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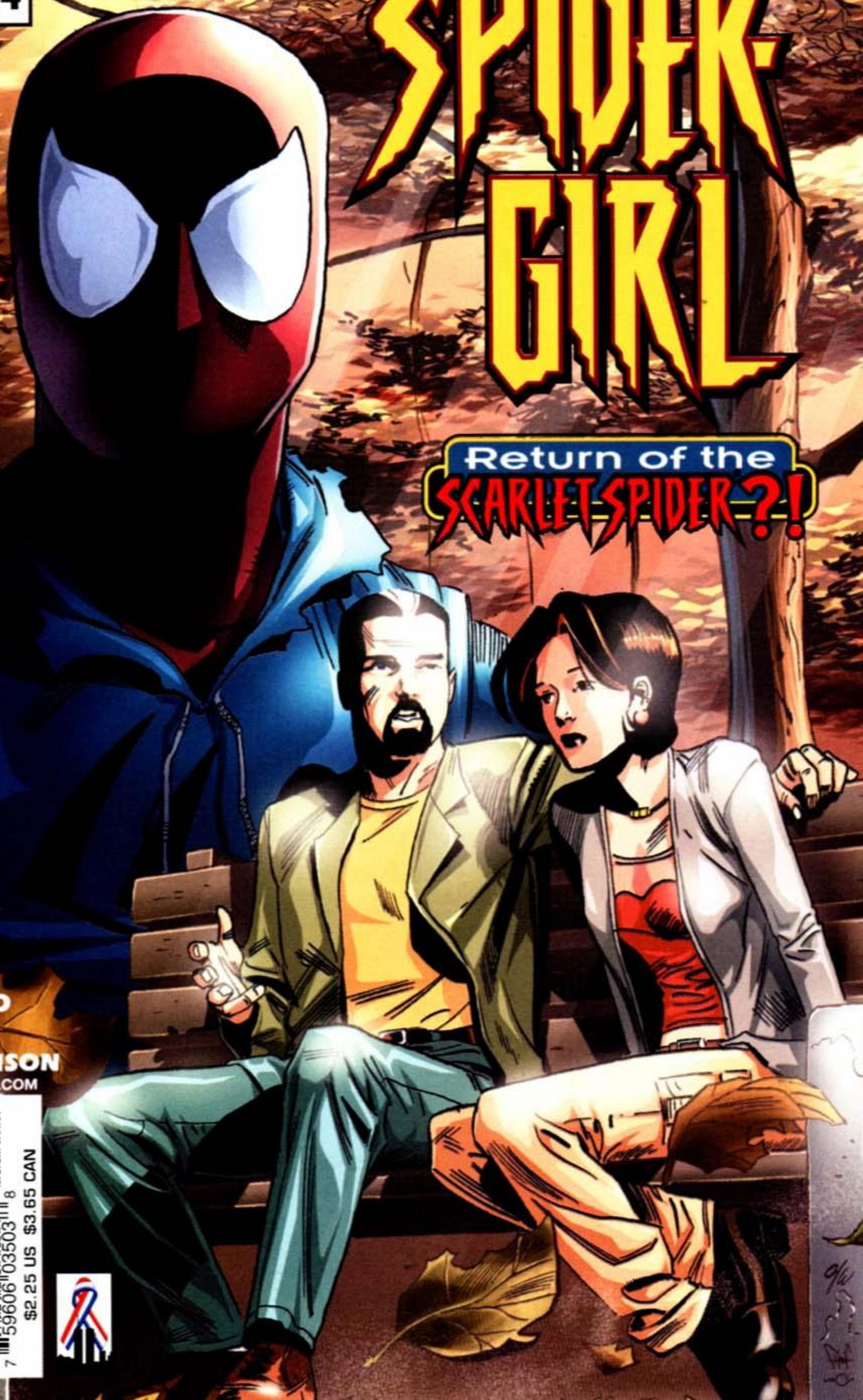
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The daughter of the original Spider-Man, May "Mayday" Parker has inherited her father's amazing powers. Possessing the proportionate strength, speed, and agility of a spider, as well as the ability to cling to walls, she now follows in his web lines!  
Stan Lee presents...

