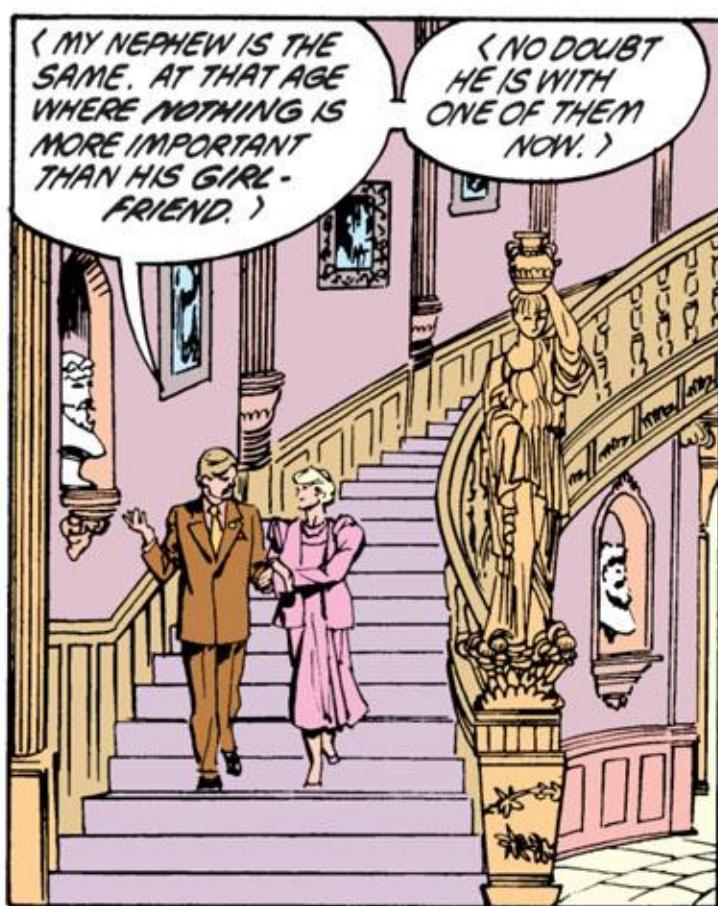


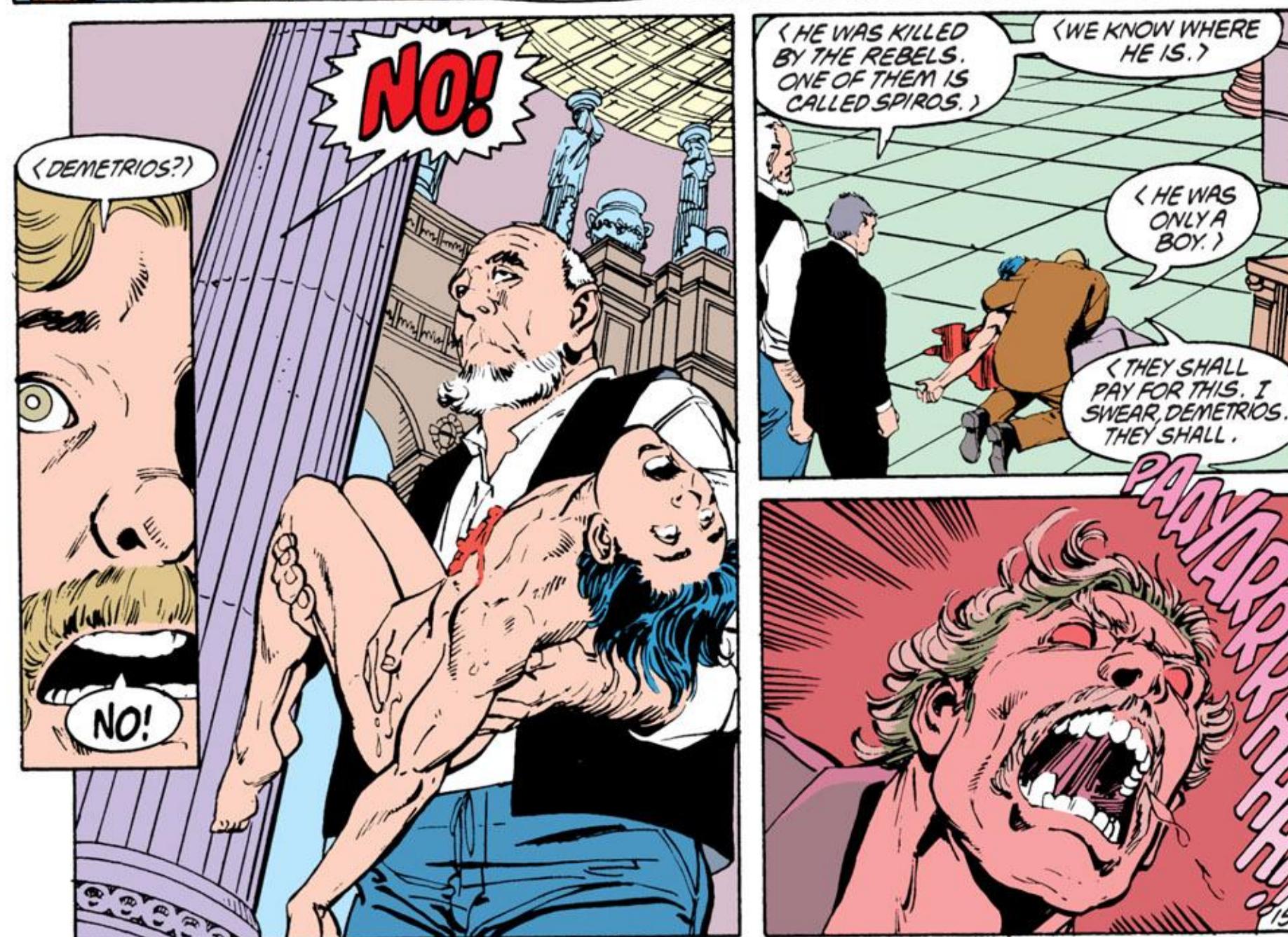
