



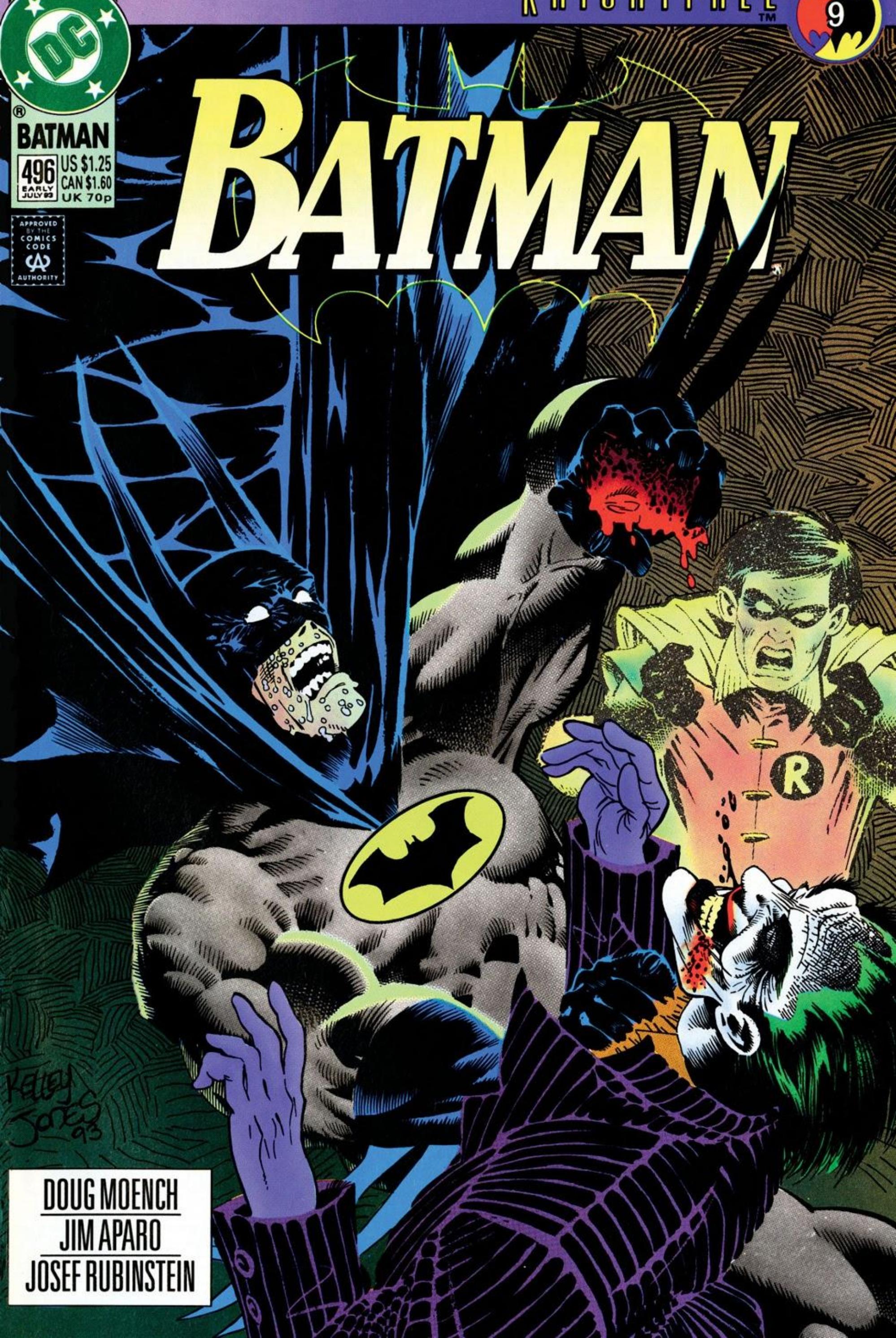
KNIGHTFALL

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BATMAN
496 US \$1.25
EARLY JULY '93 CAN \$1.60
UK 70P