# SPIDER-GIRL™

## CRUNCHED

THIS IS RIDICULOUS, MAY. YOU'RE PRACTICALLY AN ADULT NOW.  
YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN TO WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE ALMOST DOWN TO YOUR LAST WEB CARTRIDGE BEFORE ASKING ME TO WHIP UP A NEW BATCH OF WEBBING.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? WHERE'S YOUR HEAD THESE DAYS?

TALK ABOUT THE MILLION-DOLLAR QUESTION.

YOU'VE BEEN LIVING IN A DAZE, MAKING ONE BAD DECISION AFTER ANOTHER, EVER SINCE YOU...

EVER SINCE THE DEATH OF CRAZY EIGHT.

YEAH, AND DADDY DEAREST DOESN'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT YOUR MOST RECENT BLUNDER.

Y-YOU ACTUALLY MADE A DEAL WITH FUNNY FACE AND HIS PSYCHO MOM.

HOO-BOY! YOUR NAME IS MAY "MAYDAY" PARKER, AND YOU ARE THE DAUGHTER OF THE ORIGINAL SPIDER-MAN!

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I DID IT!  
I FINALLY DID IT.

ALL WINNERS ELECTRONICS

I KNEW MY MAGNETIC HARNESS WOULD EVENTUALLY WORK.

IT WAS JUST A MATTER OF TIME.

I'VE HAD FAITH IN THIS BABY EVER SINCE I FIRST DESIGNED IT WAY BACK IN JUNIOR HIGH!

ALL MY BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS HAVE FINALLY PAID OFF!

EVERYONE WHO EVER LAUGHED AT ME IS ABOUT TO GET A BIG SURPRISE.

I'M THROUGH FIXING OTHER PEOPLE'S HEADACHES.

LOOK OUT, WORLD!

HERE COMES THE NEW-AND-IMPROVED CHARLIE PHILIPS!

I'M KIND OF LIKE AN UPDATED VERSION OF MAGNETO--

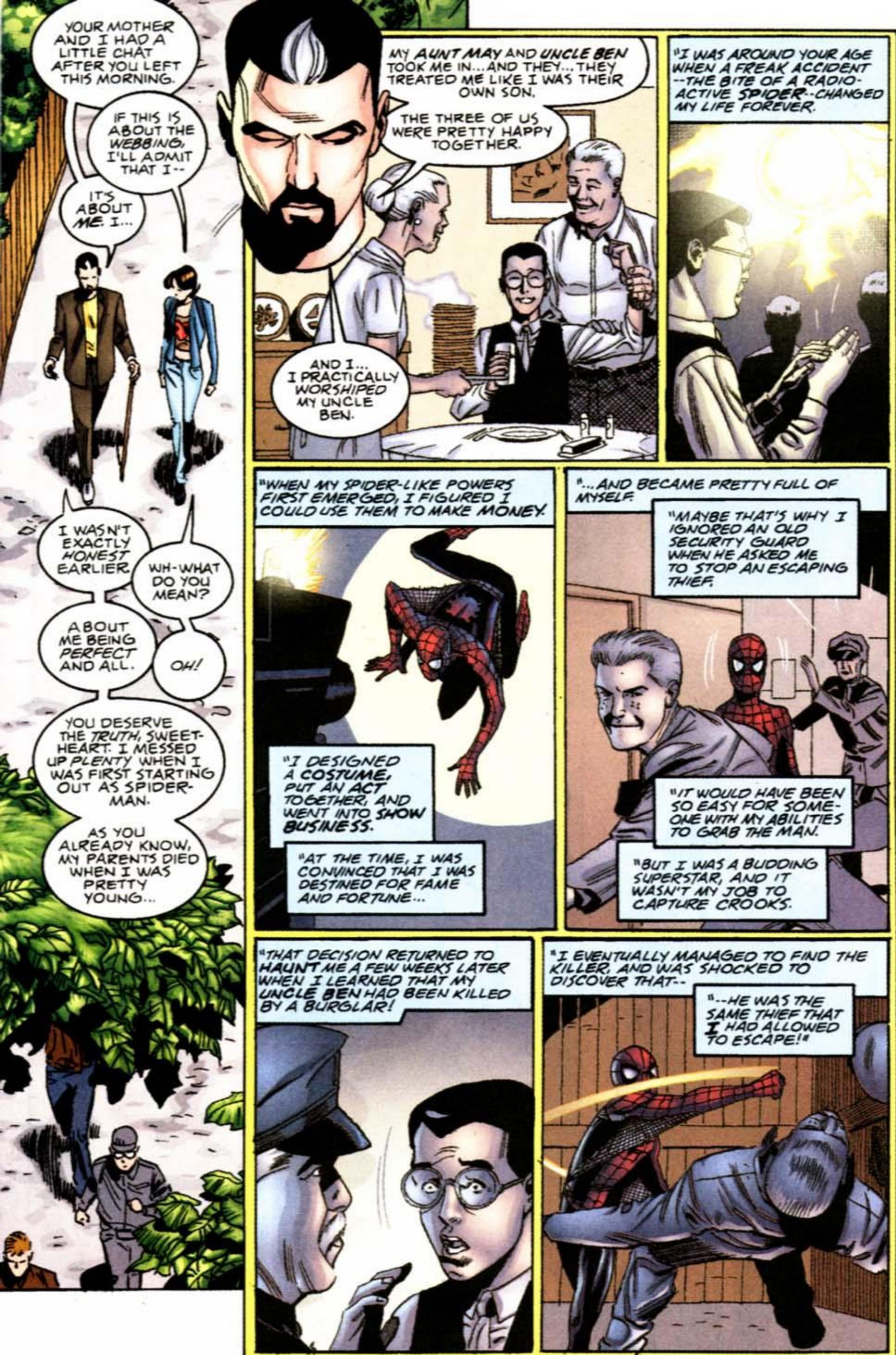
--ONLY WITHOUT THE BAD ATTITUDE AND WONKY HELMET!