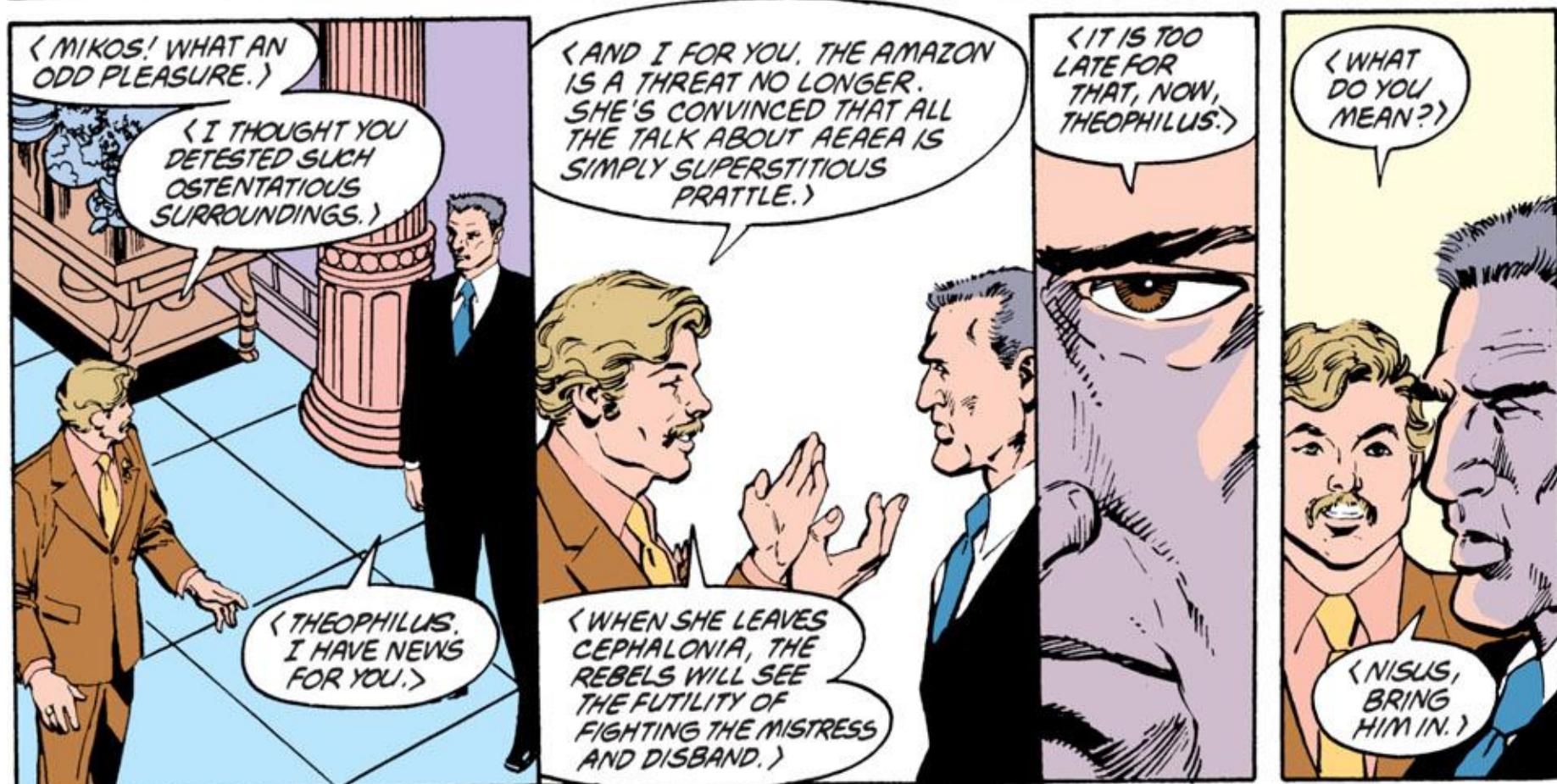




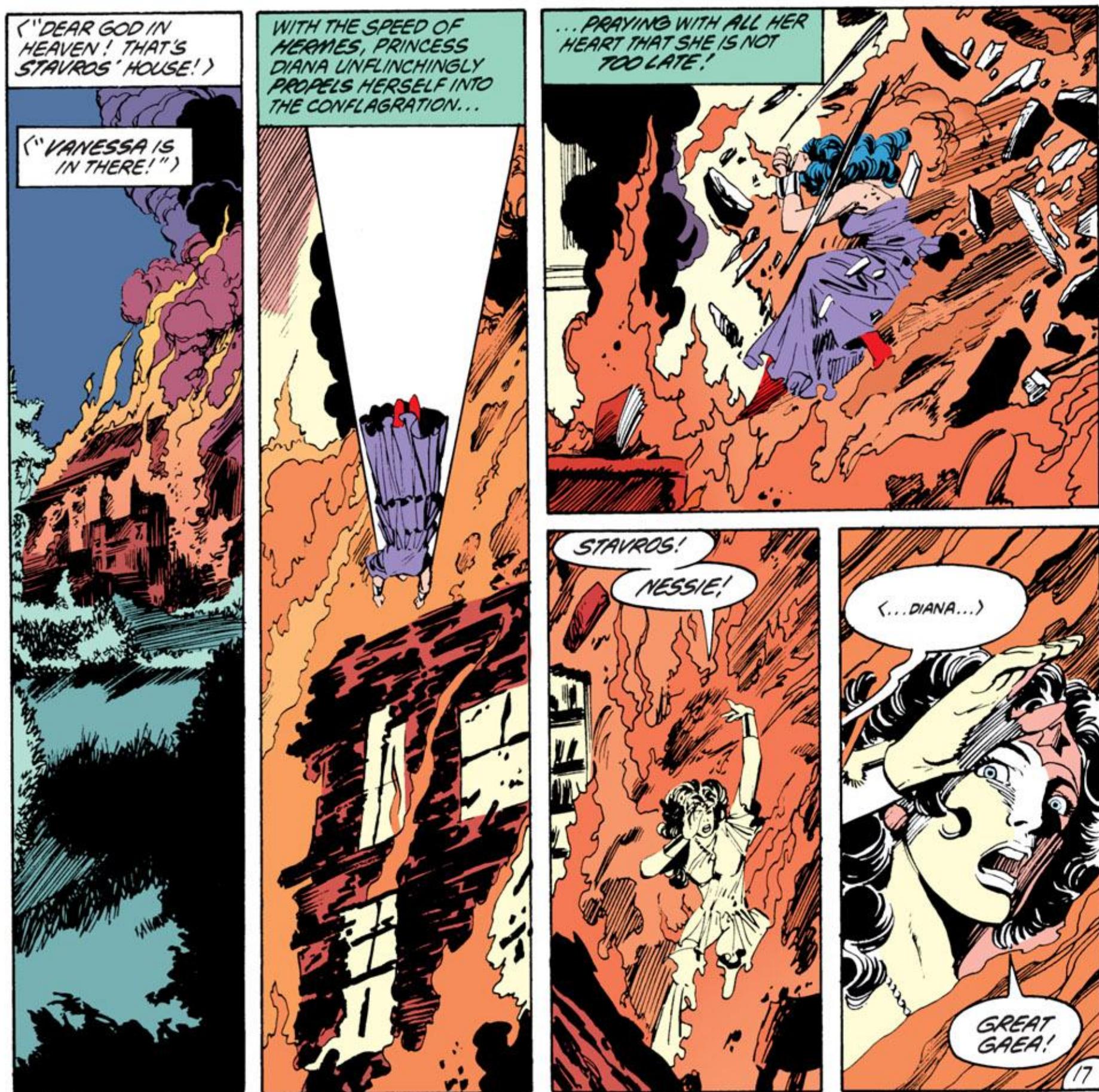
