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# BATMAN

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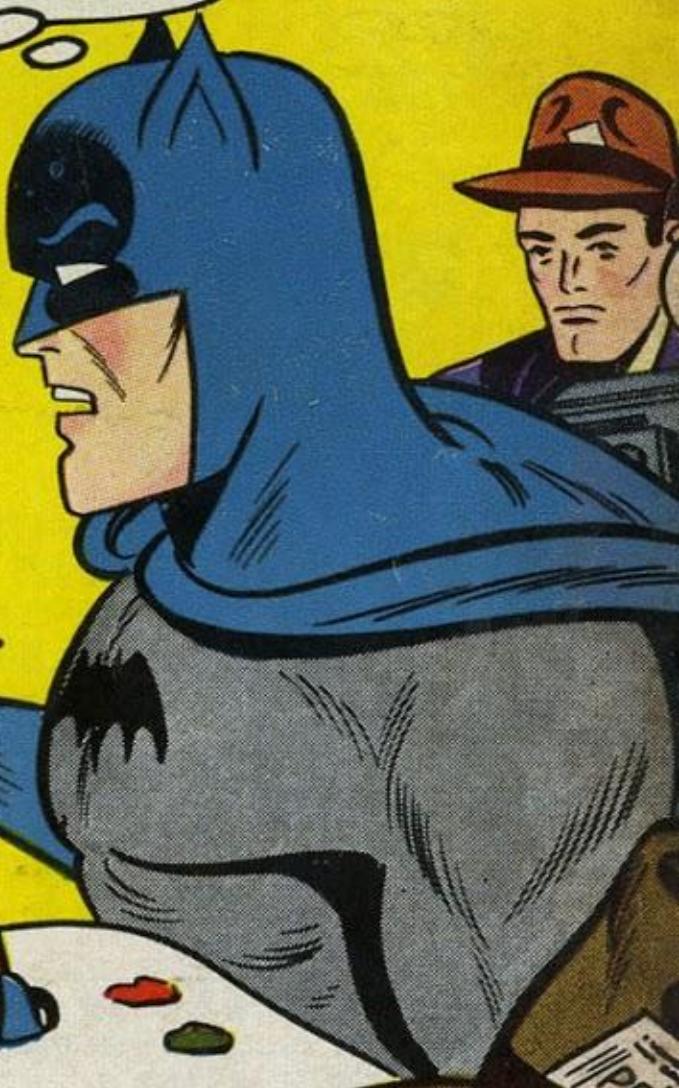
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Featuring  
**"The BATMAN  
PUPPET!"**

GREAT SCOTT!  
BATMAN'S ABOUT  
TO PAINT IN  
**BRUCE WAYNE'S**  
FEATURES IN THAT  
SELF-PORTRAIT!

SOME-MYSTERIOUS-  
FORCE-IS-MAKING-ME-  
REVEAL MY SECRET  
IDENTITY!



**Hi there, Pal! Win Some of these 100 Silver Anniversary Prizes!**

I just won **\$100.** and this 15" tall Silver Trophy  
I just won this **\$1,000,000** Body and a Gold Medal!

You Can Win All These  
just as I did  
in **10**  
**MINUTES**  
OF FUN  
A DAY!

## I GAINED 60 LBS. OF HANDSOME HARD-HITTING MUSCLES!

Which of these  
**2 ME'S is YOU?**  
that 125 lb.—6 ft.—  
CHICKEN WEAKLING BELOW  
CHESTED WAS ME  
A FEW SHORT WEEKS AGO

THIS MAY BE  
YOUR LAST  
CHANCE  
TO GET FOR  
ALL 5 **10¢**  
PICTURE  
PACKED COURSES  
MILLIONS HAVE  
BEEN SOLD FOR  
**\$1** AND MORE

Yes! You still  
can win \$100  
and other 25th  
Anniversary Prizes,  
if you MAIL coupon  
below NOW. Your suc-  
cess can soon be like  
mine. A few weeks ago  
I was a skinny weakling  
like you. I had no guts to  
fight for my rights. TODAY  
everyone admires my champ  
movie-star build. My mighty  
ARMS. My heroic CHEST. My  
wide manly SHOULDERS. My  
POPULARITY with boys. The  
way GIRLS go for me—once  
so girl-shy. My new prowess  
in SPORTS. My new  
quickness in STUDIES. My  
double-energy at work.

There's that  
skinny scarecrow  
JOHN. Let's  
pass him by!

JOHN SILL  
was a 125 lb.  
6 ft. WEAKLING  
LOOK at him NOW  
A MOVIE-STAR HE-MAN  
from Head to Toe  
as **YOU**  
can be  
soon!

John  
Sill  
before



NO! friend you  
don't have to be  
**SKINNY** any more.  
Just mail **NOW** the **FREE**  
coupon below as I did.  
Soon **YOU** can add  
7 inches to your **CHEST**  
3½ inches to EACH  
**ARM** and the rest in  
proportion as I did.

**Come On, PAL**  
**NOW YOU** give me  
10 PLEASANT MINUTES A DAY  
IN YOUR OWN HOME  
and I'll give **YOU**  
A NEW HE-MAN BODY for  
your OLD SKELETON FRAME  
says George F. Jowett World's Greatest  
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NO! I don't care how skinny or flabby you  
are; if you're a teen-ager, in your 20's  
or 30's or over; if you're short or tall, or  
what work you do. All I want is JUST 10  
EXCITING MINUTES in your home to MAKE  
YOU OVER by the SAME METHOD  
I turned myself from a wreck to  
a Champion of Champions.



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# BATMAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**  
-THE BOY WONDER-

**B**ATMAN AND ROBIN, THE GREAT CAPED CHAMPIONS OF JUSTICE, HAVE HELPED MANY PEOPLE IN THE PAST...

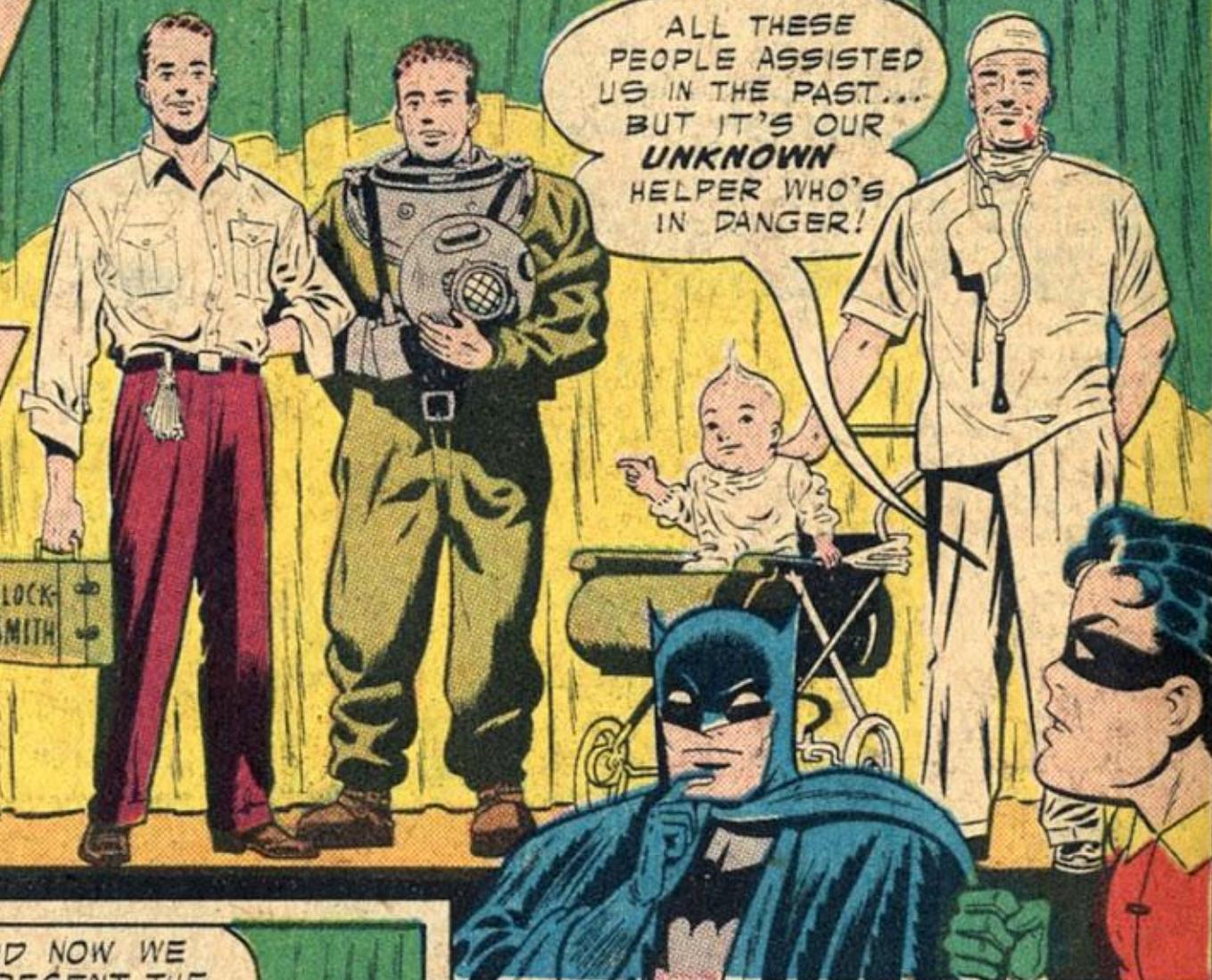
BUT MORE THAN ONCE, OTHERS HAVE HELPED THEM! AND NOW THE DYNAMIC DUO MUST SEARCH AMONG ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAME TO THEIR AID, IN ORDER TO FIND AND PROTECT...

## BATMAN'S SECRET HELPER

A GREAT NEW TELEVISION SHOW MAKES ITS BOW IN GOTHAM CITY...

AND NOW WE PRESENT THE WORLD-FAMOUS STAR OF OUR NEW SERIES... NONE OTHER THAN **BATMAN!**

THANK YOU, THIS PROGRAM IS NOT ABOUT ME -- BUT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE **HELPED** ME, IN PAST CASES! I'VE NEVER FORGOTTEN THEIR ASSISTANCE, AND I WANT THEM TO GET CREDIT NOW!



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# BATMAN



BUT AT THIS VERY MOMENT, WHERE ESCAPED CONVICT JIM VARREL WATCHES THE SHOW IN HIS BROTHER'S HOME...

WAIT TILL BATMAN PRESENTS THE MAN WHO HELPED HIM CAPTURE ME!

JIM-- DON'T START GETTING ANY IDEAS!

YOU MUST GIVE YOURSELF UP AND SERVE YOUR TIME! FORGET ABOUT REVENGE!

NOTHING DOING, FRED! IF IT WEREN'T FOR THAT MAN, I'D NEVER HAVE GONE TO PRISON IN THE FIRST PLACE! WHEN I FIND OUT WHO HE IS, HE'LL PAY FOR THAT!



As the program continues...

...AND BATMAN IS DONATING ALL PROFITS OF THIS SHOW TO THE POLICE FUND! SO IF YOU EVER HELPED BATMAN, WRITE IN TO HIM AT THIS STUDIO!

THIS TELEVISION SERIES... IT'S MY ONLY CHANCE TO FIND AND SAVE MY UNKNOWN HELPER!

OUR FIRST GUEST IS MR. JAMES WILKINS, WHO NOT ONLY SAVED MY LIFE, BUT ROBIN'S AND ANOTHER MAN'S, TOO! LET ME TELL YOU HOW...

"IT ALL BEGAN WHEN BURGLAR ALARMS BROUGHT ROBIN AND ME RACING TO METROPOLIS' BANK..."

THE CASHIER-- HE'S IN THE VAULT, STUNNED! BUT WHERE ARE THE THIEVES?

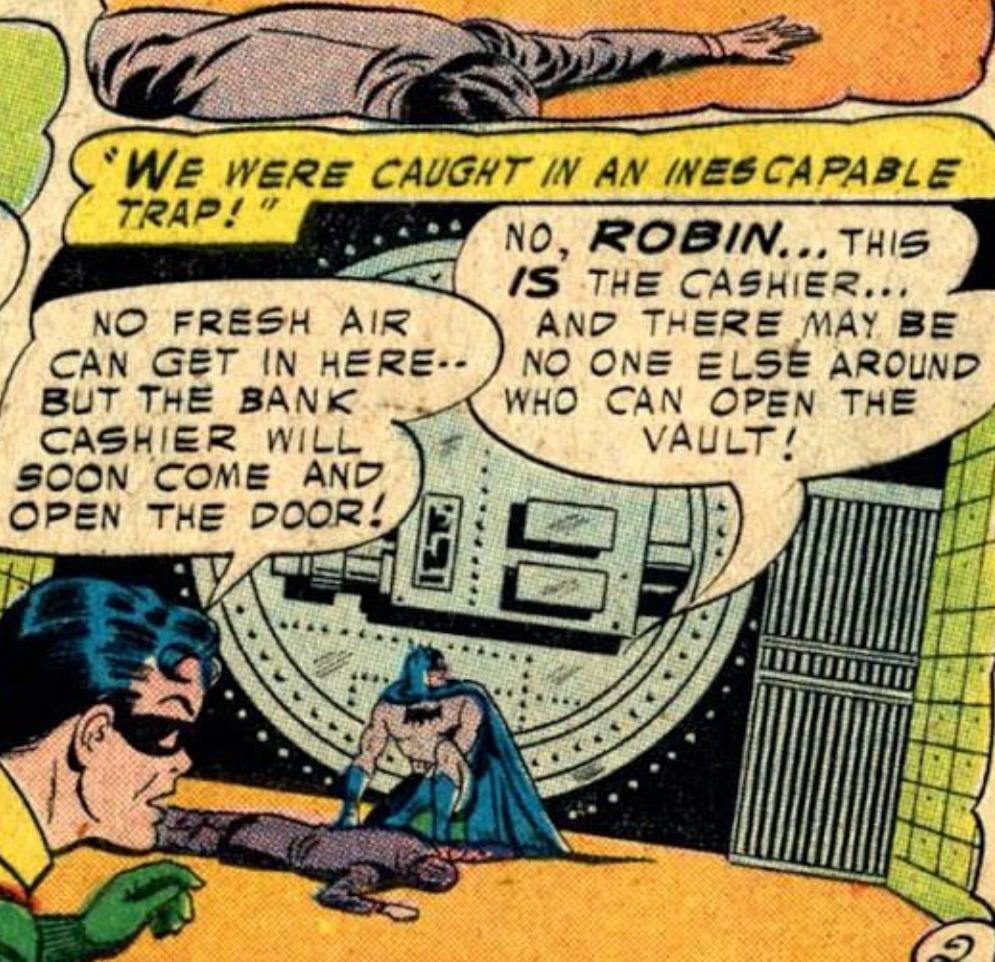
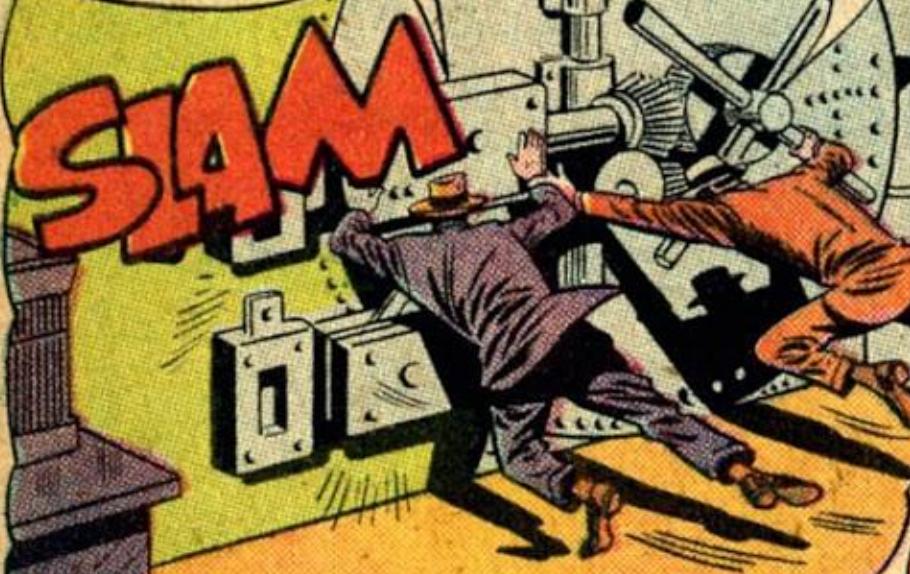
WE'LL GO AFTER THEM LATER... OUR FIRST JOB IS TO GET THIS MAN SOME MEDICAL AID!



