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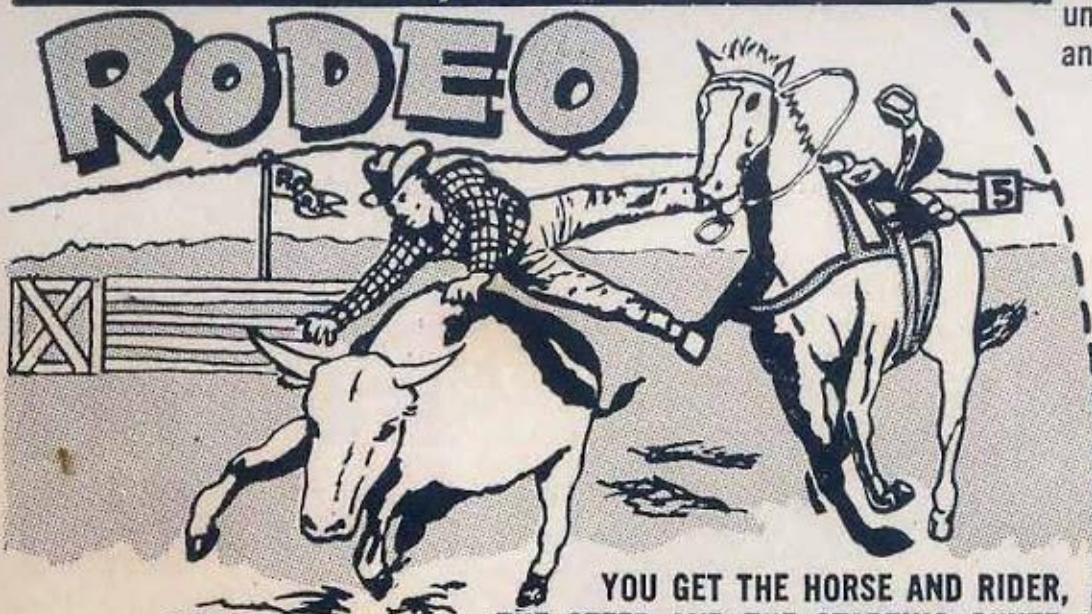
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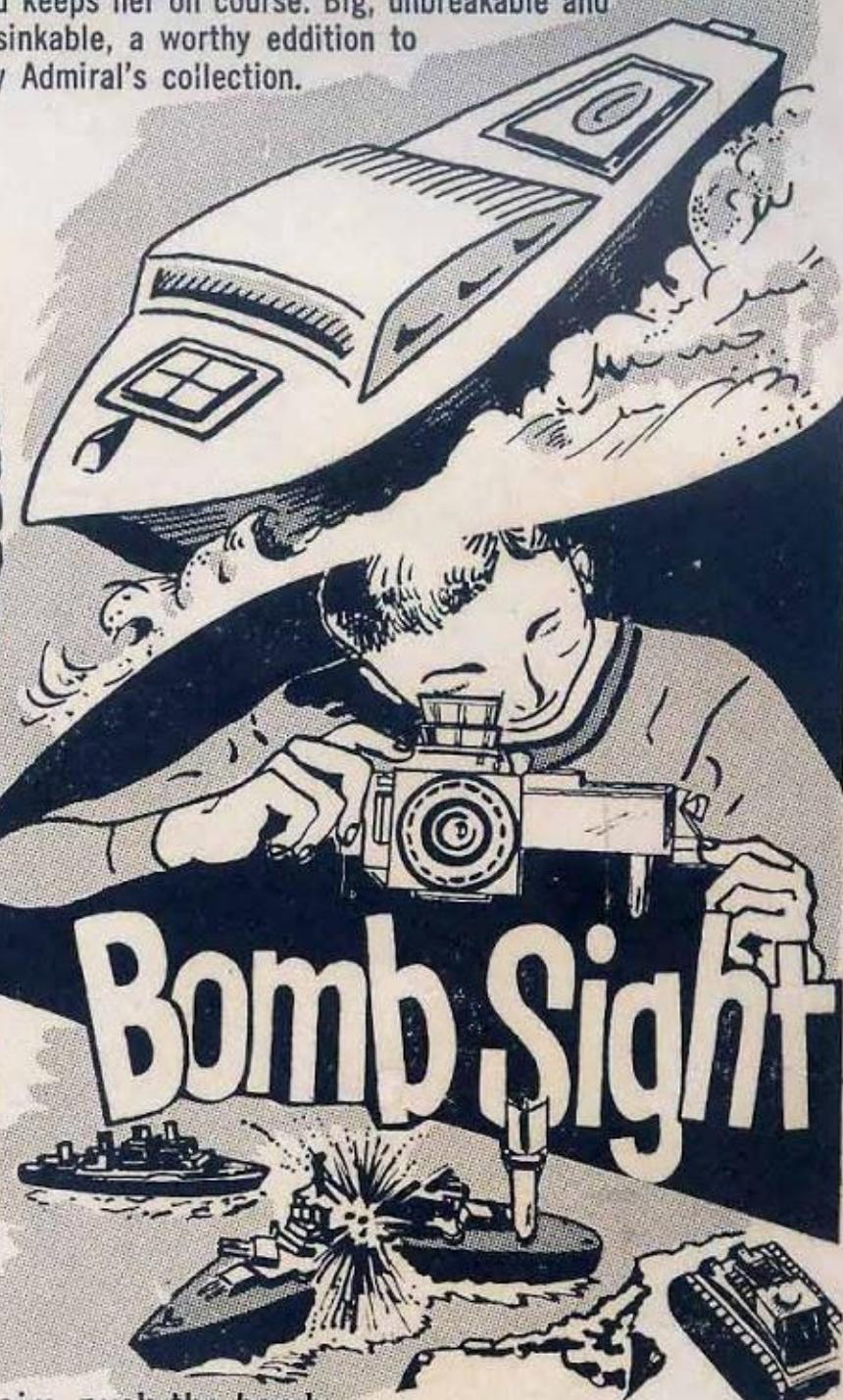
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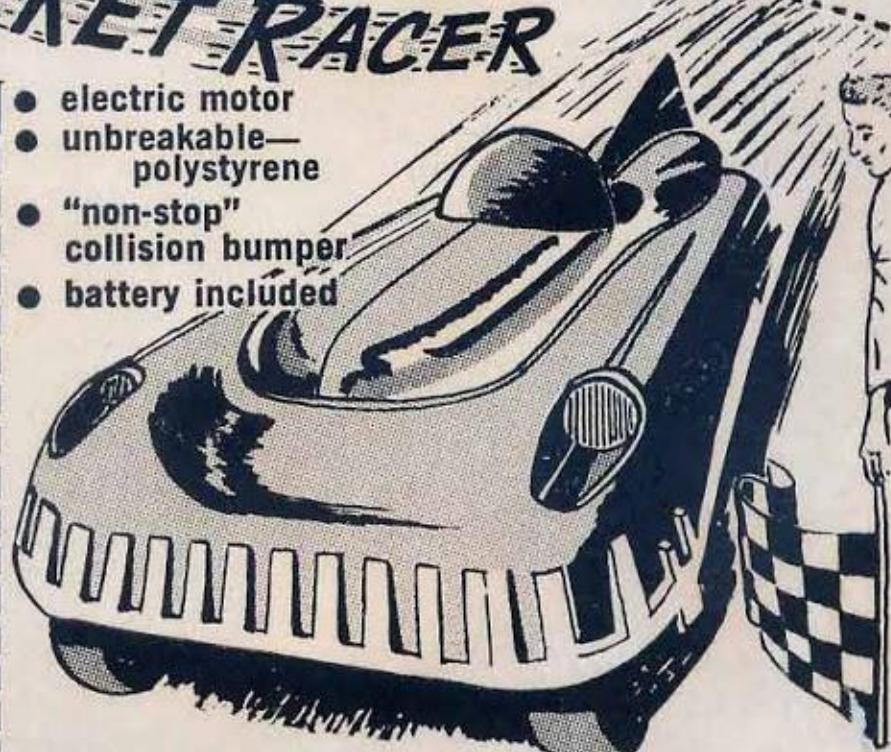


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# BAT-MAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**  
-THE BOY WONDER-

EVIL GIANT, WHAT YOU  
HAVE DONE TO MY LOYAL  
ASSISTANT, YOU WILL  
SOON REGRET!

HO! HO! MY STRENGTH  
IS TOO GREAT FOR THE  
POWER OF YOUR  
THUNDERBOLTS,  
**BATMAN!**

THE LEGENDS OF KING ARTHUR, AND  
OTHER HEROES ARE GENERALLY BASED  
ON THE LIVES OF REAL PEOPLE--BUT  
DOWN THROUGH THE AGES, THE  
RE-TELLING OF THEIR STORIES HAS  
EXAGGERATED THEM INTO FOLKLORE  
FANTASIES! CAN YOU IMAGINE, THEN,  
HOW AN ADVENTURE OF **BATMAN**  
AND **ROBIN** MIGHT BE CHRONICLED  
BY A STORY-TELLER IN THE FAR  
FUTURE? READ ON, AND SEE  
HOW TRUTH AND FANTASY  
MAKE FOR DOUBLE-ADVENTURE  
IN...

## the TWICE-TOLD TALE of **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**

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AS A MAN WALKS THROUGH A DARK ALLEY, TWO CAPED FIGURES SUDDENLY PLUMMET DOWN...

BATMAN AND ROBIN!

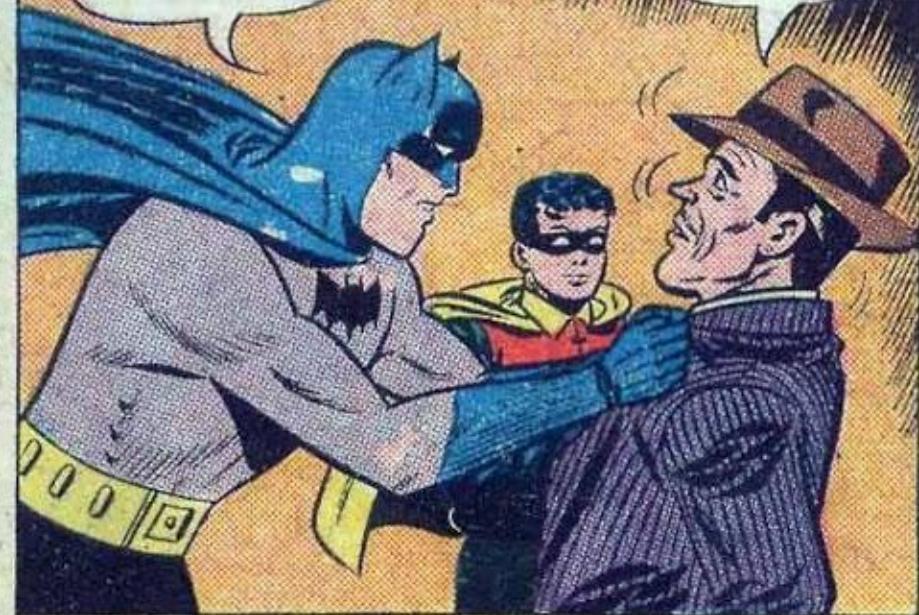
RIGHT!



YESTERDAY, NITRO JOE CRACKED OPEN THE GOTHAM JEWELRY COMPANY SAFE! YOU'RE AN OLD PAL OF NITRO'S -- YOU KNOW WHERE HE'D HIDE OUT...

TALK!

LEMME GO! YOU GOT NO RIGHT TO DO THIS! I'LL--



ALL RIGHT, I'LL TAKE YOU IN AS AN ACCOMPLICE IN THE CRIME!

NO, I HAD NOTHING TO

DO WITH 'GULP!' OKAY... OKAY! HE'S GOT A SHACK-- IN THE WOODS-- ON GOTHAM MOUNTAIN...



SOON, IN THEIR WHIRLY-BATS, THE CAPED CRIME-FIGHTERS SOAR SWIFTLY TO THE MOUNTAIN DESTINATION...



UPON LANDING, THEY MAKE THEIR WAY TO A CLEARING IN THE WOODS, WHERE...

A LOOKOUT--AND HE'S HUGE! HE WON'T BE EASY TO TAKE!



I'LL HIT HIM LOW-- THROW HIM OFF BALANCE... THEN YOU CAN GET IN A COUPLE OF SOLID BLOWS!

BEFORE BATMAN CAN PROTEST, THE IMPETUOUS YOUNGSTER HURLS HIMSELF FORWARD, AND...

ROBIN-- NO!





REVIVING ROBIN, BATMAN HURLS HIS WEIGHT AGAINST THE SHACK DOOR...



BUT NEXT INSTANT, A HAND THRUSTS THROUGH A WINDOW, SNATCHING AT THE EXPLOSIVE, AS...



LATER, AT HOME, WHEN THE TWO PARTNERS RESUME THEIR EVERYDAY IDENTITIES OF WEALTHY BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON...

BRUCE, ISN'T IT AMAZING HOW THE REAL FACTS ABOUT HEROES LIKE KING ARTHUR, ROBIN HOOD AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN EXAGGERATED DOWN THROUGH THE AGES?

YES, DICK... EVEN THE STORY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON CUTTING DOWN THE CHERRY TREE IS ONLY A FOLKLORE FANTASY-- BUT MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE IT ACTUALLY HAPPENED!

TAKE THE LITTLE ADVENTURE WE HAD TONIGHT... I WONDER HOW IT WOULD BE EXAGGERATED IF IT WERE RE-TOLD FAR IN THE FUTURE?



IMAGINE, THAT ON THIS EARTH COLONY, IN THE YEAR 3361, CHILDREN ARE GATHERED ABOUT A STORY-TELLER...

ONCE UPON A TIME, BEFORE MEN OF EARTH PEOPLED THE GALAXIES--THERE LIVED A GREAT HERO NAMED **BATMAN**-- AND HIS YOUNG APPRENTICE, CALLED **ROBIN**...



"ONE DAY, BATMAN AND ROBIN SET OUT UPON A NOBLE QUEST..."

SO, **BATMAN**--  
WE MUST JOURNEY  
ON TO RECOVER THE  
GREAT TREASURE  
STOLEN BY NIDOR, THE  
WICKED SORCERER...

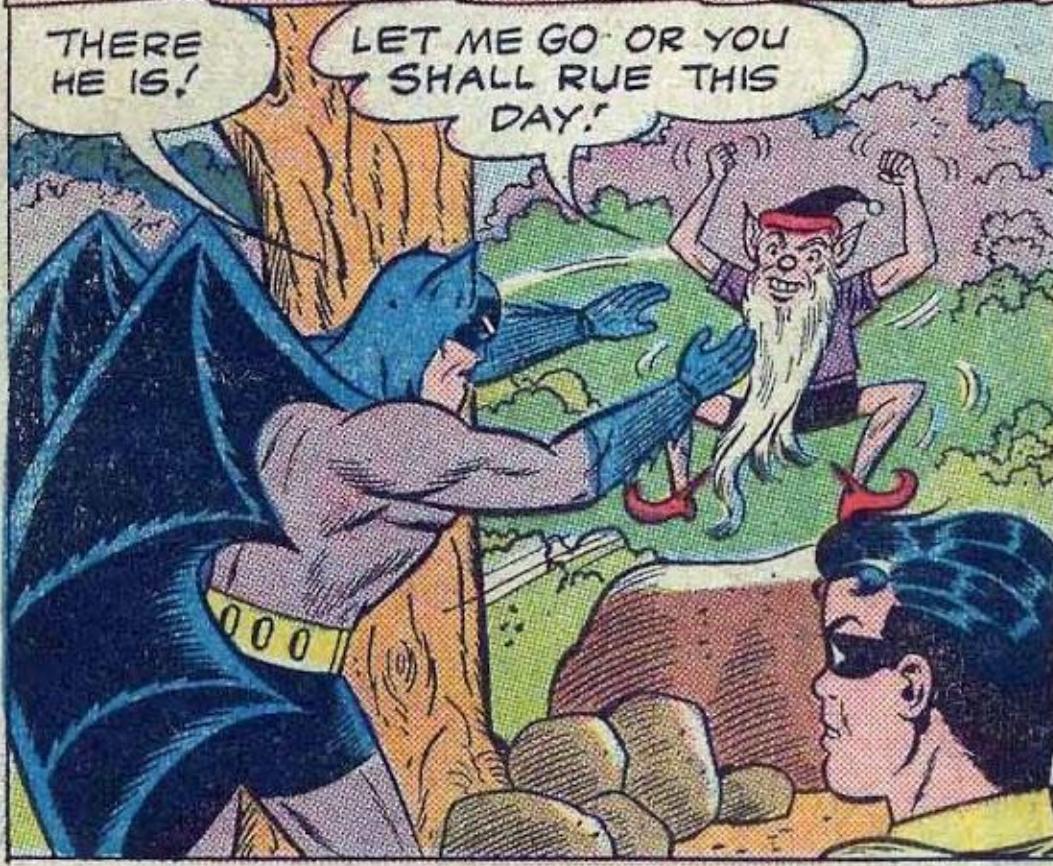
YES, LAD... BUT  
TO DO SO,  
WE MUST  
FIRST FIND  
THE LITTLE  
GENIE WHO LIVES  
IN THESE  
WOODS--FOR  
HE KNOWS  
MANY  
SECRETS!



"SOON, THEY CAME UPON THE ONE THEY SOUGHT..."

THERE  
HE IS!

LET ME GO OR YOU  
SHALL RUE THIS  
DAY!



SPEAK! TELL US  
WHERE TO FIND  
NIDOR, THE WICKED  
SORCERER!

NEVER! LET  
ME GO!