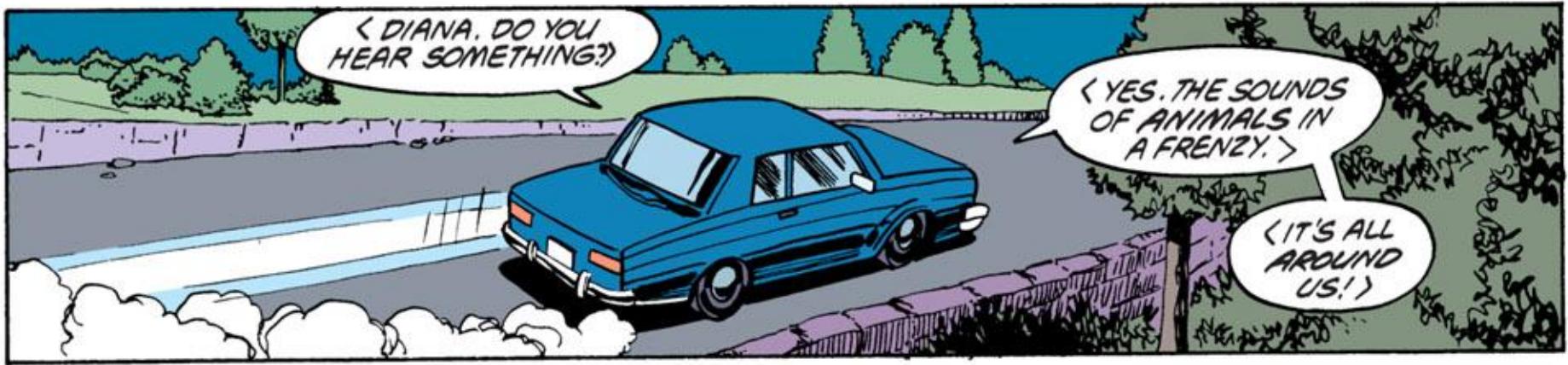
*("REMEMBER, SPIROS,
IF IT COMES DOWN
TO A CHOICE, THE
PROFESSOR IS