"BUT AS WE STEPPED INTO THE VAULT..."

HA, HA... THEY WERE SO WORRIED ABOUT THE CASHIER, THEY DIDN'T SPOT US HIDING BEHIND THIS DOOR!

AND NOW THEY'RE LOCKED IN WITH THE CASHIER-- THE ONLY PERSON IN TOWN WHO KNOWS THE VAULT COMBINATION!



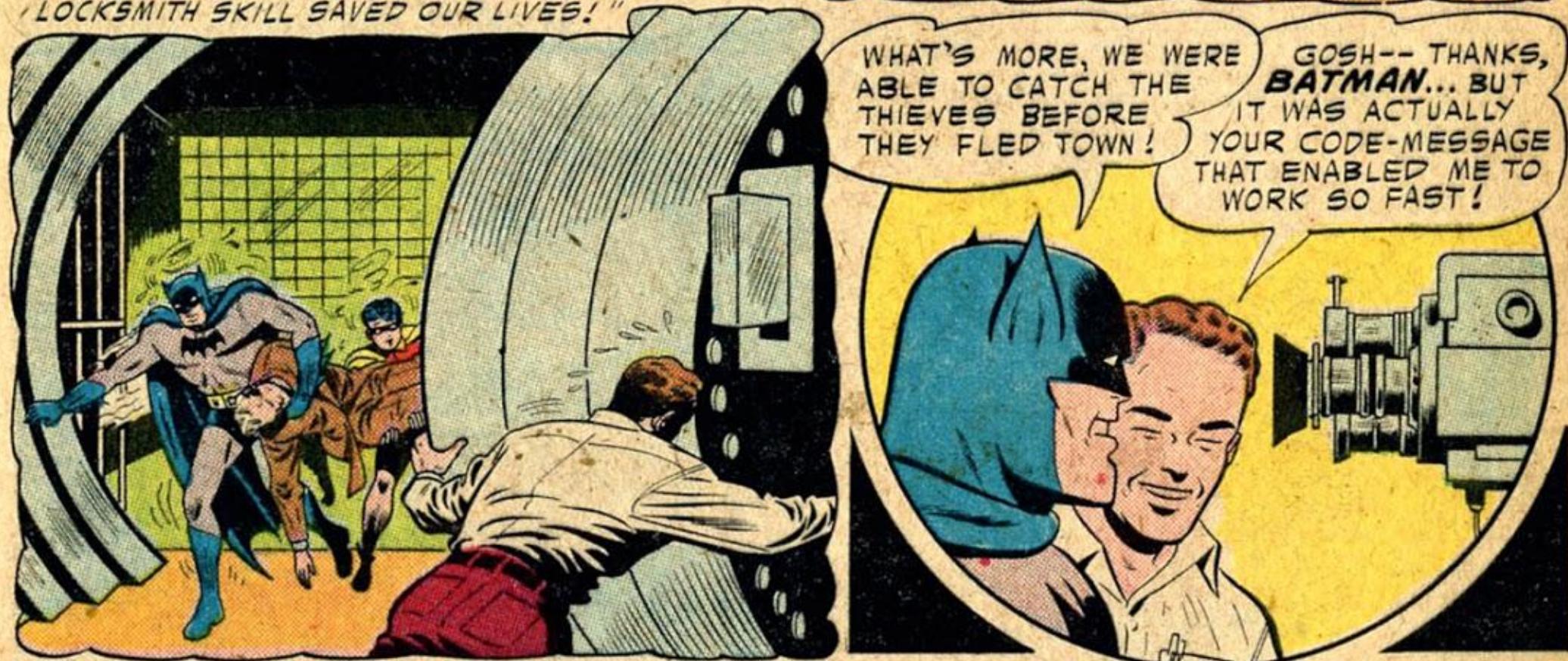
NO FRESH AIR CAN GET IN HERE-- BUT THE BANK CASHIER WILL SOON COME AND OPEN THE DOOR!

NO, ROBIN... THIS IS THE CASHIER... AND THERE MAY BE NO ONE ELSE AROUND WHO CAN OPEN THE VAULT!

# BATMAN



"AND IN THAT WAY, JAMES WILKINS' EXPERT LOCKSMITH SKILL SAVED OUR LIVES!"



LATER, AS THE DUO DRIVES HOMEWARD...

**BATMAN**, WE KNOW JIM VARREL IS HIDING SOMEWHERE IN GOTHAM CITY... SHOULDN'T WE BE SEARCHING FOR HIM?

OF COURSE, **ROBIN**-- BUT FIRST WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THE MAN WHO HELPED US CAPTURE HIM IS SAFE!

SHORTLY, IN THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE...

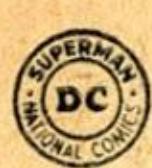
AS YOU KNOW, VARREL'S BOASTED THAT HE'LL GET EVEN WITH THIS UNKNOWN PERSON!

YOU'RE RIGHT-- WE MUST PROTECT THAT MAN! TROUBLE IS, WE DON'T KNOW WHO HE IS!

I CAN STILL REMEMBER, THOUGH, HOW HE AIDED US IN THE DARK, DURING THAT ATTEMPTED SILK ROBBERY...



# BATMAN



"VARREL HAD PLANNED A DARING THEFT..."  
WE AIN'T TACKLING THAT SILK WAREHOUSE WITH YOU... **BATMAN'S** SURE TO SPOT YOUR BOAT WHEN HE COMES BY ON HIS NIGHTLY PATROL!

LET HIM... I'VE GOT A TRAP ALL SET FOR HIM! SINCE MY BROTHER WON'T TURN CROOKED, AND YOU'RE TOO SCARED, I'LL DO THE JOB ALONE!

"THAT NIGHT, WE DID SPOT VARREL'S POWER-BOAT..."

THAT WAREHOUSE DOOR IS OPEN A CRACK... COME ON!

"BUT AS WE BURST THROUGH THE DOOR..."

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT-- SOME THIEF IS LOOTING THAT SILK WAREHOUSE!

WHAT--? A FLASHBULB BOOBY-TRAP! I'M BLINDED!

SO AM I!

YES -- JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO STOP YOUR INTERFERING...

"BUT SUDDENLY, WE HEARD A SWITCH CLICK..."

I TURNED OFF THE LIGHTS... HE CAN'T SEE NOW EITHER, **BATMAN!**

THANKS, WHOEVER YOU ARE... THAT GIVES US AN EVEN CHANCE!

"AND THAT WAS THE BREAK WE NEEDED TO CAPTURE VARREL AND TURN THE LIGHTS BACK ON..."

OUR EYES HAVE RECOVERED NOW-- BUT WHERE'S THE MAN WHO SAVED US?

HE'S GONE-- SLIPPED AWAY IN THE DARK!

WHOEVER HE WAS, I'LL GET HIM SOME DAY... AND YOU, TOO, **BATMAN!**

I NEVER TRIED TO LEARN WHO OUR UNKNOWN HELPER WAS-- UNTIL VARREL BROKE PRISON! NOW, WE **MUST** LEARN HIS IDENTITY-- TO PROTECT HIM!

LET'S HOPE THIS TELEVISION SERIES, ABOUT PEOPLE WHO HELPED US, GETS HIM TO REVEAL HIMSELF!



# BATMAN



BUT WHEN THE NEXT SHOW GOES ON...

THAT UNKNOWN  
HELPER STILL  
HASN'T COME  
FORWARD! TONIGHT'S GUEST IS A  
MAN WHO HELPED US  
**UNDERWATER!** WE  
WERE IN OUR  
**BAT-MARINE...**

...INVESTIGATING A SUNKEN FREIGHTER FOR  
EVIDENCE OF SABOTAGE...

THAT HOLE IN  
SHIP WAS BLOWN  
**OUT**, NOT PUNCHED  
IN! AN EXPLOSION  
FROM **INSIDE**  
SANK THE SHIP!

RIGHT...  
WE'LL MOVE IN  
CLOSER AND GET  
PHOTOGRAPHIC  
PROOF OF THIS  
INSURANCE  
FRAUD!

"BUT SUDDENLY, THE FREIGHTER HEELED OVER ON  
THE **BAT-MARINE**!"

THE  
HEAVY WIRE  
CABLES ARE  
HOLDING US!  
WE CAN'T  
BREAK  
LOOSE!

AND NO ONE  
KNOWS EXACTLY  
WHERE WE ARE!

THERE WAS ONLY ONE SLIM CHANCE OF  
GETTING HELP...

WE CAN'T GET OUT IN  
OUR DIVING SUITS--  
WE'D BE TANGLED  
IN THE CABLES...  
BUT WE CAN RELEASE  
THIS OIL THROUGH  
THE ESCAPE-  
HATCH!

GOOD IDEA...  
IT'LL RISE TO  
THE SURFACE  
AND MAKE AN  
OIL-SLICK! ANY-  
BODY SPOTTING  
IT WILL KNOW  
SOMEONE'S  
DOWN HERE!

"SOMEONE DID SPOT IT-- AND, A FEW HOURS LATER..."

HE'LL HAVE THE LAST  
CABLE CUT SOON... THE  
**BAT-MARINE** WILL  
BE FREE IN A  
MINUTE!

WHEN WE REACH  
THE SURFACE AGAIN,  
I WANT TO SHAKE  
THAT DIVER'S  
HAND!

WE SHOOK YOUR  
HAND THEN,  
BILL SETON--  
AND WE WANT TO  
DO IT AGAIN NOW!

**BATMAN**, YOU  
AND **ROBIN**  
HAVE HELPED SO  
MANY PEOPLE,  
ANYONE WOULD  
BE **PROUD** TO  
HELP YOU!

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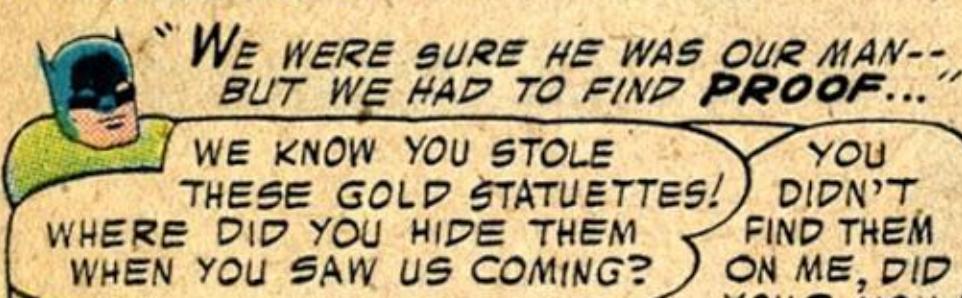
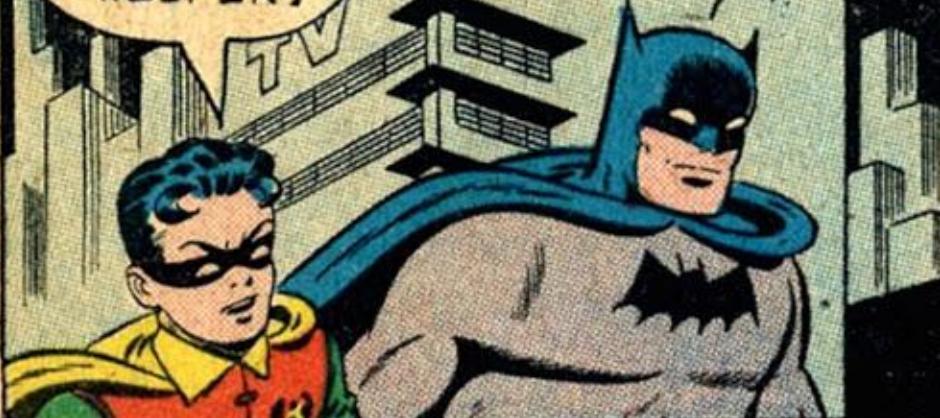
AFTERWARD...

IT WAS GOOD  
TO SEE BILL  
SETON AGAIN--  
BUT WE STILL  
HAVEN'T FOUND  
OUR SECRET  
HELPER!

OUR PROGRAM  
IS BOUND TO  
BRING HIM FOR-  
WARD, IF WE  
KEEP IT UP!

BUT THE STAR OF THE NEXT SHOW TURNS OUT TO BE.

...A BABY! YES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
THIS LITTLE TOT HELPED US MIGHTILY--  
WHEN WE'D GRABBED A SUSPECTED  
THIEF IN AN ART GALLERY!



WE WERE SURE HE WAS OUR MAN--  
BUT WE HAD TO FIND PROOF...

WE KNOW YOU STOLE  
THESE GOLD STATUETTES!  
WHERE DID YOU HIDE THEM  
WHEN YOU SAW US COMING?

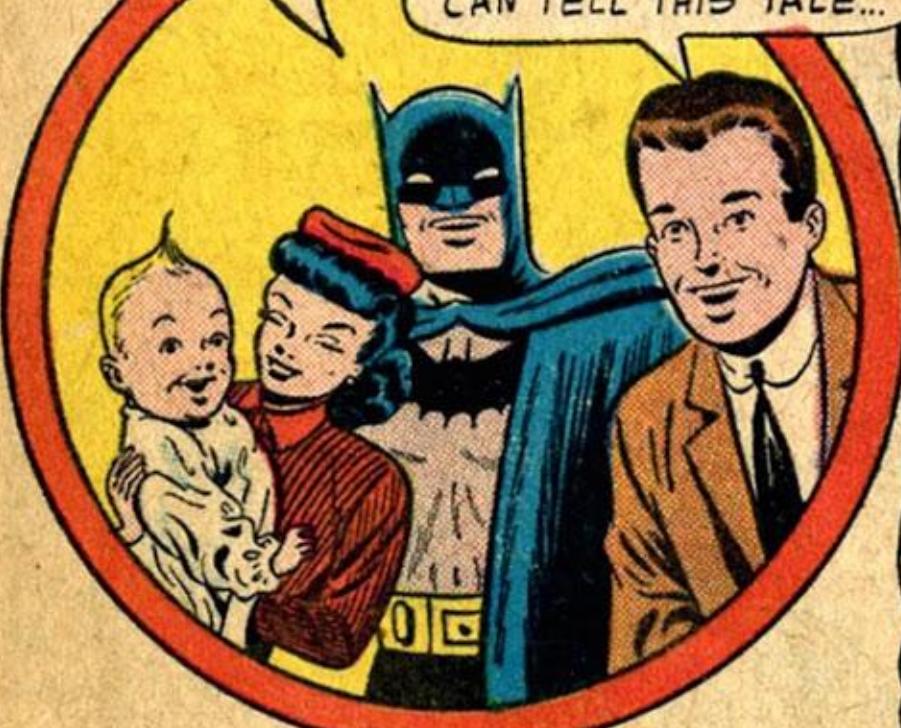
YOU  
DIDN'T  
FIND THEM  
ON ME, DID  
YOU? YOU  
CAN'T HOLD  
ME!



NO WONDER HE'S UP-  
SET...HE WAS SITTING  
ON THE STATUETTES!  
YOU MUST'VE HIDDEN  
THEM THERE WHEN  
HIS MOTHER WASN'T  
LOOKING!