OOOO! THAT REMINDS ME--I'D BETTER HUSTLE DOWN TO COSMO'S AND SEE IF MY COSTUME IS READY.

I'M FINALLY GOING TO ACHIEVE MY CHILDHOOD DREAM--

--AND BECOME THE SUPER HERO I WAS ALWAYS DESTINED TO BE!





MY UNCLE BEN DIED BECAUSE I DIDN'T ACT WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE.

TH-THAT MEANS IF ANGEL FACE OR FUNNY FACE--

OH, GOD!

OH, GOD!

I... I GUESS THAT'S WHEN I FIRST LEARNED THAT EVERYONE HAS A DUTY TO USE HIS OR HER INDIVIDUAL ABILITIES IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER.

YOU KNOW, I'VE HEARD YOU TALK ABOUT POWER AND RESPONSIBILITY EVER SINCE I WAS A KID, BUT I JUST THOUGHT YOU WERE REFERRING TO PEOPLE LIKE COPS AND POLITICIANS AND WHATEVER.

PEOPLE LIKE US... WELL... WE HAVE AN EVEN GREATER RESPONSIBILITY.

I GUESS THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN SO HARD ON YOU.

I DON'T WANT YOU TO MAKE THE SAME MISTAKES I DID.

I...

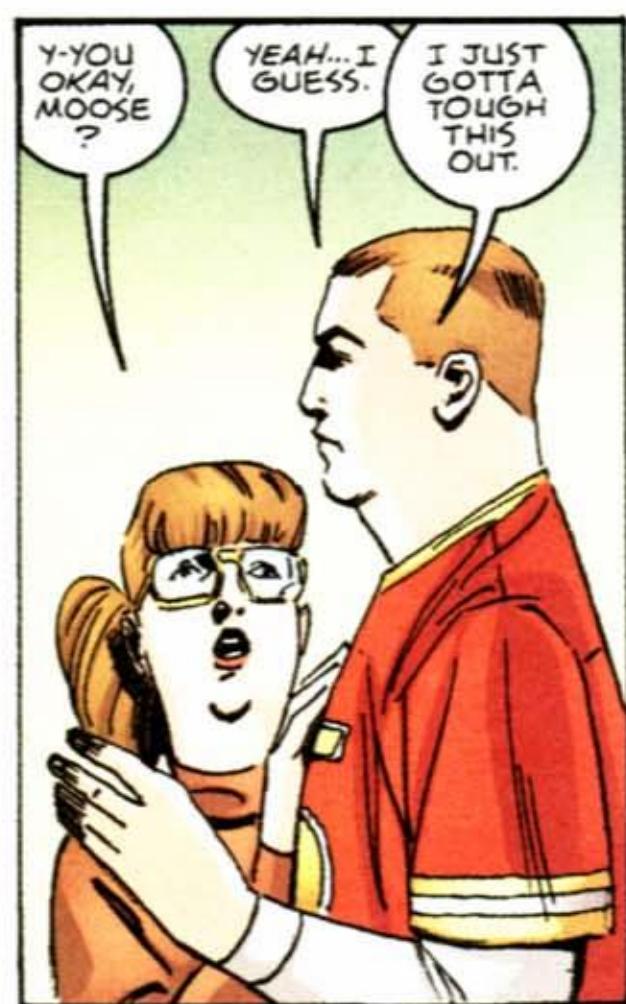
I GOTCHA, DAD.

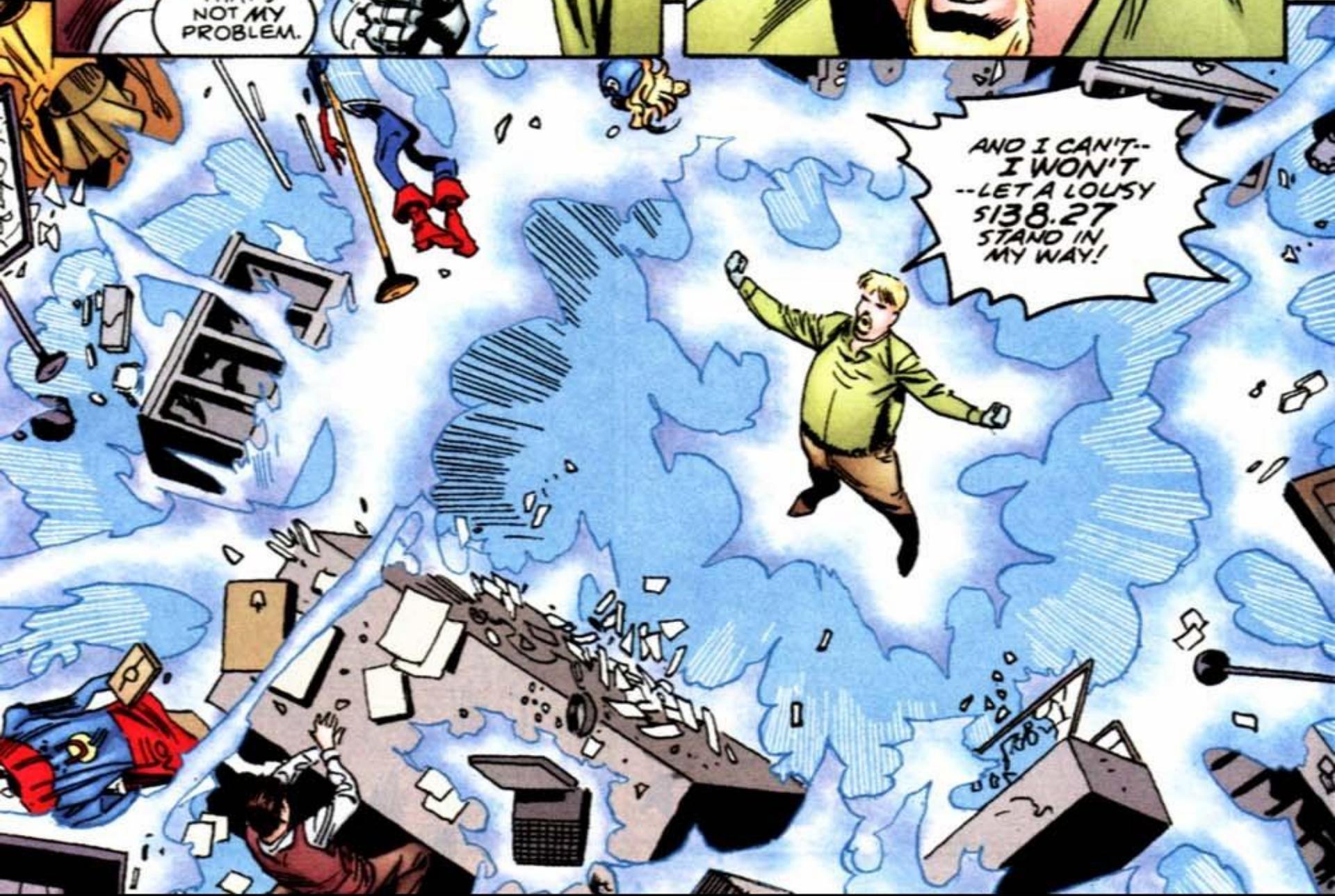
ACTUALLY, THERE IS...

