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Sol Harrison probably wouldn't have approved of the comic you're reading. He'd have found a lettering correction that could have been done better, or a color guide that could have been more appealing, or maybe a flaw in the color separations. And he would have found a way to fix the problem, and ship the issue on time if it was humanly possible, because he didn't approve of missing a deadline, either. His watchful eye and steady hand over four decades were the basis of which DC built its reputation for printing and production excellence, and when he passed away on November 19th at the age of 71, we lost an important link in our history.

Sol joined the comics industry as it began, working on the color separations for *FAMOUS FUNNIES*, the very first comic, at his first job. He went on to work on the early DC titles as separator, back when no colorists existed to produce guides for the separators to work from. He moved inside the company in 1941 as the Art Director of All-American Comics (one of our predecessor companies), and became the Production Manager of DC when the DC and All-American titles became one line a few years later . . . a title he only surrendered to his lifelong friend and collaborator Jack Adler three decades later. In the meantime, Sol colored about a decade of Golden Age DC covers, created the first in-house color separation unit at a comics publisher, and established a standard for the reproduction of comics artwork that was unequalled in this country until the first comics moved to offset presses in 1982.

When Sol surrendered his production portfolio, it was to become Vice President-Operations for DC (adding responsibilities for licensing and quality control), and finally to serve as DC's President from 1976 until his retirement at the end of 1980. It was during this period that he became the first comics executive to agree to sell direct to the specialty market, enabling

Phil Seuling to open up the direct sales industry and change the face of comics publishing.

But if asked, Sol probably would have given a different answer for what his major contribution to the field was . . . and his greatest source of satisfaction. He would have pointed to his work helping people reach their potential. Whether it was working with young artists like Joe Kubert in the '40s to the creation of a "Junior Bullpen" to develop new talents like Pat Broderick in the '70s, or his part in founding the New York Association for Brain Injured Children and the camp they ultimately named after him, he took great pride in watching young people grow and flourish. Even in retirement, he worked with disadvantaged high school students to help them discover their artistic potential and find joy in expressing it. That was a joy Sol understood well, because he had finally found time in his later years to concentrate on his own artwork, and became a respected fine artist as a watercolorist after his long career in the commercial arts.

Between all these professional accomplishments, Sol enjoyed 51 years of marriage and the love of three children and an innumerable tribe of grandchildren and extended family.

And his professional friends and family? Well, as long as comics are printed on paper, it's likely that someone will be measured against a standard Sol set, and well into the next century there'll still be plenty of us around to point that out.

—Paul Levitz

Executive Vice President & Publisher Paul Levitz's second assignment for DC was writing a series of predecessor pages to FOCUS entitled BEHIND THE SCENES, an assignment given him by Sol Harrison in 1973.

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A "Swatch" style black watch featuring an original full-color painting of the Joker by Brian Bolland. ►

ACTION COMICS 650

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THE QUESTION 35

Priorities are decided as Myra, Vic, and Hub City come to terms with their future . . . and what they need not just to survive . . . but to live! ◆►▲

THE SHADOW STRIKES! 6

The Shadow and Doc Savage race to prevent explosive destruction in the heart of Manhattan. ■►

ADVANCED DUNGEONS & DRAGONS 15

Who will Vajra trust: her old thieving buddy Conner, or fellow former slave Salabak? ■►

DR. FATE 14

When Linda refuses to become Dr. Fate, Kent and Petey must face the evil sorcerer Wotan . . . alone. ■►

LEGENDS OF THE DARK KNIGHT 4

Using his detective skills, Batman begins trailing the madman who has been terrorizing Gotham—and it leads to Wayne Manor where Alfred's life hangs in the balance. ◆►

NEW GODS 13

It's back to Earth for the New Gods as Lightray and Eve Donner explore their relationship and Orion discovers Darkseid's latest scheme. ■►

THE PHANTOM 12

As preparations for his wedding begin, The Phantom is framed for the murder of Bangalla's president. ■►

GREEN ARROW 29

Oliver Queen travels to Alaska, discovering the ecological disasters created by man . . . and the power and greed behind them. ■►▲

CAPTAIN ATOM 38

Red Tornado is looking for his lost humanity . . . and he has a score to settle with Captain Atom. ●►

JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE 11

When Metamorpho decides to go see his baby, the League sends along a "protective" escort—Guy Gardner! ●