...AND THAT'S HOW  
OUR INFANT HELPER'S--  
ER-- VOICE AIDED US!

NOW, THE MOST  
DRAMATIC HELP  
**BATMAN** EVER  
RECEIVED! **ROBIN**  
CAN TELL THIS TALE...



IT WAS WHEN **BATMAN** AND I WERE CHASING,,  
HOLDUP MEN, ONE NIGHT, IN **COAST CITY...**



**BATMAN'S**  
GONNA JUMP US...  
I'LL HAVE TO  
SWERVE!

I'LL  
GET  
HIM!

"A SHOT RANG OUT, AND **BATMAN** SLUMPED--  
BUT FOR THE CROOKS, IT WAS TOO LATE..."

THEY WERE KNOCKED  
COLD, RUNNING INTO THAT  
POWER-POLE WHEN THEY  
SWERVED... BUT **BATMAN** IS  
SHOT! MUST GET HIM TO  
THAT HOSPITAL UP  
THE STREET!

**CRASH**

**SCREEEEEET**

"IN THE EMERGENCY, THE COAST GUARD AND LIGHT-  
HOUSE KEEPERS COOPERATED SO THAT, MINUTES  
LATER..."

THE COAST GUARD  
WILL WARN SHIPPING TILL  
THE LIGHT GETS BACK TO  
ITS USUAL POSITION!



"WHILE POLICE WERE PICKING UP THE STUNNED  
CROOKS, A NEW PROBLEM AROSE AT THE  
HOSPITAL..."

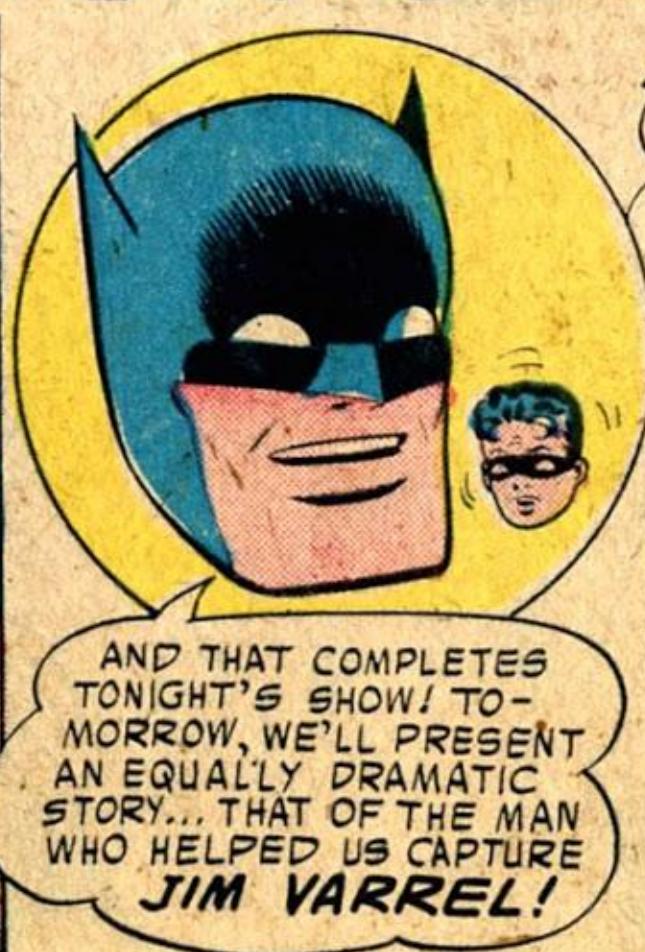
THE BULLET'S  
NEAR HIS HEART AND MUST BE  
REMOVED... BUT WE'RE WITHOUT  
**LIGHT** SINCE THAT POWER-  
POLE WAS KNOCKED OVER!  
YET, IF WE COULD HAVE THAT  
HARBOR-LIGHTHOUSE SHINE  
ITS BEAM HERE...

THAT'S OUR  
ONLY CHANCE...  
I'LL CONTACT  
THEM AT  
ONCE!



I'VE GOT THE BULLET--  
HE'S GOING TO BE  
ALL RIGHT!

"**THUS,**  
DR. WALTER  
THORNE  
WAS ABLE  
TO  
PERFORM  
AN  
OPERATION  
THAT  
SAVED  
**BATMAN'S**  
LIFE..."





# BATMAN



NEXT EVENING...

WELL, **BATMAN?**  
HOW ARE YOU GOING TO  
PRESENT OUR SECRET  
HELPER WHEN HE  
ISN'T HERE?

BUT HE IS  
HERE, **ROBIN...**  
I'M SURE OF IT NOW!  
AND VARREL WILL  
SHOW UP, TOO!

THE PROGRAM BEGINS WITH A STARTLING  
ANNOUNCEMENT...

BECAUSE OUR UNKNOWN HELPER WANTS  
TO REMAIN UNIDENTIFIED, WE'RE USING A  
**SECRET BOOTH** TONIGHT! NOW I'LL  
TELL HOW HE SAVED US FROM  
VARREL'S TRAP...



BUT, JUST THEN...

HERE IT IS,  
**BATMAN!**...  
VARREL,  
DRESSED AS  
AN USHER!

GOOD WORK,  
**ROBIN!**

AND THEN COMES THE BIGGEST SURPRISE  
OF ALL...

DUMMY IN THE BOOTH,  
VARREL--BAIT TO DRAW  
YOU HERE! OUR SECRET  
HELPER REMAINS  
SECRET!

NOT ANY LONGER...  
IT WAS I WHO  
HELPED YOU  
THAT NIGHT,  
**BATMAN!**



FRED--  
MY  
BROTHER...  
**YOU?**

YES... I FOLLOWED YOU  
THAT NIGHT TO SAVE  
**BATMAN**-- AND TO  
SAVE YOU FROM A  
WORSE CRIME! I'M  
HERE TONIGHT FOR  
THE SAME REASON!

MAYBE... MAYBE  
YOU'VE BEEN  
RIGHT ALL  
ALONG, FRED!  
I--I GUESS I'LL  
PAY MY DEBT IN  
PRISON, AND THEN  
TRY TO START A  
NEW LIFE!

IT'S WHAT  
I'VE ALWAYS  
HOPED, JIM...  
THAT'S WHY  
I KEPT YOU  
FROM  
COMMITTING  
MURDER!

YOU SEE, WHEN I  
NOTICED FRED IN  
THE AUDIENCE, I  
FIGURED **HE**  
WAS OUR HELPER--  
SINCE ONLY HE  
AND CROOKS  
WOULD KNOW  
VARREL'S PLANS,  
AND CROOKS  
WOULDN'T INTER-  
VENE TO SAVE  
**ME!**

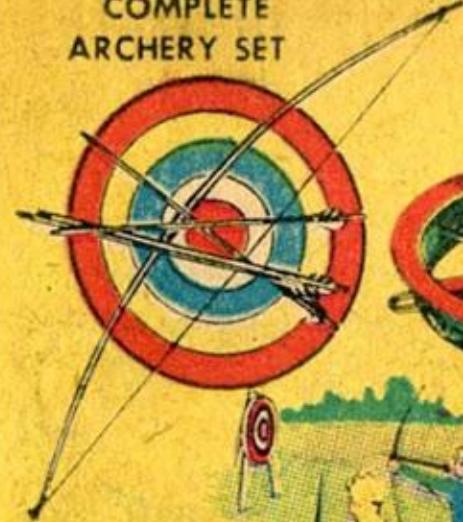
GOOD  
FIGURING,  
**BATMAN...**  
IT ACTUALLY  
HELPED YOU  
SAVE **TWO**  
MEN TONIGHT!



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ENGINE-POWERED  
FLYING PLATFORM

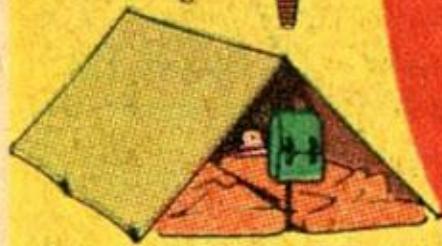
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GIRLS

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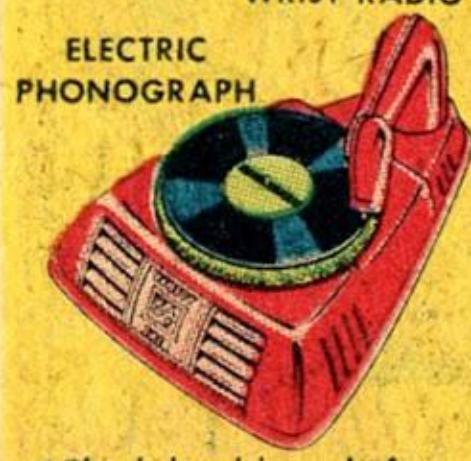
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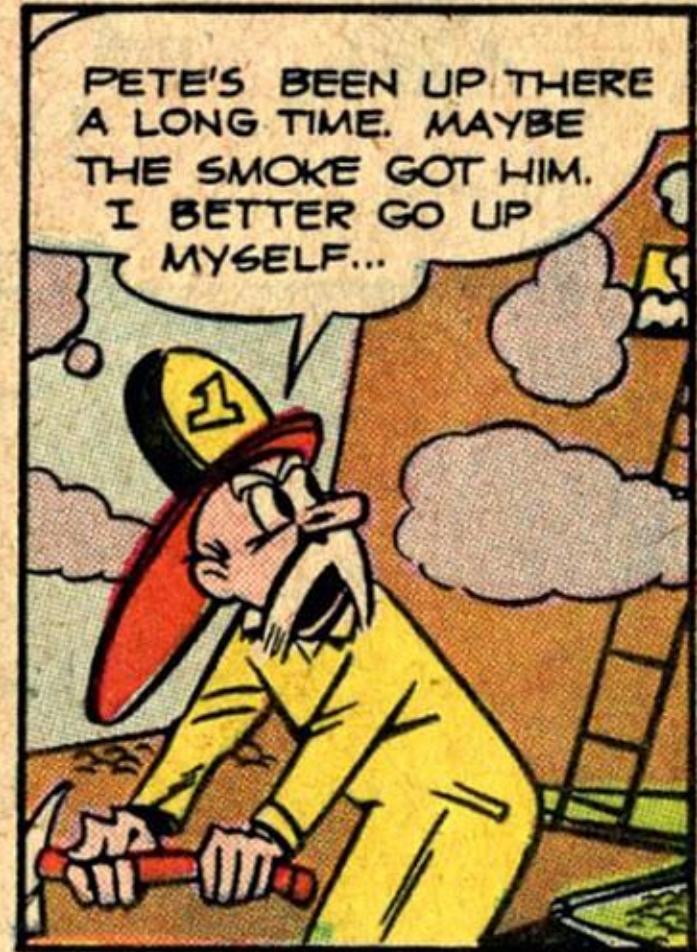
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# FIREMAN PETE



# BATMAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**

- THE BOY WONDER -

THE GREAT TEAM OF **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** HAS MORE THAN ONCE SEARCHED OUT SECRET, SINISTER PLOTTERS IN GOTHAM CITY... BUT NEVER HAS ITS SEARCH BEEN SO SUSPENSEFUL AS NOW, WHEN A MIGHTY HURRICANE SWEEPS THE METROPOLIS! FOR THE DYNAMIC DUO NOW MUST BATTLE LAW-BREAKERS WHO USE, AS THEIR ALLY, THE AWESOME, DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF THE...

## STORM OVER GOTHAM CITY!



TO GOTHAM CITY, FROM FAR AWAY,  
FLASHES AN URGENT MESSAGE...

FALLING  
WEATHER  
BUREAU -  
GOTHAM CITY

...AND A WARNING OF  
A MIGHTY MENACE!

GENTLEMEN, A  
TREMENDOUS  
HURRICANE IS  
MOVING UP THE  
COAST!  
"HURRICANE-  
HUNTER"  
PLANES ARE  
TRYING TO  
DETERMINE  
JUST HOW HARD  
IT'LL HIT US!



**B**UT WHEN ARMY PLANES ATTEMPT TO PINPOINT THE MOVEMENTS OF THE MIGHTY TEMPEST...

THIS HURRICANE IS SO POWERFUL, OUR PLANES CAN'T PENETRATE ITS WINDS! WE'RE UNABLE TO CHART ITS COURSE!

IN GOTHAM CITY, A WORRIED WEATHER BUREAU CALLS IN POLICE COMMISSIONER GORDON...

...AND FROM WHAT WE'VE HEARD, COMMISSIONER, THE **BAT-PLANE** MIGHT BE ABLE TO APPROACH AND CHART THAT STORM WHERE ORDINARY PLANES CAN'T!

I'LL ALERT **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** AT ONCE, BY FLASH-BULLETIN AS WELL AS THE **BAT-SIGNAL**!