LISTEN, IF THERE'S EVER ANYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW...

I... I'VE ALWAYS BEEN CURIOUS ABOUT MY UNCLE BEN.

# MIDTOWN HIGH SCHOOL





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HIS NAME WAS BEN REILLY... AND I... I CAN'T REALLY EXPLAIN HOW WE WERE RELATED.

AUNT MAY'S MAIDEN NAME WAS REILLY, AND HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN SOME KIND OF NEPHEW.

...BUT WE WERE ACTUALLY CLOSER THAN MOST BROTHERS.

SO YOU GUYS WERE SORT OF LIKE COUSINS.

SORT OF...

DID YOU KNOW EACH OTHER GROWING UP?

NO... NOT REALLY... THOUGH OUR BACKGROUNDS WERE ALMOST IDENTICAL.

I WAS ALREADY IN COLLEGE WHEN I FIRST MET BEN, AND WE WEREN'T ALL THAT CHUMMY IN THE BEGINNING.

"TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I NEVER EXPECTED TO SEE HIM AGAIN. I WAS THROWN FOR A REAL LOOP WHEN HE SUDDENLY POPPED BACK INTO MY LIFE."

BEN WAS ALWAYS A BIT OF A LONER. INSTEAD OF FINISHING HIS EDUCATION LIKE I DID, HE DECIDED TO LEAVE NEW YORK AND SEE THE COUNTRY.

DEPENDING ON HIS MOOD, HE WOULD LATER REFER TO THIS TRIP AS A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY... OR HIS LOST YEARS.

"HE HEARD THAT AUNT MAY WAS DYING, AND CAME TO SEE HER ONE LAST TIME."

"THINGS WERE PRETTY TENSE BETWEEN US AT FIRST, BUT WE EVENTUALLY FOUND A COMMON GROUND."