"ALL AT ONCE, THE LITTLE GENIE CHANGED  
HIMSELF INTO A TERRIBLE SERPENT!"

HOLD HIM, **BATMAN**! HE  
CANNOT HARM YOU AS LONG  
AS YOU HOLD ONTO HIM!

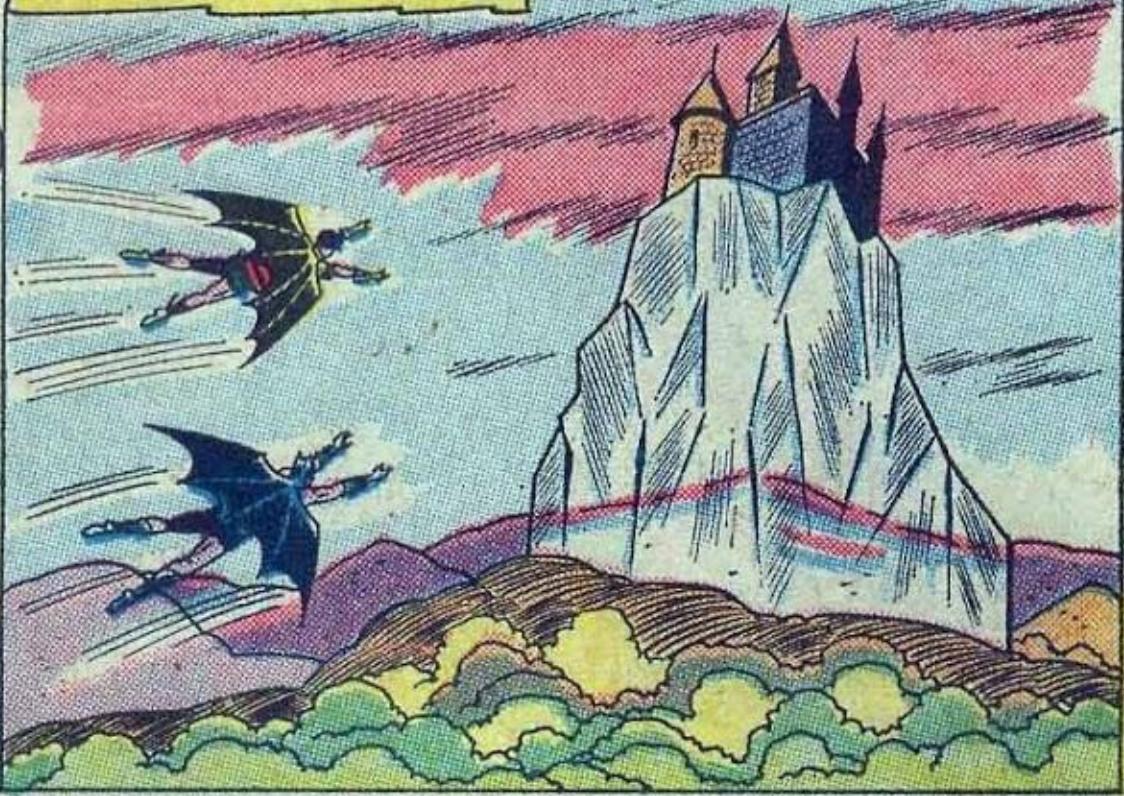


"SO, THE MIGHTY BATMAN HELD FAST, UNTIL, AT LAST, THE GENIE SURRENDERED..."

NOW--  
SPEAK!

V-VERY WELL...  
NIDOR LIVES BEYOND  
THE DARK FOREST--  
IN HIS FORTRESS ATOP  
THE GLASS MOUNTAIN!

"SATISFIED, BATMAN AND ROBIN SPREAD THEIR WINGS AND SOARED HIGH TOWARDS THE GLASS MOUNTAIN..."



"BUT, WINGING CLOSER, THEY SAW THAT THE SORCERER'S FORTRESS WAS GUARDED BY A GREAT GIANT..."

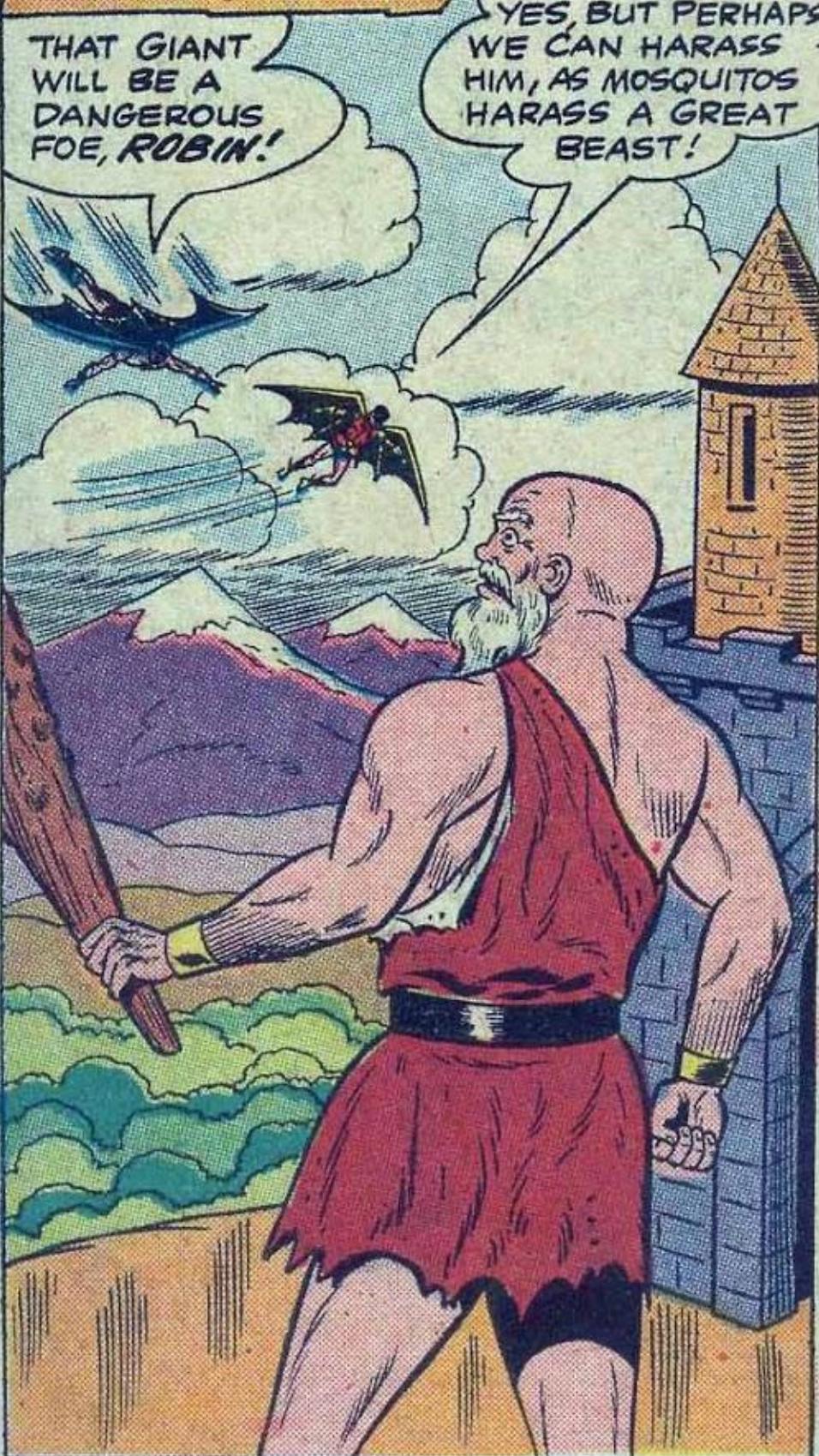
THAT GIANT WILL BE A DANGEROUS FOE, ROBIN!

YES, BUT PERHAPS WE CAN HARASS HIM, AS MOSQUITOS HARASS A GREAT BEAST!

"ROBIN, SOMETIMES CALLED THE BOY WONDER, ATTACKED BRAZENLY--BUT THE GIANT'S GREAT HAND LASHED OUT SWIFTLY..."

BAH!

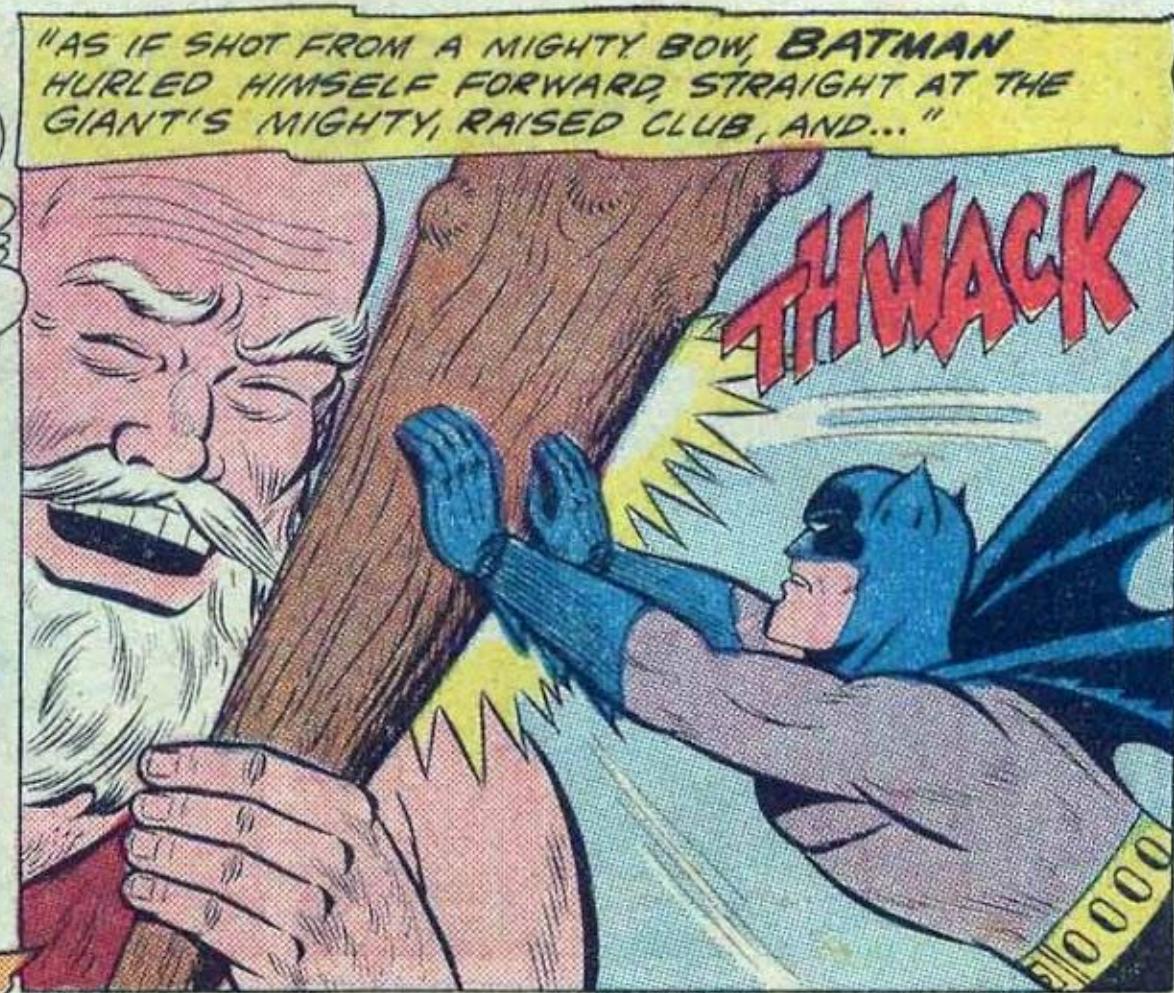
ROBIN!



"UPON SEEING HARM DONE TO HIS LOYAL APPRENTICE, BATMAN'S EYES GREW ANGRY--AND FROM THEM FLASHED GREAT BOLTS OF LIGHTNING..."

FOR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO MY BRAVE ASSISTANT, YOU MUST PAY!





"LIKE A FELLED TREE, THE HUGE ONE CRASHED TO THE GROUND!"

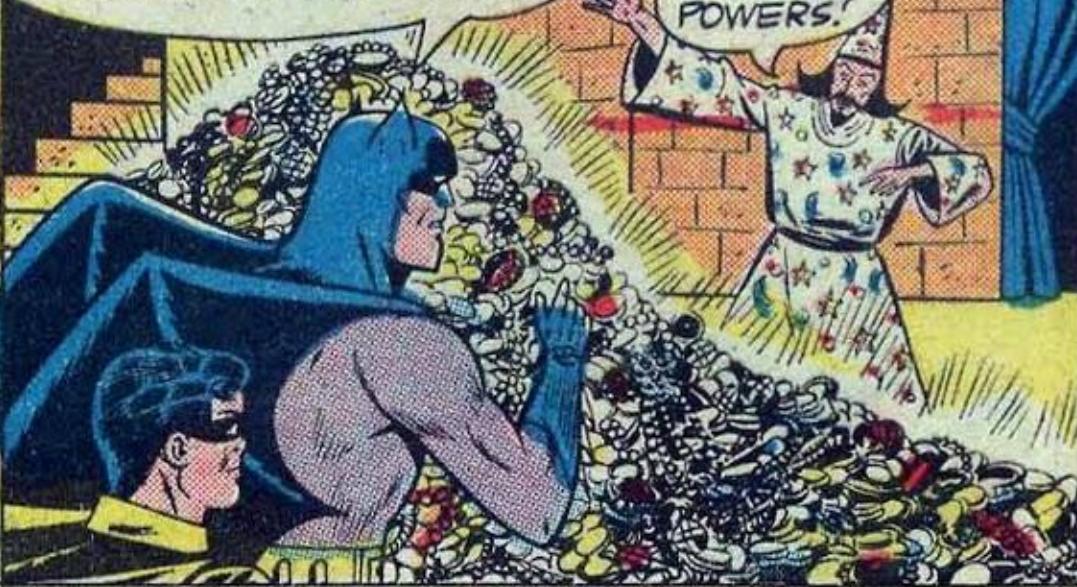
IT WAS AS I SUSPECTED... ONLY THE GIANT'S OWN CLUB HAD THE POWER TO DEFEAT HIM!



"HEALING ROBIN WITH A MAGIC HERB, BATMAN ENTERED THE FORTRESS OF THE WICKED SORCERER..."

HEAR ME, NIDOR! SURRENDER THE TREASURE THAT YOU HAVE STOLEN FROM THE GOOD PEOPLE OF OUR CITY!

THIS I WILL NEVER DO! BEWARE, BATMAN!... BEWARE MY DARK POWERS!



"THEN, THE SORCERER HELD OUT HIS CAP ON WHICH WERE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC..."

I WARNED YOU!... NOW--PREPARE TO MEET YOUR DOOM! SYMBOLS OF THE ZODIAC--COME FORTH!