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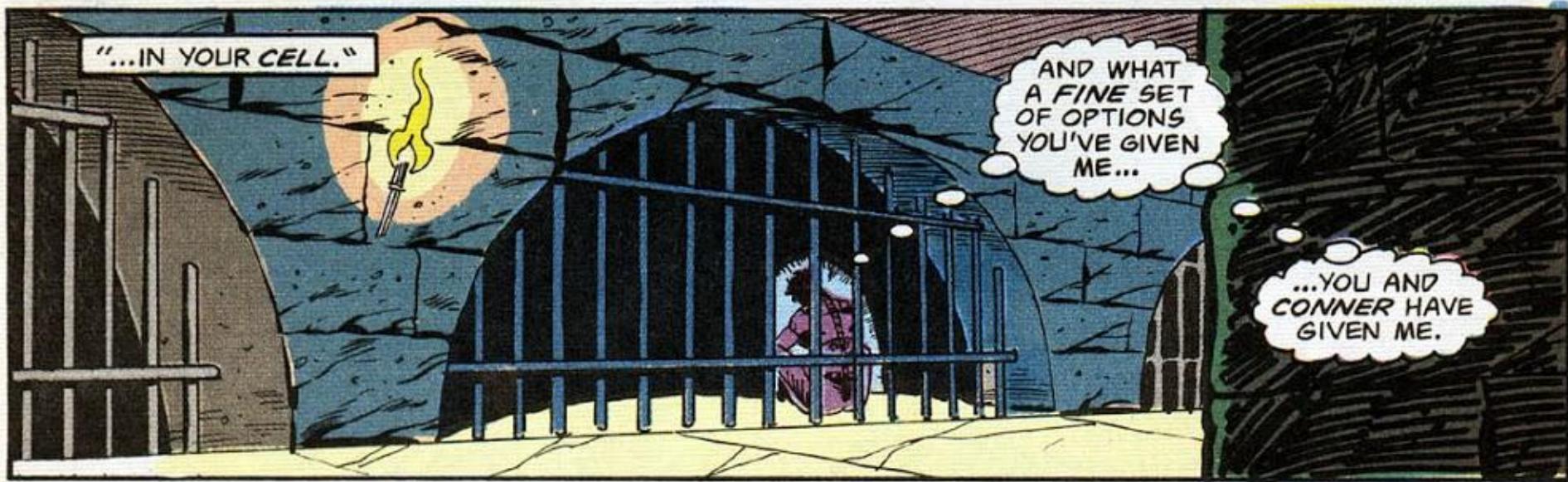
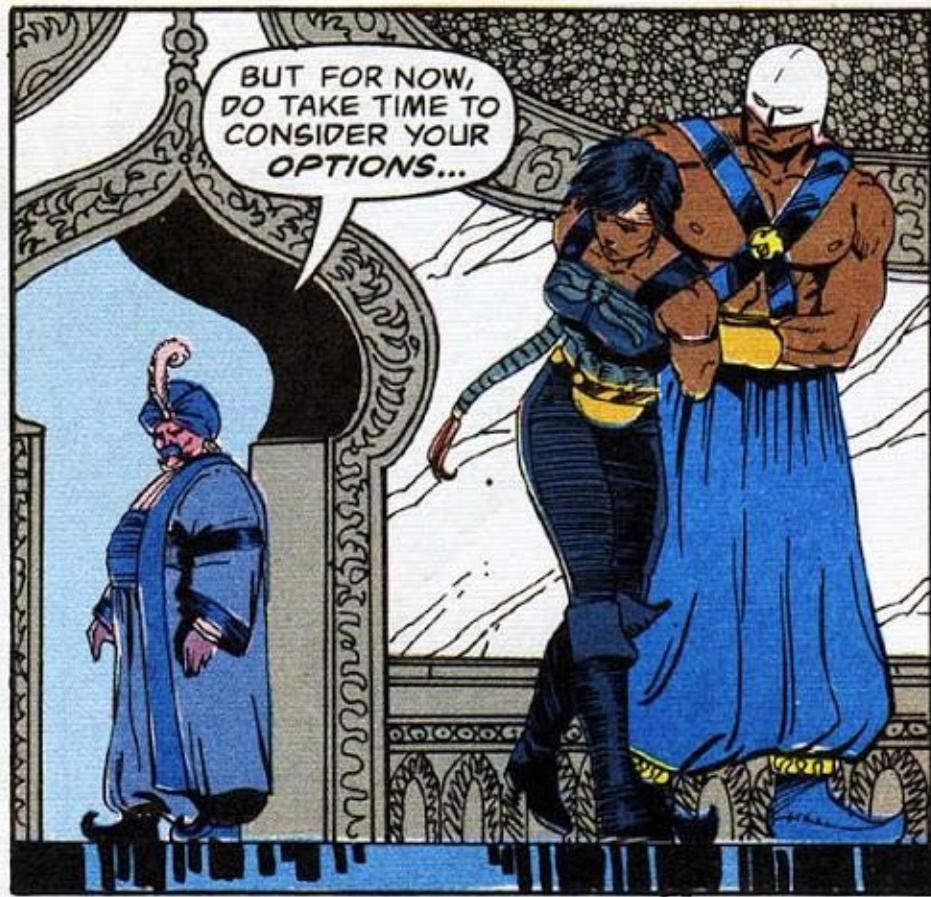


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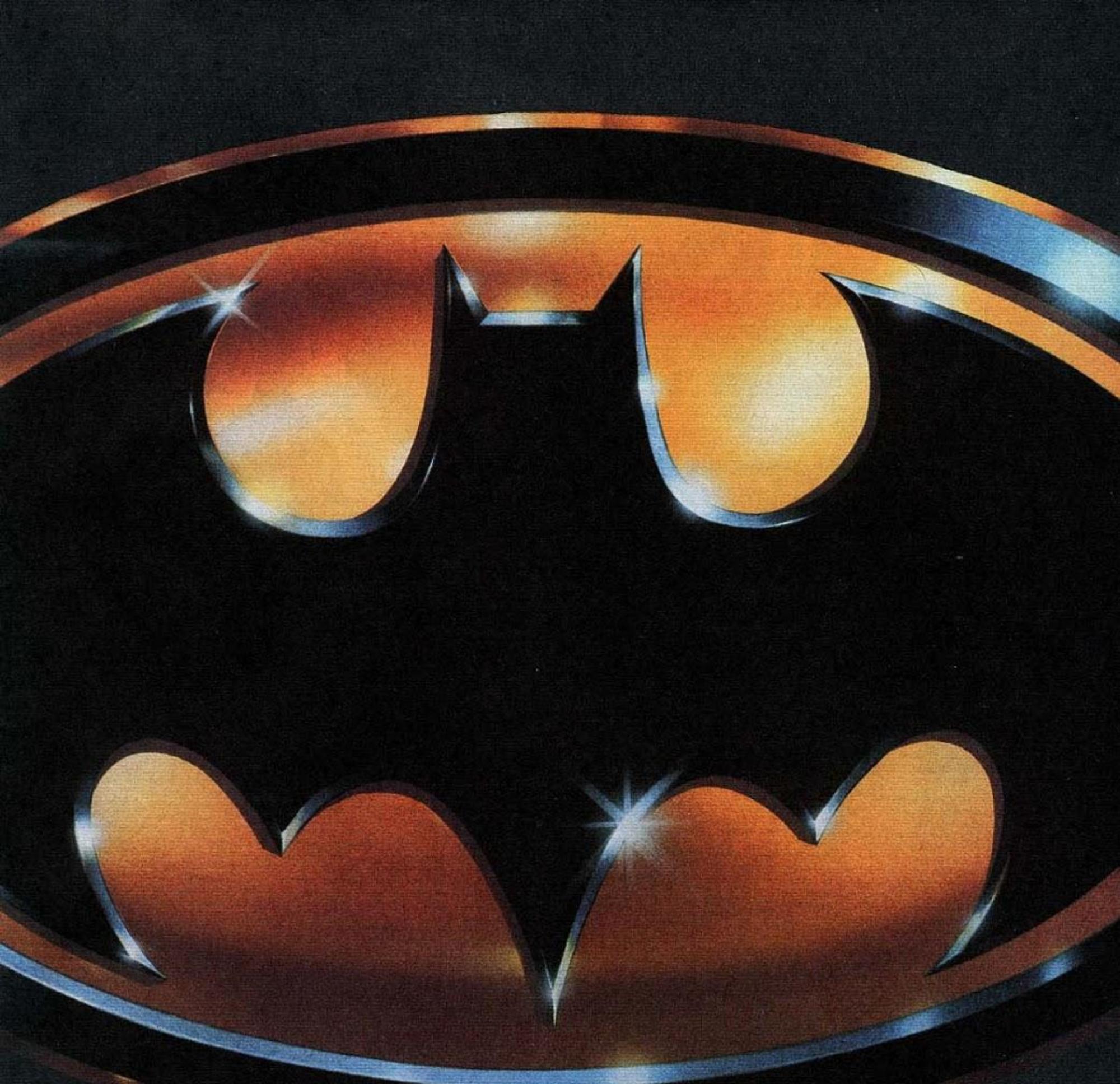