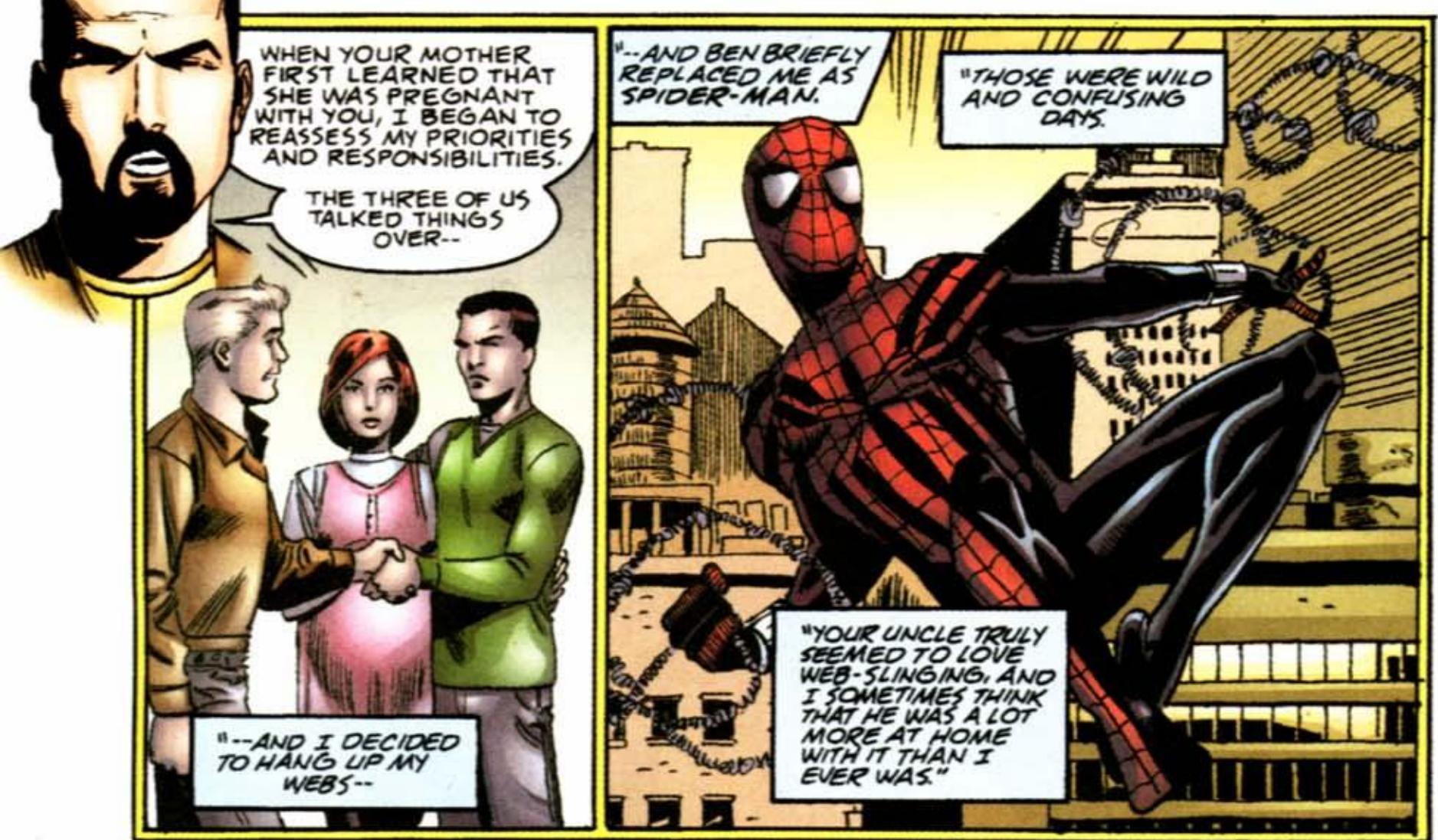
THE MORE TIME WE SPENT TOGETHER, THE STRONGER THE BOND GREW BETWEEN US.

"LIKE ME, BEN ALSO HAD A GREAT SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND WAS SECRETLY USING HIS SPIDER-POWERS TO HELP PEOPLE AS HE TRAVELED ACROSS THE LAND."

"I WAS SURPRISED TO DISCOVER HOW SIMILAR WE REALLY WERE."

"REMEMBER THAT COSTUMED LUNATIC CALLED KAIN?"

"BEN FIRST ENCOUNTERED HIM YEARS BEFORE I EVEN KNEW HE EXISTED."



I'M AFRAID I  
DON'T HAVE  
A SIMPLE  
ANSWER  
FOR YOU.

YOU'RE STILL AN  
ESCAPED PRISONER  
AS FAR AS THE  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S  
OFFICE IS CONCERNED,  
MS. DRAGO.

BUT THEY'VE  
AGREED TO  
DISCUSS YOUR  
CASE WITH ME  
AS A FAVOR TO  
MR. OSBORN'S  
STEPFATHER...

WHY  
DON'T YOU  
JUST CALL  
ME NORMIE,  
MR. TYNE?  
EVERYBODY  
ELSE  
DOES.

WHAT  
SHOULD  
I CALL  
YOU?

MY FIRST NAME'S  
REILLY, BUT MOST  
PEOPLE USUALLY  
STICK WITH  
TYNE.