**W**ITHIN MINUTES, WEALTHY BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON, GET A DOUBLE ALERT...

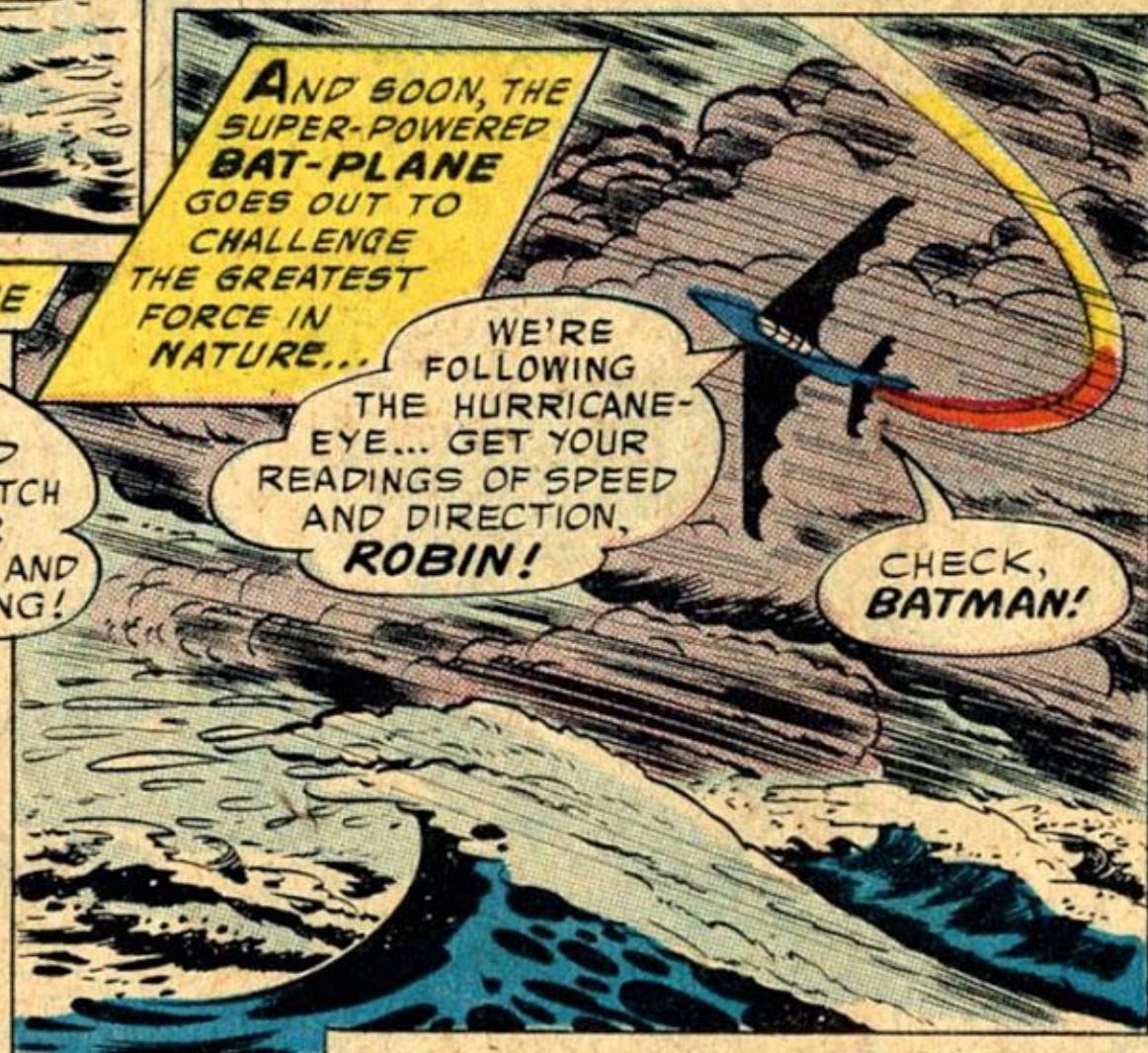
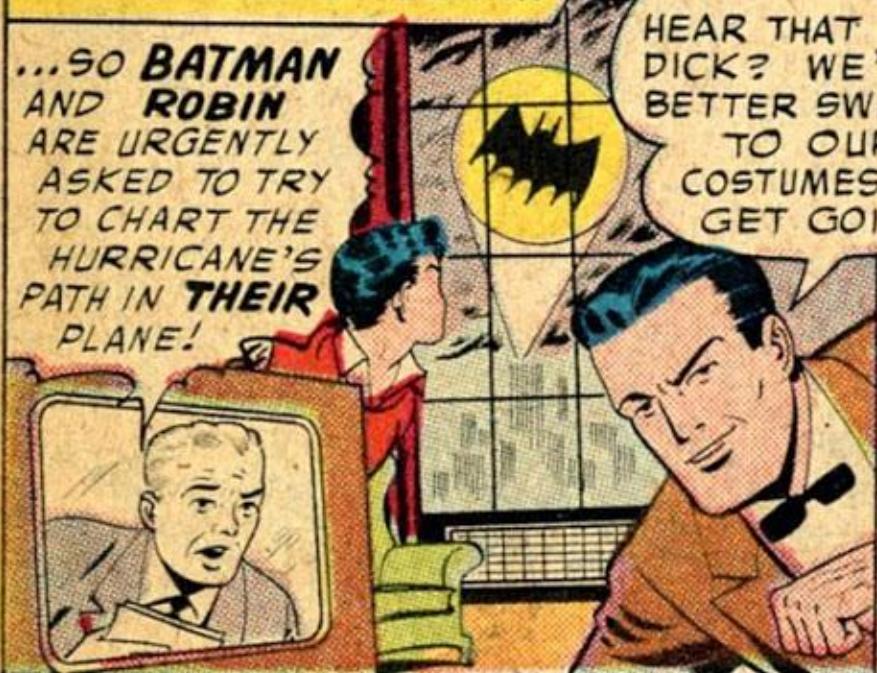
...SO **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** ARE URGENTLY ASKED TO TRY TO CHART THE HURRICANE'S PATH IN THEIR PLANE!

HEAR THAT DICK? WE'D BETTER SWITCH TO OUR COSTUMES AND GET GOING!

AND SOON, THE SUPER-POWERED **BAT-PLANE** GOES OUT TO CHALLENGE THE GREATEST FORCE IN NATURE...

WE'RE FOLLOWING THE HURRICANE-EYE... GET YOUR READINGS OF SPEED AND DIRECTION, **ROBIN**!

CHECK, **BATMAN**!



COURSE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARD, WIND-SPEEDS 102 MILES AN HOUR, WHOLE HURRICANE MOVING 30 MILES AN HOUR... GOT IT!

AND JUST IN TIME! MUCH LONGER IN THIS STORM, AND WE'D LOSE OUR WINGS! NOW, BACK TO GOTHAM CITY!

**T**HE NEWS THEY BRING BACK TRIGGERS A GREAT ALARM SYSTEM...

ALL POINTS WARNING... THE HURRICANE WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY! REPEAT, THE HURRICANE WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY!

A CITY CAN SUCCESSFULLY ENDURE A HURRICANE, BY MAKING READY FOR IT! WE'D BETTER GO HELP PEOPLE PREPARE...

BUT AS THE PAIR STARTS OUT...

LISTEN, BUDDY... I GOTTA KNOW JUST **WHEN** THE PEAK OF THE STORM WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY!

**ROBIN**, THAT'S KEENE HARNER, AN EX-MOBSTER WITH A LONG RECORD! WHY IS **HE** SO INTERESTED IN THE STORM?

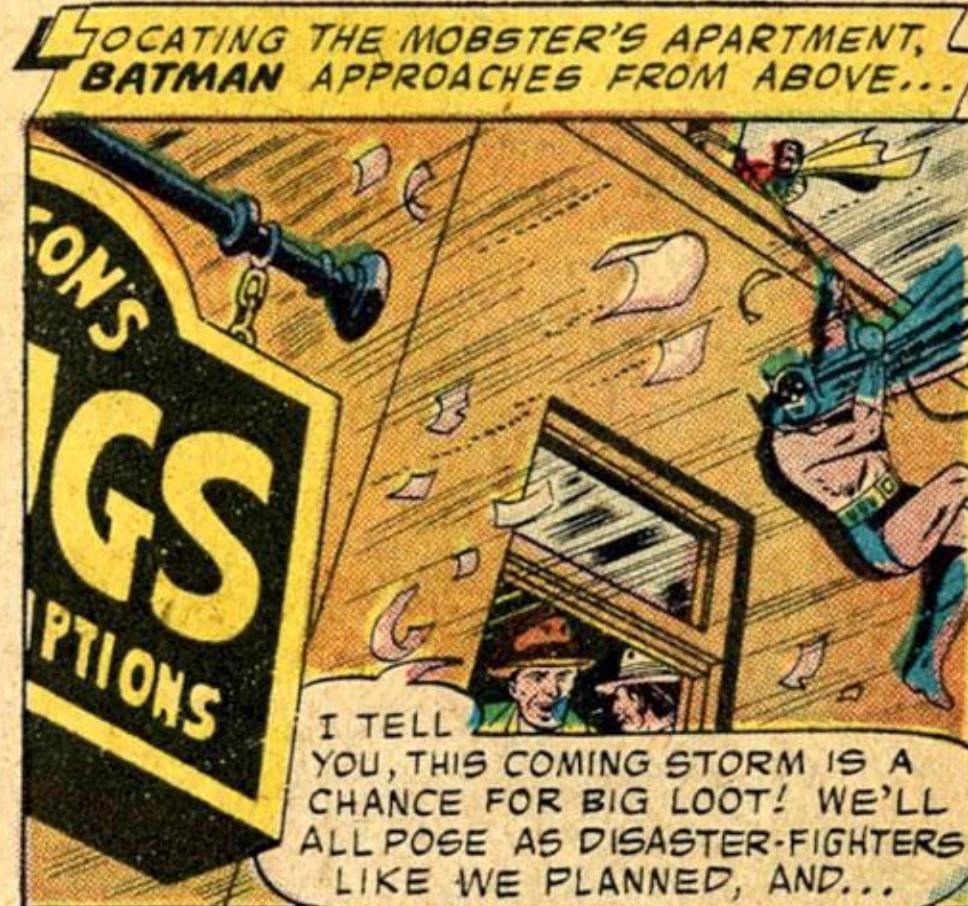




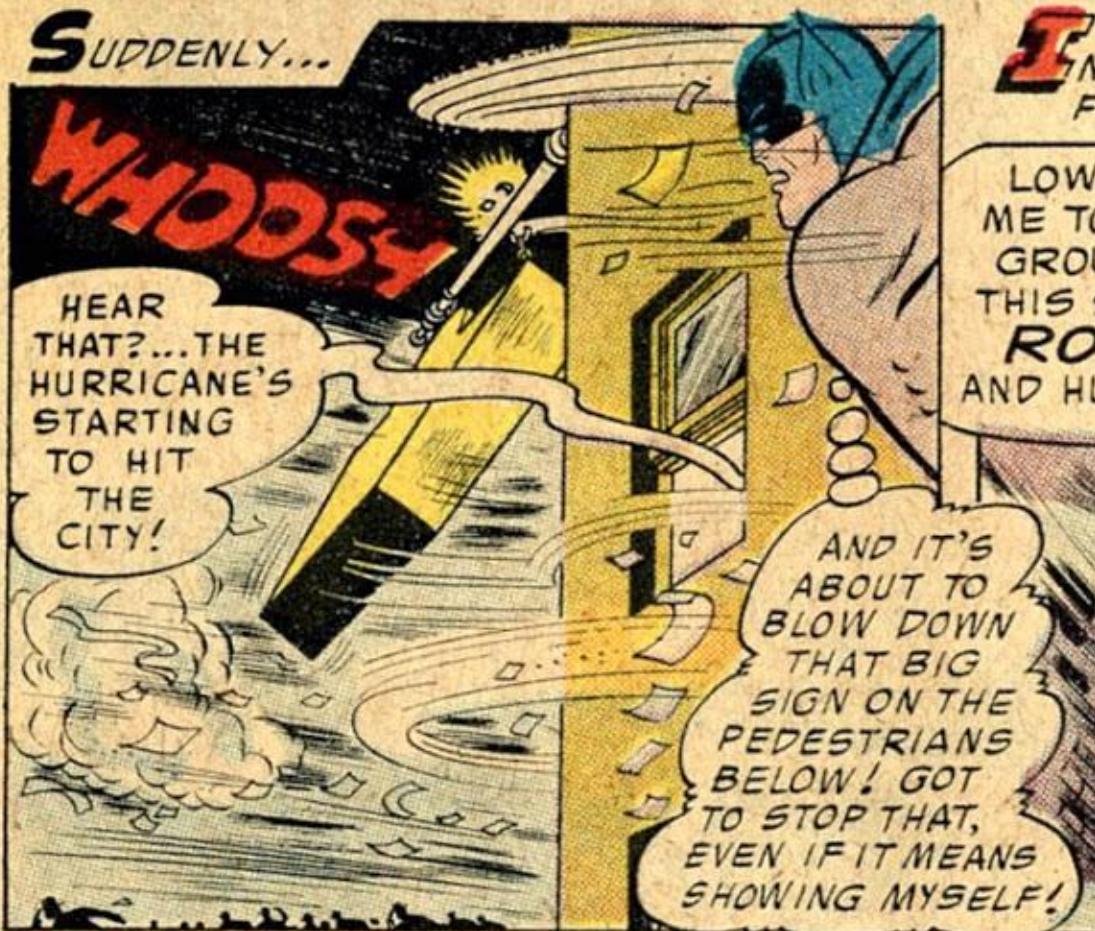
# BATMAN



THEIR SUSPICIONS AROUSED, THE CAPE LAW-MEN TRAIL THEIR SUSPECT IN THE **BATMOBILE**...



SUDDENLY...



IN THE NICK OF TIME, THE RESOURCEFUL CRIME-FIGHTER SWINGS DOWN IN A FLASHING ARC...



AND AS THE FULL FURY OF THE HURRICANE STRIKES GOTHAM CITY...



AMID THE ROAR OF THE GALE, THE **BATMOBILE** THUNDERS OFF IN PURSUIT...





# BATMAN



JUST THEN...

LINER NOUMARIA HAS BROKEN FROM ITS DOCK IN WIND, AND IS DRIFTING DOWNRIVER! NO ONE CAN GET A TOWLINE ONTO IT-- TUGBOATS NEEDED AT ONCE TO HELP!

LISTEN--A BULLETIN FROM THE POLICE...

TOUGH BREAK... THOSE CROOKS MAY GIVE US THE SLIP FOR GOOD!

WE'LL PICK UP THE CHASE LATER... RIGHT NOW, THAT DRIFTING LINER IS MORE IMPORTANT!

IF WE COULD JUST GET A TOWLINE SECURED, WE COULD SAVE HER... BUT NOBODY CAN BOARD THE LINER IN THIS STORM!

GET AS CLOSE AS YOU CAN, AND WE'LL TRY...

SHORTLY, ABOARD A TUGBOAT IN GOTHAM HARBOR...

MOMENTS LATER, IN THE LEE OF THE WALLOWING SHIP...

OUR BAT-BOLOS HAVE CAUGHT THE RAIL... OUR ROPES ARE FAST!

BUT BE CAREFUL THE WIND DOESN'T TEAR YOU LOOSE AS WE CLIMB UP!

AS THEY BEGIN THEIR ASCENT...

IT'S HEELING OVER THE OTHER WAY! FEND OFF WITH YOUR FEET, OR YOU'LL BE SMASHED AGAINST THE HULL!

I'M ALL RIGHT!

FINALLY, ABOARD THE STORM-TOSSED SHIP...

IF WE CAN GET THAT HEAVY TOWLINE SECURED, THE TUGBOAT CAN TOW THE LINER IN!

WE'LL DO IT-- IF THE WIND DOESN'T BLOW US OFF THE DECK FIRST!

AND SO, WITH THE BIG LINER SAFELY TOWED TO ITS BERTH...

THE WIND'S STILL RISING... BUT EVERYONE SEEMS TO BE TAKING SHELTER, AS ADVISED!

EVERYONE EXCEPT THE CROOKS WHO PLAN TO USE THIS STORM! THEY'RE OUT SOMEWHERE, AND WE'VE GOT TO FIND THEM!

AS THEY TAKE OFF AGAIN, IN THE BATMOBILE...

OUR ONLY LEAD IS HARNER'S PLAN TO IM-PERSONATE...

HOLD IT-- ANOTHER POLICE-BULLETIN!

... CAR 99 REPORTS TELEVISION MAST ON THAT BUILDING IN DANGER OF FALLING!

BAD LUCK... WE'LL HAVE TO POSTPONE OUR CHASE AGAIN!

DOCK 12-A

A TOP THE LOFTY STRUCTURE, MINUTES LATER...

AFTER SOME SWIFT, URGENT PREPARATIONS...

HIGH ABOVE, THE PAIR WORKS SWIFTLY...

THE WIND HAS PULLED SOME OF THE MAST-BASE BOLTS OUT... THE WHOLE THING WILL FALL, UNLESS WE GET CLAMPS ON IT!

I'VE GOT AN IDEA-- BUT WE'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST...

THE WIND UP THERE WILL SURELY TEAR THEM LOOSE!

IT CAN'T, NOW THAT BATMAN AND YOUR WORKMAN ARE ROPED TOGETHER AROUND THE TOWER! BUT IF THE MAST GOES WHILE THEY'RE UP THERE...

MY WRENCH--! THE WIND TORE IT FROM MY HANDS!

THAT'S WHY I TIED ALL THE TOOLS AND CLAMPS TO US BY CORDS! HURRY AND HAUL IT BACK IN... TWO MORE CLAMPS WILL DO THE JOB!

AFTERWARD, WITH THE MAST SECURED...

LOOKS LIKE THE STORM'S REACHED ITS PEAK!

YES--MAKING IT THAT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO LOCATE HARNER AND HIS GANG!

AS THEY REACH AN INTERSECTION...

LOOK! THE WIND CAUGHT THAT CAR BROADSIDE!

ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP IT... KEEP DOWN AND HANG ON, ROBIN!

TH-THANKS, BATMAN! I'M NOT HURT--BUT I SURE WOULD HAVE BEEN, IF YOU HADN'T STOPPED ME!

DON'T YOU KNOW BETTER THAN TO DRIVE AGAINST POLICE WARNINGS? GET INTO SHELTER, QUICKLY!

LATER, OUTSIDE POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

WE'VE BORROWED TANKS TO REPLACE OUR REGULAR CARS DURING THE EMERGENCY, BATMAN! PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER USE ONE, TOO!