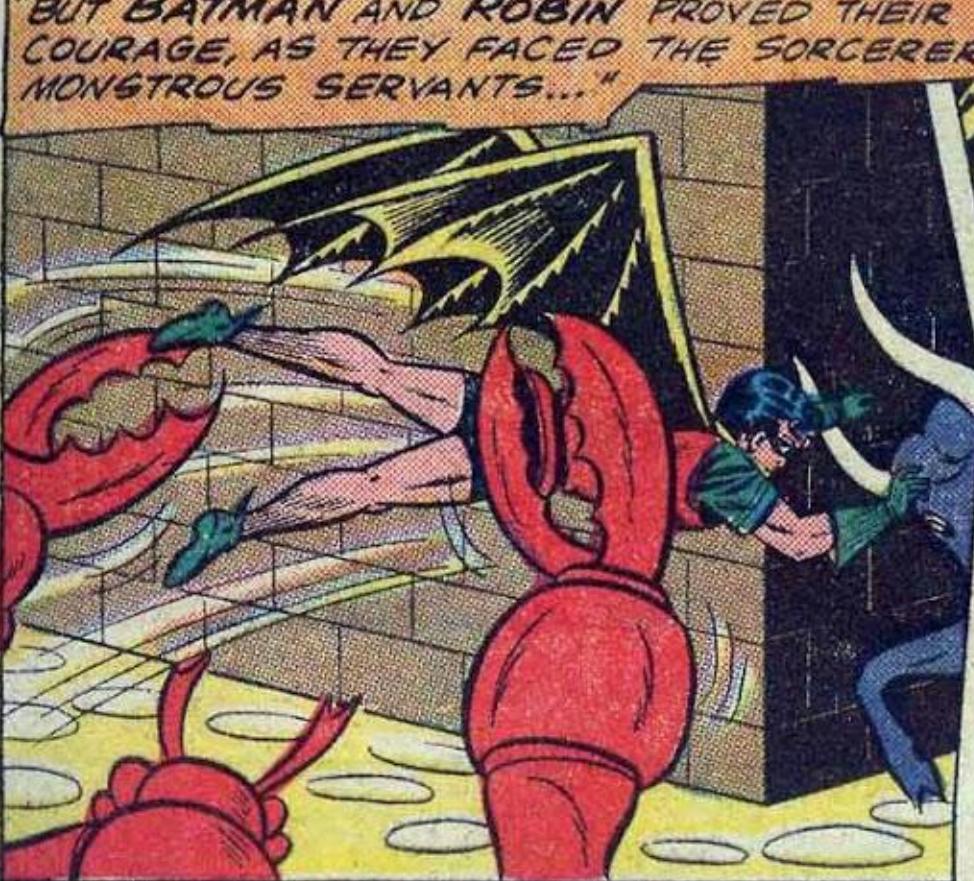


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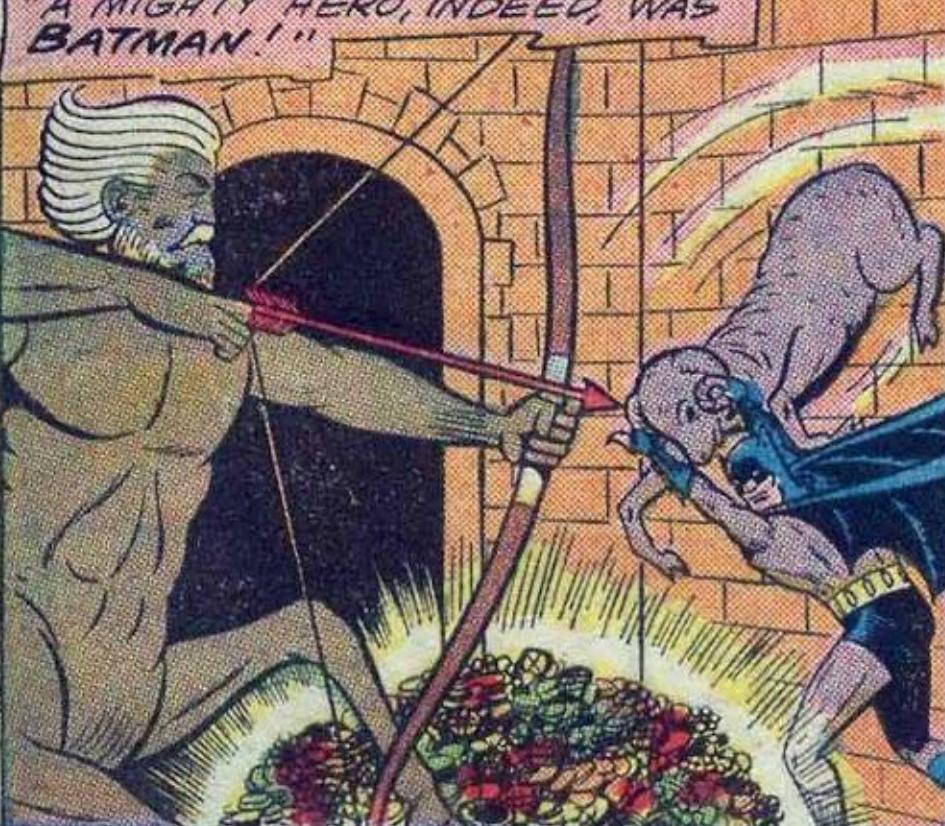
"AND MANY SYMBOLS SUDDENLY CAME TO LIFE -- AND GREW TO GREAT SIZE..."



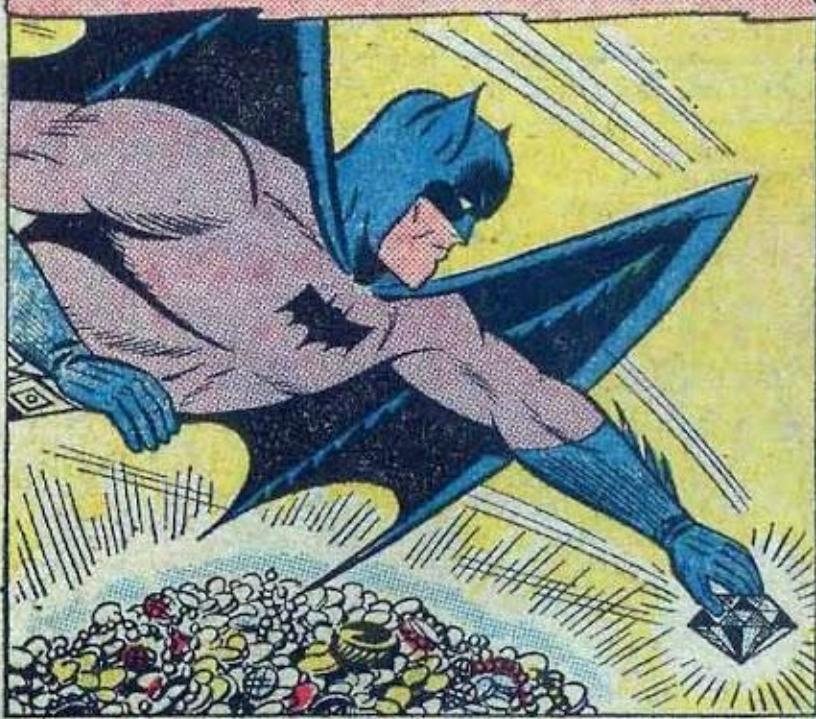
"BUT BATMAN AND ROBIN PROVED THEIR COURAGE, AS THEY FACED THE SORCERER'S MONSTROUS SERVANTS..."



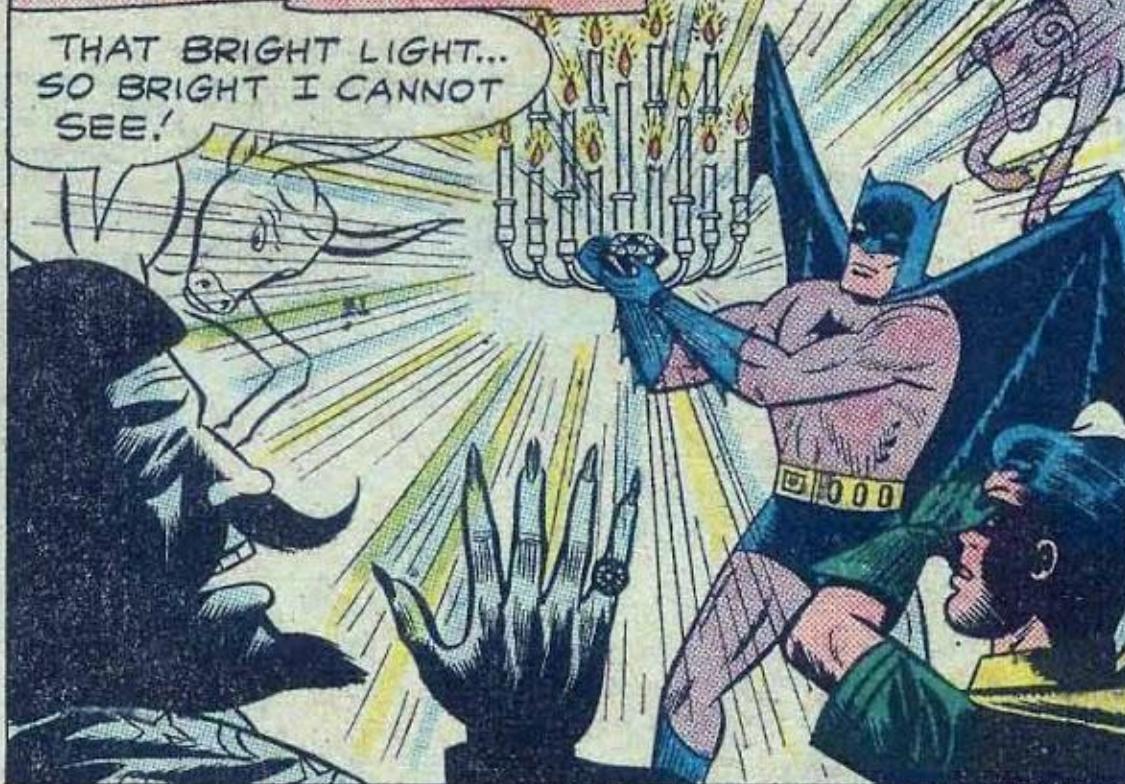
"A MIGHTY HERO, INDEED, WAS BATMAN!"



"SWIFTLY, BATMAN FLEW ATOP THE TOWERING HILL OF TREASURE, AND FROM ITS SUMMIT, HE PLUCKED A GREAT, GLITTERING GEM..."



"AT BATMAN'S SIGNAL, ROBIN SHIELDED HIS EYES -- WHILE DAZZLING BEAMS OF LIGHT REFLECTED ALL ABOUT..."



"INSTANTLY, THE WICKED SORCERER'S POWER VANISHED--AND THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND ROBIN WERE VICTORIOUS!"

JUSTICE HAS AGAIN TRIUMPHED OVER EVIL!

COME, ROBIN--WE SHALL RETURN THE TREASURE TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF OUR CITY, AND IMPRISON THE SORCERER FOREVER! OUR QUEST HAS ENDED IN VICTORY!



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THUS DID THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND HIS YOUNG APPRENTICE, ROBIN, PROVE THEIR HEROIC WORTH FOR ALL TIME!



YES--I WONDER... HOW WOULD A STORY-TELLER IN THE FUTURE RE-TELL OUR ADVENTURE?

THE END

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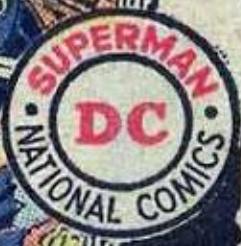
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SO YOU'RE NEW AT THIS PRISON.  
WELL, SIT DOWN. I'VE GOT TO  
TAKE YOUR PICTURE!

HENRY  
DO-THOFF

WE'LL PLACE THIS  
AROUND YOUR NECK.

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RELAX, WHILE I  
SHOOT THIS PICTURE!

HOW'S  
THIS?

LOOK! HERE WE DON'T  
SMILE WHEN WE HAVE  
OUR PICTURES TAKEN!

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# BATMAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**

-THE BOY WONDER-

IN HIS WAR AGAINST CRIME, BATMAN NEEDS EVERY ONE OF HIS SENSES, SHARPENED TO THE FINEST POINT... AND WHEN ONE OF THOSE SENSES IS DAMAGED, DISASTER LIES AHEAD! FOR, THE FIST OF THE LAW CAN'T FIND THE JAW OF THE UNDERWORLD, WHEN THAT FIST IS GUIDED BY...

## the **BLIND BATMAN**

OH, NO--! THAT CLOUD OF TINFOIL IS JAMMING BATMAN'S RADAR! NOW THEY'LL REALIZE HE'S TOTALLY BLIND!

SMOKE DARTS



BOB KANE





# BATMAN



IT'S LATE AFTERNOON AS THE FAMILIAR BATMOBILE SPEEDS THROUGH THE STREETS OF GOTHAM CITY...

ATTENTION CARS 22 AND 14! UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL IN AN ODD CAR REPORTED APPROACHING BURKE STREET BANK!

AN ODD CAR?.. THAT SOUNDS LIKE DR. PNEUMO AGAIN! LET'S GO, ROBIN!

MEANWHILE, INSIDE THE BANK...

YOU MEAN TO SAY, YOU'RE GONNA CRACK THAT SAFE WITH NOTHING BUT COMPRESSED AIR, DR. PNEUMO?

EXACTLY! FIRST, I INSERT THIS NOZZLE TIGHTLY IN THE HOLE WE DRILLED... NOW, STAND BACK!

AS DR. PNEUMO SWITCHES ON HIS PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR...

SEE?.. I PUMPED A HUGE AMOUNT OF AIR INTO THE SAFE, AND THE PRESSURE BLEW THE DOOR OFF!

YOU'RE A GENIUS, DR. PNEUMO!

WHOOM

BUT SHORTLY AFTER, AS THE CRIMINALS DASH FROM THE BANK...

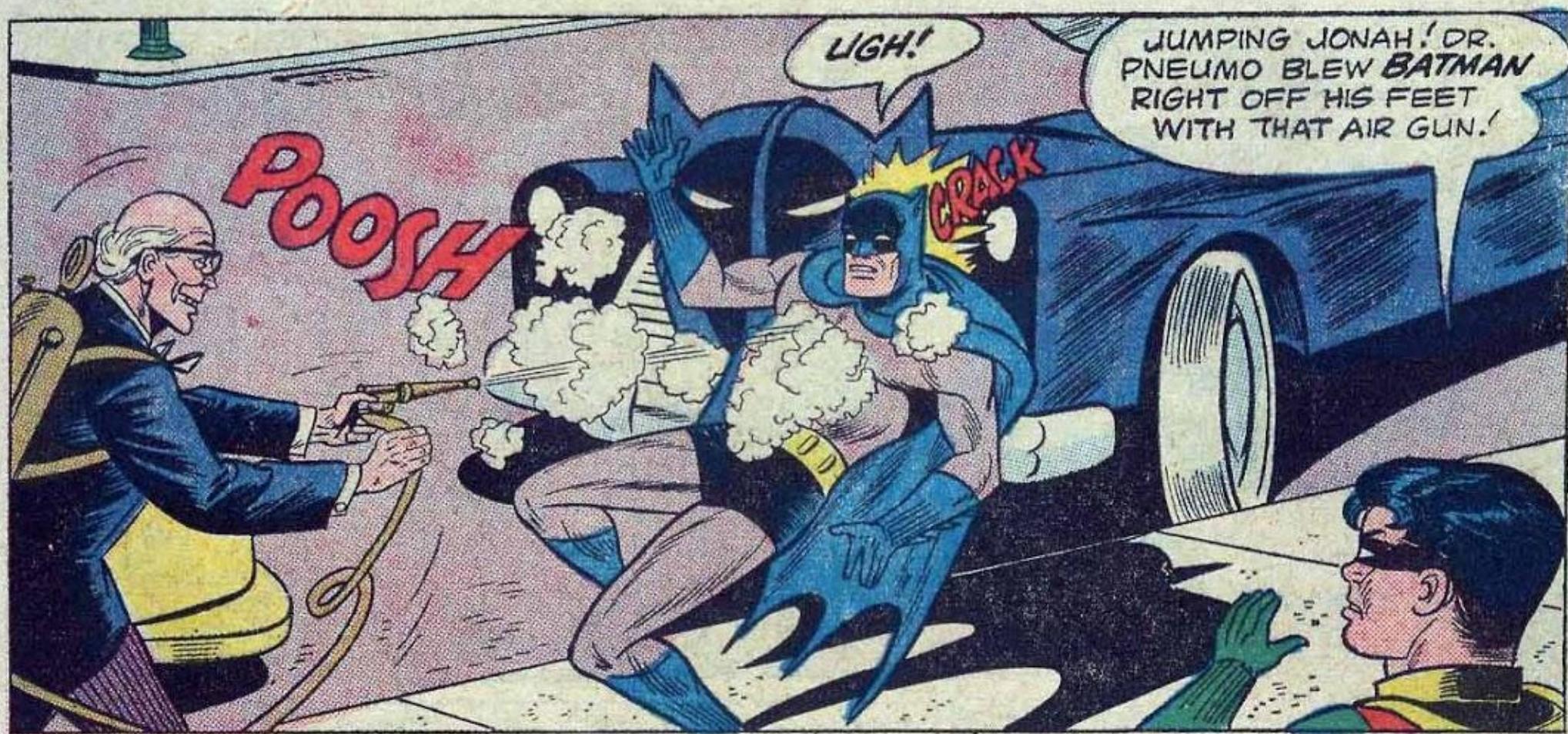
IT'S DR. PNEUMO, ALL RIGHT! THEY'RE HEADED FOR HIS PNEUMATIC CAR... GOT TO CUT THEM OFF!

THAT TAKES CARE OF THE MUSCLES... NOW TO GET THE BRAINS OF THE OUTFIT!

UGH!  
THINK AGAIN, BATMAN!



# BATMAN



THUS STYMING BATMAN, THE CRIMINAL TRIO MAKES ITS ESCAPE, AS...

“WHEW! THAT WAS SOME BLOW. I MUST HAVE BEEN OUT FOR QUITE AWHILE, ROBIN... I SEE IT'S TURNED DARK NOW!”

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, BATMAN? YOU'VE ONLY BEEN UNCONSCIOUS FOR A FEW... WAIT A MINUTE!

YOU--YOU MEAN... EVERYTHING LOOKS DARK TO YOU?

PITCH BLACK! I CAN'T SEE A THING! ROBIN... I--I'M BLIND!

CHOKING BACK HIS SORROW, ROBIN RUSHES BATMAN TO THE CITY'S LEADING EYE SPECIALIST--AND SOON...

THIS X-RAY CONFIRMS MY DIAGNOSIS, BATMAN... THE BLOW YOU RECEIVED INJURED THE OPTIC NERVE, PRODUCING BLINDNESS!

YES, I--I UNDERSTAND... BUT HOW LONG WILL THIS LAST?

I CAN'T SAY... ONLY TIME CAN REPAIR THE INJURY! PERHAPS A DAY, PERHAPS A YEAR, PERHAPS...

...NEVER? OKAY, DOCTOR, I GET THE PICTURE... BUT I'D LIKE TO ASK A FAVOR! DON'T MENTION THIS TO ANYONE FOR A FEW DAYS!