ANYWAY, MS. DRAGO... THEIR  
OFFICIAL POSITION IS THAT  
THEY EXPECT YOU TO  
**SURRENDER**... AND TO  
STAND TRIAL FOR THE  
CRIMES YOU COMMITTED  
AS RAPTOR.

I'M FAIRLY CERTAIN  
THAT WE CAN MAKE  
A DEAL WITH THEM,  
BUT I'M AFRAID  
THEY'RE GOING  
TO INSIST ON  
JAIL TIME.

J-JAIL  
TIME  
--?!

I-ISN'T THERE ANY  
WAY YOU CAN  
CONVINCE THEM TO  
SETTLE FOR SOME  
KIND OF COMMUNITY  
SERVICE THING?

I'M GOING  
TO TRY MY BEST,  
Ms. DRAGO--

--AND I  
CAN BE VERY  
TENACIOUS!

IT'S FUNNY, BUT  
YOU ACTUALLY  
REMIND ME  
QUITE A BIT  
OF BEN.

YOU APPROACH  
WEB-SWINGING THE  
SAME WAY HE DID--  
WITH AN OPTIMISM  
AND ENTHUSIASM THAT  
JUST WON'T QUIT!

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TO HIM,  
DAD?

I MEAN,  
HOW DID HE  
...Y'KNOW...

...DIE?

I GUESS YOU COULD  
SAY THAT HE DIED A  
HERO...

...THAT HE  
SACRIFICED  
HIMSELF TO  
SAVE ME FROM  
THE ORIGINAL  
GREEN  
GOBLIN.

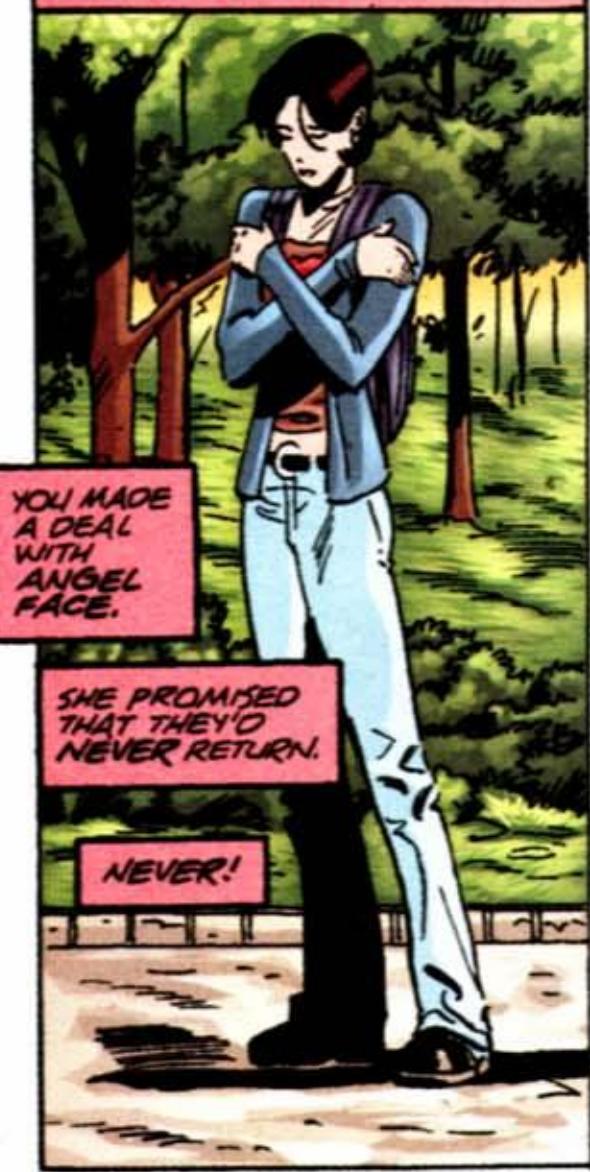
"BUT THE WHOLE  
THING SEEMS  
SO POINTLESS  
NOW."

THE ORIGINAL--  
YOU MEAN  
NORMIE'S  
GRANDFATHER  
?!

"HE'D STILL BE ALIVE  
IF I HAD ONLY BEEN  
SMARTER... OR  
REACTION A SECOND  
OR TWO FASTER...  
OR... OR..."