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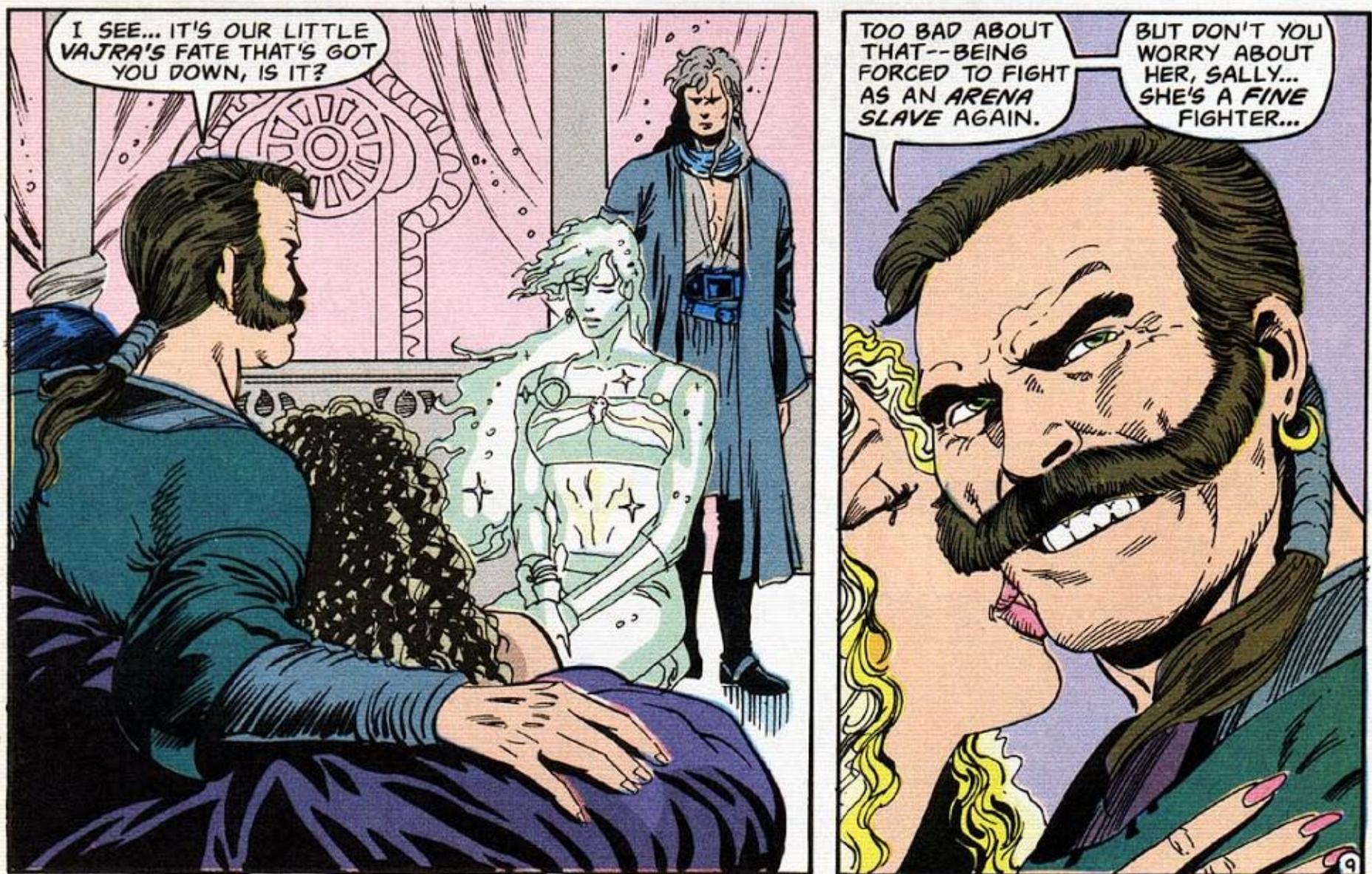