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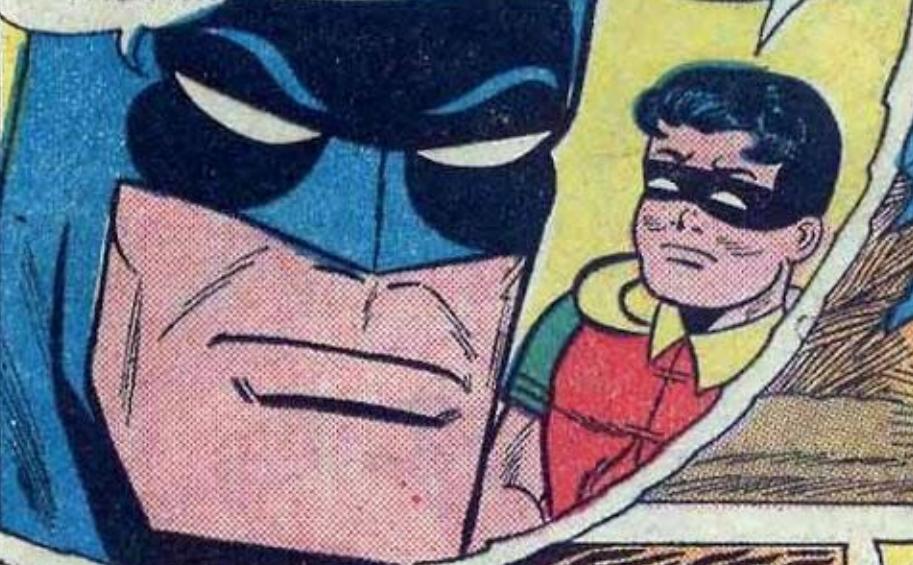
IF THE UNDERWORLD LEARNED THAT I WAS BLIND, THEY'D TAKE INSTANT ADVANTAGE OF IT! THERE COULD EVEN BE A CRIME WAVE! WITH LUCK, MY SIGHT WILL RETURN BEFORE THEN...

I UNDERSTAND, BATMAN... YOUR CONDITION WILL BE OUR SECRET!

LATER, IN THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE...

OOPS!... ALMOST WENT DOWN THAT TIME! I'M A PRETTY CLUMSY GUY NOW!

TH-THAT'S ALL RIGHT... I'LL BE YOUR EYES, BATMAN! I'LL NEVER LEAVE YOUR SIDE FOR A MOMENT!

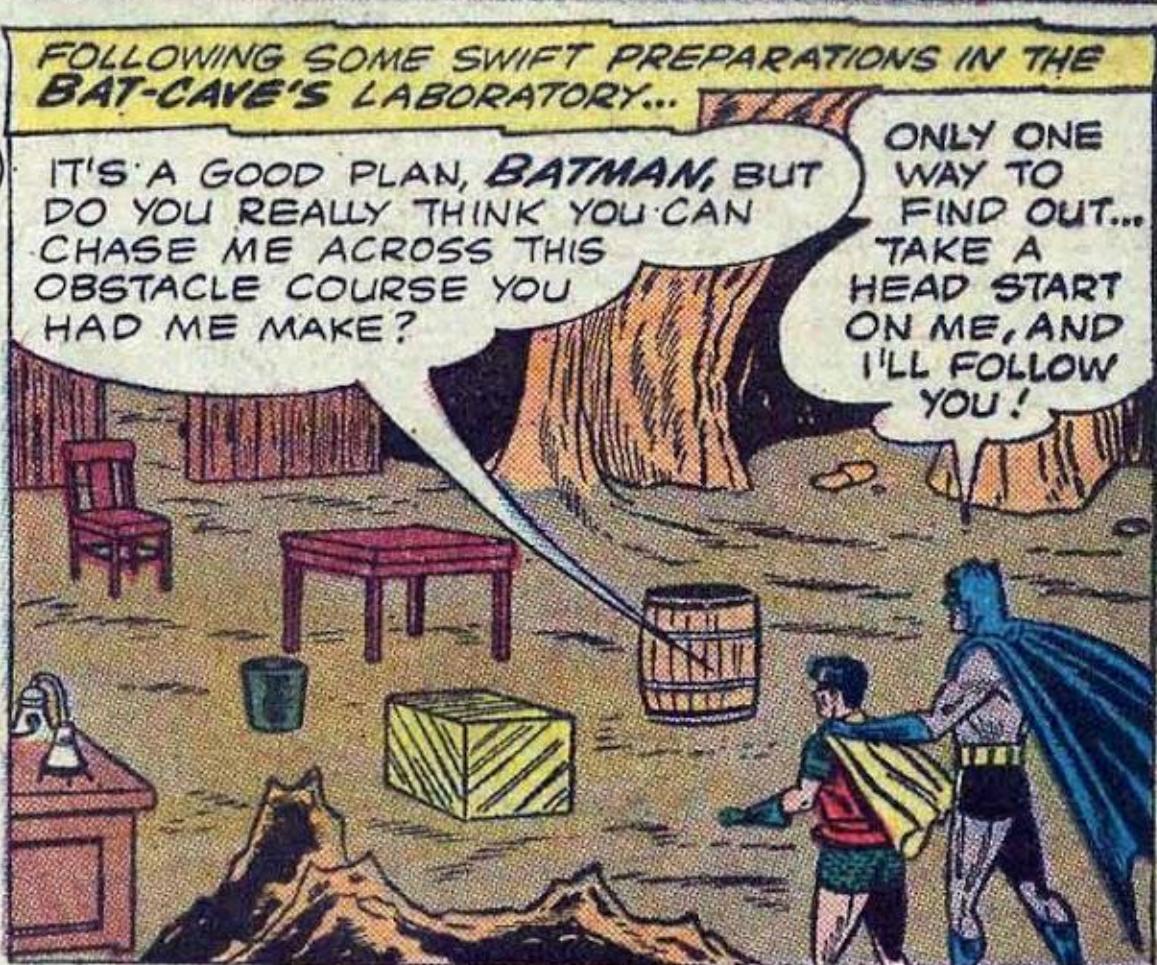
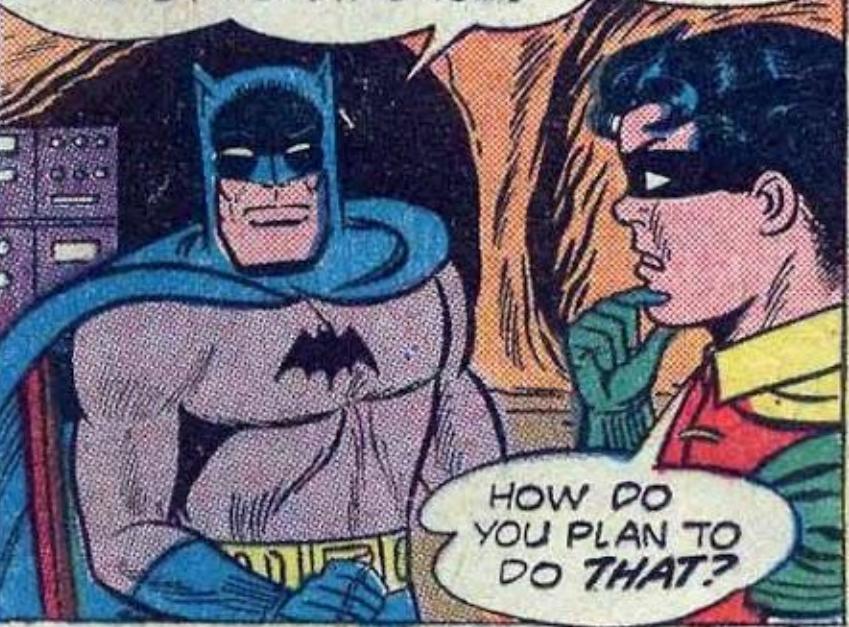


NO--THAT'S NO GOOD! IF I'M OUT OF CIRCULATION FOR LONG, THE UNDERWORLD MAY SUSPECT THE TRUTH! I'VE GOT TO LEARN HOW TO OPERATE LIKE A MAN WITH SIGHT! WE START AT ONCE!

FOLLOWING SOME SWIFT PREPARATIONS IN THE BAT-CAVE'S LABORATORY...

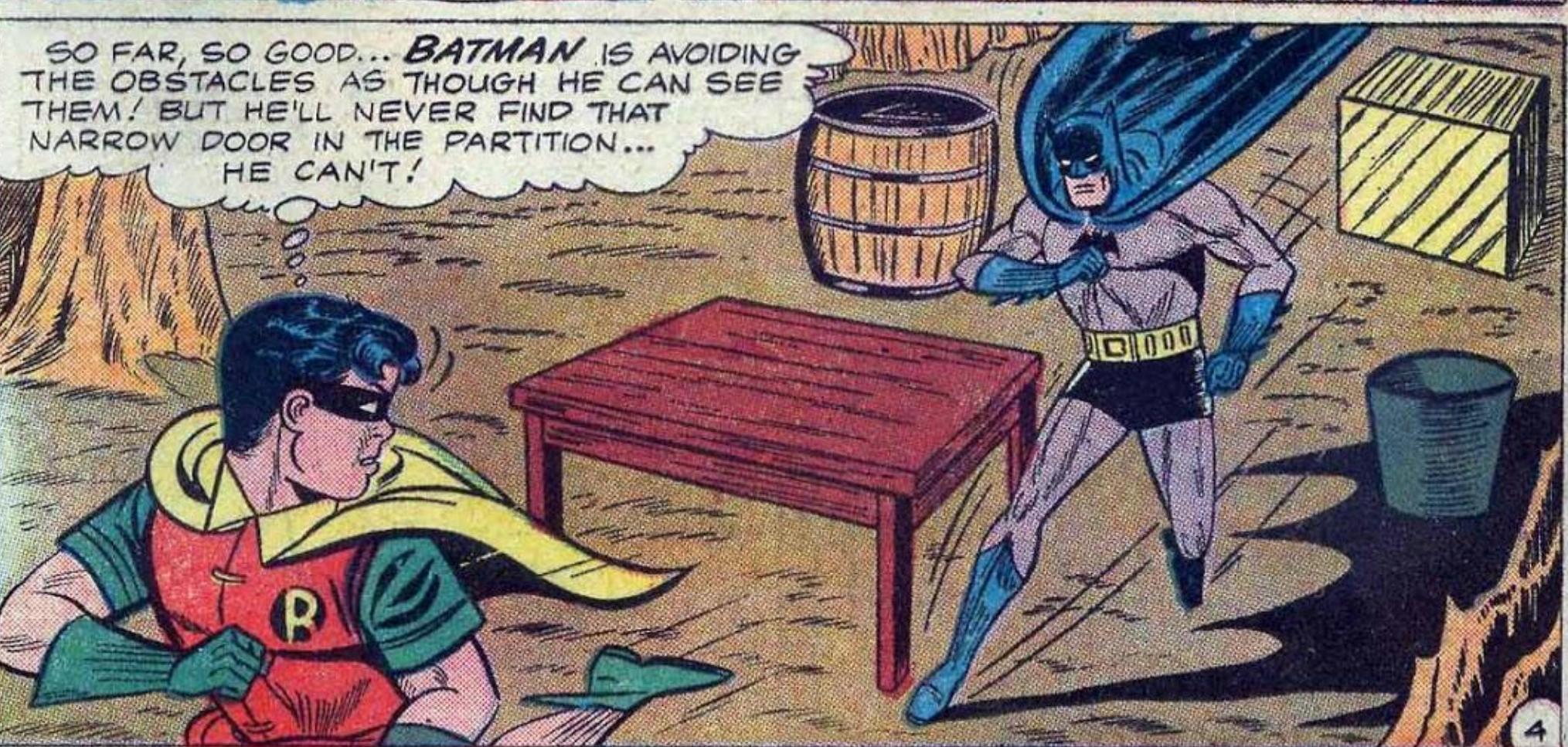
IT'S A GOOD PLAN, BATMAN, BUT DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN CHASE ME ACROSS THIS OBSTACLE COURSE YOU HAD ME MAKE?

ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT... TAKE A HEAD START ON ME, AND I'LL FOLLOW YOU!



SO FAR, SO GOOD... BATMAN IS AVOIDING THE OBSTACLES AS THOUGH HE CAN SEE THEM! BUT HE'LL NEVER FIND THAT NARROW DOOR IN THE PARTITION...

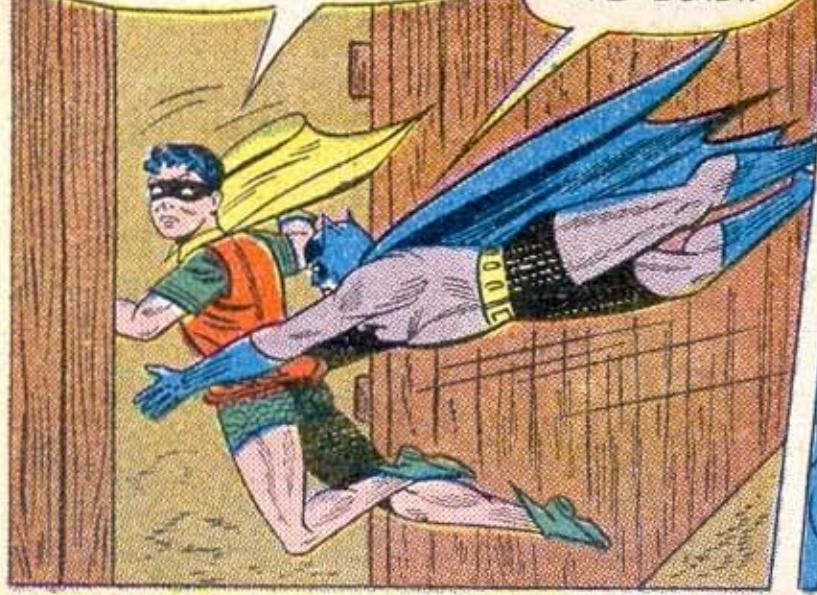
HE CAN'T!



YET, A MOMENT LATER...

YOU DID IT! YOU FOUND THE ONLY OPENING IN THIS WOODEN WALL!

THE CREDIT SHOULD GO TO THOSE TWO ELECTRONIC "HELPERS" WE BUILT!



REACHING UNDER HIS COWL, BATMAN WITHDRAWS TWO TINY DEVICES...

ONE OF THESE RADAR EAR PLUGS "TOLD" ME WHERE THE OBSTACLES WERE... THE OTHER INCREASED MY SENSE OF HEARING SO THAT I COULD FOLLOW YOUR EVERY MOVE-MENT!

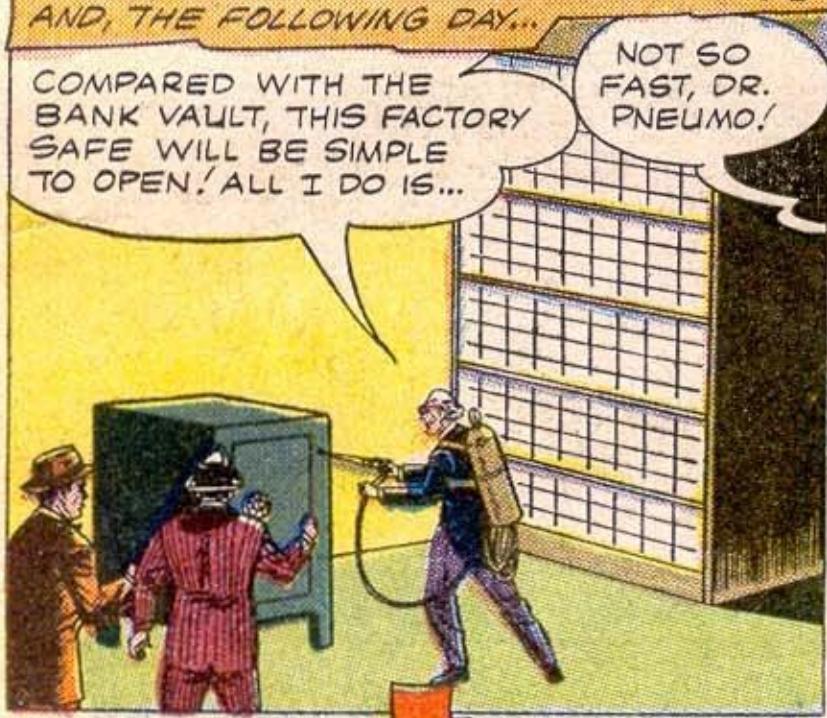
GREAT!... NO ONE WILL EVER GUESS THE TRUTH!



BUT EVEN AS BATMAN PREPARES FOR ACTION, DR. PNEUMO MAKES HIS OWN PLANS... AND, THE FOLLOWING DAY...

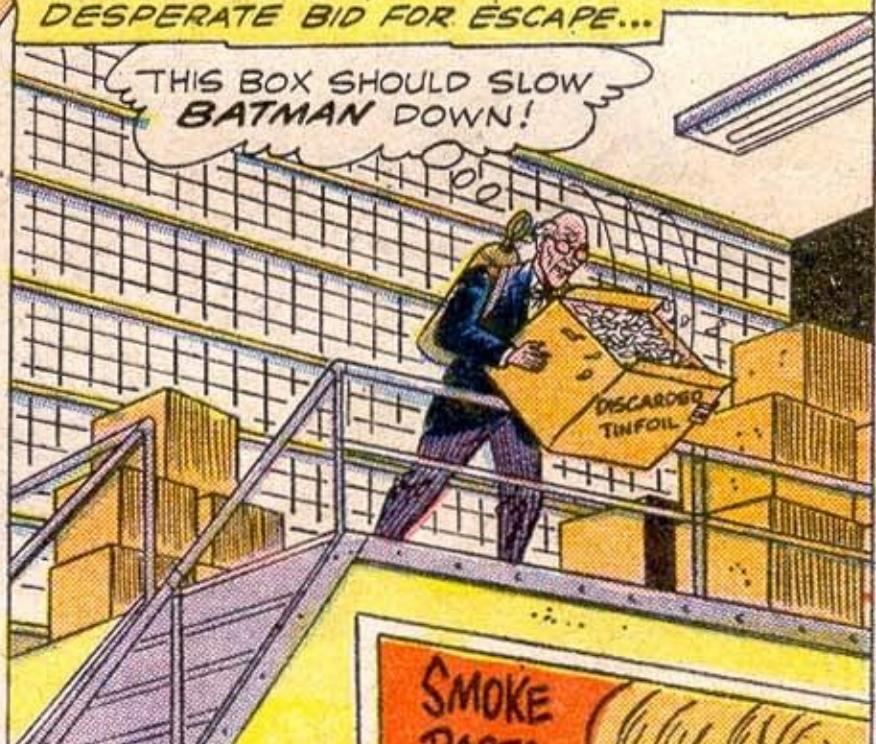
COMPARED WITH THE BANK VAULT, THIS FACTORY SAFE WILL BE SIMPLE TO OPEN! ALL I DO IS...