EXPENDABLE. THE
SCROLL IS NOT! ")*

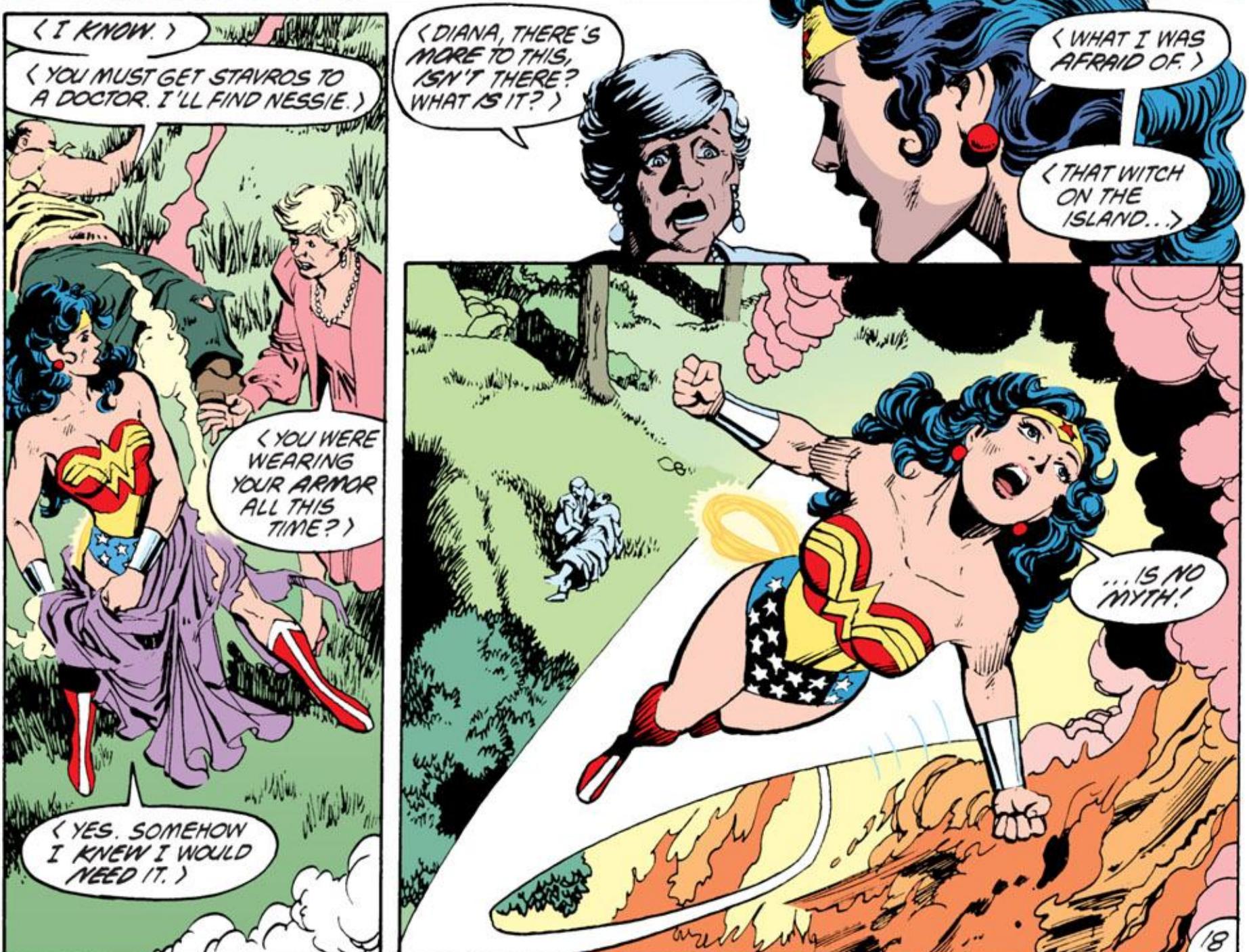