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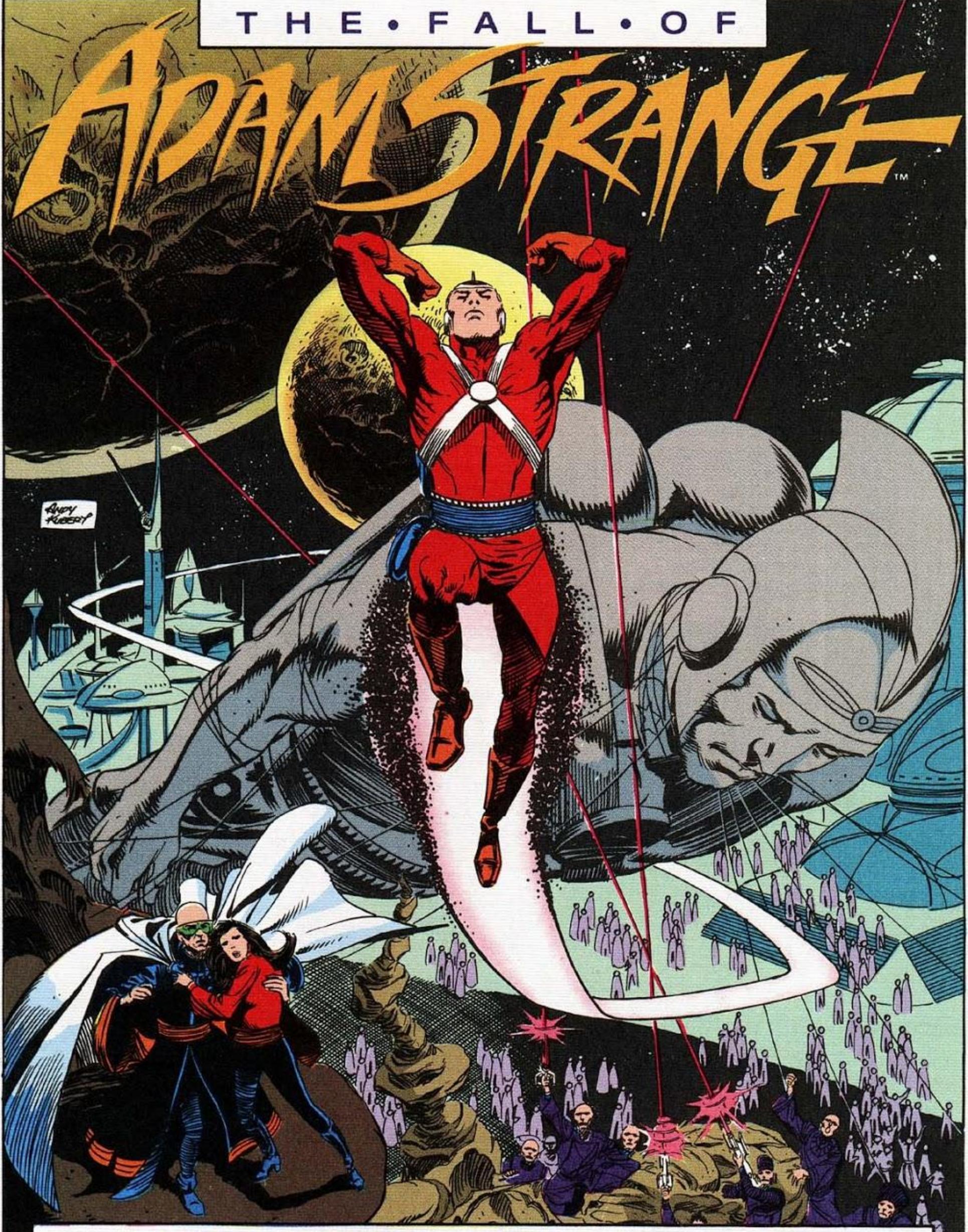
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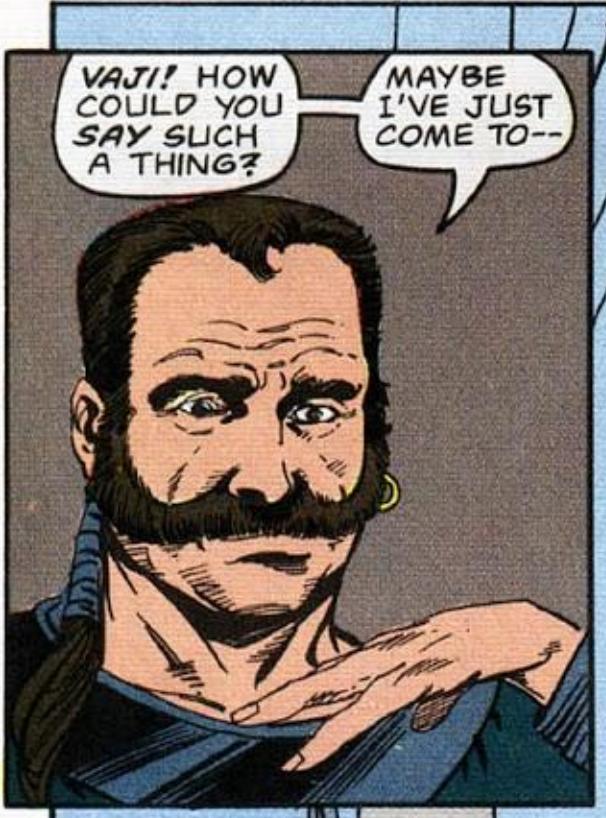
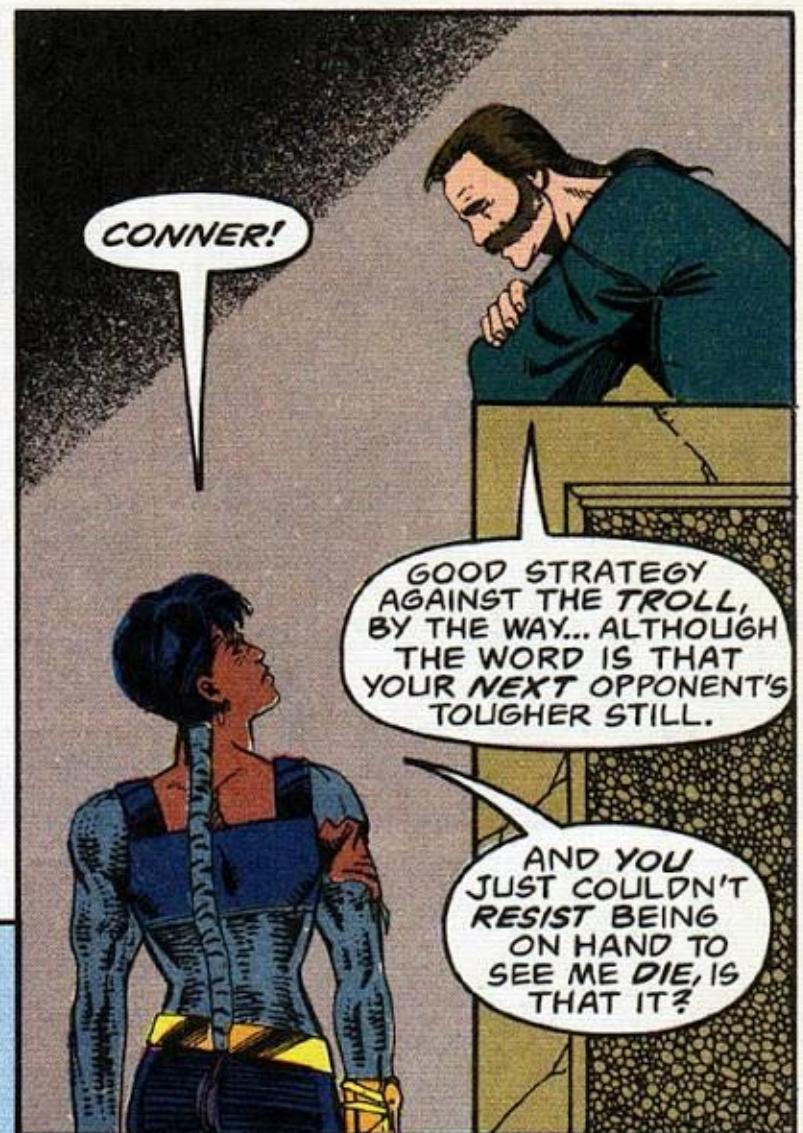