NOT SO FAST, DR. PNEUMO!



SENSING DEFEAT, DR. PNEUMO MAKES A DESPERATE BID FOR ESCAPE...

THIS BOX SHOULD SLOW BATMAN DOWN!



IT'S BATMAN! HE MUST'VE SPOTTED OUR CAR IN THE ALLEY! I'LL TAKE CARE OF--UGH!

WOW! BATMAN'S DEVICES LED HIM STRAIGHT TO HIS TARGET!



SMOKE DARTS



THE CARTON MISSES ITS HUMAN TARGET--BUT,  
AS A CLOUD OF TINFOIL FLOATS THROUGH  
THE AIR...

WHAT'S GOING ON? BATMAN  
IS STUMBLING AROUND LIKE A  
LOST MAN! NOW'S OUR CHANCE  
TO GET OUT OF HERE!



AND THAT NIGHT, WHEN THE CUNNING  
CRIMINAL HAS HAD TIME TO THINK OVER  
THE STRANGE EXPERIENCE...

I MUST BE RIGHT! THE  
AIR FORCE USES CLOUDS  
OF TINFOIL TO CONFUSE  
ENEMY RADAR, AND--

RADAR?  
WHAT'S THAT  
GOT TO DO  
WITH  
BATMAN  
STUMBLING  
AROUND?



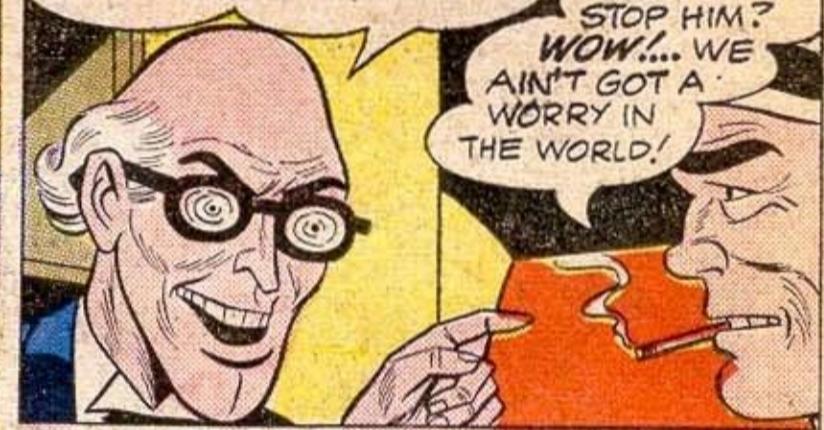
DON'T YOU SEE? THAT BLOW  
BATMAN RECEIVED, WHEN  
HE FELL AGAINST THE CAR,  
MUST HAVE BLINDED  
HIM--AND HE'S USING  
SOME RADAR DEVICE TO  
COVER UP THE CONDITION!

BATMAN  
BLIND?...

AND A  
HANDFUL  
OF TINFOIL  
IS ALL YOU  
NEED TO  
STOP HIM?

WOW!... WE

AINT GOT A  
WORRY IN  
THE WORLD!



MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE BAT-CAVE...

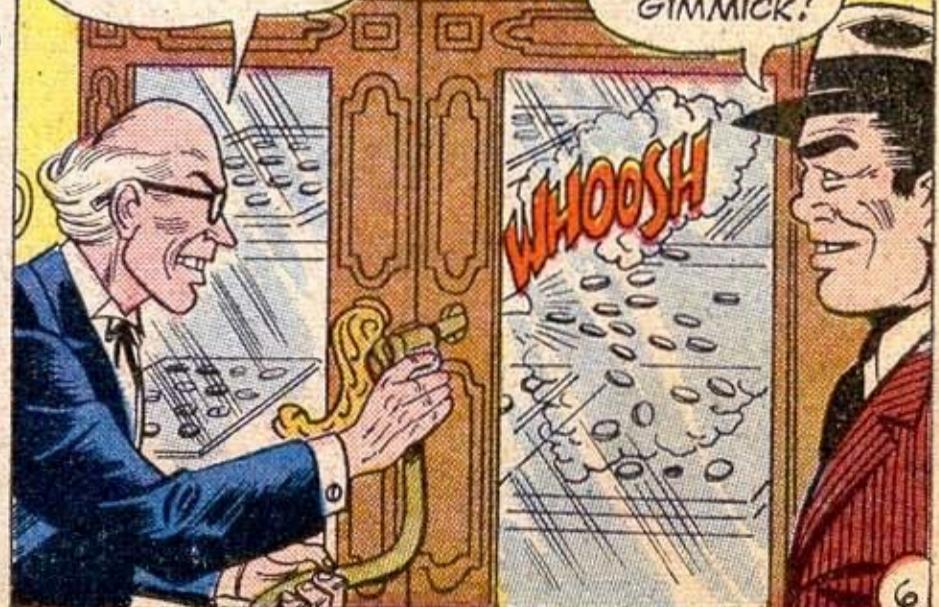
THIS CALLING CARD I  
PICKED UP MUST HAVE  
FALLEN FROM THE  
POCKET OF ONE OF DR.  
PNEUMO'S HENCHMEN!  
IT'S FROM THE YANG SUNG  
CURIO SHOP!

HMM... YANG  
SUNG HAS A  
PRICELESS  
JADE AND  
COIN  
COLLECTION...  
THEY MAY  
HAVE BEEN  
CASING THE  
SHOP FOR A  
JOB!

SOON AFTER, IN THAT VERY SHOP...

SEE?... I REMOVED THE  
BRASS KNOB, PLACED THE  
AIR NOZZLE THROUGH THE  
HOLE IN THE GLASS DOOR,  
AND REVERSED THE  
COMPRESSOR!

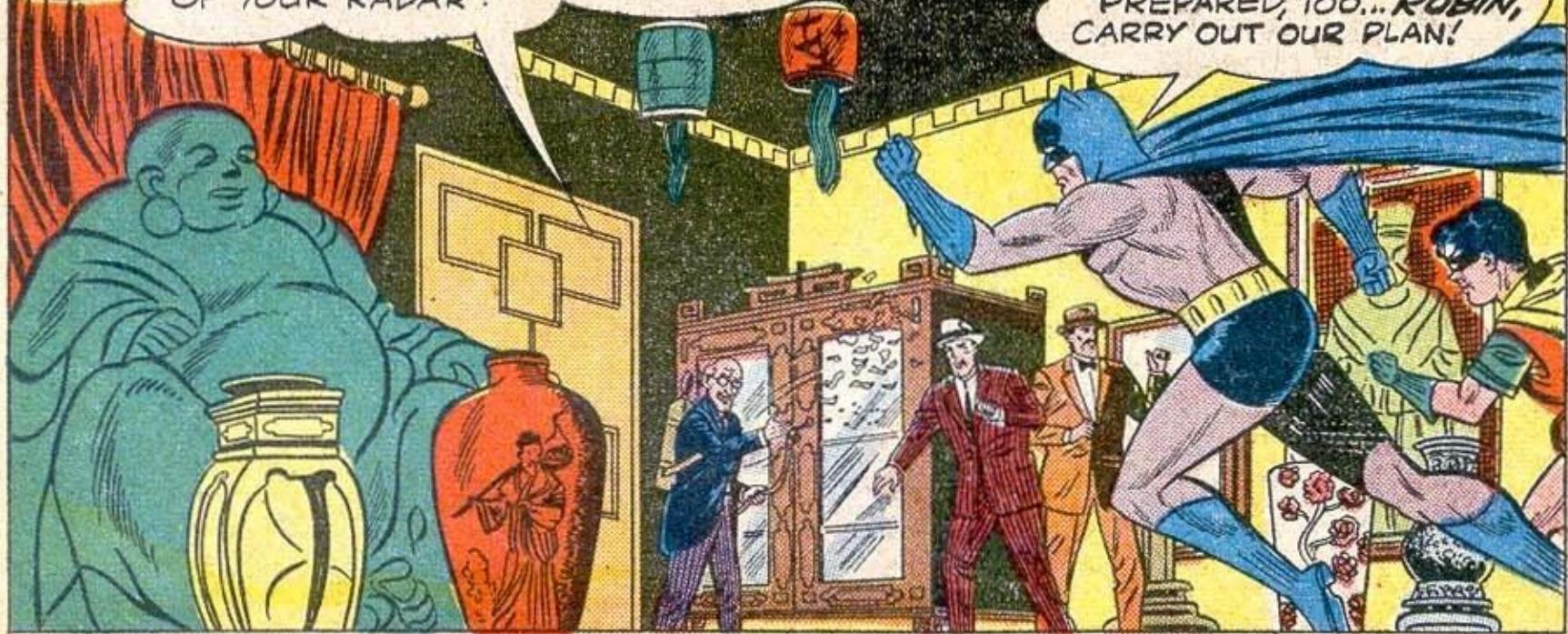
THAT DRAWS  
UP THE COINS  
WITHOUT  
TRIPPING THE  
ALARM, EH?  
WHAT A  
GIMMICK!



JUST THEN AS TWO MORE FIGURES COME CHARGING IN...

BATMAN! HUH!... YOU DON'T SCARE ME!  
THIS TINFOIL I BROUGHT WILL TAKE CARE  
OF YOUR RADAR!

I WAS AFRAID THAT  
ACCIDENT WITH THE FOIL  
MIGHT HAVE TIPPED YOU  
OFF, DR. PNEUMO! BUT I'M  
PREPARED, TOO... ROBIN,  
CARRY OUT OUR PLAN!



DASHING TO THE LIGHT SWITCH, ROBIN  
PLUNGES THE ROOM INTO DARKNESS...

NOW YOU'RE  
AS BLIND AS  
I AM!

IT'S A STALEMATE--BUT  
WE'VE GOT A CHANCE  
TO GET OUT OF HERE  
WHILE BATMAN'S  
RADAR IS JAMMED!

HE--HE'S COMING  
FOR ME, BOSS!  
HE--UGH!

HE KNOCKED OUT  
ONE OF MY MEN  
IN THE DARK! HE  
MUST HAVE SOME  
OTHER GADGET I  
DON'T KNOW ABOUT!



INSTANTLY, DR. PNEUMO DASHES BEHIND A GIANT ORIENTAL STATUE, BUT...

BATMAN  
SEEMS TO BE

COMING STRAIGHT  
FOR ME! ONLY ONE  
ANSWER... HE'S GOT  
SOME SUPER-HEARING  
DEVICE THAT CAN PICK  
UP MY EVERY BREATH!  
BUT I'VE STILL GOT MY  
AIR-GUN!



QUICKLY, THE CRAFTY CRIMINAL AIDS THE SUCTION DEVICE AT BATMAN'S FEET, AND...

WHAT WAS THAT? ARE YOU OKAY, BATMAN? I CAN'T SEE A THING!

WHOOSH

WAHOO

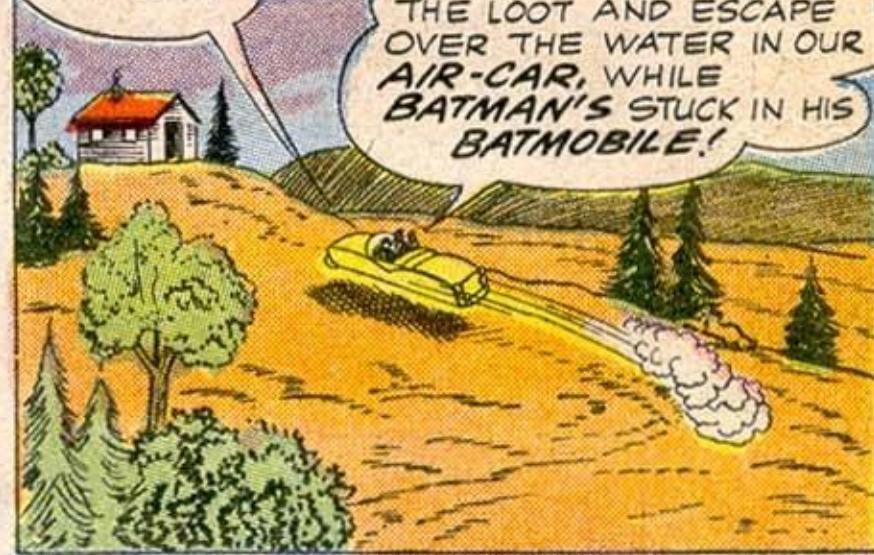
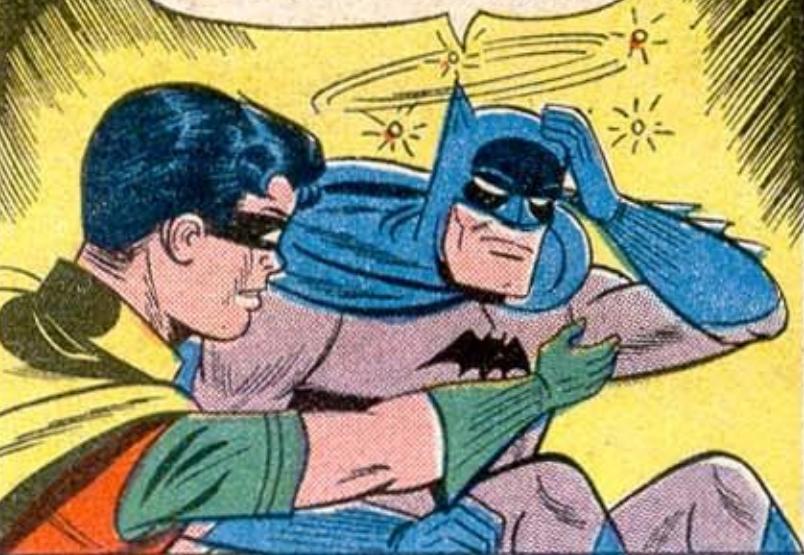
AND BY THE TIME ROBIN SWITCHES THE LIGHTS BACK ON...

I'M ALL RIGHT, ROBIN... BUT DR. PNEUMO AND HIS MEN-- THEY'RE ESCAPING! WE'VE GOT TO HURRY!

SOON, ON A MOUNTAIN ROAD...

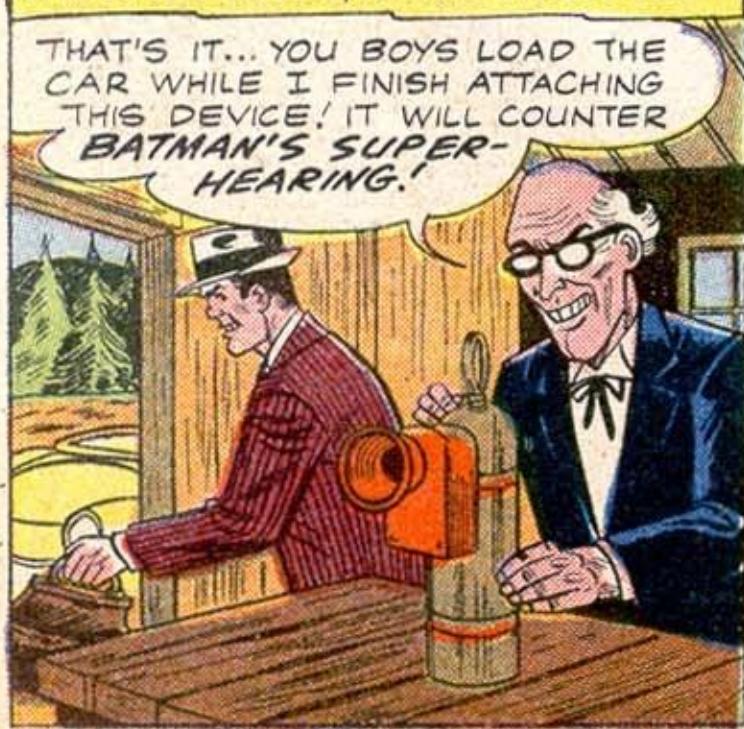
THE BATMOBILE IS TRAILING US TO THE HIDEOUT, DR. PNEUMO!

THAT'S WHY I PURPOSELY CHOSE A CABIN NEAR THE RIVER! WE'LL PICK UP THE LOOT AND ESCAPE OVER THE WATER IN OUR AIR-CAR, WHILE BATMAN'S STUCK IN HIS BATMOBILE!



MINUTES LATER, IN THE HIDEOUT...

THAT'S IT... YOU BOYS LOAD THE CAR WHILE I FINISH ATTACHING THIS DEVICE! IT WILL COUNTER BATMAN'S SUPER-HEARING!



THEN, WITH THE CAR LOADED...

THEY'RE HERE!... WE GOTTA SCRAM, BOSS!