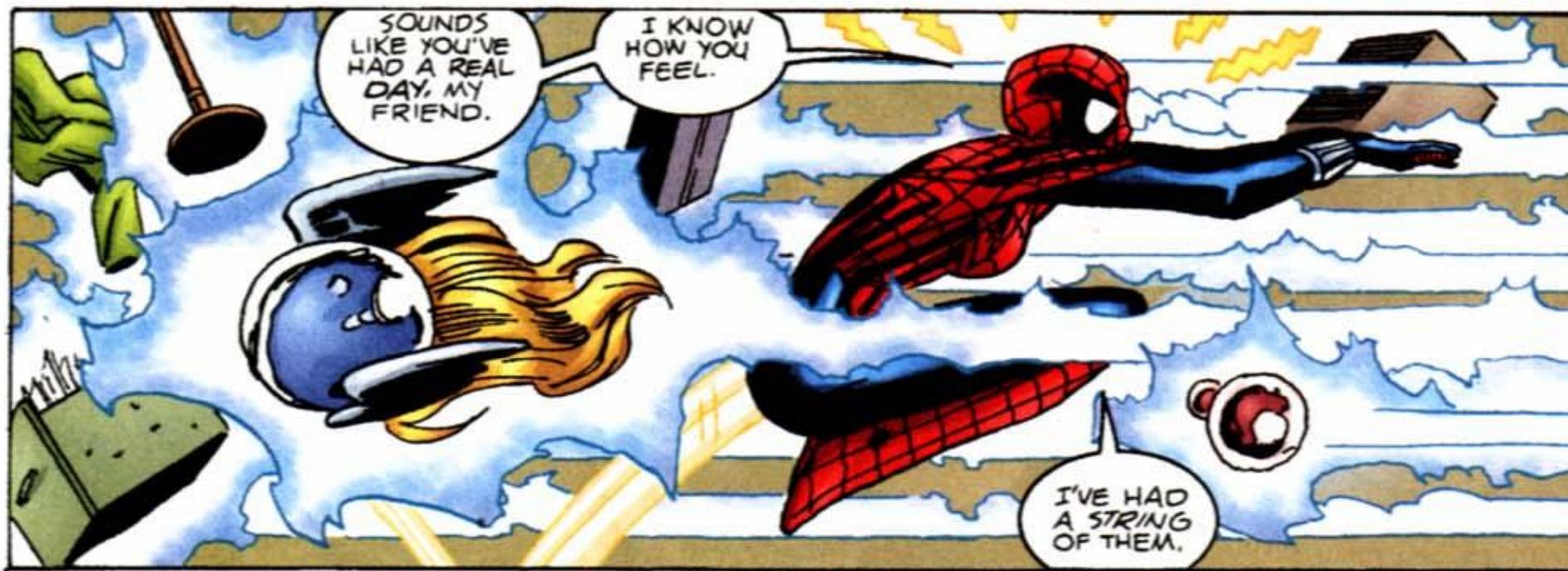
HE'S THE  
ONE WHO ONCE  
KIDNAPPED ME,  
AND ALSO COST  
YOU THE USE OF  
YOUR LEG!

THE WAY THE GREEN GOBLIN  
KEPT RETURNING TO TORMENT  
YOUR DAD IS A LOT LIKE... NO!  
YOU MUSTN'T DOUBT YOURSELF!









S'OKAY, THE DAY WASN'T A TOTAL LOSS...

# MIDTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

YOU MANAGED TO DO YOUR HERO THING WITHOUT THROWING A SINGLE PUNCH.

(THOUGH YOU KIND OF DOUBT CHARLIE-BOY WILL EVER BE DRAFTED BY THE AVENGERS.)

LIFE WOULD BE JUST PEACHY--

--IF NOT FOR ANGEL FACE AND FUNNY FACE.

TIME TO TAKE YOUR OWN ADVICE, GIRL.

YOU NEED TO COME CLEAN WITH DADDY DEAREST--

--BEFORE THE SITUATION SPINS WILDLY OUT OF YOUR CONTROL!



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