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BATMAN

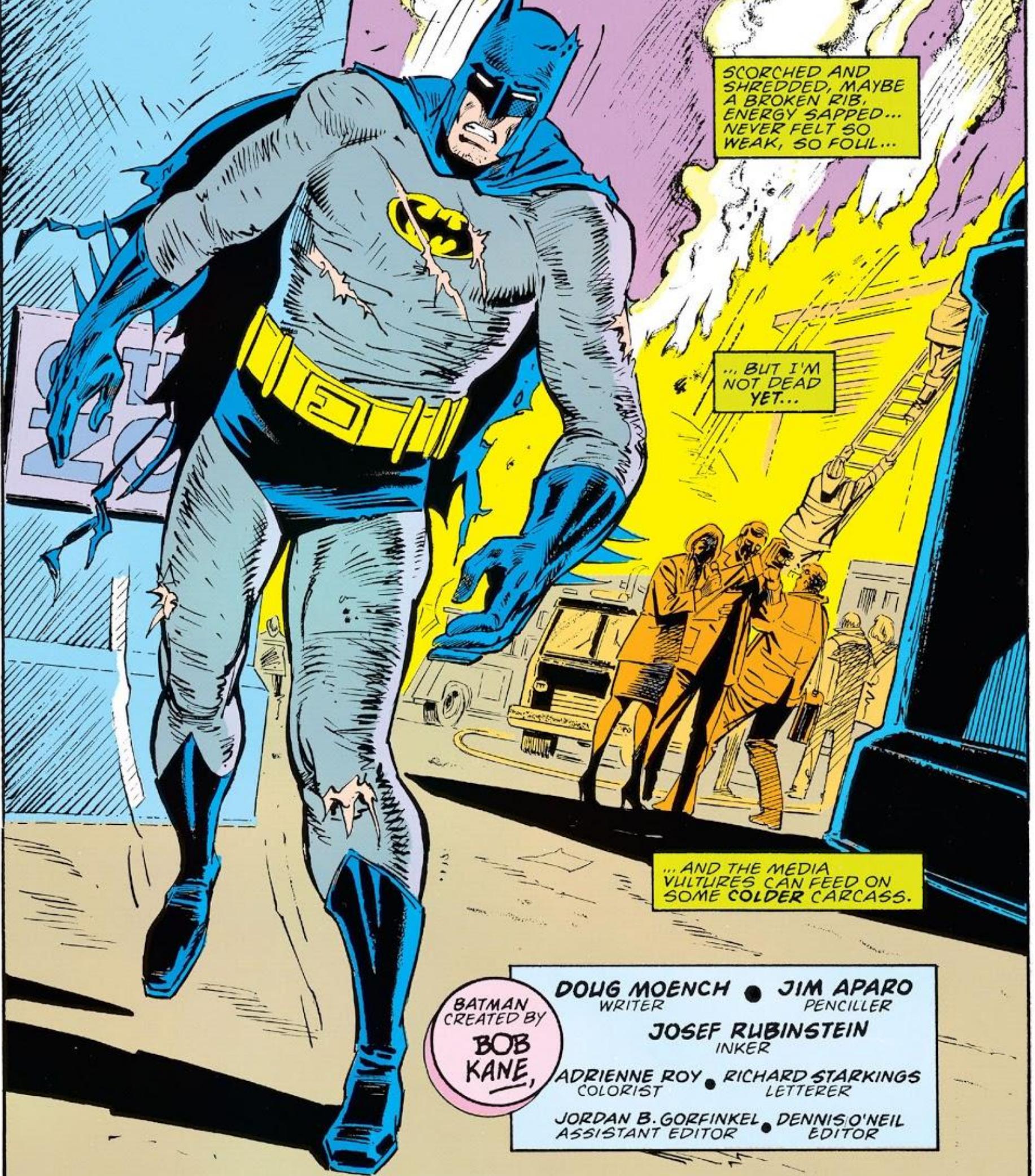


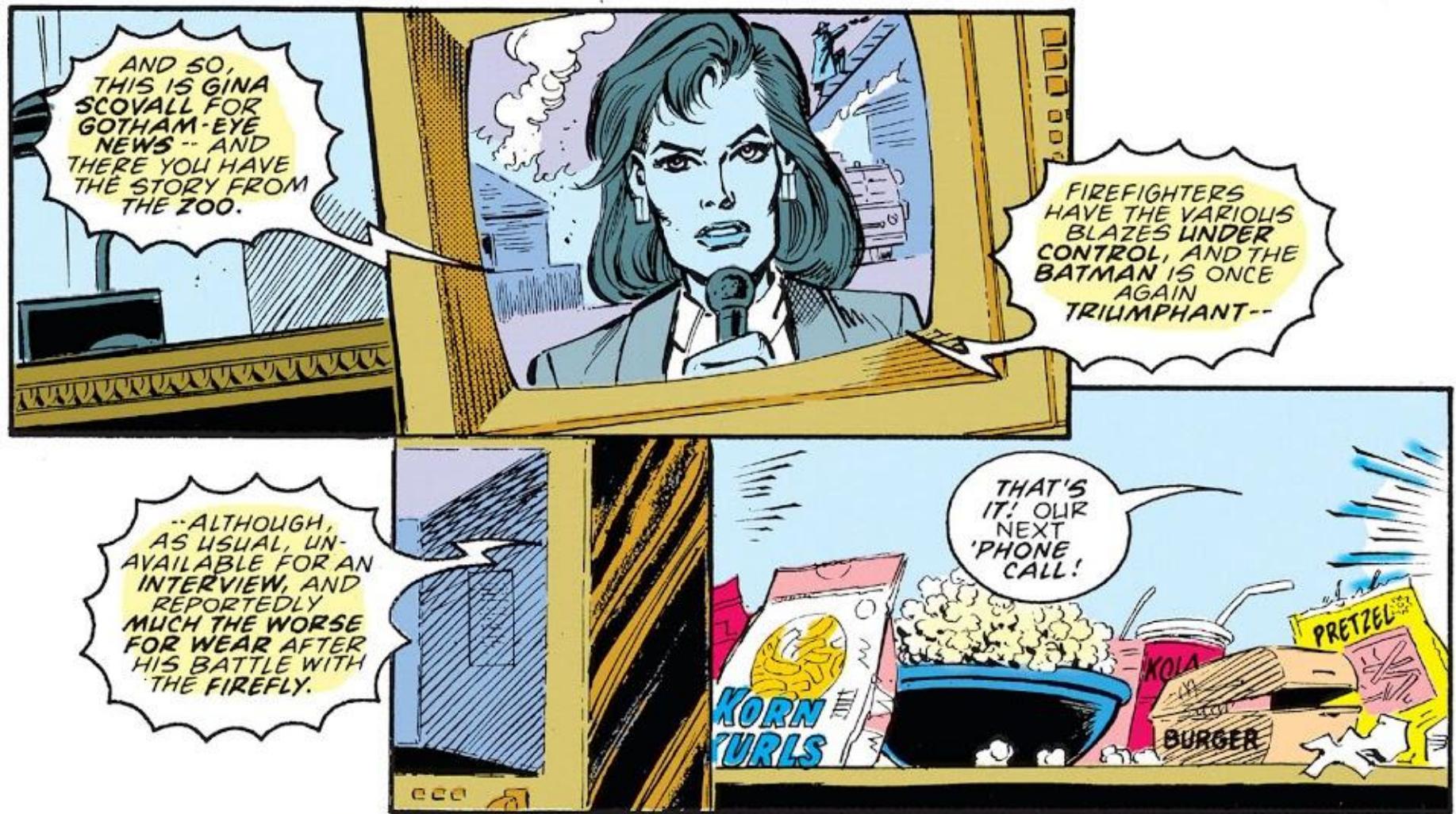
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JIM APARO