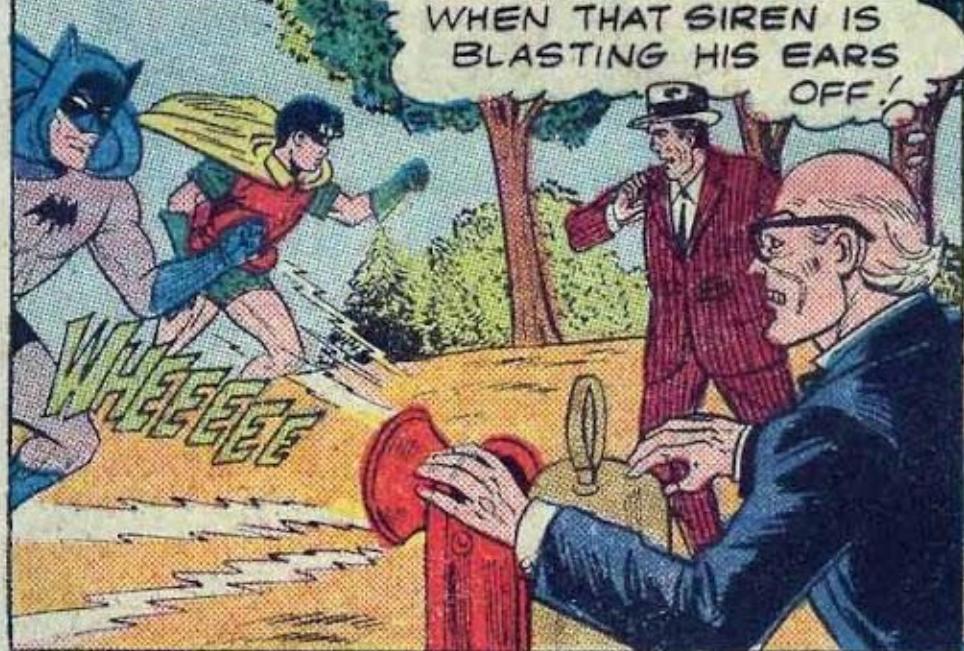
NO!... WE'LL HANDLE THEM RIGHT NOW!

THIS DEVICE WILL STOP BATMAN!

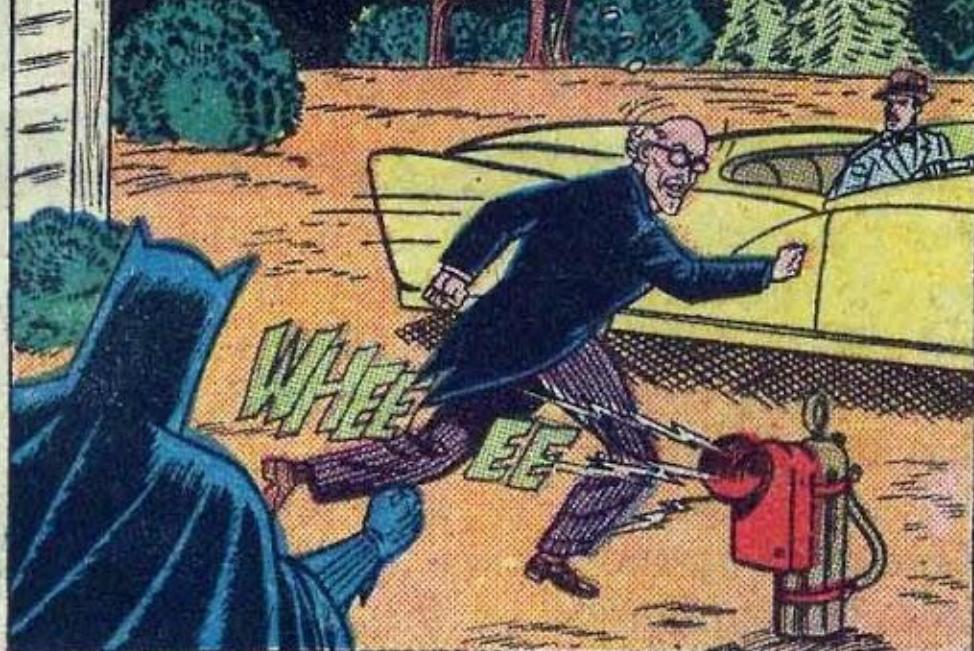


AS BATMAN AND ROBIN RACE FROM THEIR CAR, DR. PNEUMO FLIPS A SWITCH ON HIS NEWEST WEAPON...

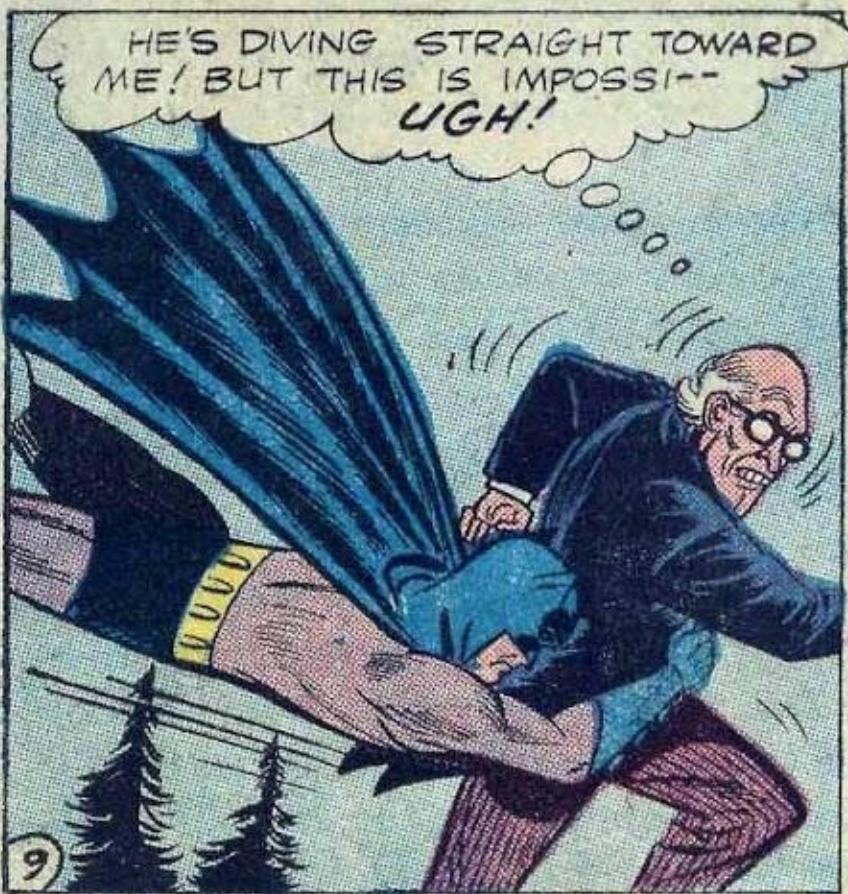
HA, HA!  
BATMAN'S SOUND-LOCATOR IS USELESS WHEN THAT SIREN IS BLASTING HIS EARS OFF!



WITHOUT HIS MECHANICAL AIDS, HE'LL NEVER--GREAT DAY! BATMAN IS FOLLOWING ME! BUT--HOW CAN THAT BE?



HE'S DIVING STRAIGHT TOWARD ME! BUT THIS IS IMPOSSI-- UGH!



THEN, WITH THE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL...

HOW DID I FIND YOU WITHOUT RADAR OR SUPER-HEARING? SIMPLE ENOUGH... I CAN SEE AGAIN, DR. PNEUMO!

RIGHT! WHEN YOUR AIR-GUN THREW BATMAN OFF HIS FEET, HE INJURED HIS HEAD AGAIN... AND THAT SECOND BLOW RETURNED HIS SIGHT!



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# Letters to the BAT-CAVE



Dear Editor: I once read about an instrument called the *spectrograph*—an invaluable aid in fighting crime. Do BATMAN and ROBIN have a *spectrograph*? If so, what is its function?

Mort Chester, Fort Worth, Tex.  
(The *spectrograph* is one of the regular pieces of equipment in the BAT-CAVE. Any element—such as paint scraped from an automobile, or filings from a metal object—has its own unique combination of lines and waves, called its "spectrum." Invisible to the naked eye, the spectrum can only be detected by the high-powered lens of the *spectrograph*, which then photographs these lines and waves. From an enlargement of the photo, BATMAN and ROBIN can match up paint scrapings left at the scene of a crime to samples taken from a suspected getaway car.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: Is it true that BATMAN and ROBIN have costumes which enable them to withstand severe bolts of electricity?

Herman Feinberg, Queens, N. Y.  
(Yes—among their special costumes are a pair that are heavily insulated with rubber. BATMAN and ROBIN wear them when they expect to be operating in places where they're exposed to electricity—as in generator plants or among high-tension wires. By the way, for the story of BATMAN and ROBIN'S wardrobe of unique costumes, be sure to get your copy of the BATMAN ANNUAL, now on sale.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: I particularly enjoyed the story, "THE VILLAIN OF 100 ELEMENTS," which appeared in a recent issue. Do you have any more bizarre opponents coming up against BATMAN and ROBIN?

Arnold Lake, Wichita, Kans.  
(You'll be meeting another fantastic villain in the OCTOBER issue of DETECTIVE COMICS, No. 296, where the caped

crime-fighters combat "THE MENACE OF THE PLANET MASTER!"—Ed.)

Dear Editor: To achieve its enormous speed, does the BATMOBILE require a special fuel? If so, where does BATMAN get that fuel?

Joan Reeves, Los Angeles, Calif.  
(The BATMOBILE runs on a secret combination of jet fuels, which BATMAN mixes in the BAT-CAVE LAB.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: How about doing a story where ROBIN vanishes into another dimension, and SUPERMAN and BATMAN have to rescue him?

Murray Holt, Biloxi, Miss.  
(We do have such a story coming up—only it's BATMAN, not ROBIN, who disappears into a strange new world. And ROBIN and SUPERMAN really have their hands full, when the caped crime-fighter returns in an eerie, distorted form. You'll be reading all about it in the NOVEMBER issue of WORLD'S FINEST COMICS, No. 121, in the adventure of "THE MIRROR BATMAN!"—Ed.)

Dear Editor: How can a half-eaten apple serve to track a criminal? I once read that the police caught a man that way.

Sal Torio, Danbury, Conn.  
(They probably did it the same way that BATMAN and ROBIN solved a robbery case, some years ago. While planning his move—a restaurant hold-up—a crook sat nibbling on a sandwich, to avert suspicion. From eye-witnesses' descriptions, afterward, BATMAN and ROBIN had a pretty good idea of the robber's identity, but they needed conclusive proof. Spotting his half-eaten sandwich, they took it to the BAT-CAVE CRIME LAB, where they constructed plaster casts of his teeth from the bite impressions. They matched perfectly with a cast taken of the suspect's own teeth.—Ed.)

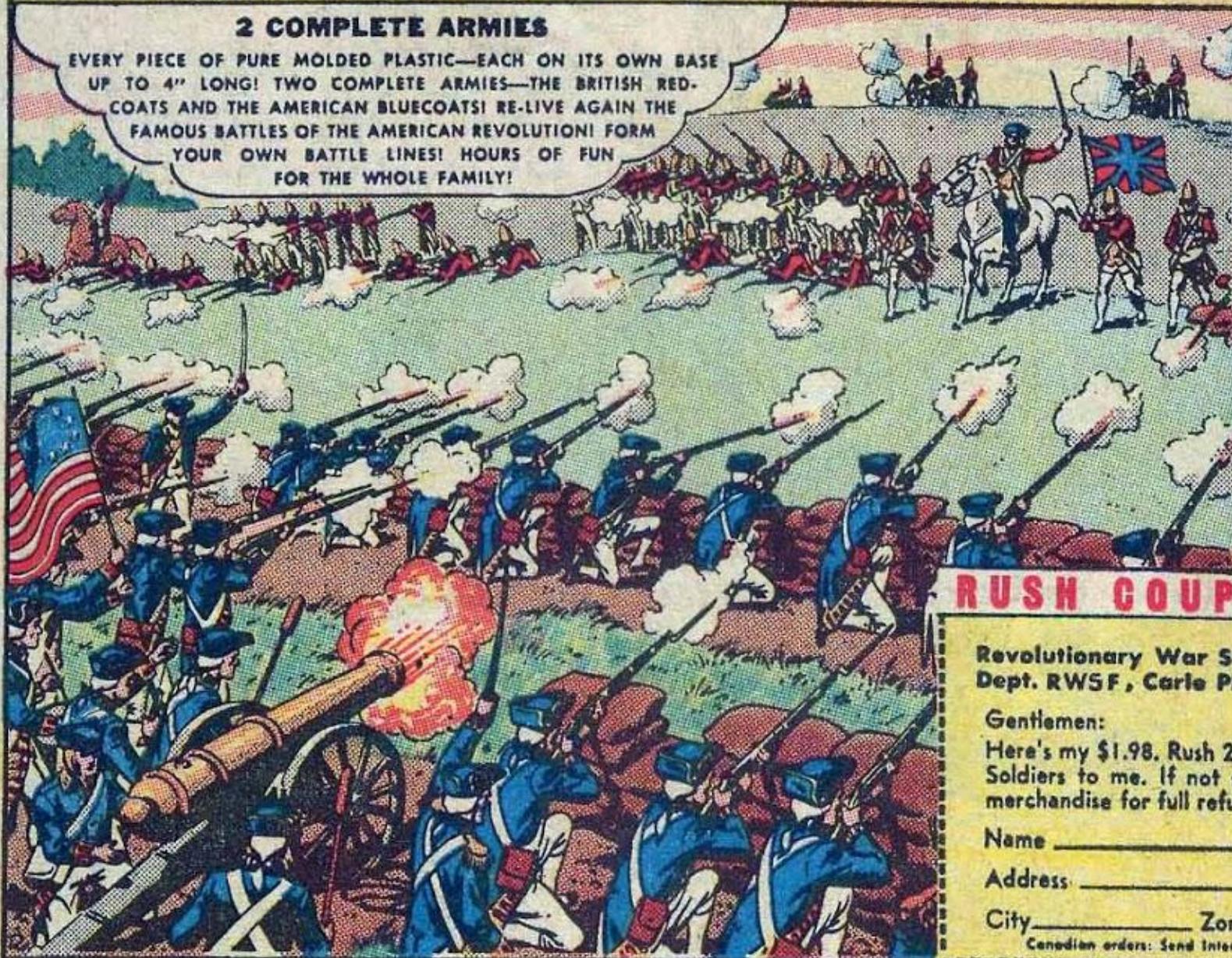
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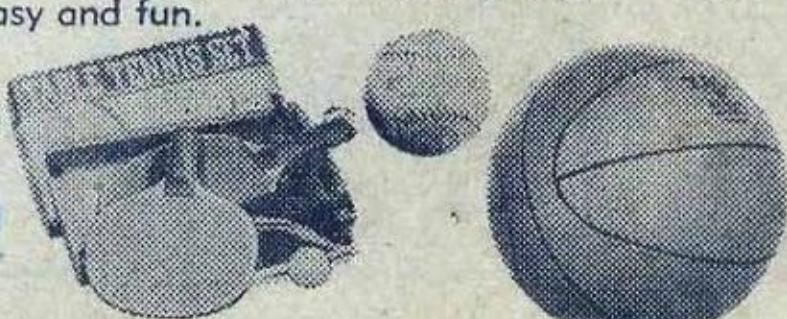
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# A Message from OTTO The ROBOT!

POOR BOBBY! HE WENT TO VISIT HIS UNCLE BILL'S FACTORY, AND HE'S ALL TIRED OUT!

STRANGE DREAMS FILL BOBBY'S MIND THAT NIGHT...

THIS IS SOME OF THE NEW MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT WE GOT IN, BOBBY!

GOSH, UNCLE BILL, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO HERE IS PUSH BUTTONS!

AND THIS MACHINE KEEPS TRACK OF HOW MUCH GOODS WE HAVE IN STOCK!

I ALSO FIGURE OUT HOW MUCH MONEY PEOPLE OWE US, BOSS!

HERE'S OTTO, THE GIANT BRAIN THAT ANSWERS QUESTIONS. DO YOU WANT TO ASK ONE, BOBBY?

I SURE DO! WHY SHOULD I BOTHER GOING TO SCHOOL, IF MACHINES CAN DO ALL THE WORK?

DEAR BOBBY,  
FIRST, PEOPLE ARE NEEDED WITH TECHNICAL TRAINING TO MAKE THE MACHINES WORK. THEN THERE ARE LOTS OF JOBS MACHINES WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO DO--AND YOU'LL NEED SKILLS, TRAINING AND A DIPLOMA TO GET THE GOOD ONES. MAKE SURE YOU DO!  
OTTO

OTTO'S RIGHT! A MACHINE COULD NEVER PAINT A PICTURE, OR MAKE SICK PEOPLE WELL--OR EVEN INVENT SOMEBODY LIKE OTTO THE ROBOT!



# BATMAN



# BAT-MAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**  
-THE BOY WONDER-

TILL NOW, BATMAN'S FAMED CANINE PET, BAT-HOUND, HAS ALWAYS FOUGHT AGAINST ANY MAN OR BEAST WHO THREATENS INNOCENT PEOPLE-- BUT SUDDENLY, THIS SAME BAT-HOUND TURNS TO PROTECTING A GIGANTIC CREATURE THAT SEEMS TO MENACE A CITY! NOT EVEN BATMAN AND ROBIN CAN FATHOM HIS MYSTERIOUS BEHAVIOR, UNTIL THEY FIND THE FANTASTIC ANSWER TO THE STRANGE BOND BETWEEN...

## BAT-HOUND and the CREATURE

GREAT SCOTT!  
BAT-HOUND'S  
BARKING HAS ATTRACTED  
THE CREATURE  
HERE!

YOW! LET'S  
GET OUTA HERE  
BEFORE IT KILLS  
ALL OF US!

ARF!  
ARF!  
ARF!

BOB  
KANE





# BATMAN



ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF GOTHAM CITY, BATMAN, ROBIN AND THEIR FAITHFUL BAT-HOUND FINALLY PICK UP THE TRAIL OF BANDITS ELUDING THE LAW...