THANKS, COMMISSIONER, BUT TANKS MOVE TOO SLOWLY--AND WE'VE GOT A FAST JOB TO DO!

WHAM

THE DUO'S PATROL BEGINS IN THE MOST DANGEROUS AREA OF TOWN...

NO SIGN OF ANYONE AROUND HERE...

RIGHT... AND I FIGURE HARNER'S LIKELY TO OPERATE WHERE HE'LL RUN INTO THE LEAST NUMBER OF PEOPLE!

ALL AT ONCE, AS THEY RIDE PAST A WATERFRONT PARK...

THAT FALLING TREE BROUGHT DOWN THE POWER WIRES! WE CAN CUT OFF THE CURRENT IN THEM, IF WE'RE CAREFUL!

NO! THE SAFE RULE IS TO STAY AWAY FROM FALLEN POWER WIRES UNTIL THE LINE MEN FIX THEM! WE'LL HAVE TO STAND GUARD OVER THEM THOUGH!

CRASH

AND AS SOON AS EMERGENCY REPAIRMEN ARRIVE...



ON THEY PRESS WITH THEIR DANGER-PACKED SEARCH, TILL FINALLY...

LOOK--THE WIND HAS SMASHED IN THE BACK OF THAT BUILDING!

NO--THE WIND'S COMING FROM THE **OPPOSITE DIRECTION**--AND THAT'S THE **GOTHAM BRANCH BANK!** I THINK WE'VE FOUND OUR MEN... COME ON!



**S**URE ENOUGH, INSIDE...

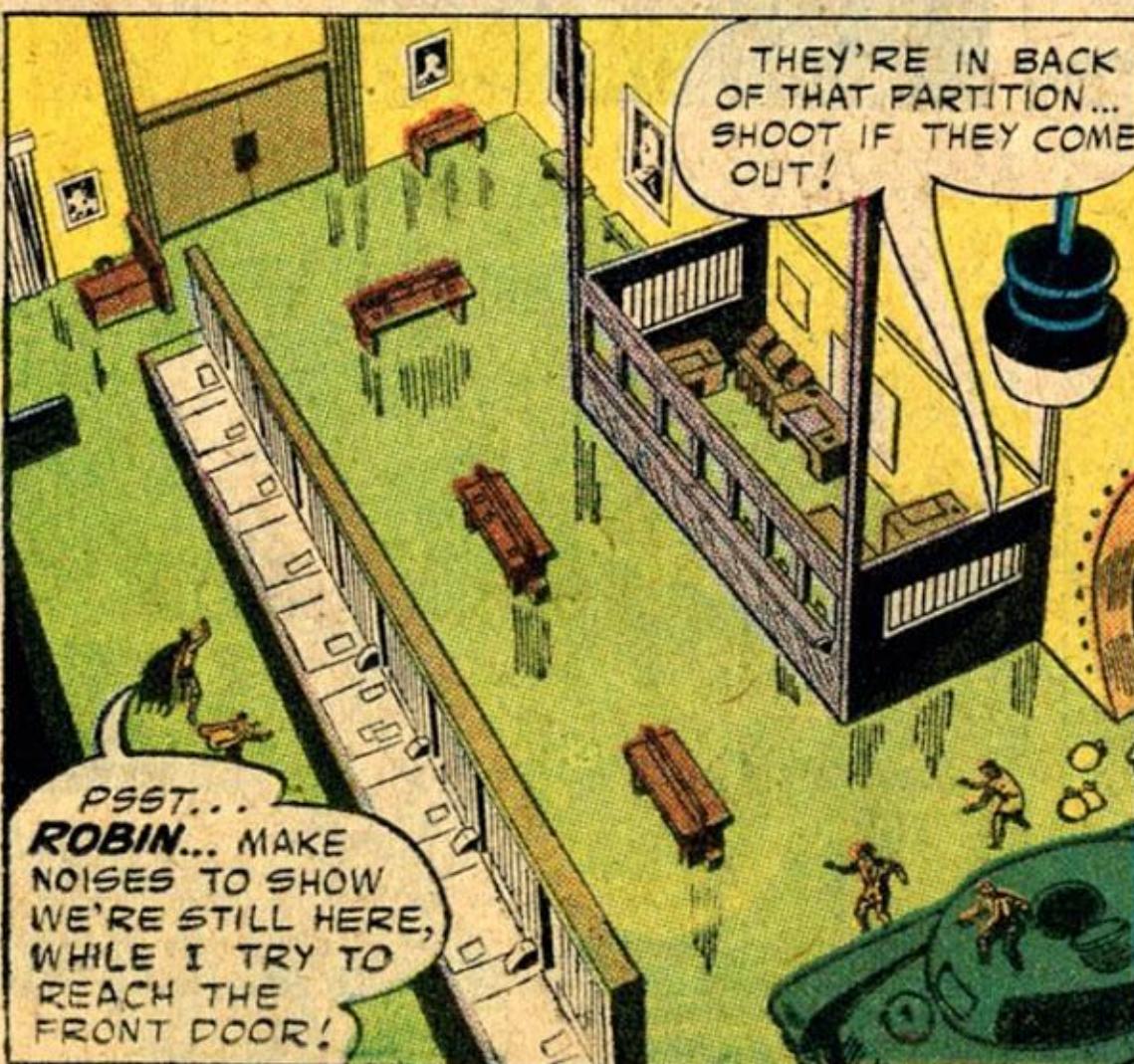
OUR STOLEN TANK SMASHED OPEN THE BANK AND VAULT REAL EASY--AND WE CAN RIDE OFF WITH THE LOOT WHILE THE STORM'S STILL GOING!

SURE--EVERYONE WILL THINK WE'RE DISASTER-FIGHTERS, AND... LOOK OUT! **BATMAN!**



INSTANTLY, THE MOBSTERS ATTACK...

DUCK BEHIND THAT OFFICE-PARTITION, **ROBIN...** THEY'VE GOT TOO MANY GUNS FOR US TO FACE HEAD-ON!



AND AS **ROBIN** CARRIES OUT HIS INSTRUCTIONS...

THEY'RE WAITING FOR A CHANCE AT US! WE'D BETTER GET INTO THE TANK AND PULL OUT OF HERE!

YEAH...YOU CAN NEVER TELL WHAT THOSE TWO GOT UP THEIR SLEEVES!





# BATMAN



**Y**OU NEVER KNOW, INDEED-- FOR AT THAT MOMENT...

THERE HE IS, OPENING THE FRONT DOOR! GET HIM!

BUT INSTANTLY, THROUGH THE WIDE FRONT DOOR RUSHES THE FULL POWER OF THE SCREAMING HURRICANE...

YOU PLANNED TO MAKE THIS HURRICANE YOUR ACCOMPLICE, HARNER, BUT IT'S TURNED OUT TO BE YOUR NEMESIS!

CAN'T KEEP MY BALANCE... OOF!

NOW, ROBIN!  
HE LET THE WIND IN ON US! LOOK OUT!

THUS, AWHILE LATER, BACK AT HEADQUARTERS...

I'M DELIVERING SOME CAPTURED THIEVES, COMMISSIONER--AND THIS STOLEN TANK!

NICE WORK, BATMAN! THE STORM'S FORCE SEEMS TO BE DECREASING, TOO!

**W**ITHIN AN HOUR, AS THE LAST OF THE HURRICANE BLOWS OUT TO SEA...

DAMAGE WAS SMALL--THANKS TO EVERYONE'S COOPERATION!

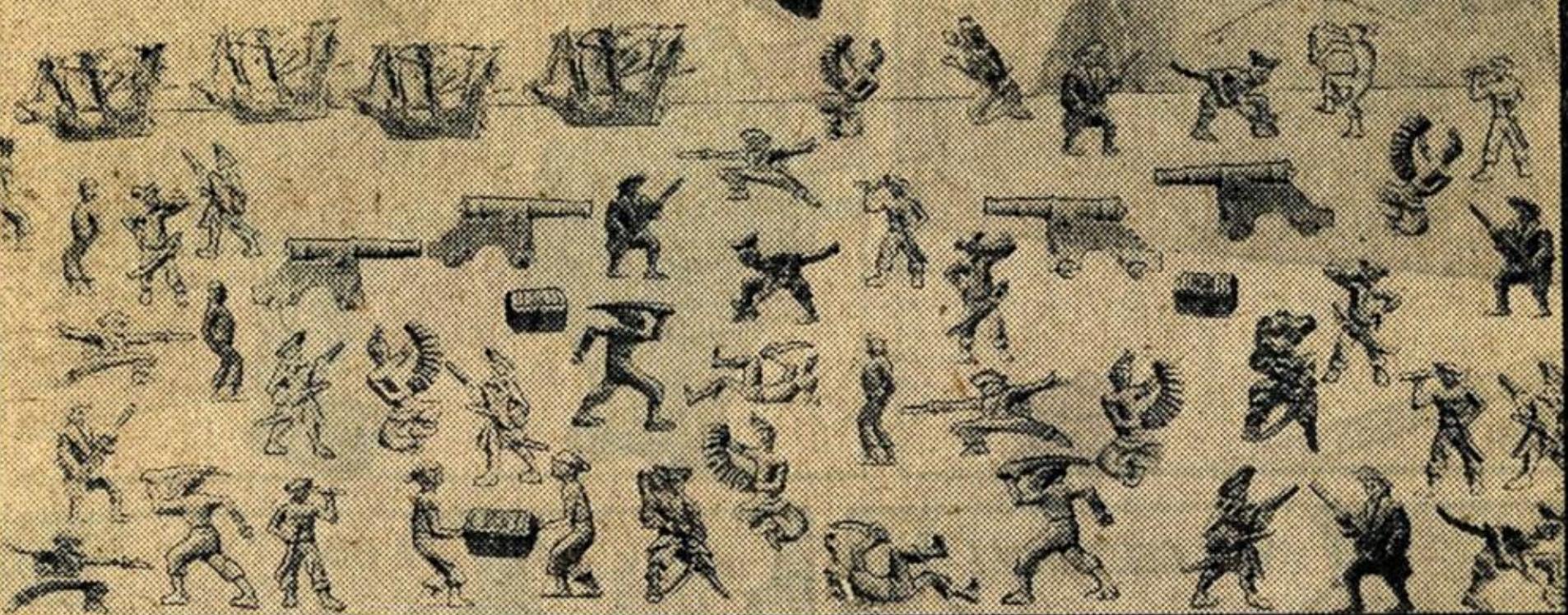
YES... IF PEOPLE OBEY SAFETY RULES, A CITY CAN WITHSTAND ANY DISASTER! AND NOW, WE'RE GOING HOME TO GET SOME REST!

**R**ETURNING TO THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE BENEATH THE WAYNE MANSION, BATMAN AND ROBIN FIND THEIR LOYAL BUTLER AWAITING THEM...

I'M GLAD YOU'RE HOME, SIR! THERE'S BEEN A TERRIBLE WIND-STORM THAT SHOOK THE WHOLE HOUSE! YOU'VE NO IDEA HOW GHASTLY IT WAS!

ER, ...YES... ALFRED-- BUT YOU CAN TELL US ABOUT IT AFTER WE'VE HAD SOME SLEEP!

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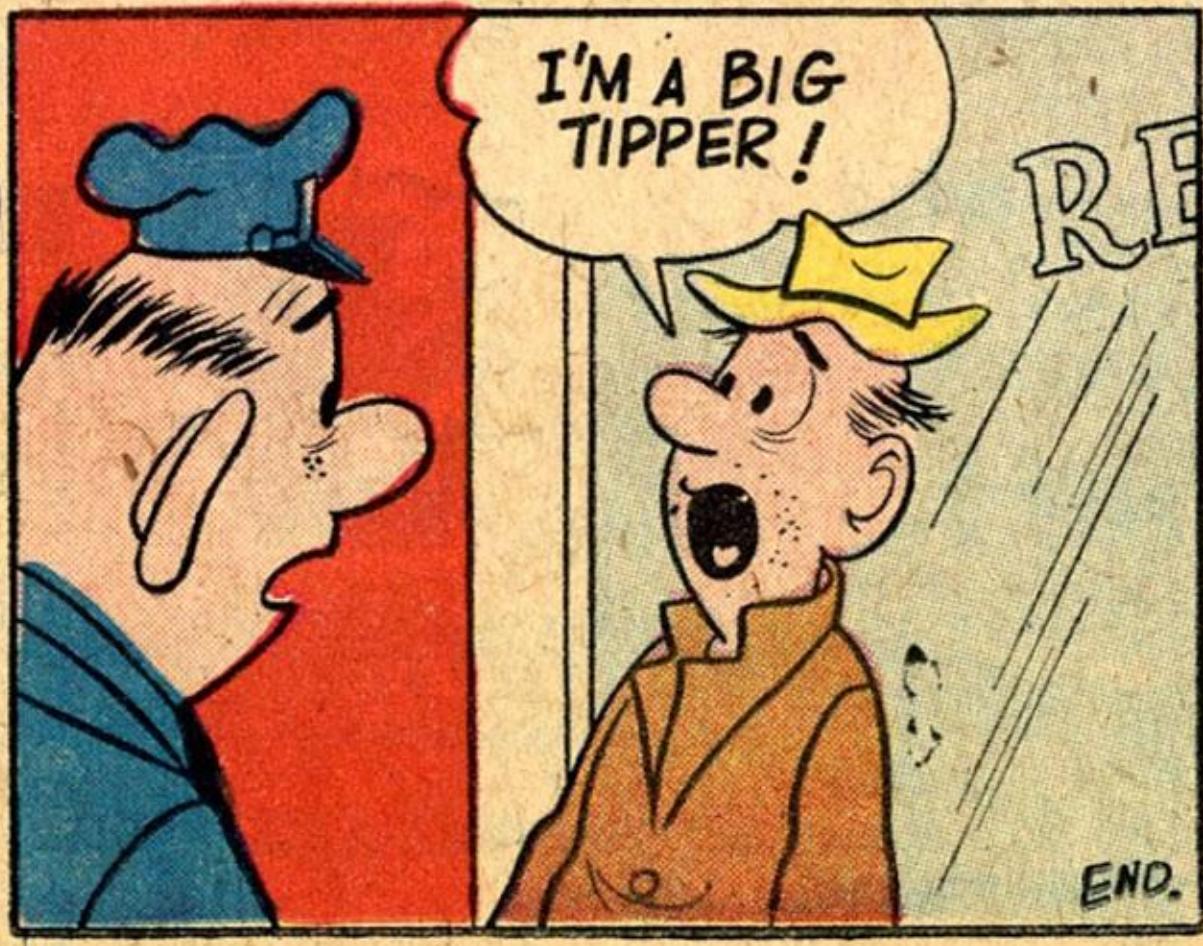
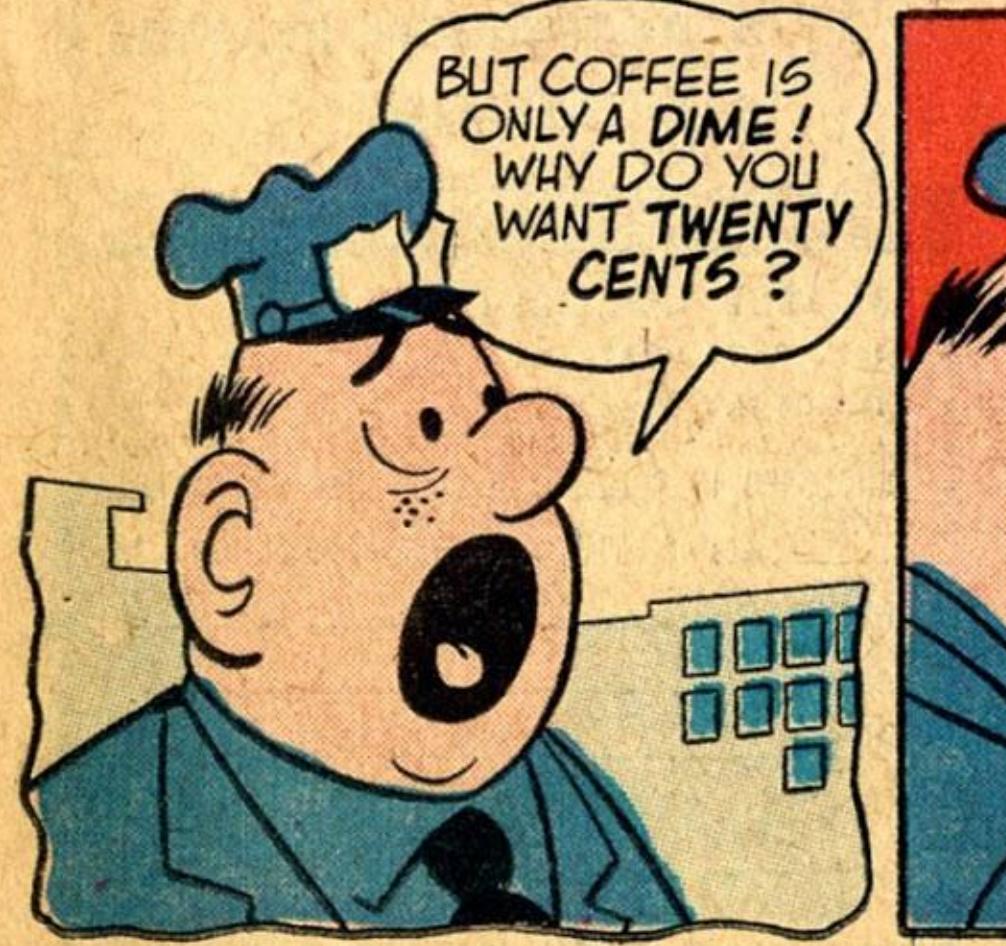
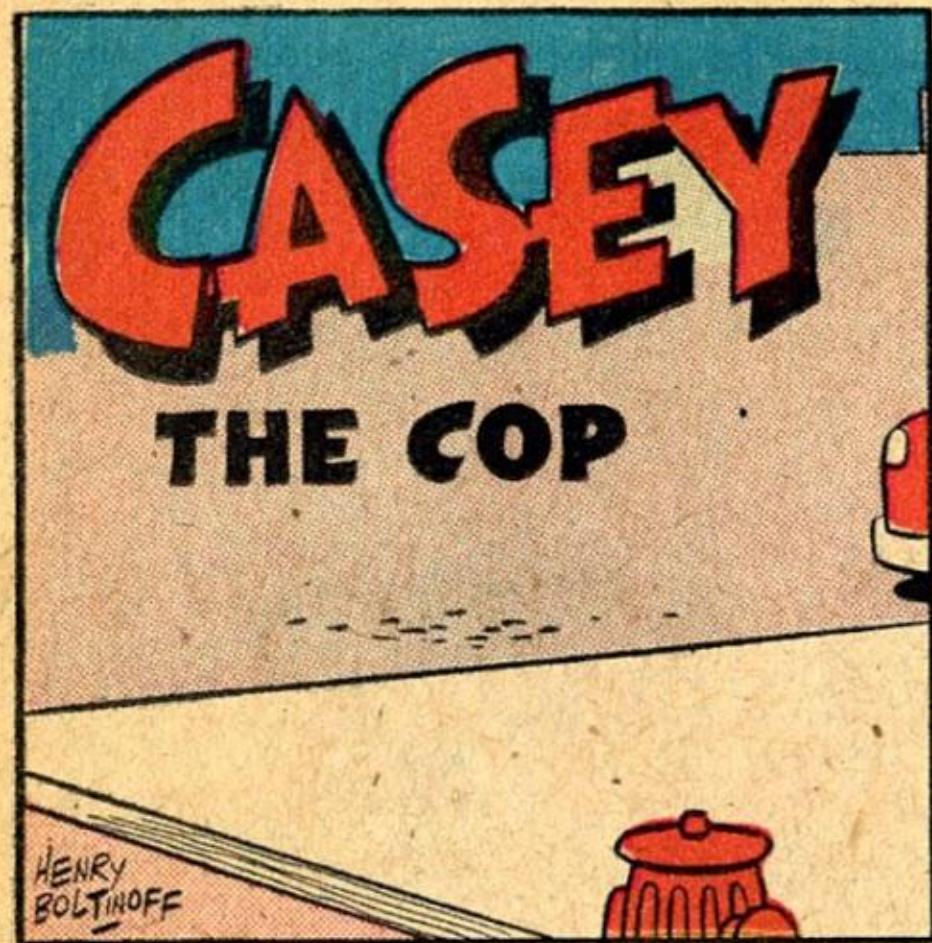
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# The Toughest Police On The Force