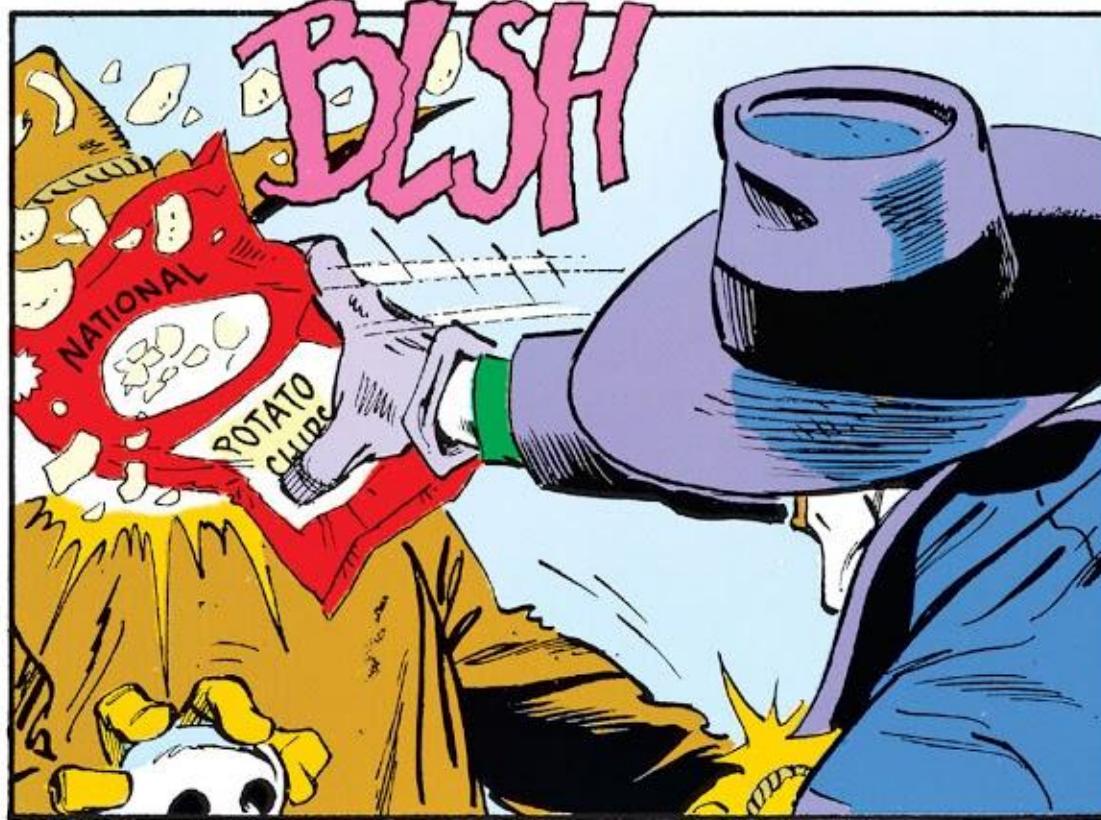
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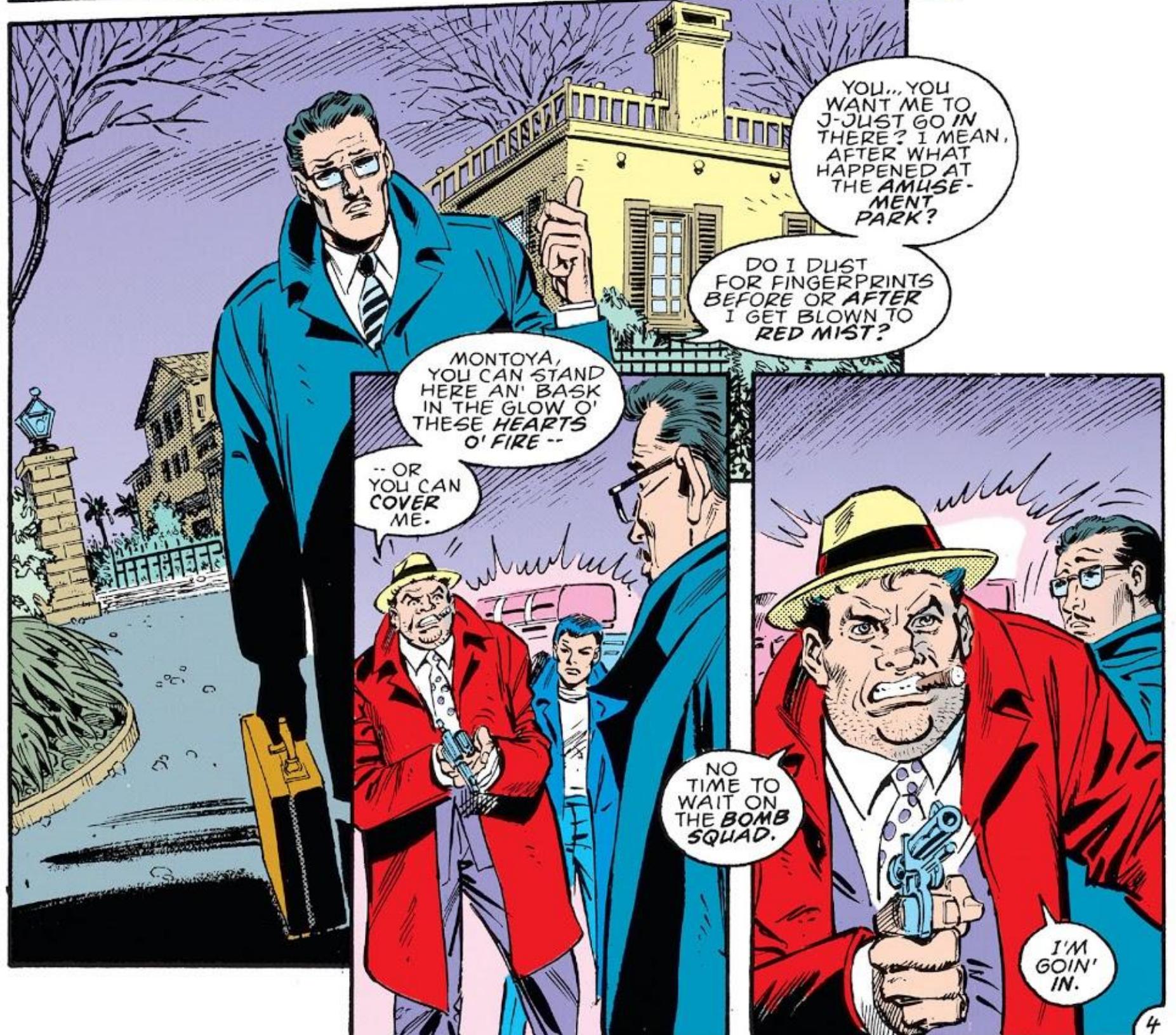
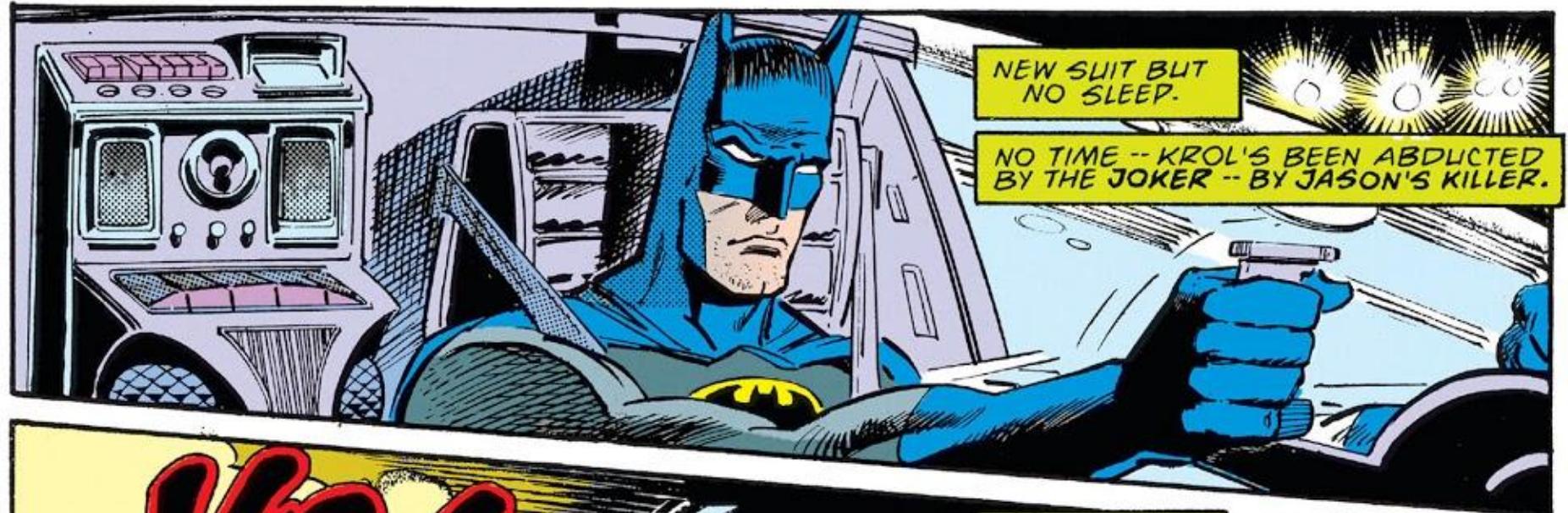
DIE LAUGHING