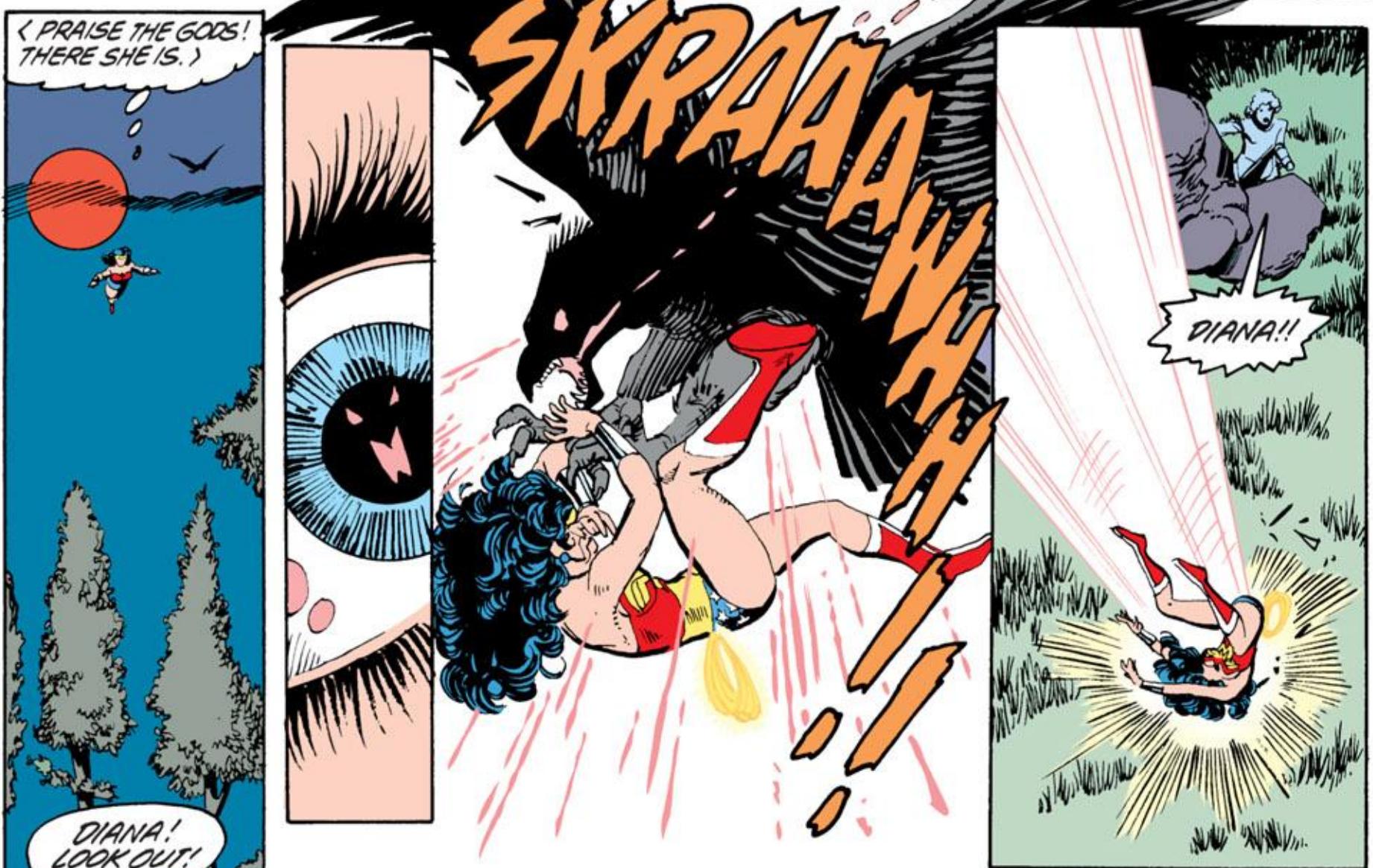


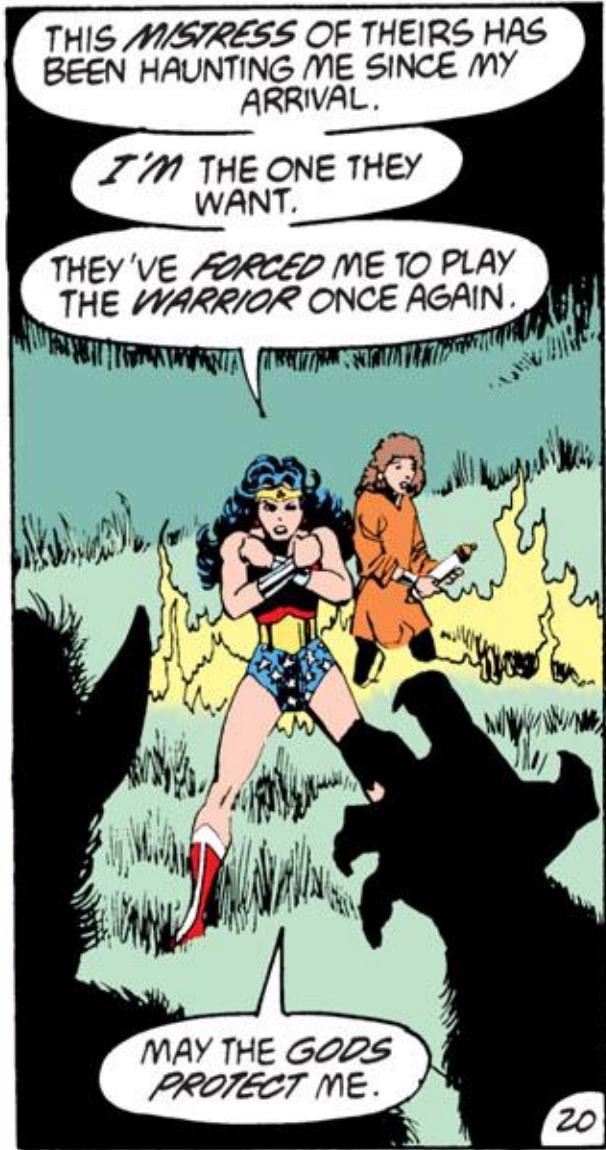