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THE steelworker, perched 20 stories up on the skeleton of the skyscraper, made one misstep. He reached desperately as he fell, but the girder was far out of reach, and down he went.

Then, suddenly, two stories below, his dizzy descent stopped. The abrupt halt to his fall blacked him out; and when he came to, he saw that his belt had somehow caught on to the edge of a loose plank.

The steelworker groaned. There was no way for his fellow workers to reach him where he dangled high above the hard cement street of the city. And to blot out the heart-chilling vista below, he shut his eyes.

Meanwhile, on the ground, the foreman and his assistants, grimly aware of the steelworker's almost hopeless predicament, desperately tried to hit upon a means of reaching him without causing the loose plank to topple down with its human burden.

"If we could only prop up that plank somehow so one of us could walk out on it and pull him up," said one of them.

The foreman scoffed. "For Pete's sake, let's stop considering *impossible* ways, and try to figure out some practical way of reaching him!" he shouted.

But while the men rejected one idea after another, high above, the steelworker's body was swaying slightly in the breeze.

At length, the foreman said, "He'll stay up there for the rest of his life if he waits for us to rescue him!"

A wail of a police siren was heard just then, and the men turned to see an emergency police truck squeal to a fast stop. About five men hopped out, each one craning his neck to see the man against the blazing sun.

"It's a tough one," said one of the emergency men.

"You're telling us!" answered the foreman. "There's no way we can figure out how to get him down!"

"We're glad you didn't try," said one of the policemen. Saying this, he grabbed a long length of rope, slung it over his shoulder, and quickly ascended the steel skeleton of the building. The men below watched in silence as he climbed up. At length, he stood on a steel girder about 10 feet below the swaying feet of the trapped man. He cupped his hands before his mouth and called up.

"I'm going to try to bring you down!" he shouted. "Keep your eyes shut, and don't try to help me."

The steelworker kept his eyes shut and nodded his head. From where he stood, the policeman could see large beads of sweat on the hapless man's forehead.

The rescue cop then unfurled the length of rope, swiftly converted it into a lasso and hurled it through the air, wrapping it around the girder.

Then he began to inch his way up the rope until he was almost on a level with the steelworker. Then, he began swinging himself through the air.

Once, twice, three times he passed by the steelworker. But on the fourth swing he made a sudden grab, and next

moment he was clutching in his arms the freed steelworker, whose eyes were now wide open.

"Hold on tight, pal—we're going down!" said the cop, smiling confidently.

A minute later, both men were standing on the steel girder below, and after the steelworker gained control of his jagged nerves, was able to make his way down to the ground unassisted.

The steelworker started to thank the cop who'd saved him, but the latter only clapped him on the back, and murmured, "Forget it—it's just part of my job."

In one short line, the policeman had expressed the philosophy and daily routine job of those courageous men who comprise the police department emergency squads.

The average person may think that the only policemen who face daily dangers are the uniformed men who pound the beats of rough, tough districts, or the plainclothesmen of homicide. The fact is, the intrepid men of the Emergency Squad face dangers every bit as perilous.

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Except in the very large metropolitan police departments which maintain bomb squads, this dangerous work in most police departments is handled by the emergency squad. And all firemen are thankful for the aid they get from the rescue men of the emergency squad at every conflagration.

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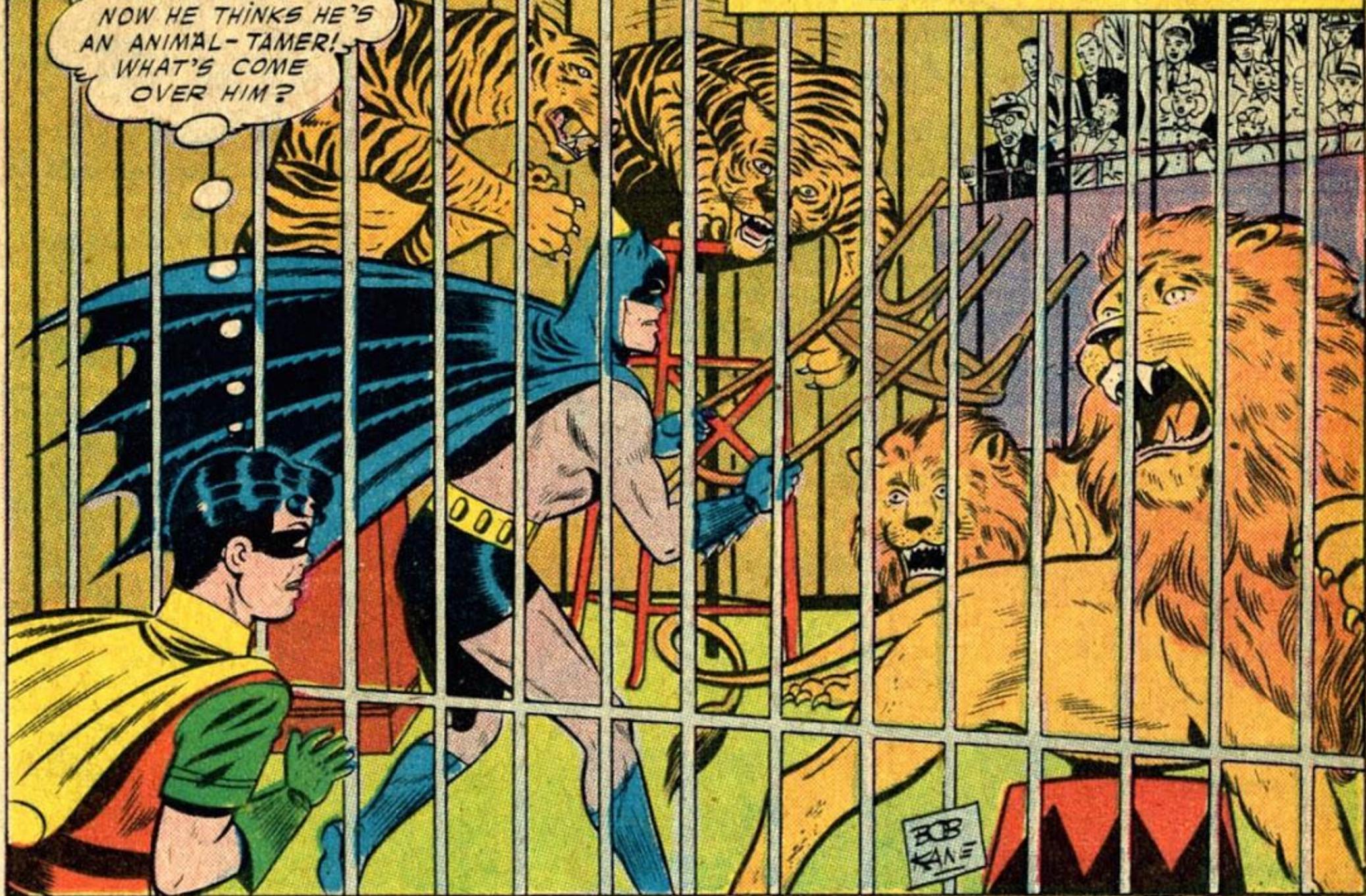
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THE BOY WONDER

BATMAN'S  
CHANGED AGAIN!  
NOW HE THINKS HE'S  
AN ANIMAL-TAMER!  
WHAT'S COME  
OVER HIM?

IN THE STRANGEST STRUGGLE OF HIS CAREER,  
BATMAN FIGHTS TO RETAIN CONTROL OF--  
HIMSELF! FOR OUT OF THE UNKNOWN STRIKES  
A FORCE BY WHICH OTHER MEN CAN MAKE  
THE GREAT MANHUNTER DO WHAT THEY WISH!  
AND THE INTREPID LAWMAN WHO HAS ALWAYS  
BEEN THE MASTER OF HIS OWN WILL  
BECOMES...

## The **PUPPET BATMAN**



ONE NIGHT, AS A TV ANNOUNCER COVERS  
THE GOTHAM CITY CHARITY CIRCUS...

AND HERE COME **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**  
FOR THEIR ACT IN THE CHARITY CIRCUS--  
BUT WHAT'S **BATMAN** DOING?

**BATMAN** BORROWED  
THAT TRUMPET FROM A  
BANDMAN-- AND LISTEN  
TO HIM PLAY!

A TERRIFIC SOLO BY  
**BATMAN**! THAT'S A  
SURPRISE FOR THE  
CROWD!



...FOR ROBIN AND FOR BATMAN HIMSELF! FOR, WHEN THE LAWMAN STEPS DOWN...

BATMAN, I NEVER KNEW YOU COULD PLAY THE TRUMPET!

I CAN'T! I NEVER PLAYED A NOTE IN MY LIFE! BUT SOMETHING MADE ME GET UP THERE AND PLAY--

AND EYEN STRANGER, WHEN I FINISHED PLAYING I FELT A SUDDEN IMPULSE TO TELL EVERYBODY WHO I AM-- MY SECRET IDENTITY!

IT MUST BE JUST THE EXCITEMENT OF THE CIRCUS THAT MADE YOU FEEL THAT WAY! THOUGH IT IS STRANGE--



THEN, ONLY A FEW MINUTES LATER, BATMAN AGAIN ACTS STRANGELY OUT OF CHARACTER...

FOLKS, NOW YOU'LL SEE THE GREATEST TRICK DIVER IN THE WORLD DIVE FROM THAT HIGH PLATFORM INTO TWO FEET OF WATER.

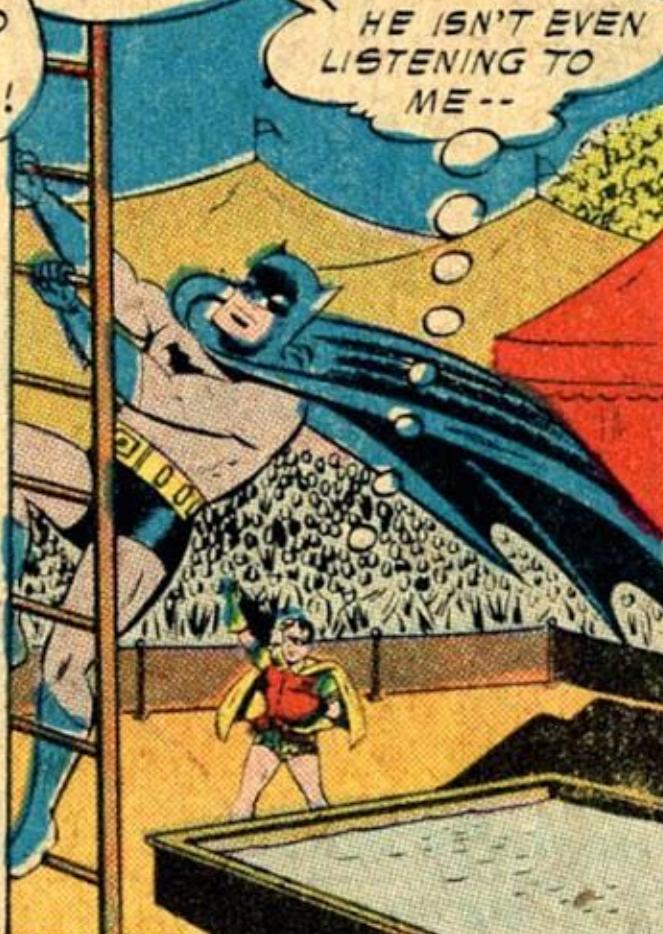
BATMAN, HIGH-DIVING INTO SHALLOW WATER IS AN ART YOU HAVE TO PRACTICE FOR YEARS! YOU NEVER DID IT, YOU'LL BE HURT--

HE ISN'T EVEN LISTENING TO ME--

THEN, AS THOUSANDS WATCH IN AWE, THE BATMAN PLUMMETS DOWN INTO THE TINY TANK...