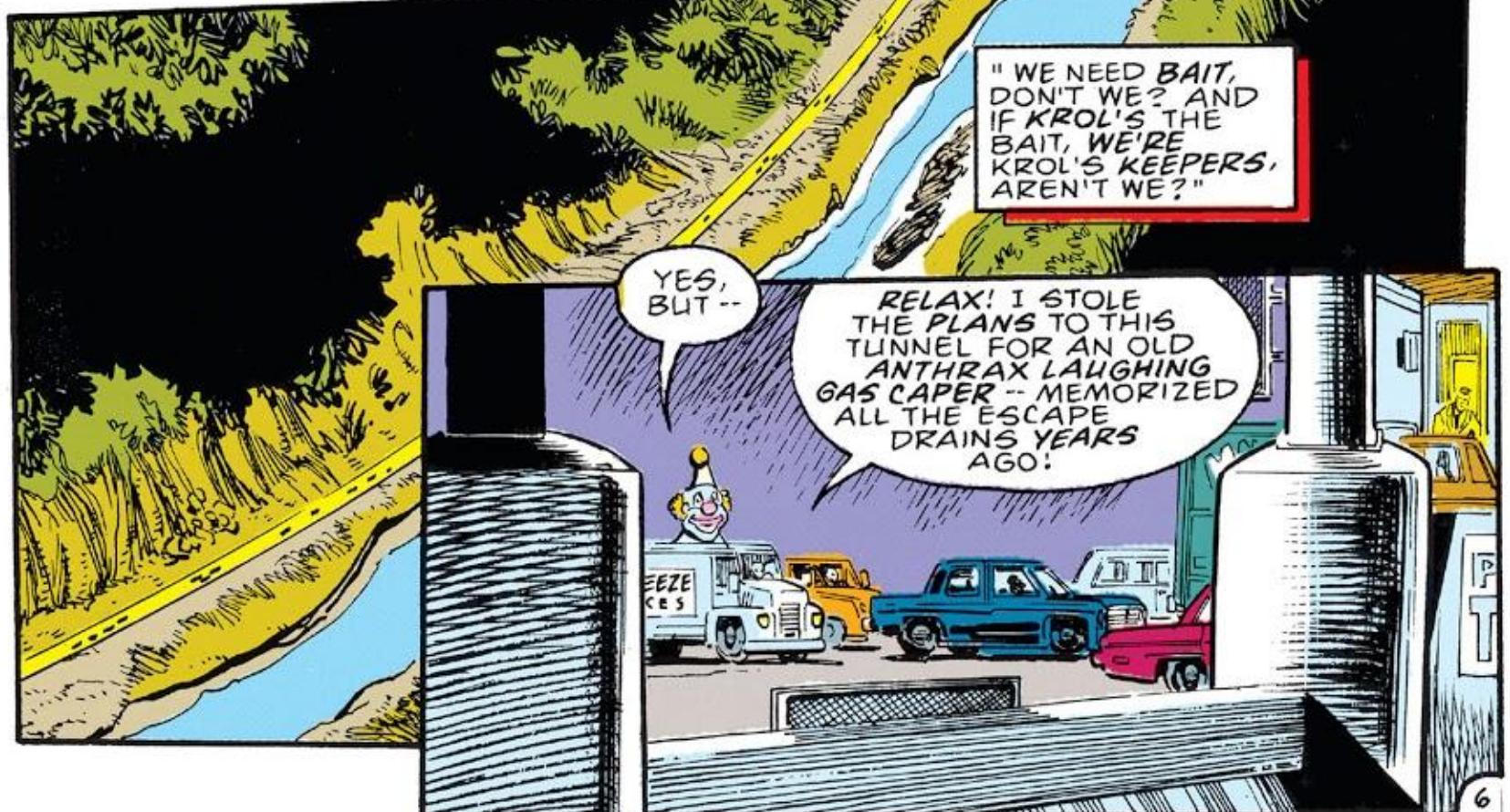
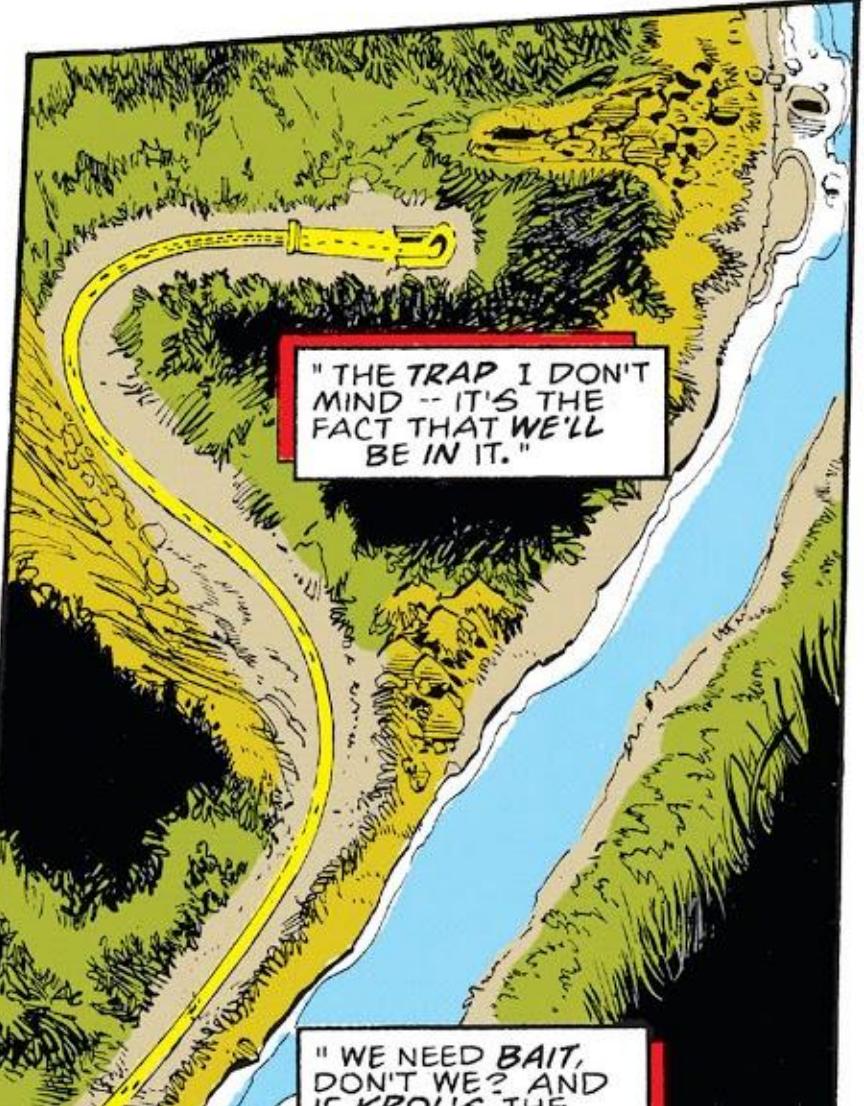