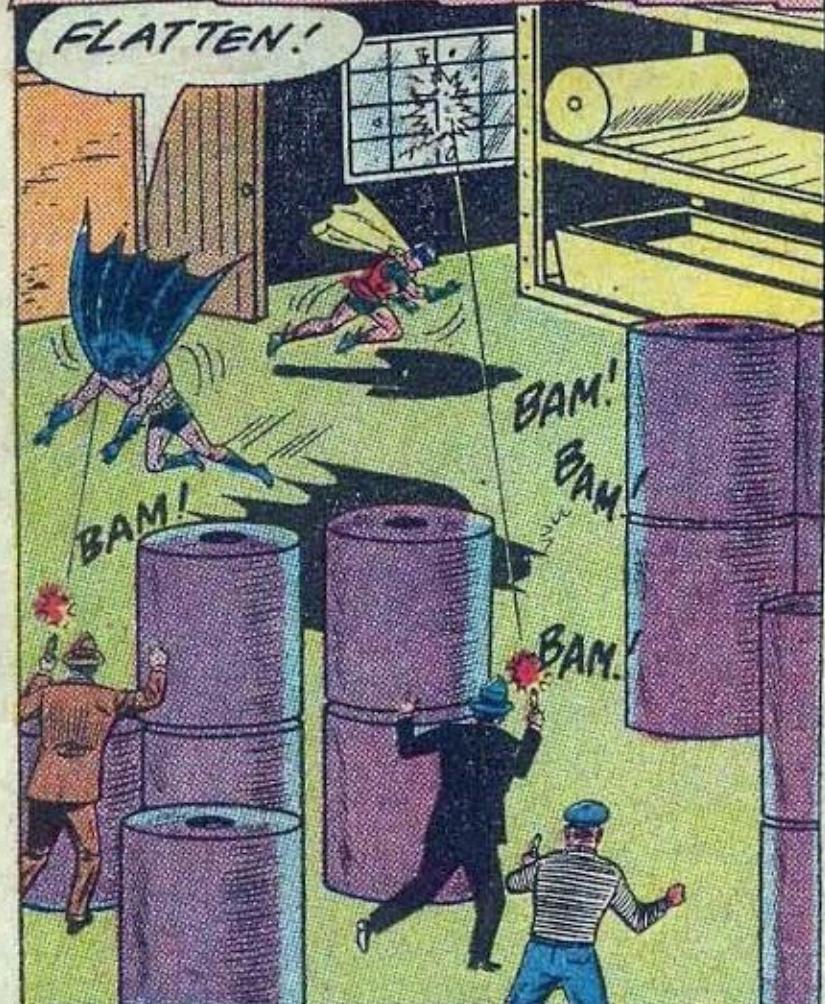
NICE TRACKING, BAT-HOUND! THERE THEY GO--DUCKING INTO THAT PAPER MILL!

BUT I DON'T SEE THEIR BOSS--LIPPY YATES--AND THE REST OF HIS GANG! THEY MUST HAVE SPLIT UP TO CONFUSE US!

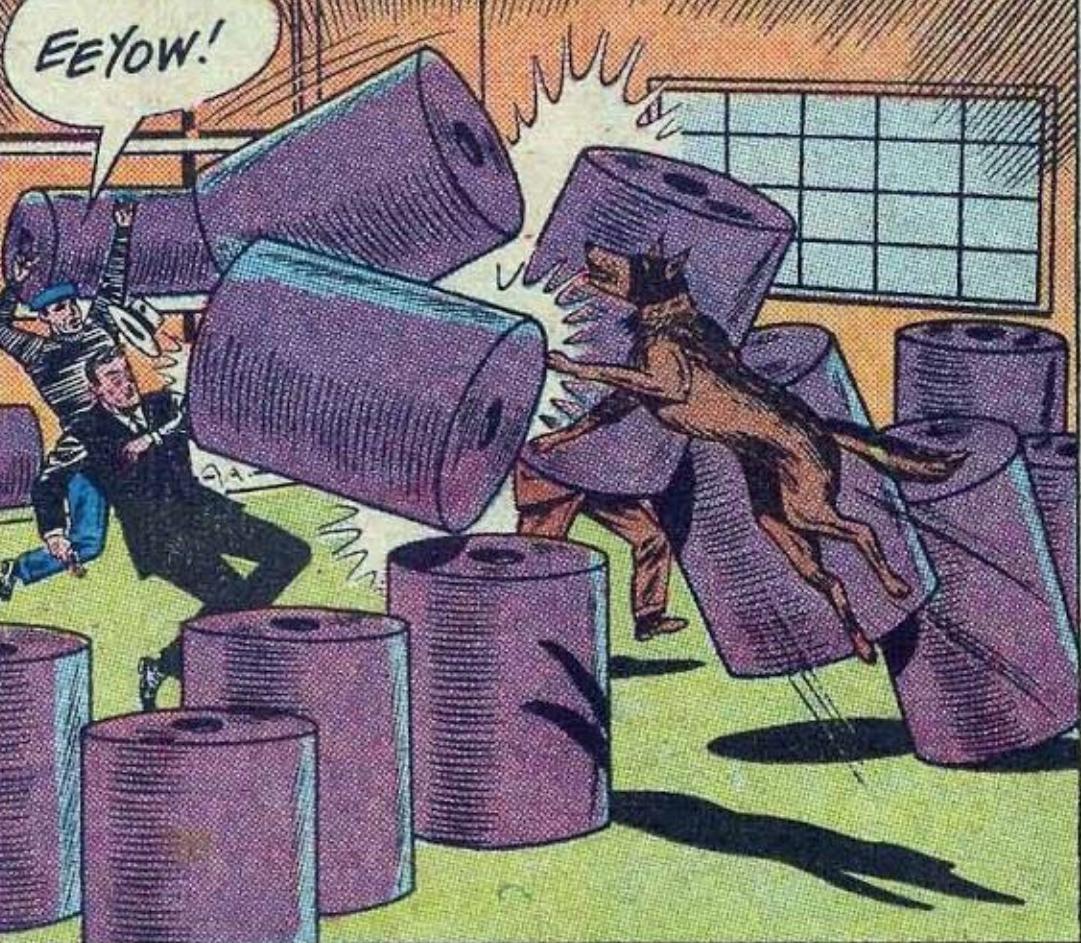


UPON CHARGING INTO THE MILL...

FLATTEN!



ABRUPTLY, THE CANINE WONDER LAUNCHES FORWARD, AND...



BEFORE THE CROOKS CAN RECOVER, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS GO WADING IN...

O-OKEY, BAT-HOUND, I GIVE UP!



LATER, AFTER BATMAN SUMMONS THE POLICE AND HANDS OVER THEIR CAPTIVES...

THAT'S THAT... BUT WHERE'S BAT-HOUND?

WHO KNOWS? HE'LL PROBABLY BE BACK IN A FEW MINUTES OR SO...



JUST THEN...

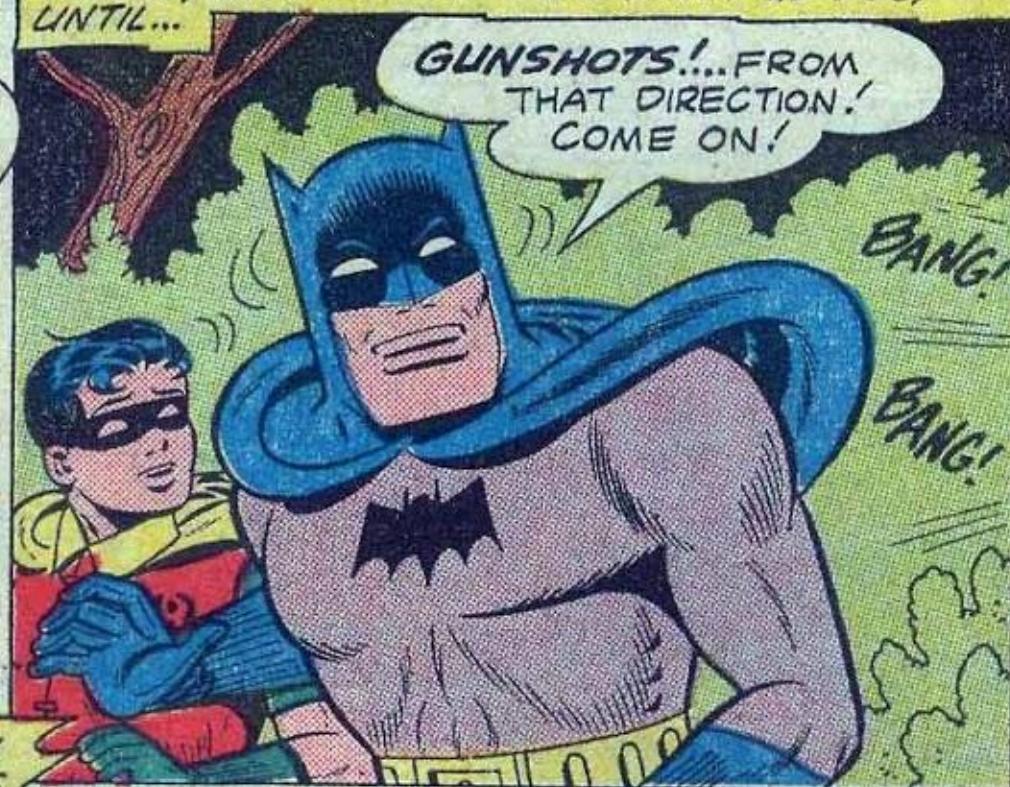
THERE HE IS! NOTICE -- HE'S BARKING AND LOOKING BACK IN THE DIRECTION OF THE WOODS!

HE'S TELLING US TO FOLLOW HIM! MAYBE HE SCENTED THE TRAIL OF THE REST OF THE YATES GANG!



SWIFTLY, THEY FOLLOW THEIR FAITHFUL DOG, UNTIL...

GUNSHOTS!...FROM THAT DIRECTION! COME ON!



MINUTES LATER, BURSTING THROUGH THE EDGE OF THE WOODS, THEY COME UPON A FANTASTIC SIGHT...



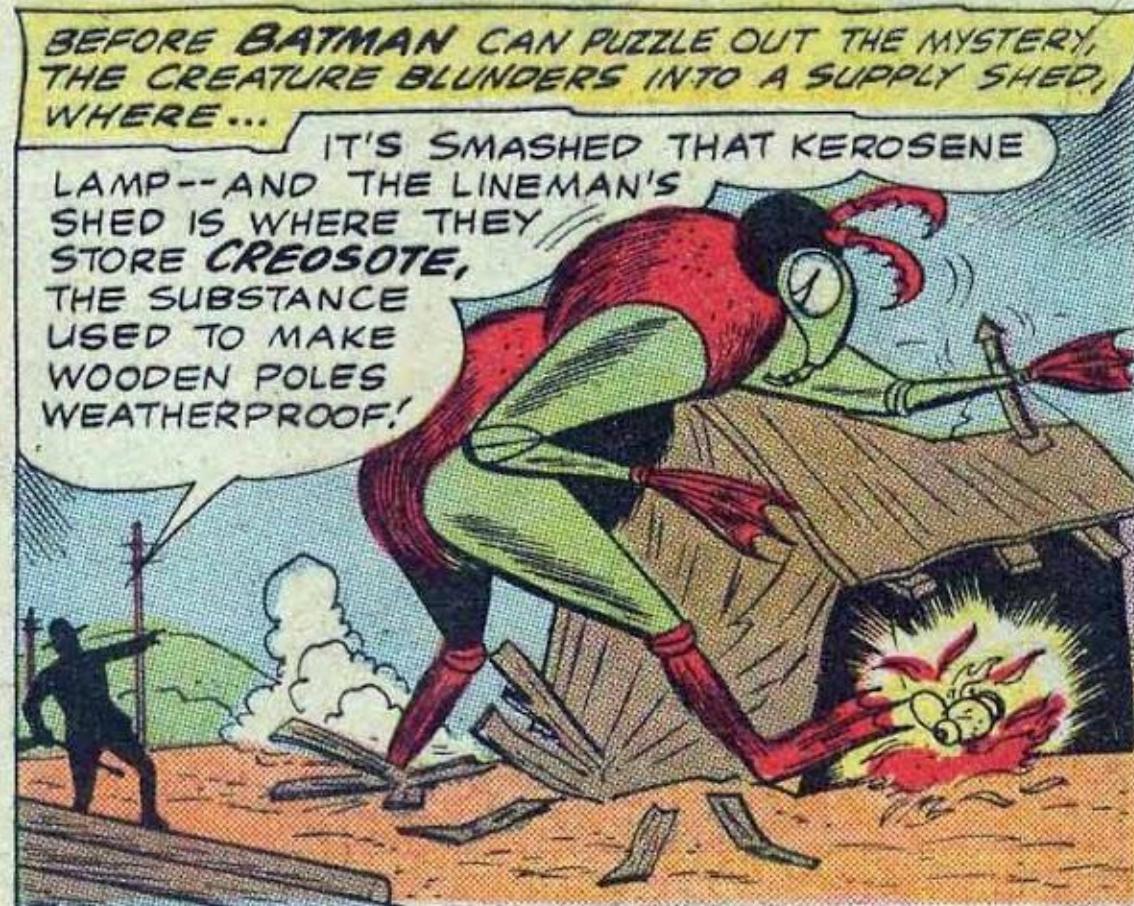
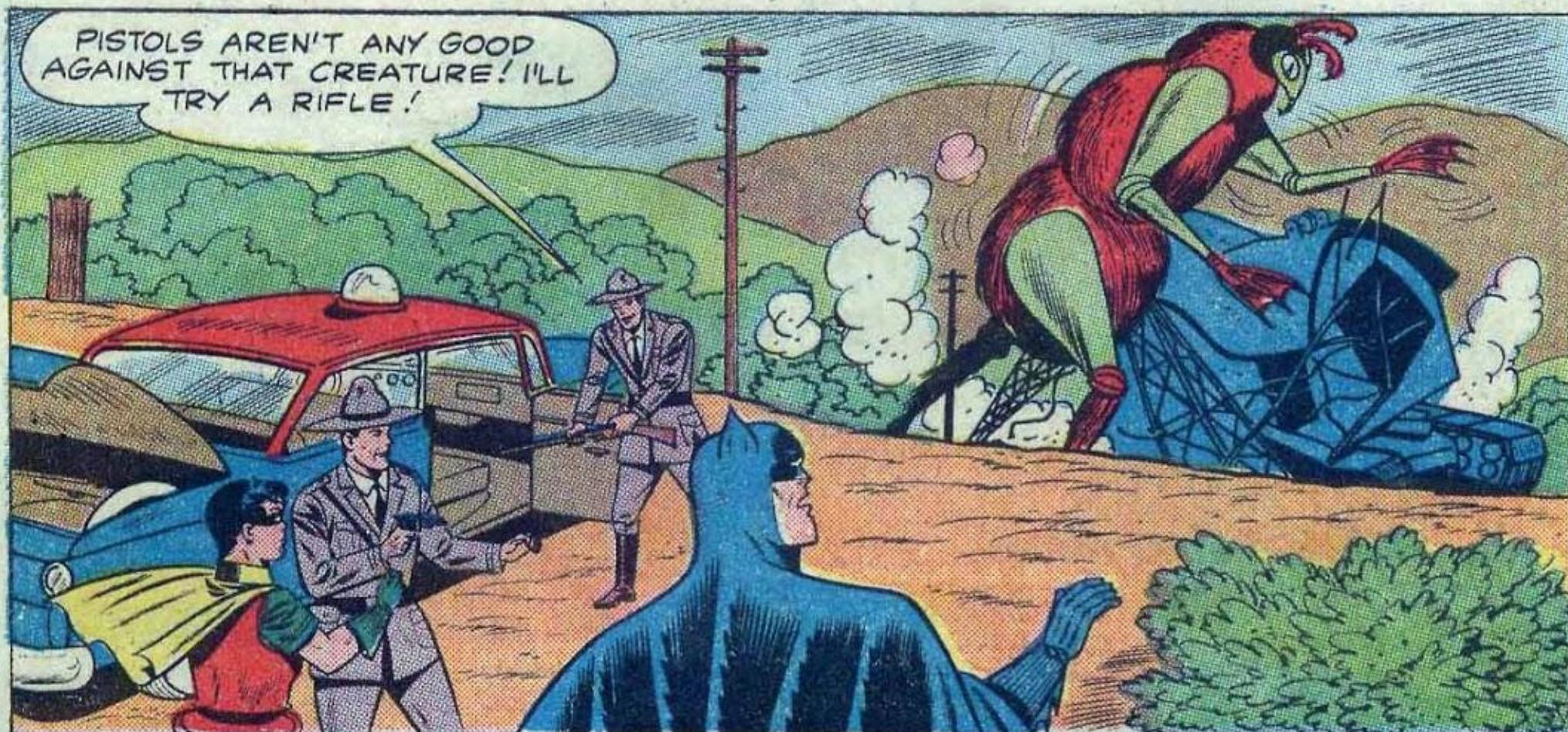
AS THE CORNERED CREATURE FLAILS ABOUT...



LEAPING INTO A BULLDOZER, BATMAN GUNS THE STURDY VEHICLE FORWARD SO THAT...

;WHEW! THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL! THANKS, BATMAN!