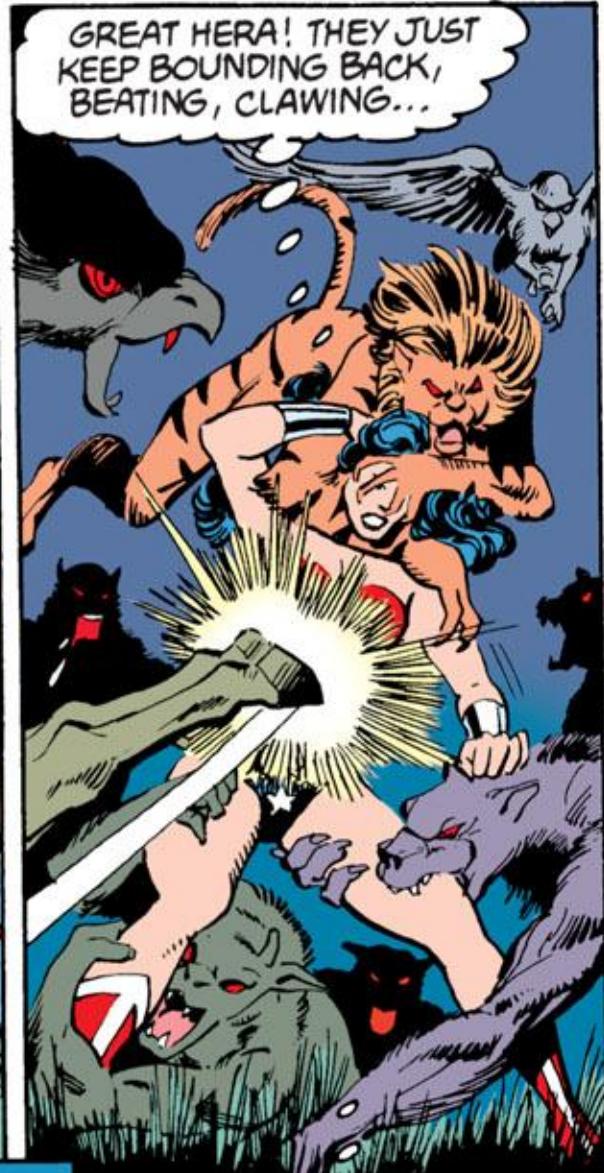








A SAVAGE SYMPHONY BLARES OUT
AN OVERTURE OF BRUTISH