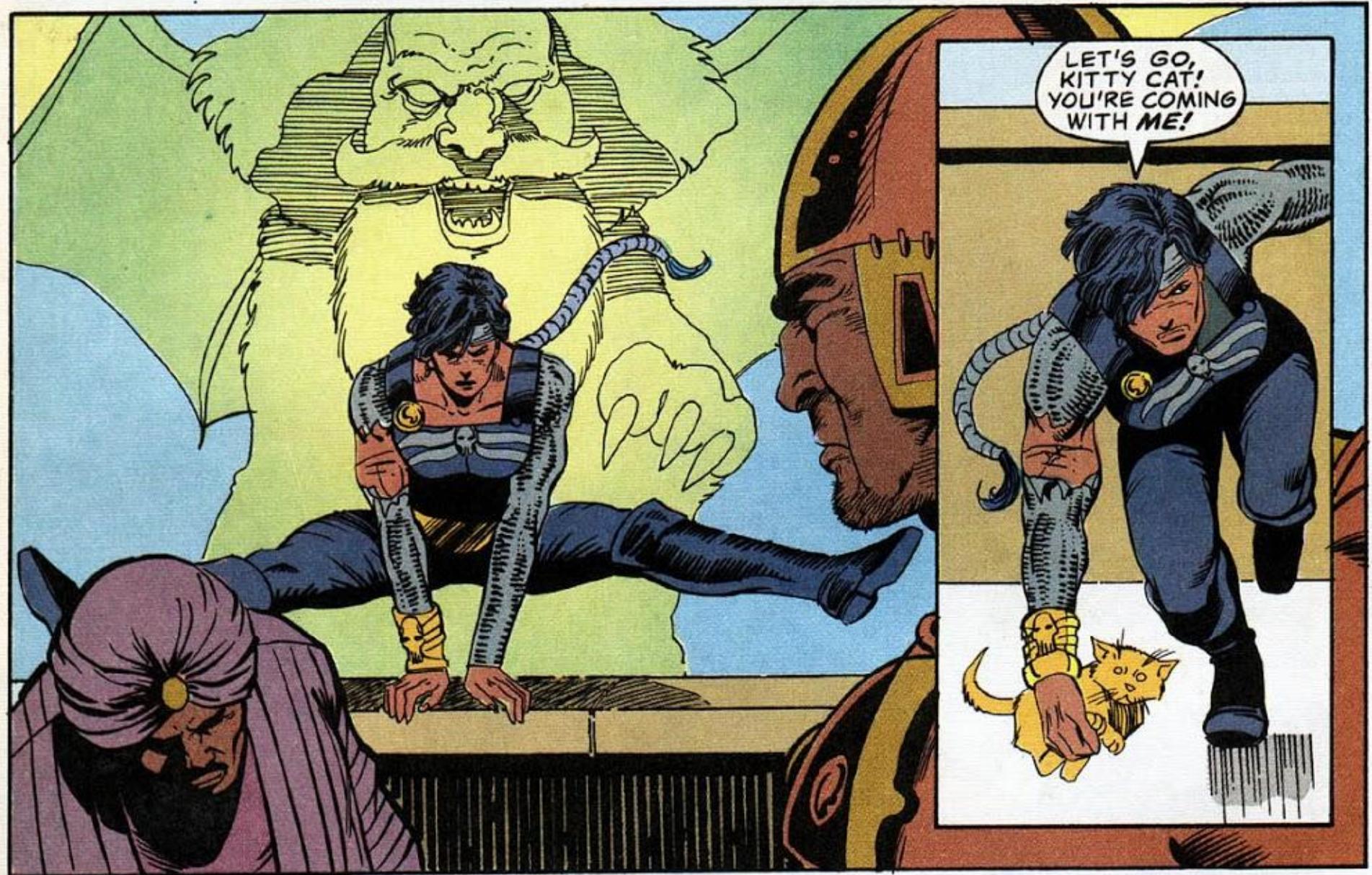
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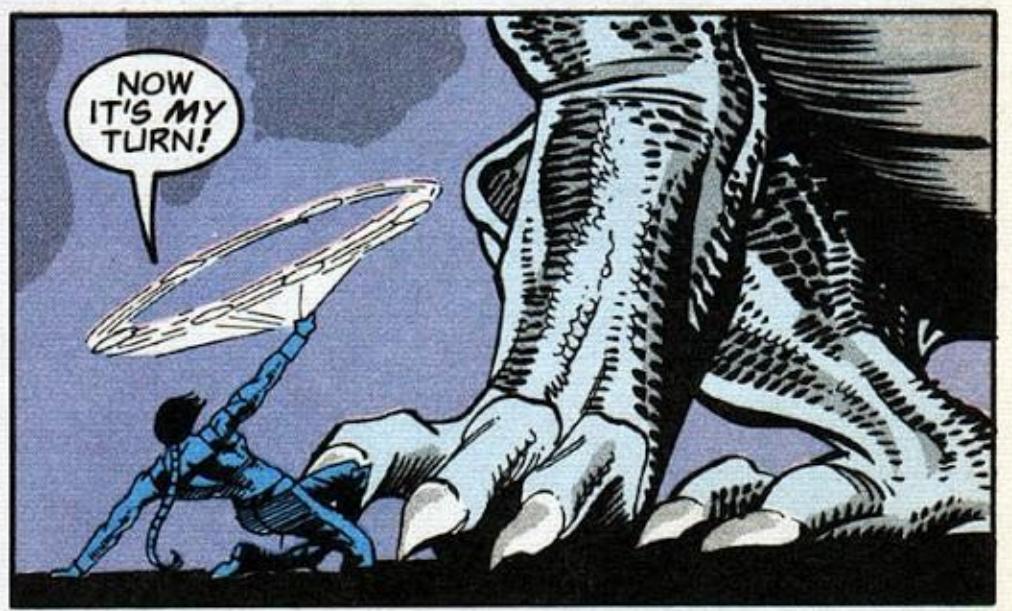
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