HE MADE A PERFECT SHALLOW-WATER DIVE!

HE DID...  
BUT HOW COULD HE? HE'S NEVER DONE IT BEFORE.



NEXT INSTANT, AS THE CROWD APPLAUDS...

I WANT TO TELL YOU ALL SOMETHING! I WANT TO TELL YOU WHO I--I--

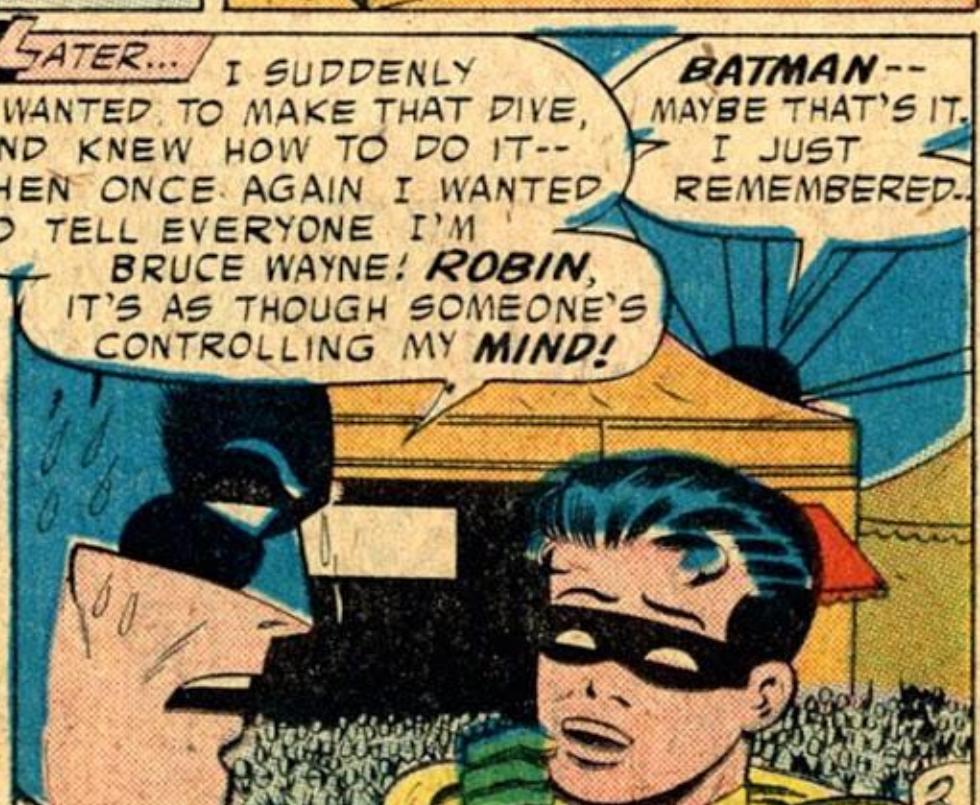
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO BATMAN? HE SEEMS UNABLE TO CONTROL HIMSELF!

LATER...

I SUDDENLY WANTED TO MAKE THAT DIVE, AND KNEW HOW TO DO IT-- THEN ONCE AGAIN I WANTED TO TELL EVERYONE I'M

BATMAN-- MAYBE THAT'S IT. I JUST REMEMBERED..

BRUCE WAYNE! ROBIN, IT'S AS THOUGH SOMEONE'S CONTROLLING MY MIND!



REMEMBER WE READ OF A SCIENTIST WHO INVENTED A MIND RAY-- HE CLAIMED THAT WITH IT, YOU COULD CONTROL ANOTHER PERSON'S ACTIONS!

I REMEMBER-- BUT THAT SCIENTIST DIED AND NO MORE WAS HEARD OF IT! I WONDER IF ANYONE GOT HOLD OF THAT INVENTION!

BATMAN'S FEARS ARE ONLY TOO TRUE! FOR AT THAT MOMENT, IN A SECRET HIDEOUT... WHO'S GOING TO TRY NEXT FOR THE BIG PRIZE IN THIS BATMAN CONTEST?

I STILL DON'T GET IT, GRANEY--YOU SAY THAT GADGET CAN PROJECT A MIND RAY?

GUY GRANEY, UNDERWORLD RACKET LEADER, EXPLAINS HOW THE STOLEN INVENTION WORKS...

WHEN YOU WEAR ITS HEADSET, IT PROJECTS YOUR THOUGHTS, LIKE A RADIO BEAM, TO ANY PERSON. IF YOU'RE STRONG-WILLED ENOUGH, YOU CAN CONTROL THAT PERSON!

AND YOU'RE TRYIN' TO FIND SOME ONE WHO CAN CONTROL BATMAN?



YEAH-- AND WHOEVER CAN CONTROL BATMAN AND MAKE HIM REVEAL HIS IDENTITY, GETS THE 100 GRAND IN LOOT I'VE GOT HIDDEN AWAY!

WHAT A PRIZE-- BUT IT'LL BE WORTH IT TO YOU, TO EXPOSE BATMAN! LET ME TRY IT!

REMEMBER, WE WANT EVERYBODY WATCHING BATMAN WHEN HE REVEALS HIS IDENTITY! SO FIRST MAKE HIM DO SOMETHING NEW AND STARTLING TO DRAW ATTENTION, LIKE THE EX-TRUMPETER AND THE EX-DIVER DID!

YOU KNOW WHAT MY PROFESSION WAS-- I'LL HAVE ALL EYES ON HIM WHEN I MAKE HIM REVEAL HIMSELF!



BUT WHEN THE DYNAMIC DUO ALIGHT, TO CRASHING APPLAUSE...

WE'LL GET OUT OF HERE FAST NOW, BATMAN-- BUT WHERE'S HE GOING? NO, BATMAN!

MEANWHILE, AS BATMAN AND ROBIN PERFORM A GREAT ACROBATIC FEAT AS THEIR CONTRIBUTION FOR THE CHARITY CIRCUS...

I HOPE WE CAN FINISH OUR ACT BEFORE THAT STRANGE FORCE SEIZES BATMAN AGAIN!



# BATMAN



**BUT BATMAN ENTERS THE CAGE OF SNARLING BEASTS BEFORE ROBIN CAN STOP HIM!**

THOSE BEASTS SCENT BATMAN'S A STRANGER--THEY'LL JUMP HIM! HAS HE LOST HIS MIND?

NO--BUT SOMEONE'S SURELY GRABBED HIS MIND AGAIN! I'VE GOT TO GO IN THERE--

I CAN'T GET IN TO HELP HIM-- HE'LL BE CLAWED!

NO, LOOK! HE'S HANDLING THOSE CATS EXPERTLY!



AND AN UNBELIEVING AUDIENCE SEES...



TENSE MOMENTS LATER, IN ANOTHER TERRIFIC MENTAL STRUGGLE WITH HIMSELF, BATMAN CONQUERS THE IMPULSE TO REMOVE HIS MASK...

AND SO ANOTHER CONTESTANT FAILS TO WIN \$100,000 IN HIDDEN LOOT!

BOSS, LET ME TRY! I'LL MAKE BATMAN REVEAL HIS IDENTITY!

NO, THEY'VE LEFT THE CIRCUS-- AND I HAVE TO KNOW THEIR EXACT LOCATION TO PROJECT THE MIND RAY! WE'LL GET HIM AT HIS NEXT PUBLIC APPEARANCE, TOMORROW!

ROBIN -- IT HIT ME AGAIN! SOMEONE ELSE, TRYING TO CONTROL MY MIND, MADE ME WORK THOSE CATS! SOON AS I REALIZED IT, I FOUGHT BACK-- BEFORE HE COULD MAKE ME UNMASK!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

YOU--AN EX-ANIMAL TAMER, COULDN'T TAME BATMAN! YOU MADE HIM GO IN THE CAGE BUT COULDN'T CONTROL HIM ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM UNMASK!



THAT NIGHT, IN THE BAT-CAVE UNDER THE MANSION OF BRUCE WAYNE, WHO IS SECRETLY BATMAN...

BATMAN, YOU'RE SCHEDULED TO GUARD THE ARRIVAL OF THOSE RARE PAINTINGS IN THE GOTHAM ART GALLERY TOMORROW-- BUT IT'S TOO DANGEROUS! THAT MIND RAY MAY BE USED ON YOU AGAIN!

I HAVE TO BE THERE! BUT MAYBE WE CAN TRACE THE CROOK WHO IS PROJECTING THAT RAY!

PRESENTLY, THE TWO MANHUNTERS CONSULT THEIR VOLUMINOUS CRIME-FILE...

WHOEVER TRIED TO CONTROL ME HAD SPECIALIZED SKILLS-- TRUMPET-PLAYING, DIVING, LION-TAMING! OUR "OCCUPATION" FILE MAY GIVE US A LEAD!

I GET IT-- A LEAD BACK TO THE CROOK WHO HAS THE MIND RAY!



IN THE MORNING, AFTER A FUTILE SEARCH...

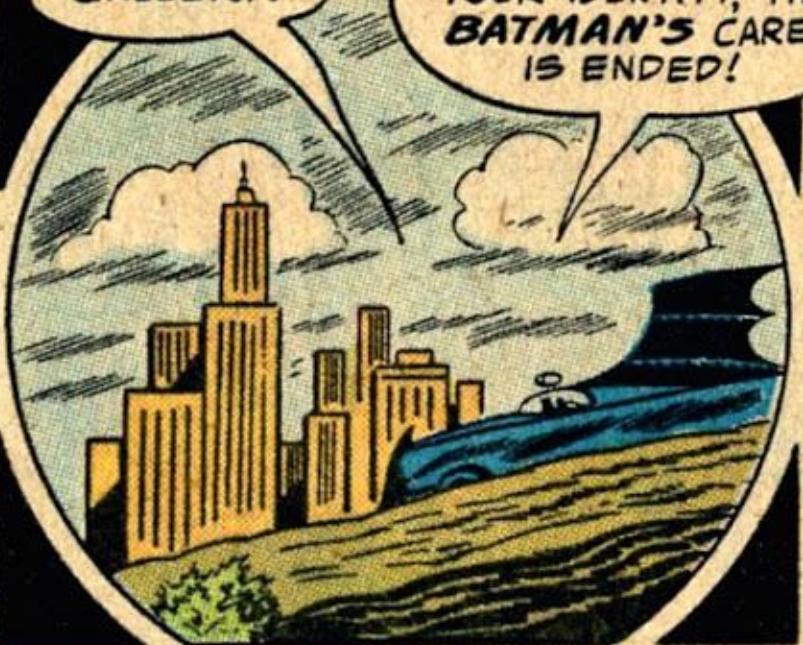
ROBIN, WE'VE RUN UP AGAINST A STONE WALL. DROP ME OFF AT THE GOTHAM GALLERY!

WELL, I WILL-- BUT BATMAN, BE CAREFUL! IF THAT MIND RAY MAKES YOU REVEAL YOUR IDENTITY, THE BATMAN'S CAREER IS ENDED!

AT THE GOTHAM GALLERY, AS REPORTERS WATCH THE PRICELESS PAINTINGS ARRIVE...

BATMAN, YOU STARTLED THE WHOLE CITY WITH YOUR AMAZING FEATS LAST NIGHT. WHAT'S THE STORY?

ER-- THERE'S NO STORY IN THAT! I--



BUT AT THAT MOMENT, MANY BLOCKS AWAY...

NOW! WHILE HE'S IN THE GALLERY-- MAKE EVERYBODY WATCH HIM AND THEN MAKE HIM DISCLOSE HIS SECRET!

TURN ON THE MIND RAY-- I'LL USE MY SKILL ON HIM IN A WAY THAT'LL MAKE HISTORY!

AND AS THE MIND RAY IS PROJECTED, IN THE GREAT GALLERY BATMAN SUDDENLY ACTS LIKE A HUMAN PUPPET...

BUT, BATMAN-- I WAS COPYING THAT GREAT PAINTING!

I-- WILL PAINT FOR YOU-- A PORTAIT OF-- MYSELF!



# BATMAN



AS ALL WATCH BREATHLESSLY, **BATMAN** WIELDS THE ARTIST'S BRUSH WITH UNCANNY SKILL...

LOOK, **BATMAN** IS PAINTING HIS OWN PICTURE-- BUT WITHOUT A MASK ON!

HE'S GOING TO PAINT HIS REAL FACE-- DISCLOSE HIS SECRET IDENTITY!

AS ROBIN ENTERS THE GOTHAM GALLERY...

**BATMAN'S** PAINTING HIS OWN FACE!  
I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM QUICK--



DRAWING HIS BATARANG, THE BOY WONDER HURLS WITH UNERRING AIM...

WHY-- **ROBIN** STOPPED HIM JUST IN TIME-- WE'LL NEVER LEARN WHO **BATMAN** IS!

WHAT WAS I DOING--? I DIDN'T REALIZE!

MINUTES LATER, WHEN THE DISAPPOINTED REPORTERS HAVE GONE...

IT HAPPENED AGAIN-- ANOTHER MIND GRIPPED MINE AND COMPELLED ME TO PAINT MY OWN FACE! THE MIND RAY, AGAIN--

IT MUST BE A SKILLED ARTIST WHO CONTROLLED YOU THIS TIME-- BUT HE'D BE AS HARD TO TRACK DOWN AS THE OTHERS!

NO, **ROBIN**-- AN ARTIST'S BRUSH-TECHNIQUE IS ALWAYS DISTINCTIVE-- THE GALLERY DIRECTOR MAY BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THE STYLE!

I HOPE SO-- ALL OUR OTHER LEADS WERE NO GOOD!



PRESIDENTLY, THE GALLERY'S ART EXPERT MAKES QUICK IDENTIFICATION...

THIS IS THE UNMISTAKABLE TECHNIQUE OF VICTOR VONN-- AN ARTIST WHO SERVED A SENTENCE FOR FORGING FAMOUS MASTERPIECES!

THANKS-- WE'LL RUN VONN DOWN AT ONCE!

MEANWHILE, IN GRANEY'S HIDEOUT...

SURE, YOU ALMOST MADE **BATMAN** PAINT HIS REAL FACE-- BUT NOT QUITE! YOU FAILED-- THE CONTEST FOR THE \$100,000 PRIZE IS STILL OPEN!

AW, KEEP IT-- I'M GOING HOME!



BUT WHEN THE CROOKED ARTIST ARRIVES HOME...