SHRIEKS AND CRASHING BONES.

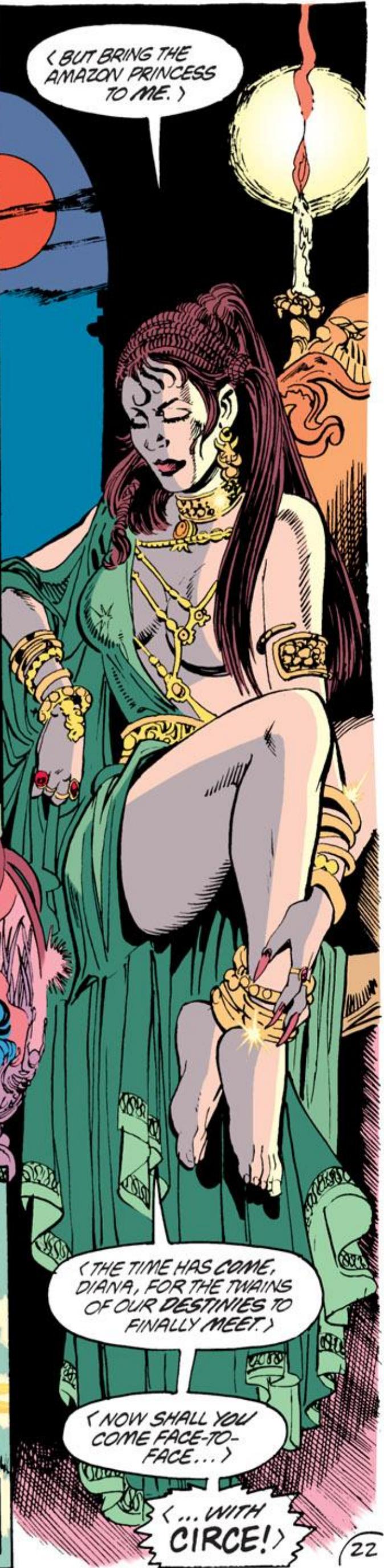


THERE CAN BE
NO HOLDING
BACK.