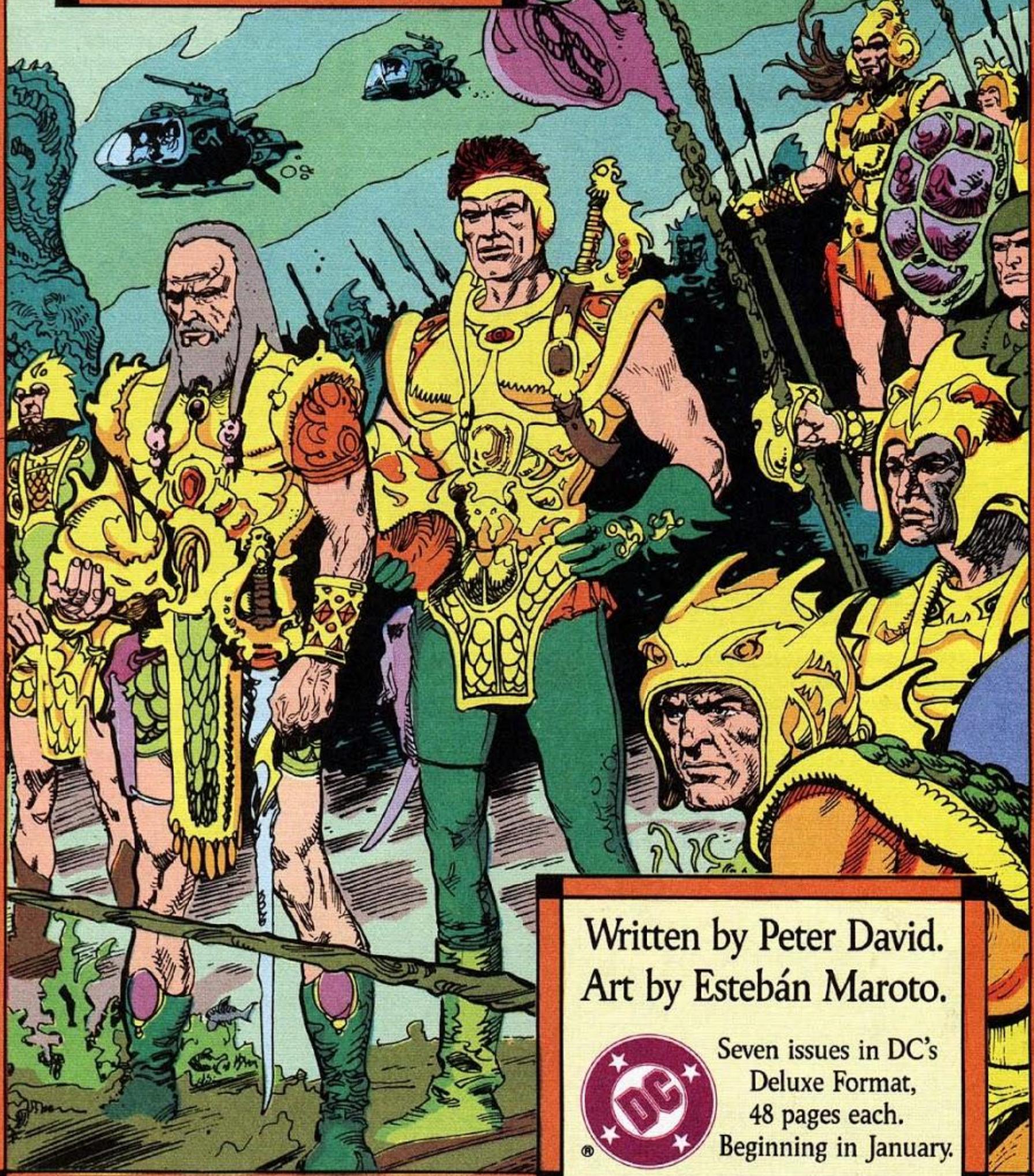
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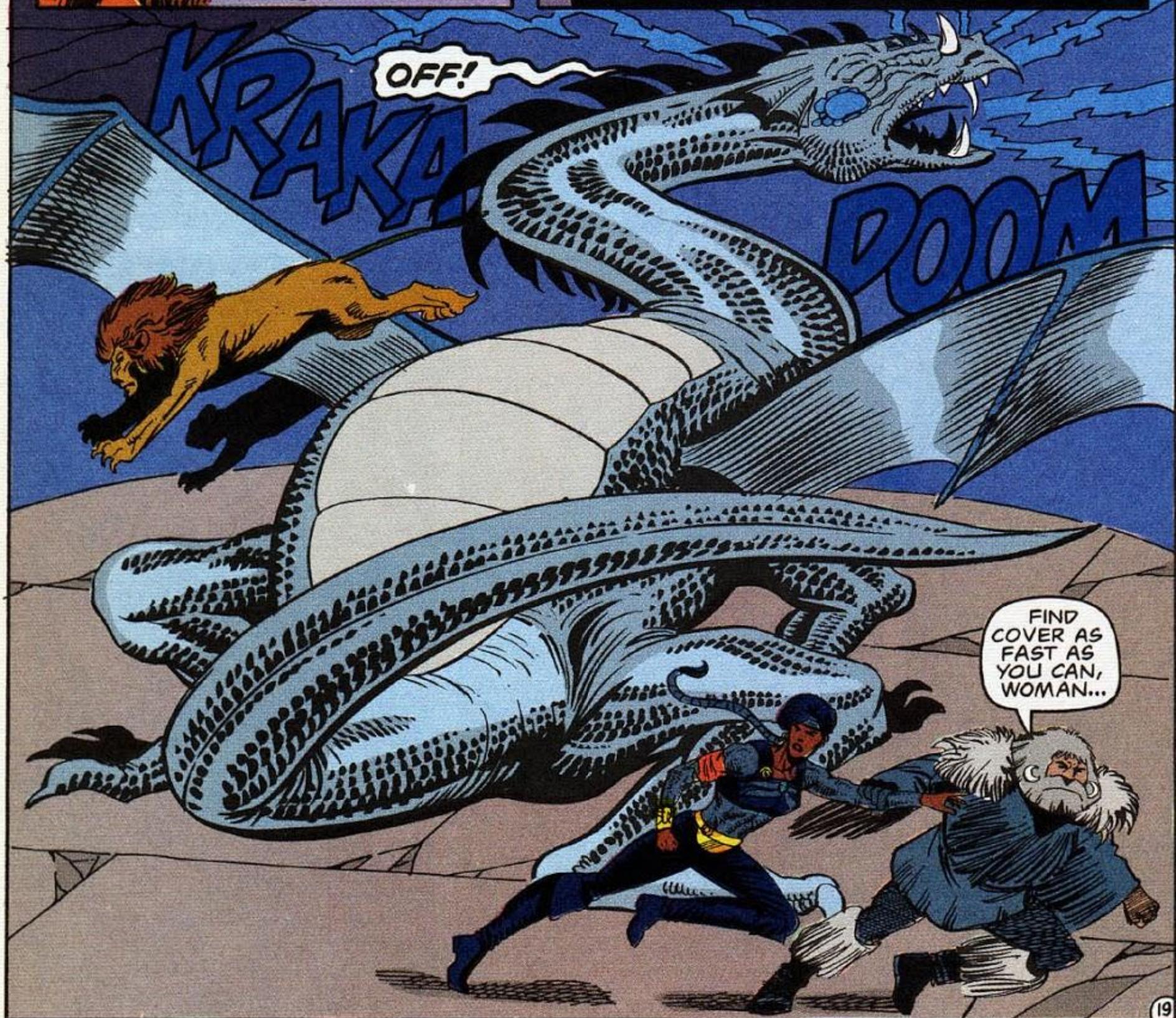