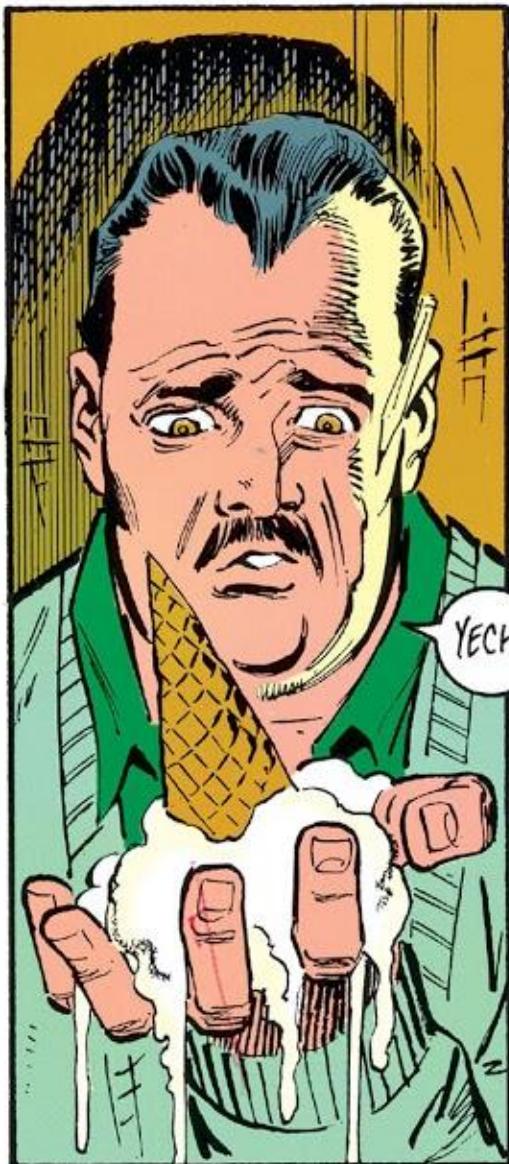
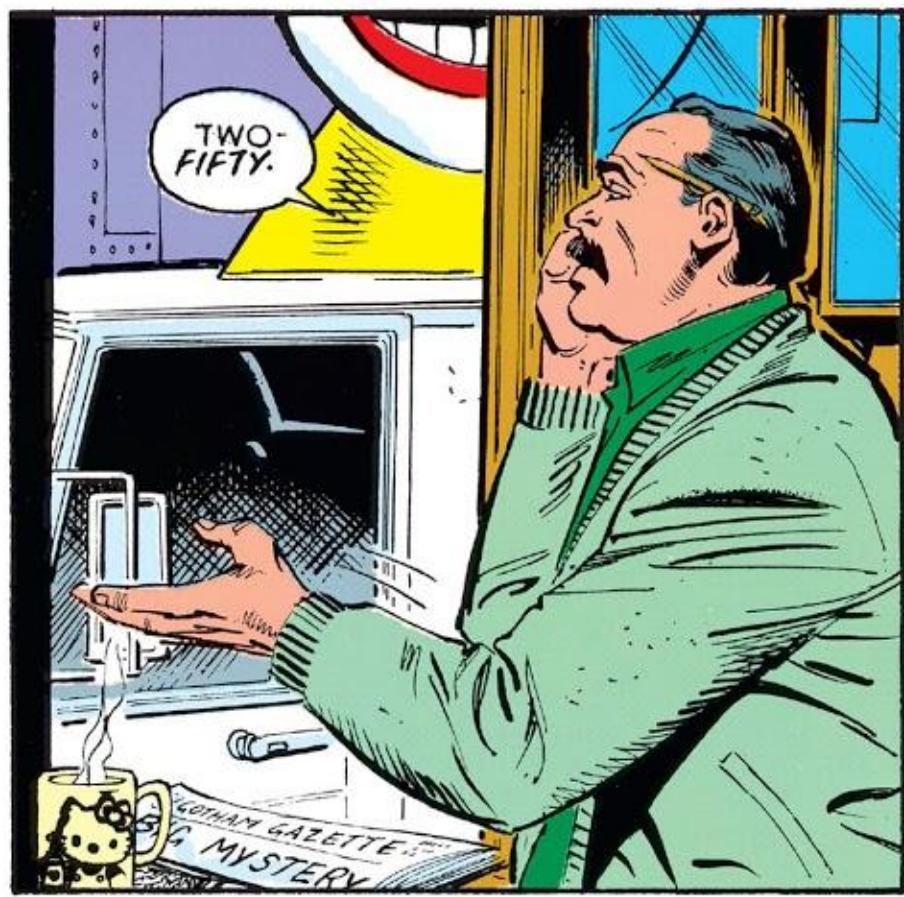
BUT THE CITY, YOU STRAW-STUFFED SIMPLETON, IS HIS -- AND ONCE WE TAKE HIM OUT, GOTHAM BECOMES OURS!