SAFE WITHIN THE LASSO'S CIRCLE OF
MYSTIC FLAME, A TERRIFIED TEENAGER
BEARS MUTE WITNESS TO THE AWESOME
SPECTACLE OF AN AMAZON UNLEASHED!







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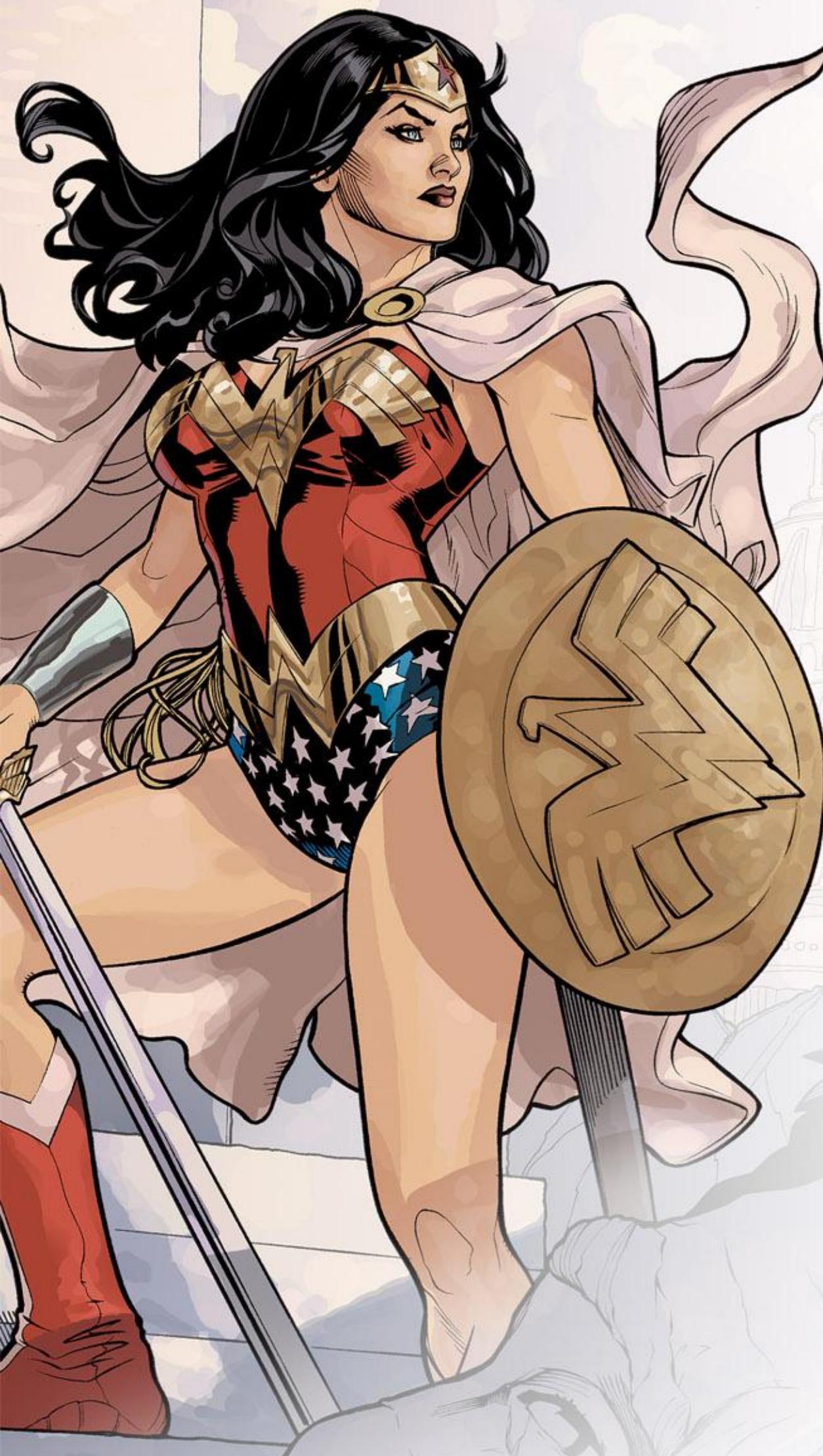
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