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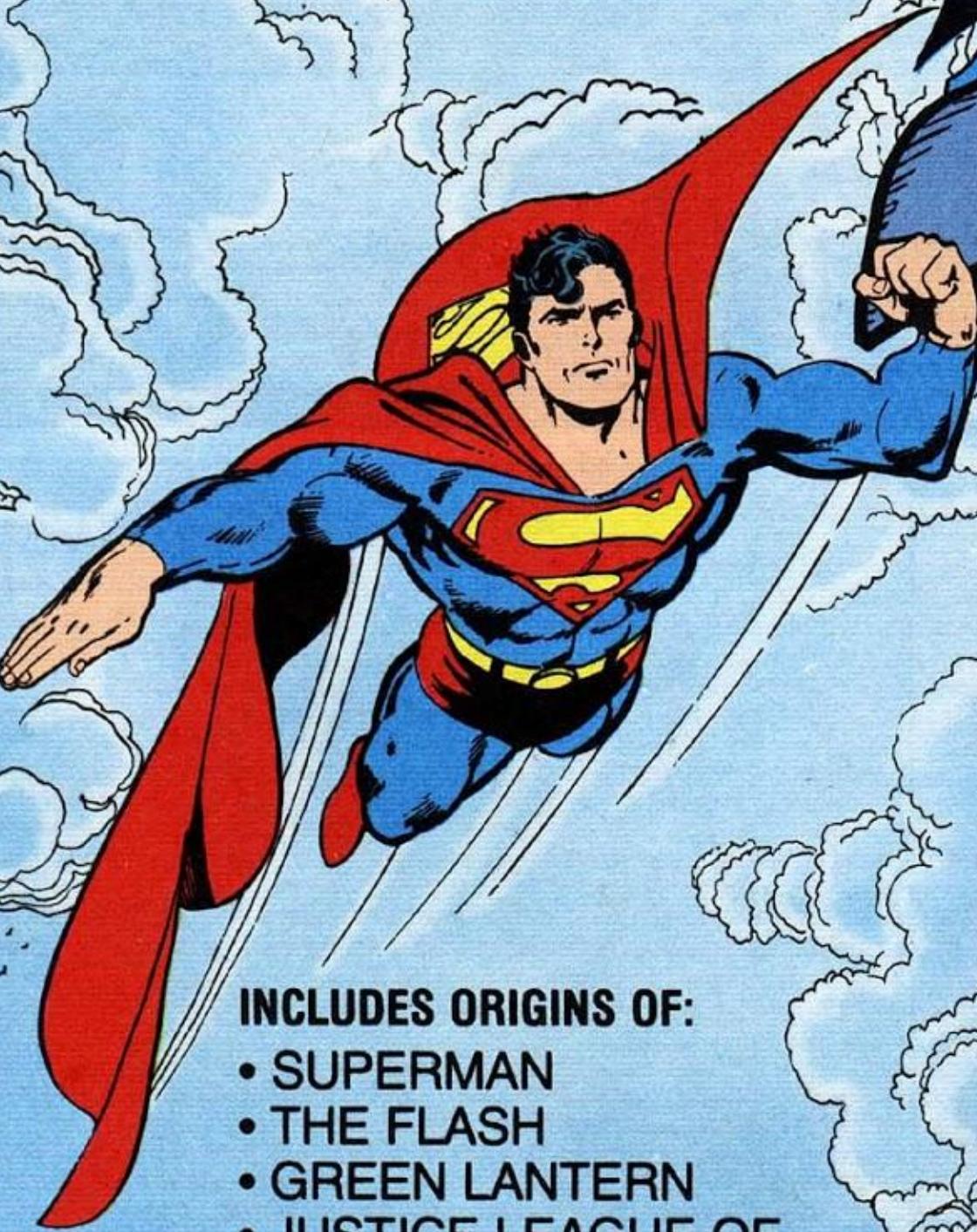