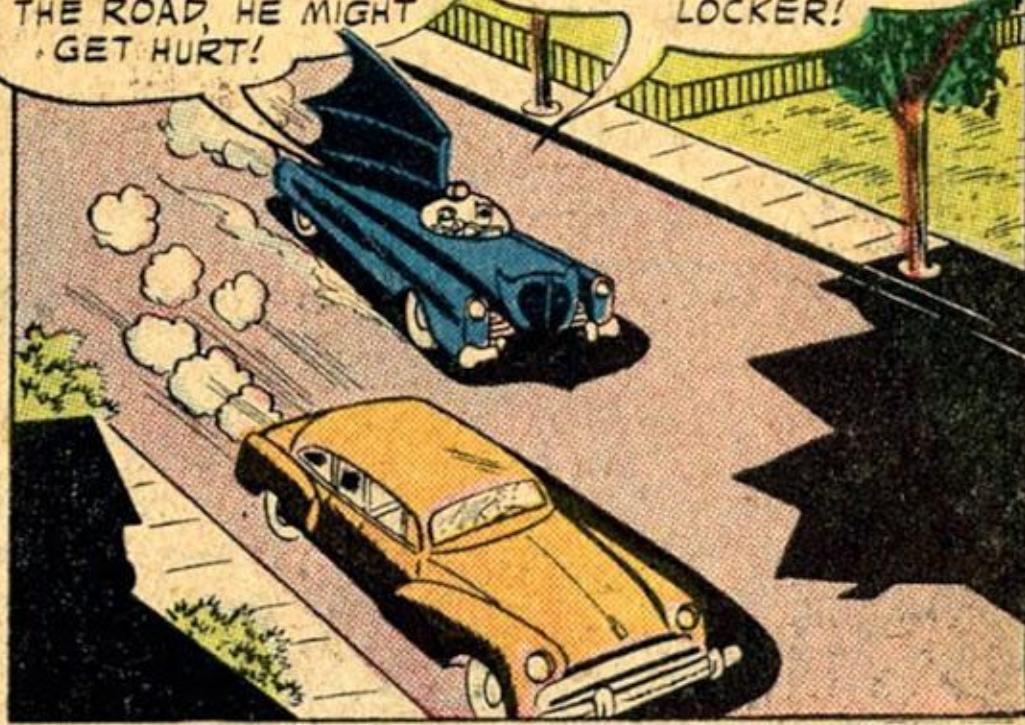
**BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**--THEY'RE  
ONTO WHAT I TRIED!  
I'M LAMMING!

THIS IS WHERE VONN LIVES--!  
BUT, **BATMAN**, LOOK! THAT  
CAR THAT'S STARTING AWAY  
AGAIN-- IT'S OUR MAN!

THROUGH THE STREETS, IN FRANTIC FLIGHT,  
WITH THE THUNDERING **BATMOBILE** BEHIND...

I CAN'T JUMP INTO A  
CLOSED CAR-- AND IF  
YOU FORCE HIM OFF  
THE ROAD, HE MIGHT  
GET HURT!

ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP  
HIM-- GET THE GRAPPLES  
OUT OF THE EQUIPMENT-  
LOCKER!



AND AS **BATMAN** PULLS ABREAST OF THE  
SPEEDING FUGITIVE...

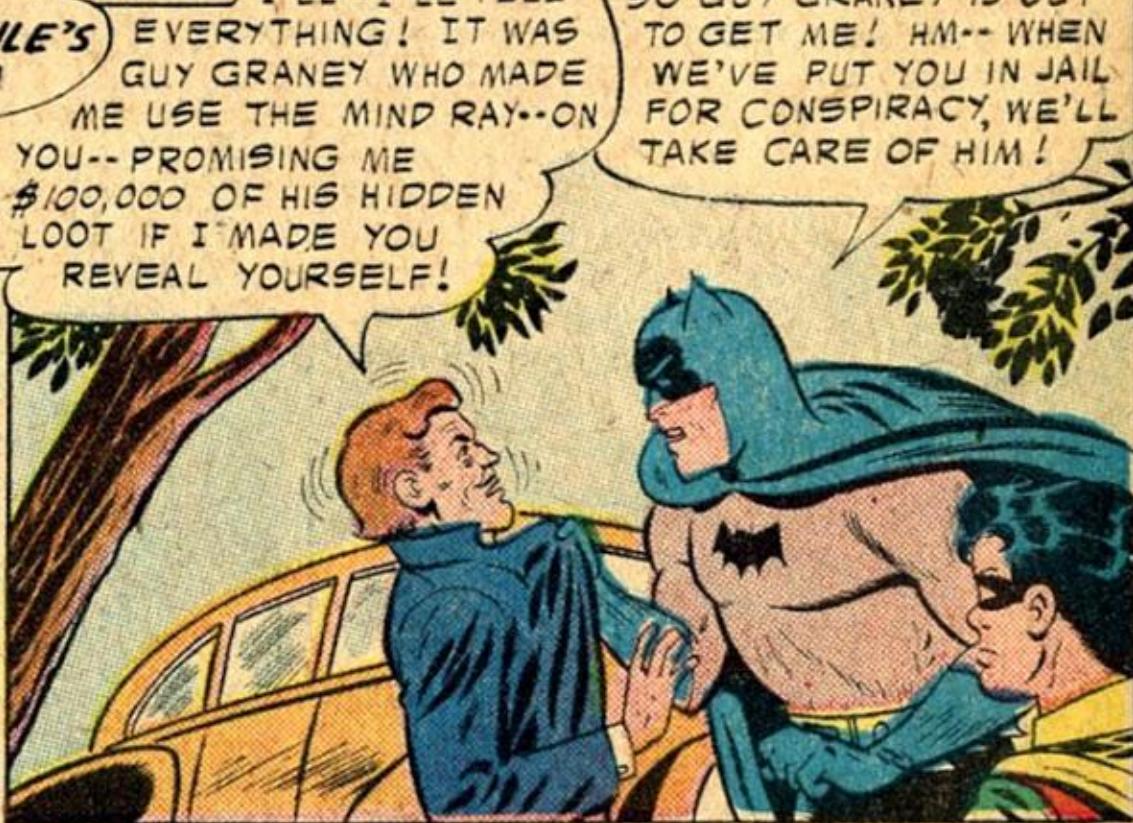
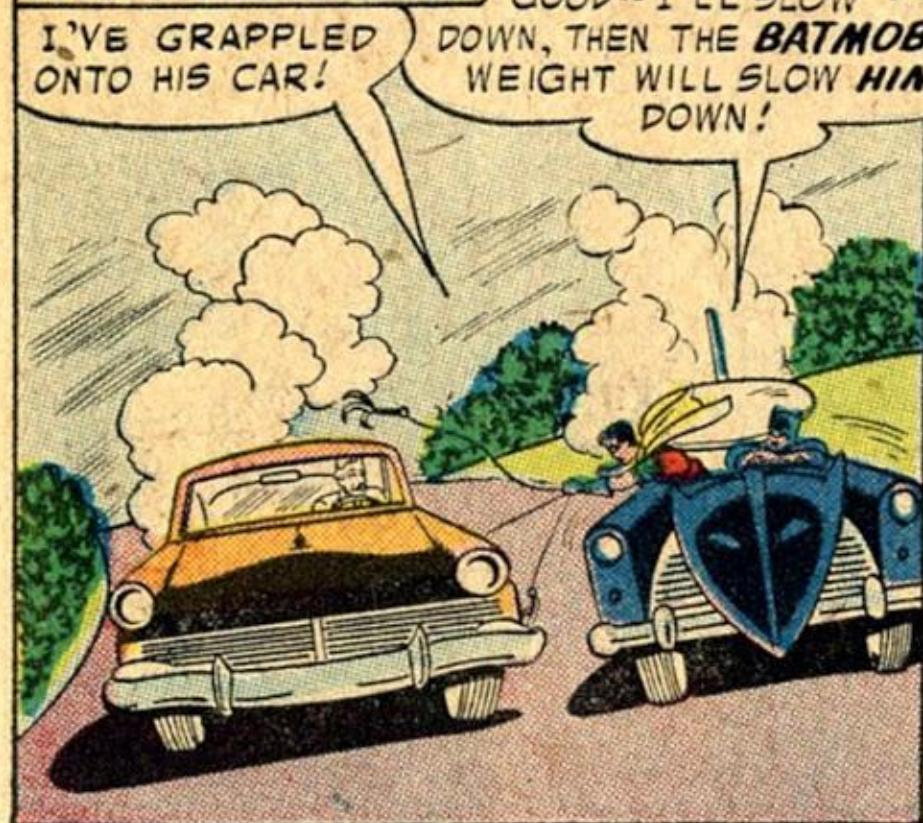
I'VE GRAPPLED  
ONTO HIS CAR!

GOOD--I'LL SLOW  
DOWN, THEN THE **BATMOBILE**'S  
WEIGHT WILL SLOW HIM  
DOWN!

AS THE MIGHTY **BATMOBILE** DRAGS THE SEDAN TO  
A STOP...

I'LL--I'LL TELL  
EVERYTHING! IT WAS  
GUY GRANEY WHO MADE  
ME USE THE MIND RAY--ON  
YOU-- PROMISING ME  
\$100,000 OF HIS HIDDEN  
LOOT IF I MADE YOU  
REVEAL YOURSELF!

SO GUY GRANEY IS OUT  
TO GET ME! HM-- WHEN  
WE'VE PUT YOU IN JAIL  
FOR CONSPIRACY, WE'LL  
TAKE CARE OF HIM!



AND LATER, IN THE **BAT-CAVE**-- WITH ONLY BRUCE  
WAYNE'S LOYAL BUTLER ALFRED AS LISTENER...

BUT WE KNOW NOW  
WHERE GRANEY'S  
HIDEOUT IS-- WHY  
DON'T WE GO  
AFTER HIM?

NO, IF WE TAKE GRANEY  
NOW, WE'LL NEVER GET  
HIS HIDDEN LOOT! HERE'S  
WHAT WE'LL DO--

IT'S TOO  
DANGEROUS,  
**BATMAN**!

WE'VE GOT  
TO TRY IT  
THIS WAY!

OH, DEAR, AND I  
JUST HAD DINNER  
ALL READY FOR  
YOU--



**BATMAN DISCLOSES HIS PLAN OF ACTION.**

# BATMAN



LATER, AS A NEW CONTESTANT ENTERS GRANEY'S CONTEST...

SURE, WE KNOW BATMAN'S PATROLLING DOWNTOWN-- BUT WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN CONTROL HIM?

BECAUSE I'VE A STRONGER WILL THAN ANY OF YOUR OTHER BOYS. LET ME USE THE MIND RAY AND I'LL MAKE BATMAN UNMASK ON TELEVISION!

LATER, A TELEVISION NEWS BROADCASTER IS AMAZED WHEN...

I--WANT TO MAKE-- A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON TELEVISION--

WHY, SURE, BATMAN-- YOU CAN GO ON RIGHT NOW!

WONDER WHAT HE HAS TO SAY? HE LOOKS SO STRANGE--

THEN, THE MOST SENSATIONAL BROADCAST EVER...

PEOPLE OF GOTHAM CITY, I WANT YOU TO SEE MY FACE!

HE--HE UNMASKED, IN FRONT OF EVERYONE!



THEN, THE MOST SENSATIONAL BROADCAST EVER...

WE DON'T KNOW WHY BATMAN UNMASKED, BUT YOU ALL SAW IT-- BATMAN'S REAL FACE!

I DID IT! EVERYONE SAW BATMAN'S FACE-- MANY PEOPLE WHO KNOW HIM WILL RECOGNIZE HIM.

BATMAN'S THROUGH! I'VE WON THE PRIZE AND YOU'LL GET THAT LOOT OUT OF HIDING FOR ME!

WE COULD HAVE GOT YOU, GRANEY, BUT WE WANTED THIS HIDDEN MONEY, TOO-- AND NOW WE'LL TAKE OVER!

BATMAN! YOU CAN ARREST ME, BUT YOU'RE FINISHED-- WE ALL SAW YOUR FACE!



THIS FACE IS A DISGUISE, GRANEY! NO ONE HAS SEEN MY REAL FACE-- AND I'LL EXPLAIN TO THE TV AUDIENCE LATER WHY I DID IT!

AND THIS "CONTESTANT" WAS YOUR HELPER-- YOU ONLY PRETENDED TO BE CONTROLLED BY HIM! IT WAS ALL A TRICK!

LATER, IN THE BAT-CAVE...

ALFRED, AS A PRETENDED "CROOK", YOU SAVED THE DAY-- BUT I'M GLAD THE MIND RAY MACHINE WAS BROKEN BEYOND REPAIR!

WELL, THIS IS ONE SOUVENIR FOR OUR TROPHY CASE I'M GLAD IS BROKEN!



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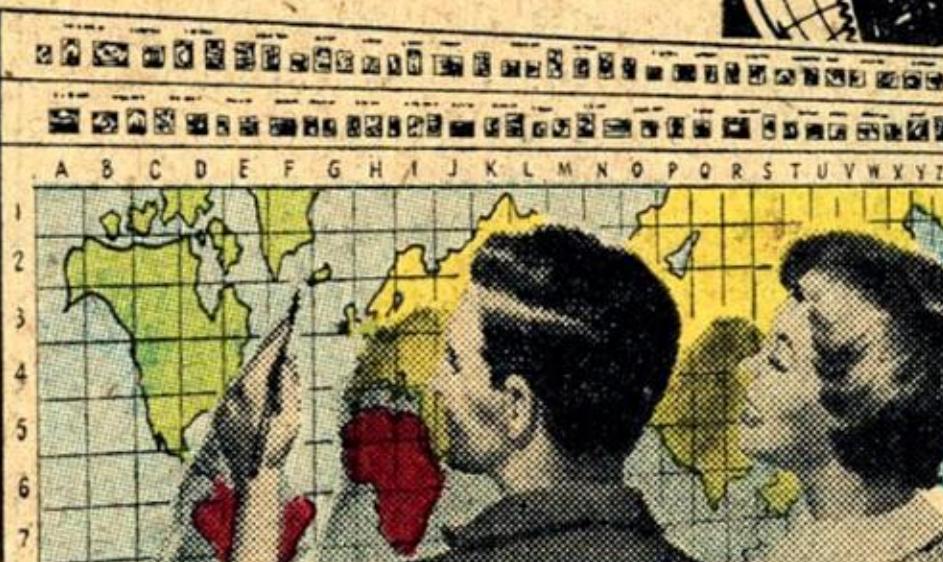
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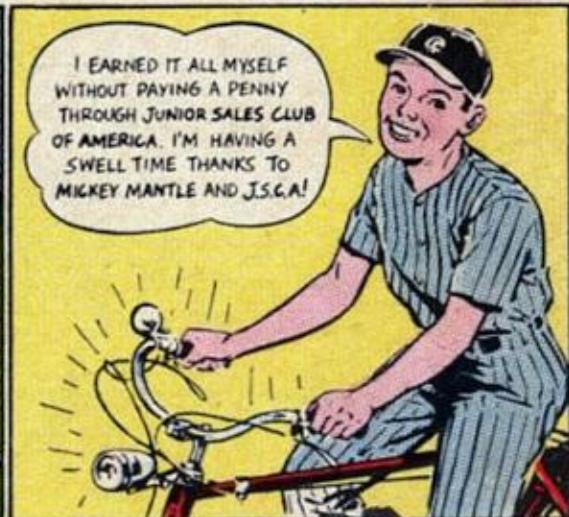
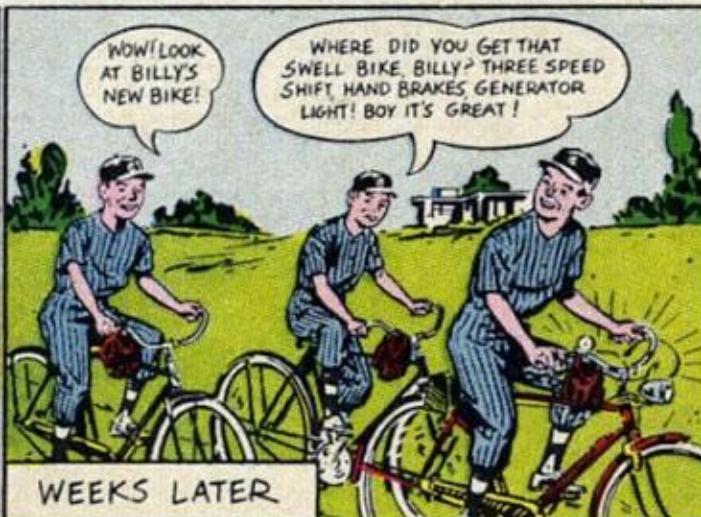
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