## BATMAN

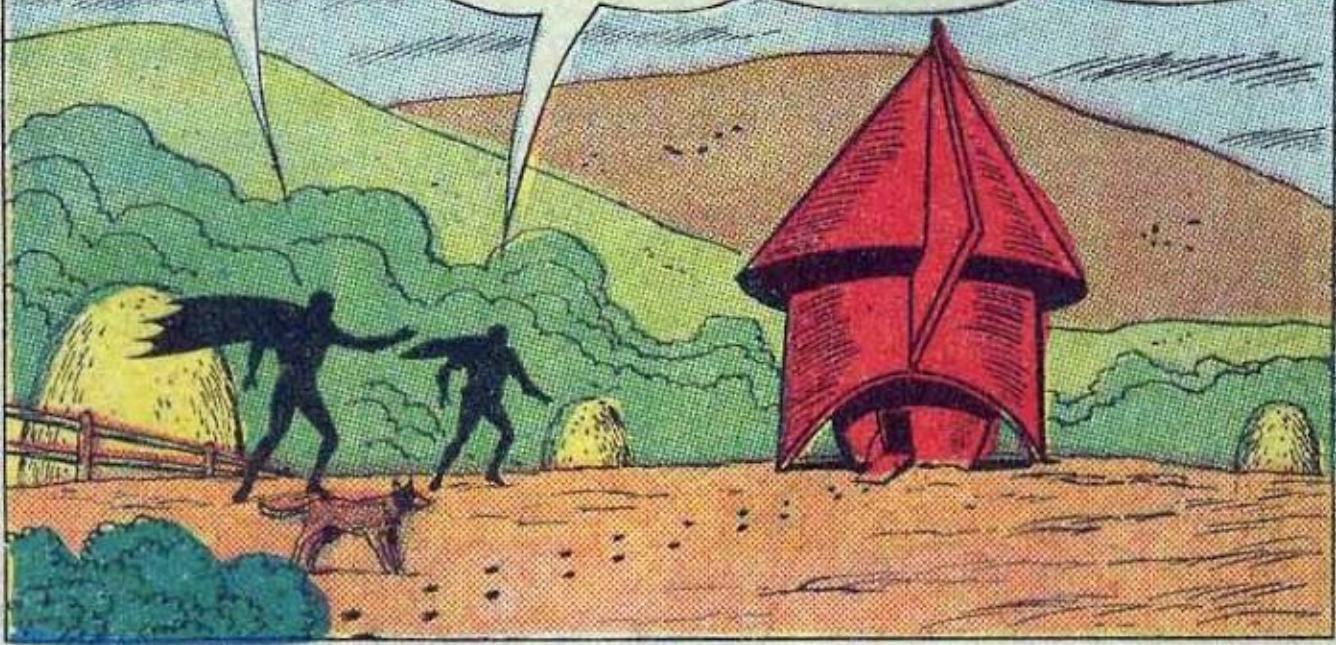
BATMAN, A FARMER JUST CALLED IN! HE SAYS THERE'S SOME KIND OF SHINY THING LYING ON HIS FIELD! CAN YOU TAKE A LOOK AT IT WHILE WE GET MORE TROOPERS HERE TO TRACK DOWN AND KILL THAT MONSTER?



GOING TO THE FARM MENTIONED, THEY COME UPON...

AN ALIEN SPACE CAPSULE!

A LITTLE ANIMAL MUST HAVE COME OUT OF IT! YOU CAN SEE ITS SMALL PAW PRINTS -- AND THEY LEAD TO THE WOODS! LET'S FOLLOW THEM!



TRAILING THE PRINTS, THEY SOON COME UPON A TRAPPER'S SNARE...

IT MUST'VE BEEN CAUGHT IN THIS SNARE! THERE ARE THE ANIMAL'S PRINTS!

YES-- AND BAT-HOUND'S, TOO! THIS IS WHY BAT-HOUND RAN AWAY BEFORE... IT HEARD THE ANIMAL, CHEWED THE TRAP'S ROPES OFF IT, THEN CAME BACK TO TELL US!

BUT LOOK! THE ANIMAL'S PRINTS GOING AWAY FROM THE TRAP... THEY GET LARGER AND LARGER-- UNTIL THEY'RE GIGANTIC!

NOW I UNDERSTAND! ORIGINALLY, THE ANIMAL WAS SMALL-- BUT SOMEHOW, OUR ATMOSPHERE CAUSED IT TO GROW INTO THE GIANT CREATURE WE JUST FOUGHT!



PEOPLE ON ANOTHER PLANET MUST'VE LAUNCHED THE SMALL ANIMAL ON A SPACE EXPERIMENT, JUST AS WE DO-- AND THE CAPSULE DRIFTED THROUGH SPACE UNTIL IT LANDED HERE!

THAT POOR CREATURE... CAN YOU IMAGINE HOW BEWILDERED IT MUST BE BY ITS GIANT SIZE AND OUR STRANGE WORLD? IT NEVER MEANT ANY HARM... IT WAS ONLY TRYING TO DEFEND ITSELF! BAT-HOUND SENSED THAT AND TRIED TO PROTECT IT!

NICE WORK, FELLA... NOW IT'S UP TO YOU! WE'VE GOT TO PICK UP YOUR FRIEND'S TRAIL-- SO WE CAN GET TO HIM FIRST, BEFORE THE TROOPERS FIND AND KILL HIM!

BAT-HOUND UNDERSTANDS!





# BATMAN



BUT AWHILE LATER, AS THE THREE MAN-HUNTERS CONCENTRATE ON THEIR MISSION OF MERCY...

HAW!... THE NET GOT 'EM! THEY WERE SO BUSY, THEY DIDN'T KNOW WE WERE USING THIS DESERTED OLD PLACE AS A HIDEOUT!

LIPPY YATES!

HELPLESS NOW, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS ARE TIED INSIDE THE ABANDONED FACTORY...

THIS EXPLOSIVE WILL TAKE CARE OF BATMAN AND ROBIN FOR GOOD! -HA, HA! YAP ALL YOU WANT TO, DOGGY... NOTHING'S GONNA SAVE YOU NOW!

BUT SUDDENLY...

LOOK! THAT'S WHY BAT-HOUND WAS BARKING... HE SCENTED THE CREATURE NEARBY, AND CALLED IT, KNOWING IT WAS A FRIEND!

YOW! LET'S GET OUTA HERE!

CRASH!

THE CREATURE'S SNAPPED THE UPRIGHT! THERE'S ENOUGH SLACK IN OUR BONDS, NOW, SO THAT WE CAN SLIDE THEM LOOSE! GOOD WORK, BAT-HOUND!

EMERGING, HOWEVER, THE TRIO RUNS SMACK INTO A NEW PROBLEM...

WAIT! DON'T SHOOT! THE CREATURE'S OUR FRIEND! IT JUST SAVED OUR LIVES!

THAT MONSTER?... A FRIEND?

ARF! ARF!

# BATMAN



AFTER EXPLAINING, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS QUICKLY PICK UP THE CRIMINALS' TRAIL--AT A TRESTLE BRIDGE OVER A DRIED-OUT RIVER BED...

THEY WON'T GET AWAY FROM US NOW!

BATMAN AND ROBIN AGAIN! BUT I'VE STILL GOT THE EXPLOSIVE... THAT'LL STOP 'EM!

NEXT MOMENT...

GREAT SCOTT! THE BRIDGE -- IT'S COLLAPSING!

BOOOOM

BUT SUDDENLY A COLOSSAL FIGURE RUSHES FORWARD, TO HUNCH ITS GREAT SHOULDERS UNDER THE SAGGING STRUCTURE...

THE CREATURE-- IT'S SAVED US! AND WE CAN GO OVER ITS SHOULDERS TO GET AT LIPPY!

RACING ONWARD, THE CAPED CRIME-FIGHTERS CLOSE IN ON THE AMAZED HOODLUMS...

YOU AIN'T GONNA LIVE TO GET ME, BATMAN!

ABRUPTLY, AS IF SHOT FROM A BOW, ANOTHER FIGURE HURTLES FORWARD...

HUH--?

I CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON BAT-HOUND TO COME THROUGH!

BUT EVEN AS BATMAN COMPLETES  
THE CAPTURE...

THAT SOUND...  
THE BRIDGE!

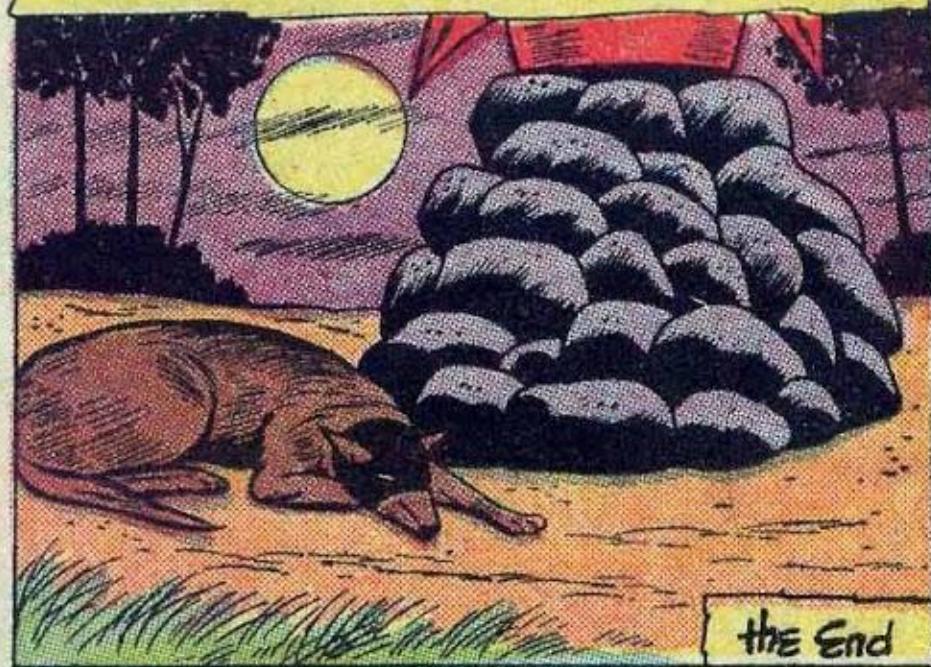
OH, NO--! WITH ALL ITS STRENGTH,  
EVEN THE CREATURE FINALLY  
COLLAPSED UNDER THE STRAIN  
OF ALL THAT HEAVY STEEL!



SO DAYS LATER, A FITTING  
MEMORIAL HONORS THE TOMB OF  
THE HEROIC CREATURE FROM  
ANOTHER WORLD...

THE CREATURE  
WAS A STRANGER IN A STRANGE WORLD--  
YET IT GAVE ITS LIFE TO SAVE OURS!

AND THAT NIGHT, BAT-HOUND KEEPS  
A LONELY VIGIL BEFORE THE RESTING  
PLACE OF ONE WHO WAS HIS FRIEND...

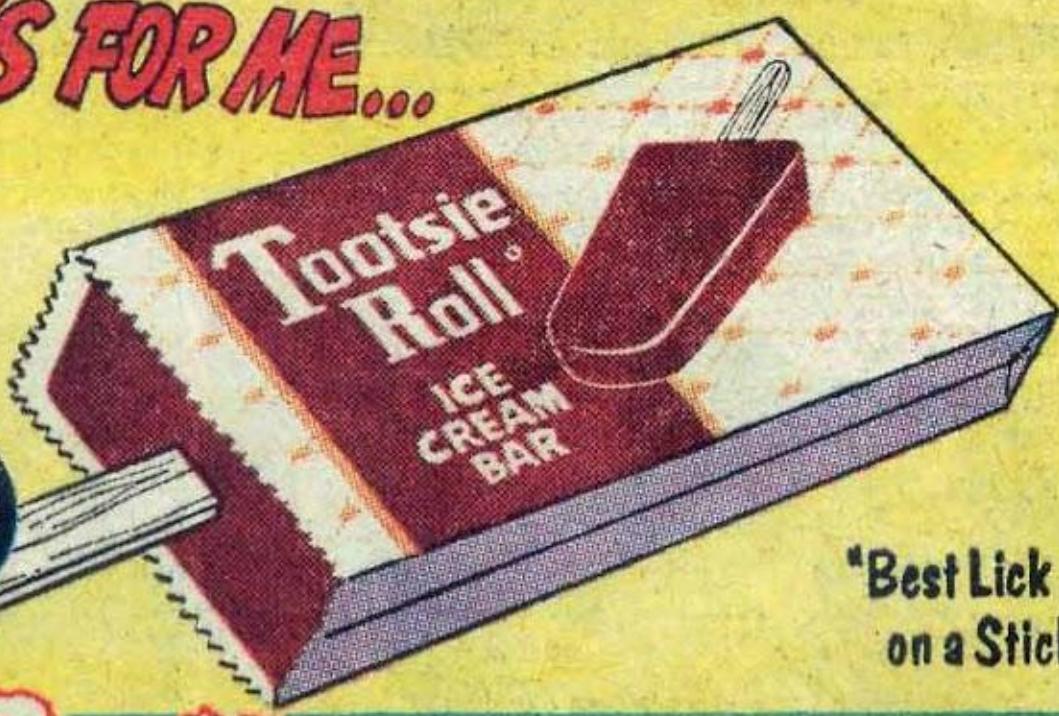


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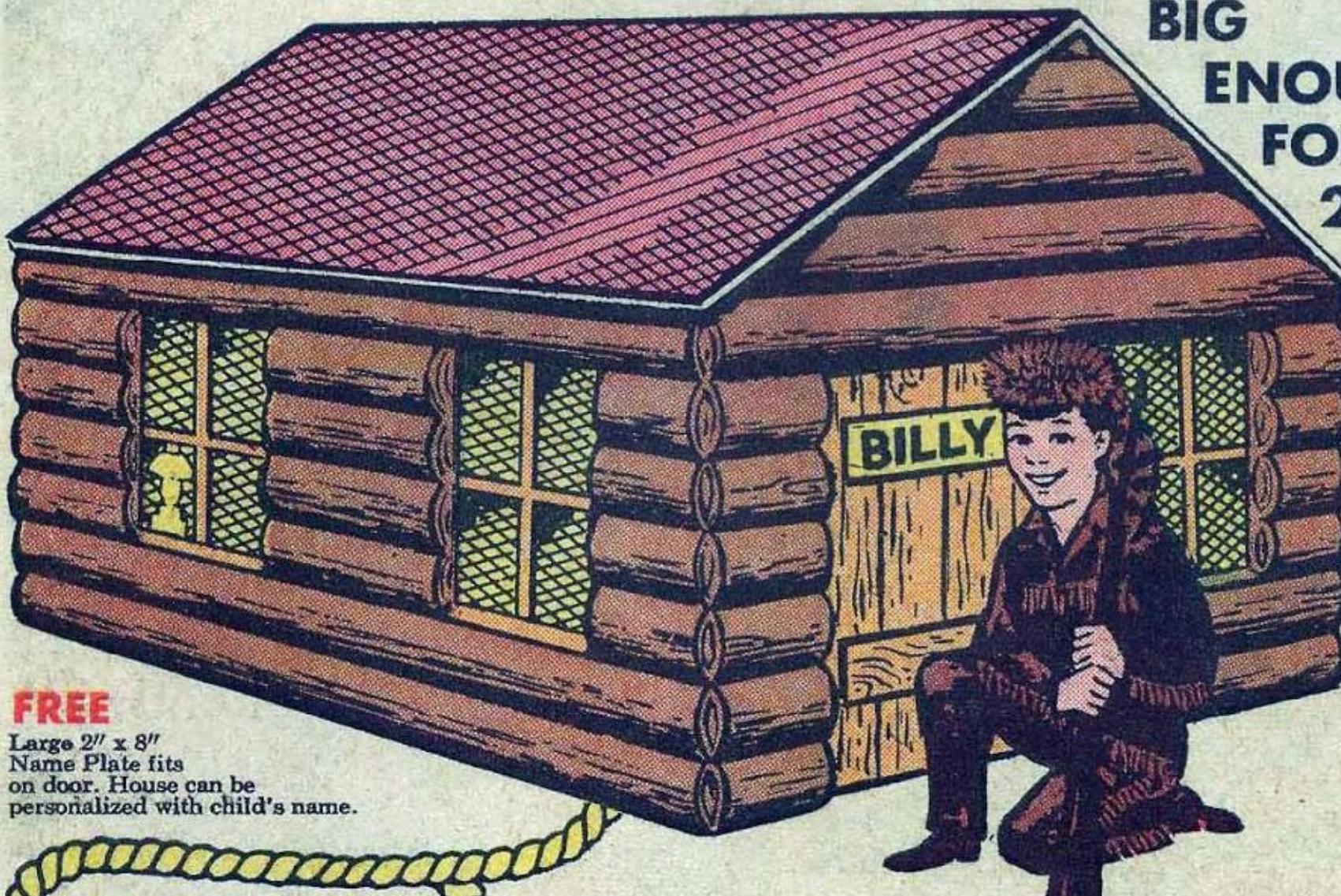
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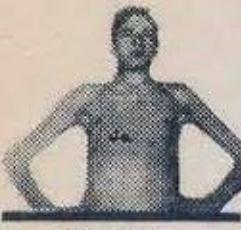
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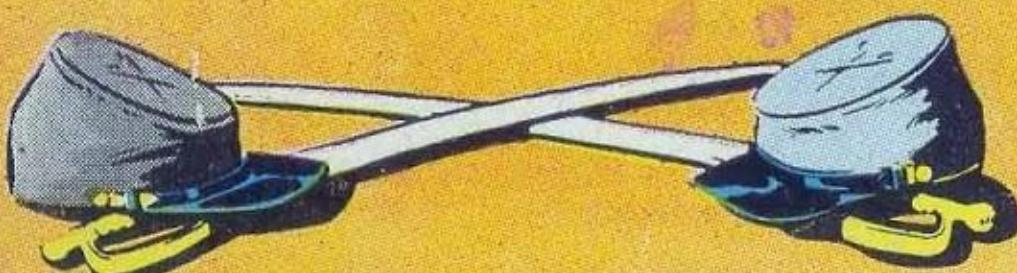
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