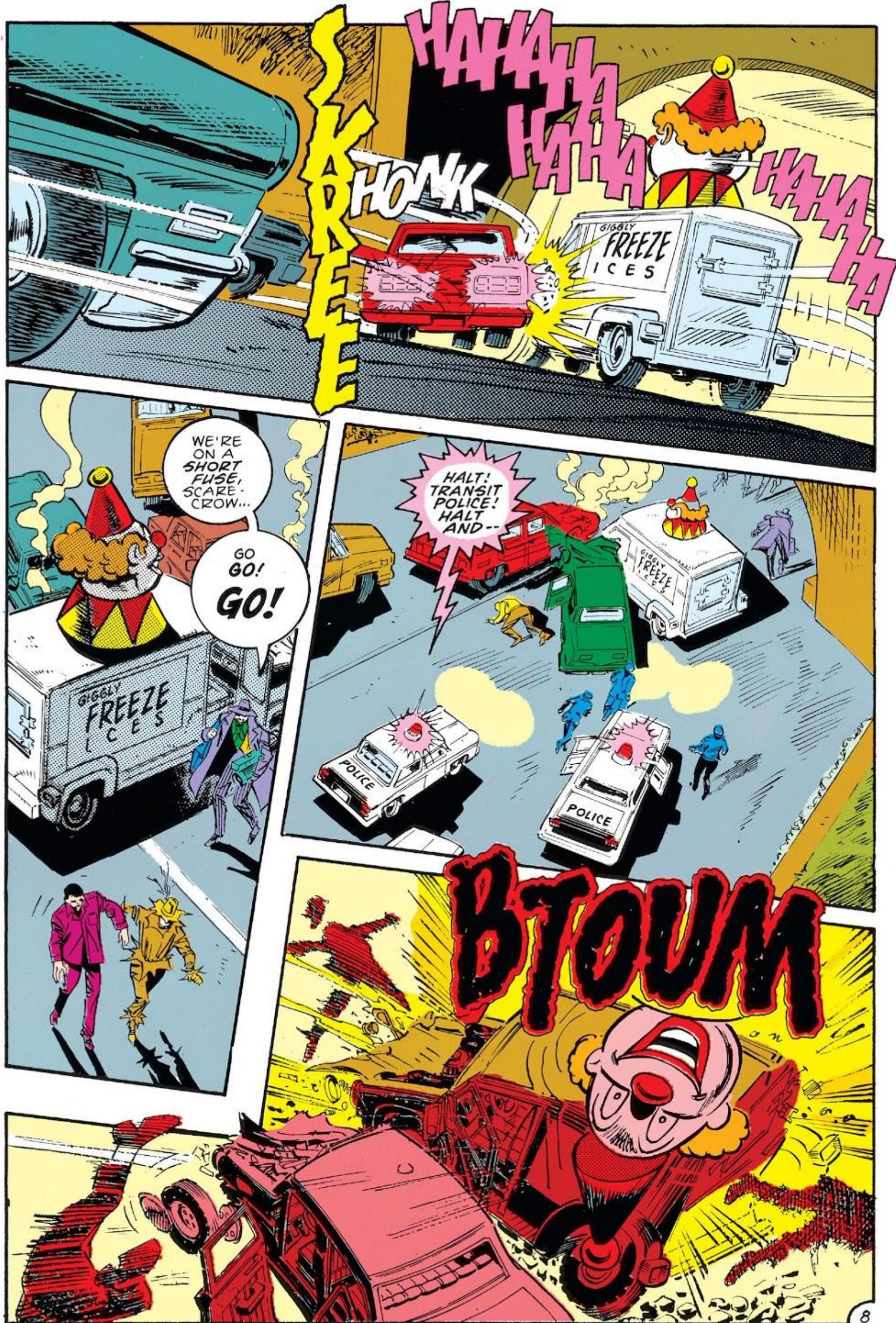


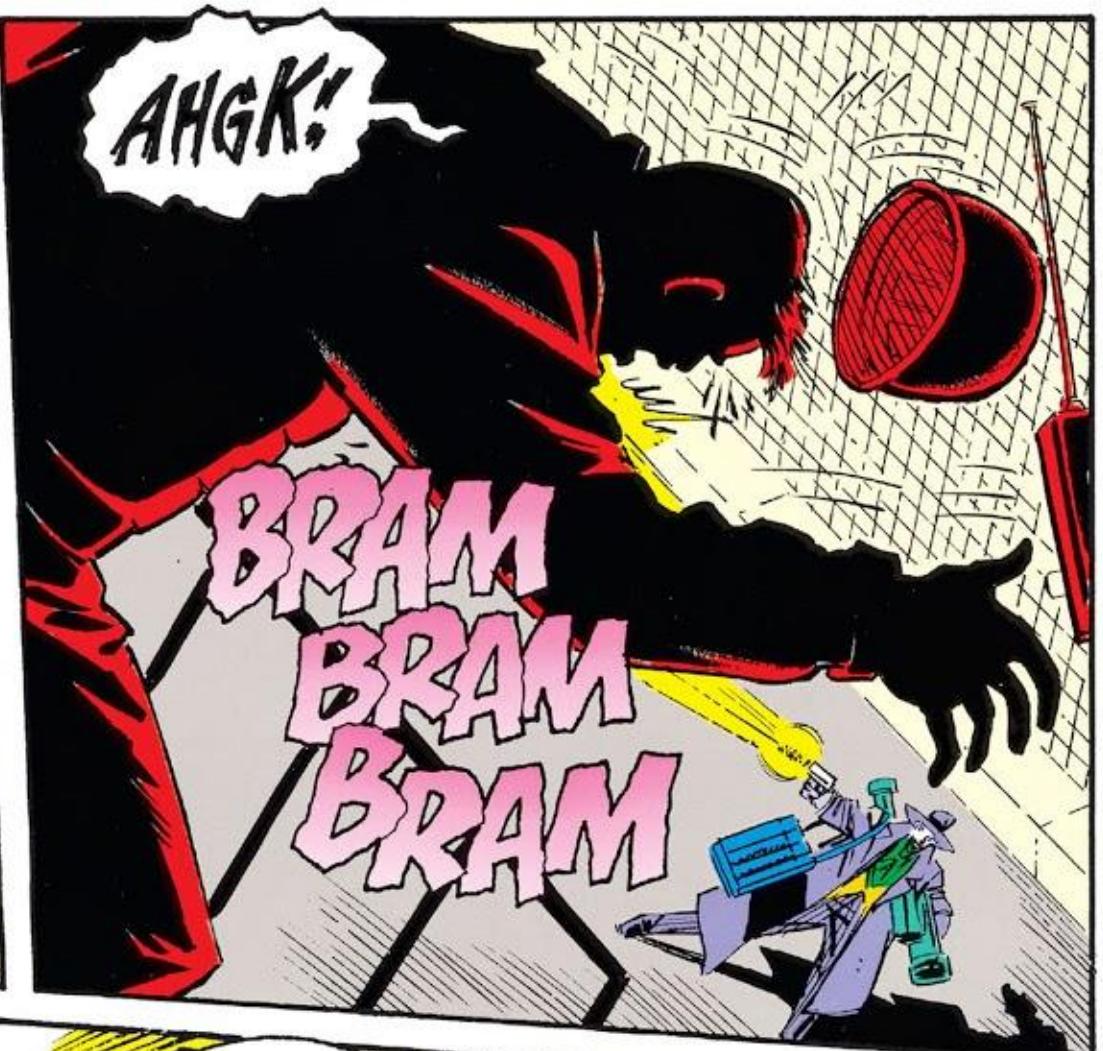


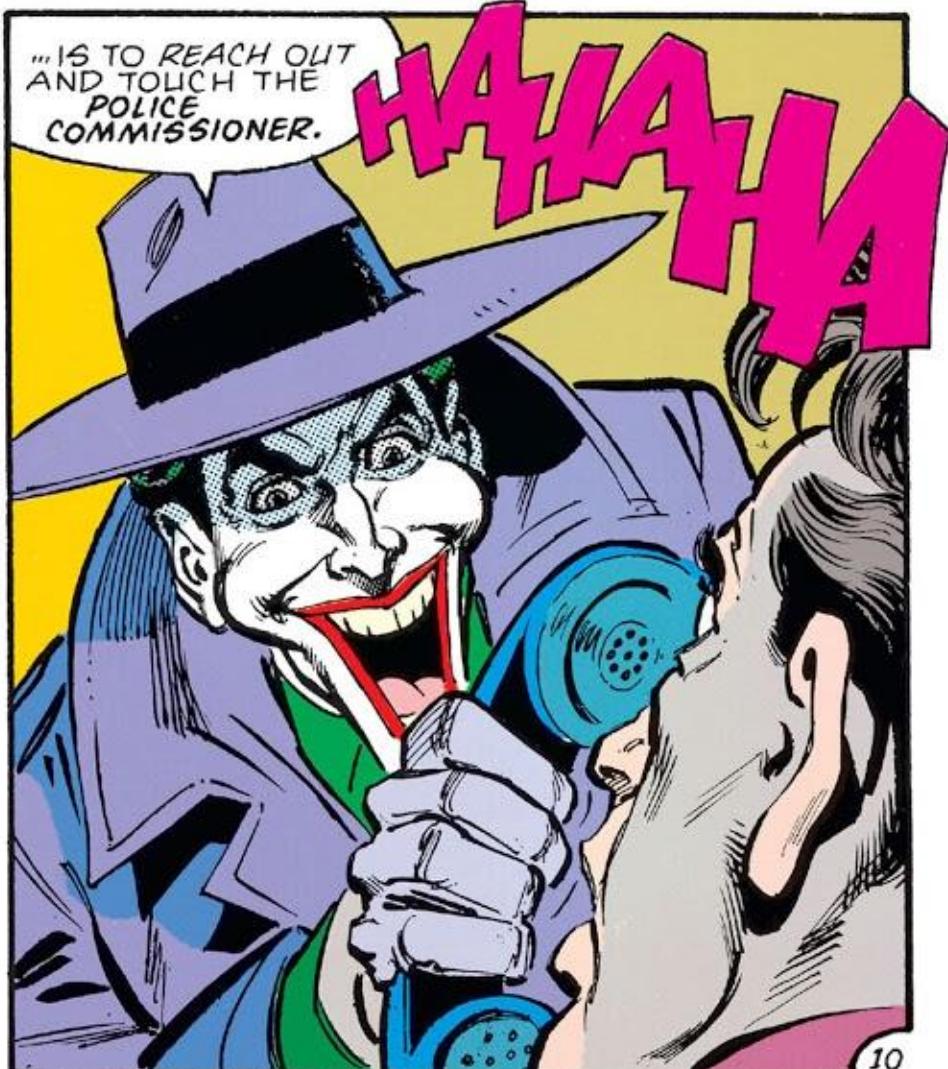
















--TRAFFIC NOW BACKED UP FOR SIX MILES ON THE BAY SIDE OF THE TUNNEL, AS POLICE TRY TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE MULTIPLE EXPLOSIONS...



I ADMIT, BIRD, THAT THE JOKER AND THE SCARE-CROW DO COMBINE WELL FOR CHAOS.



BUT YOU STILL FIGURE THE BATMAN WILL STOP THEM?

HE'D BETTER -- BECAUSE ONCE HE GETS THROUGH THAT TUNNEL...

...HE RUNS OUR GAUNTLET.

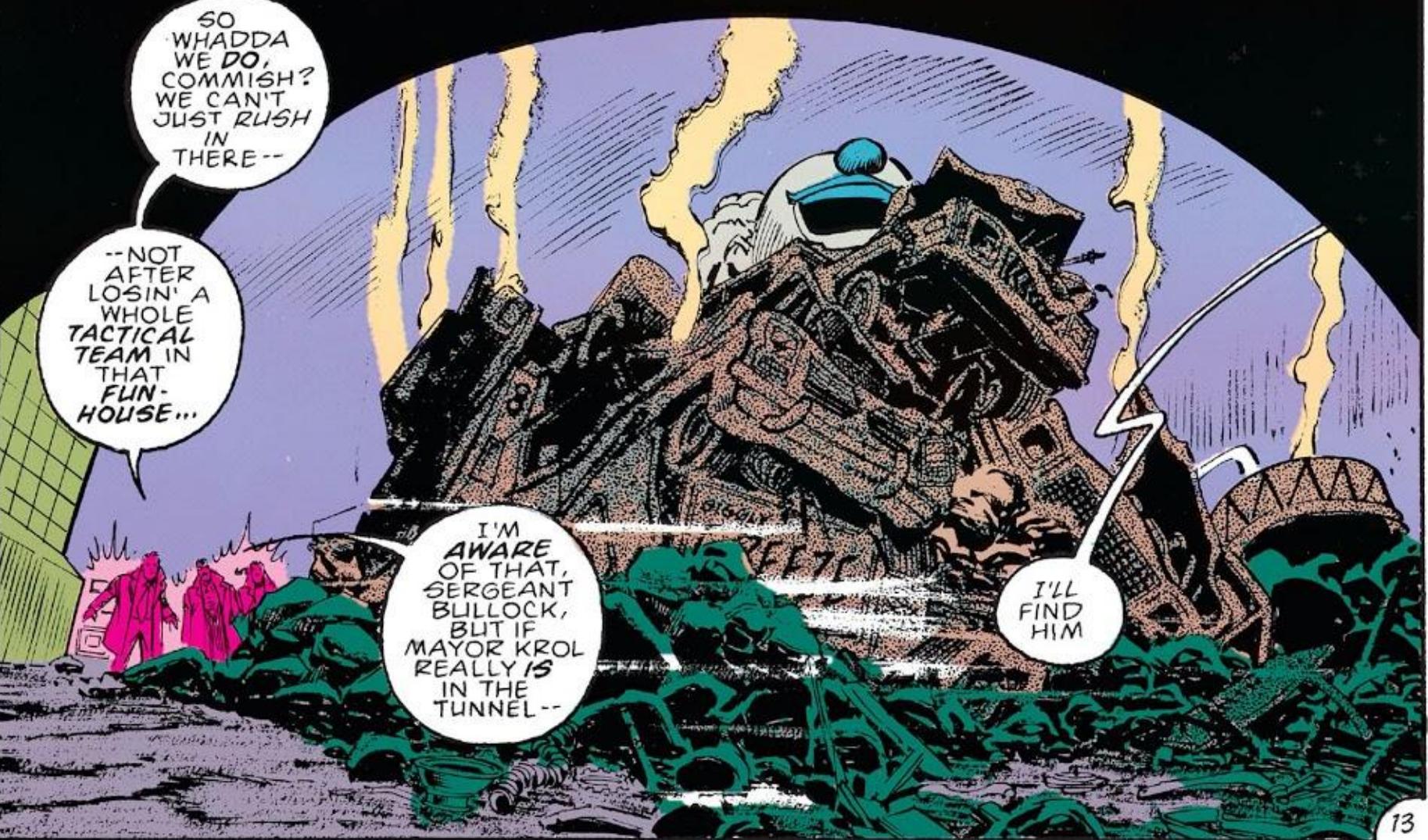


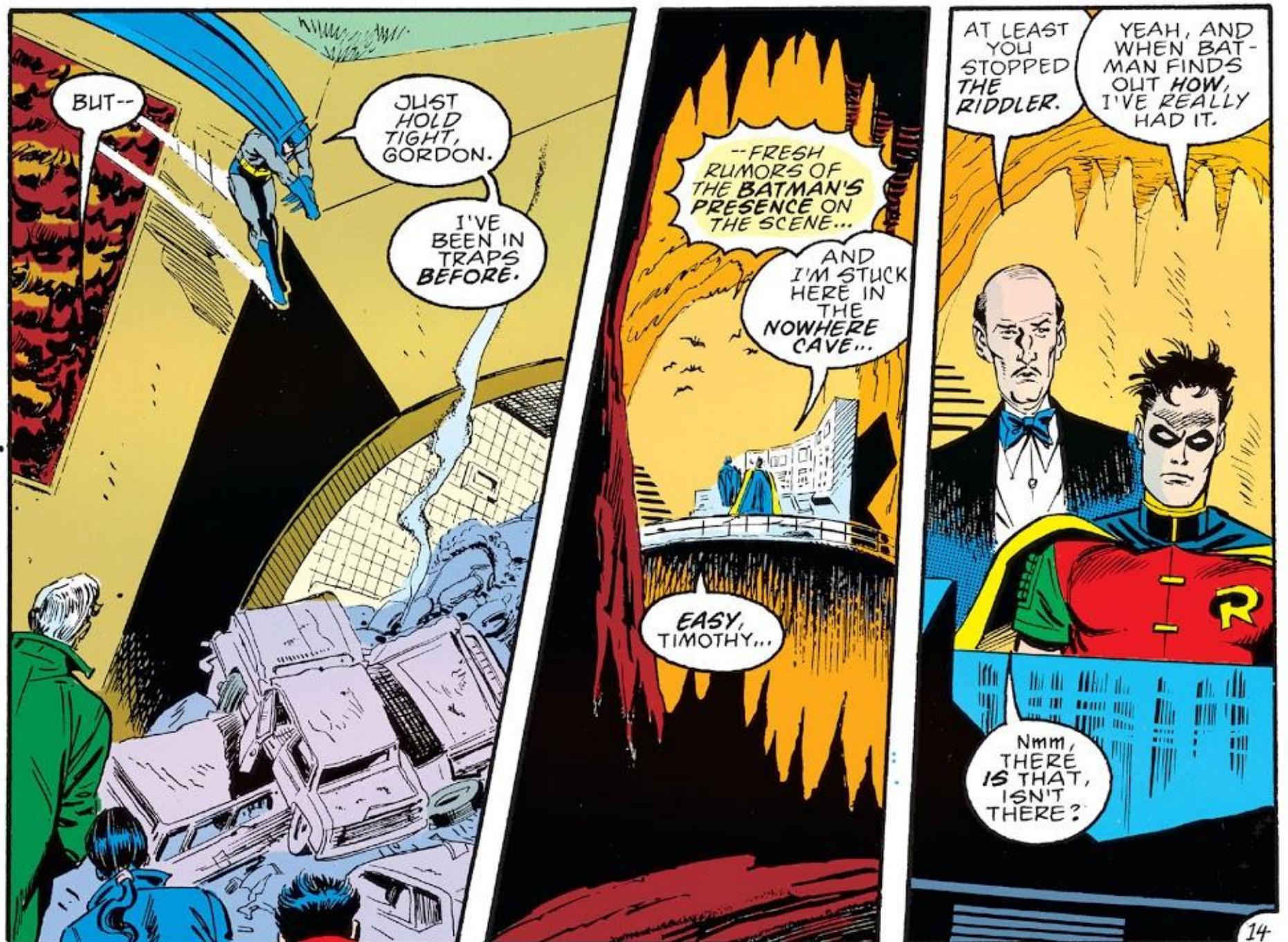
SO WHADDYA WE DO, COMMISH? WE CAN'T JUST RUSH IN THERE--

--NOT AFTER LOSIN' A WHOLE TACTICAL TEAM IN THAT FUN-HOUSE...

I'M AWARE OF THAT, SERGEANT BULLOCK, BUT IF MAYOR KROL REALLY IS IN THE TUNNEL --

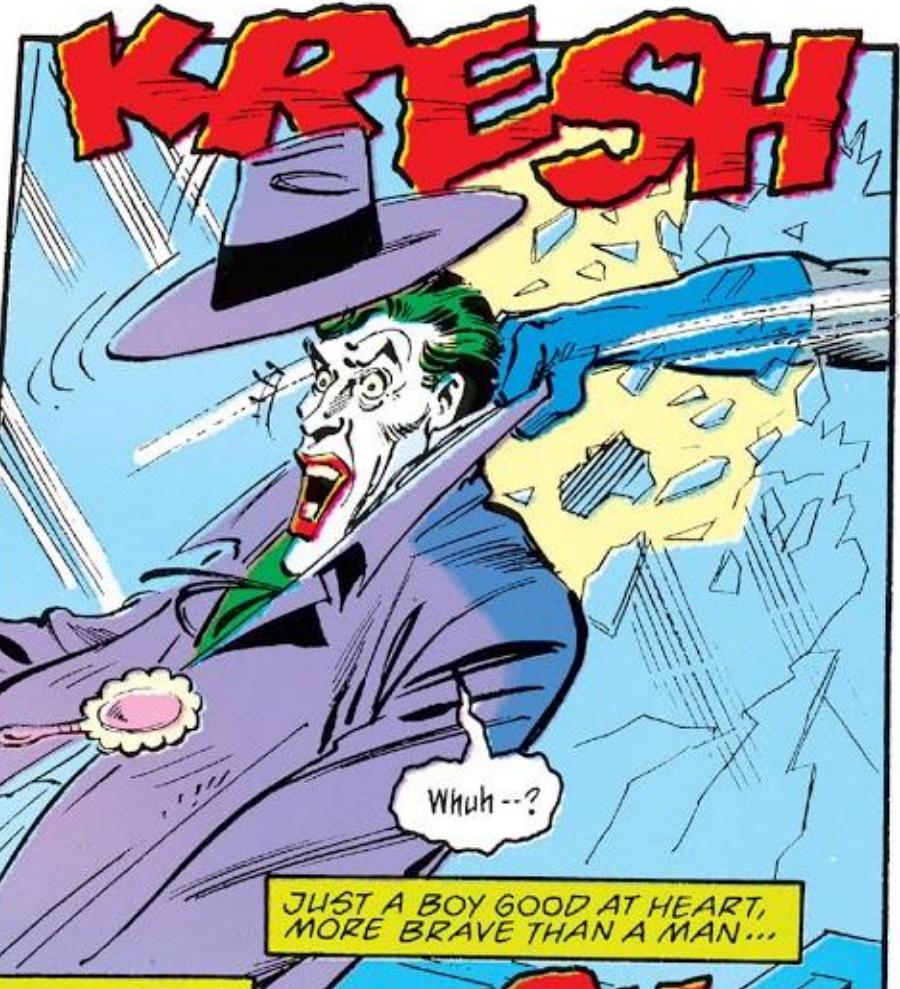
I'LL FIND HIM











JUST A BOY, HIS PARENTS FELLED IN BLOOD, HIS OWN LIFE RIPPED AND TORN FROM THE WORLD HE PROTECTED.



JUST A BOY, BUT FAR
TOO BRAVE TO FACE THE
STARK, LURID MADNESS
OF A GRINNING KILLER.

JASON!

KUNCH

JUST A BOY --
DEAD -- BUT
TO HIS KILLER,
NOTHING MORE
THAN A
SICK JOKE!

SWAK

SHOK

CHOOF

SHUMP

CHUD

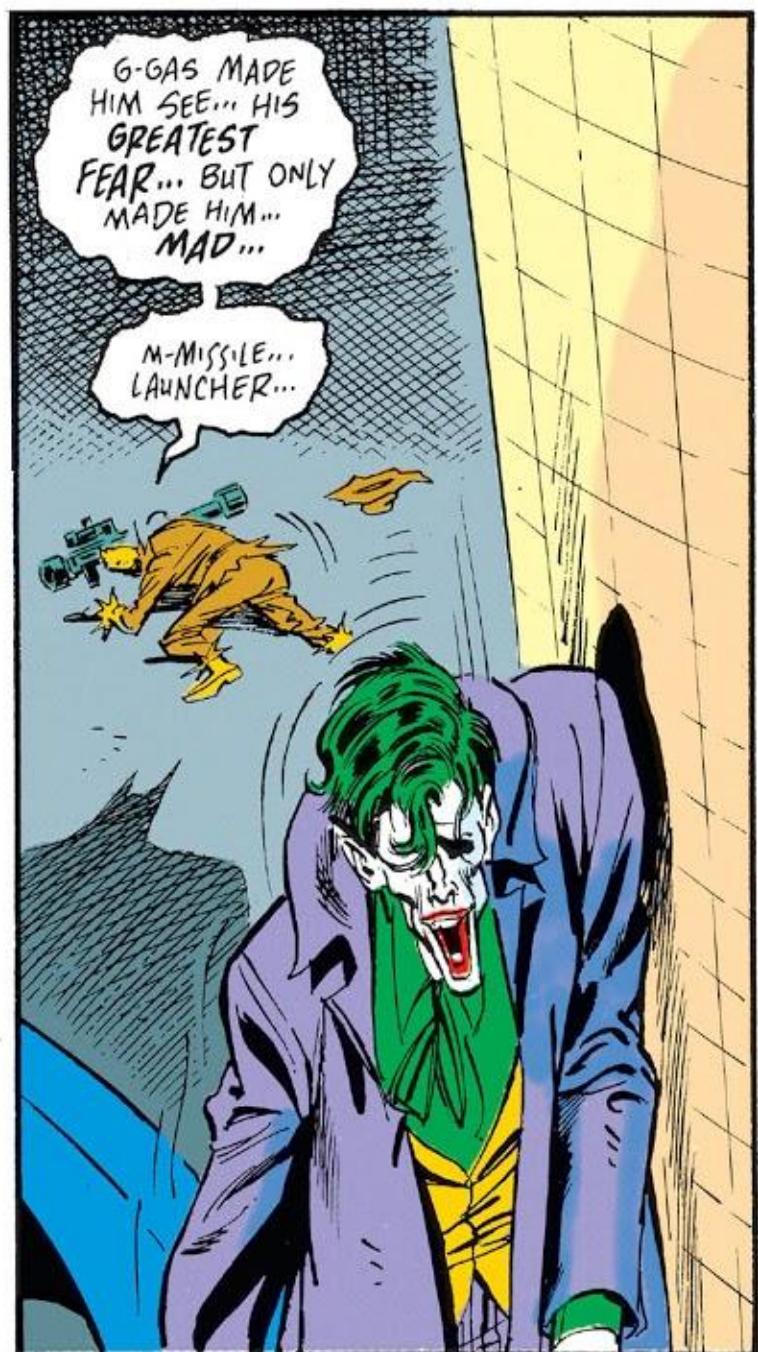
JUST A BOY -- BUT
FOREVER GONE.

JASON!!!

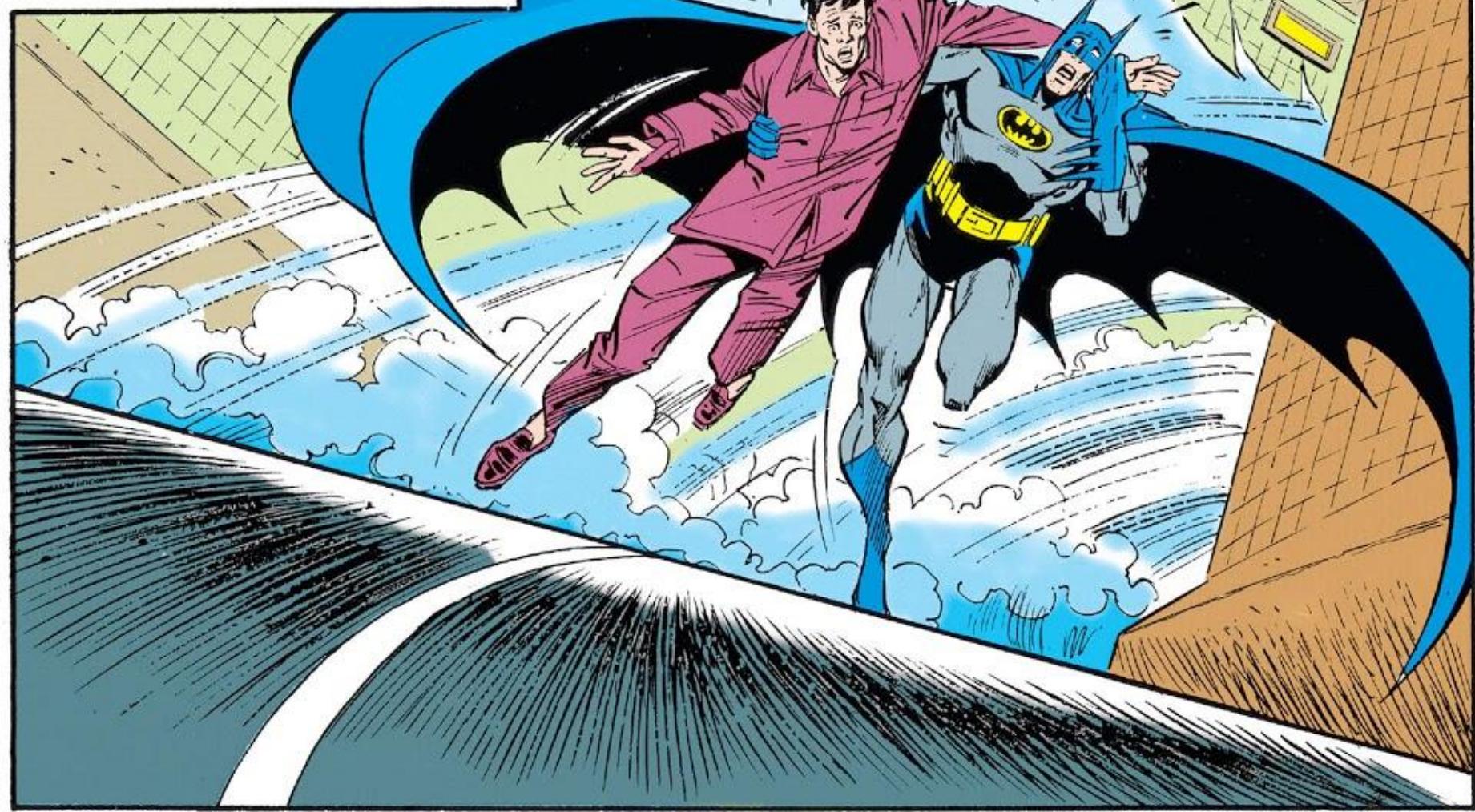
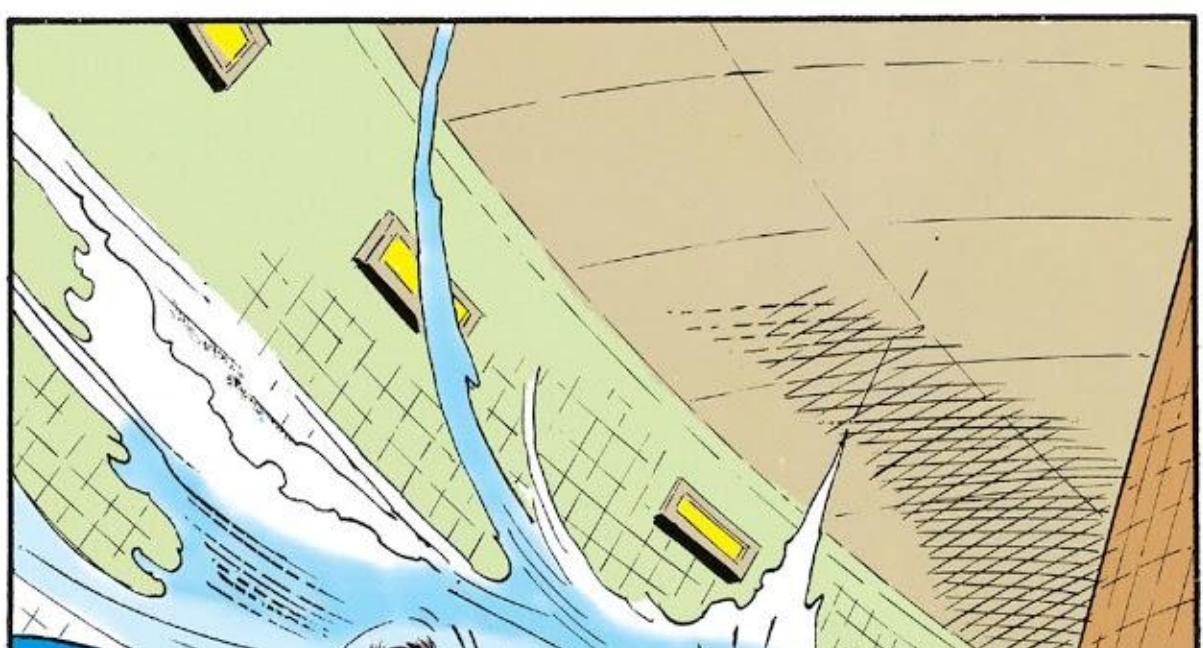
SWOKK

SHOCK









CONTINUED IN DETECTIVE #663,
KNIGHTFALL PART 10 AND IN THE
SHOCKING BATMAN #497, KNIGHTFALL
PART 11:

The BROKEN BAT



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IMPERIAL