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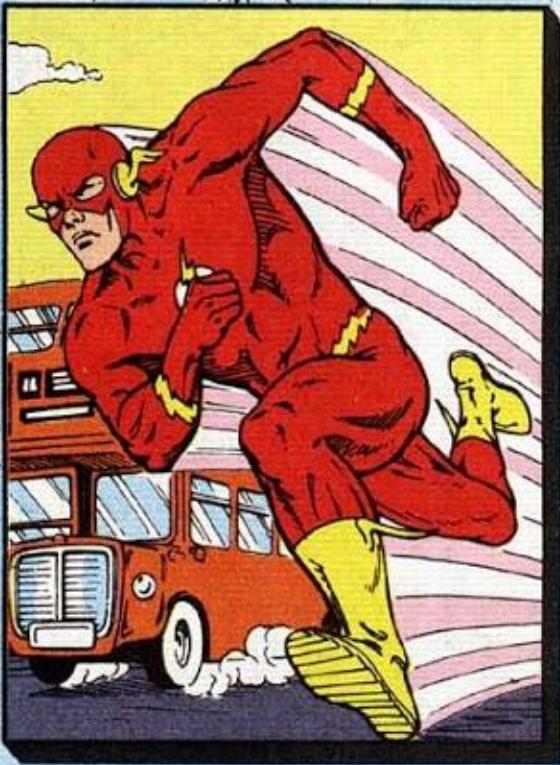
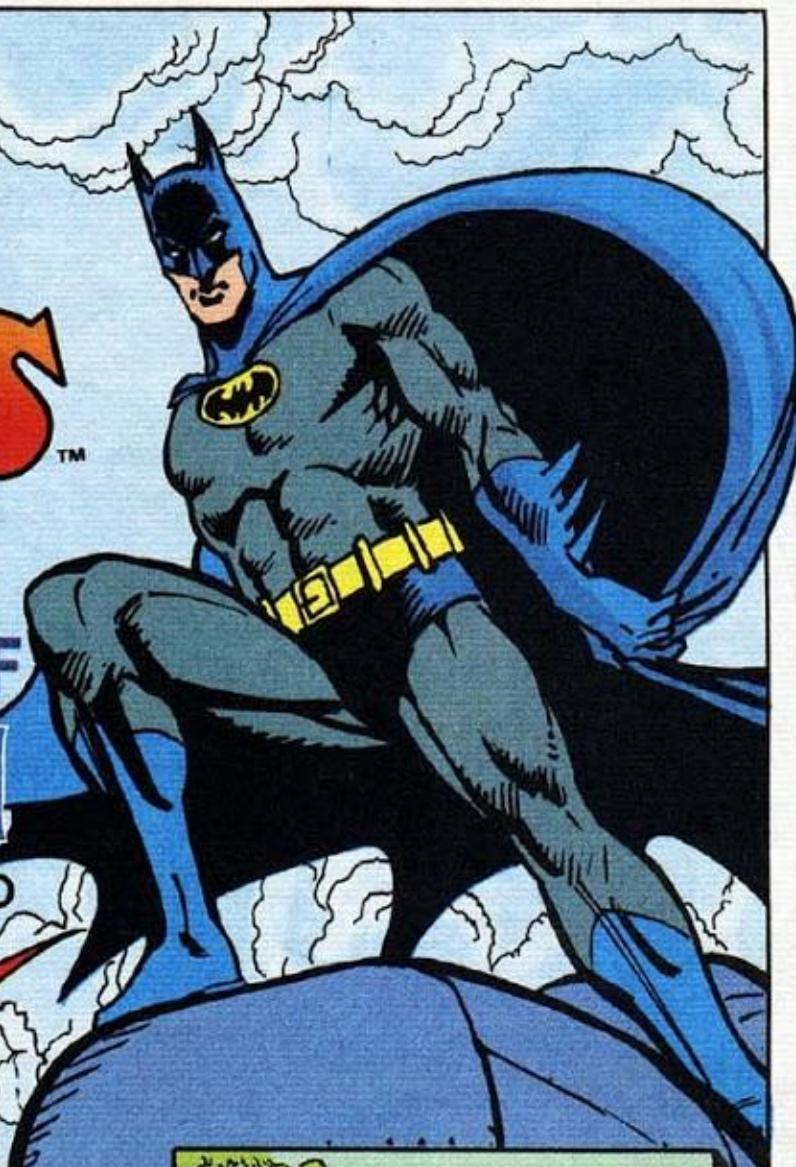


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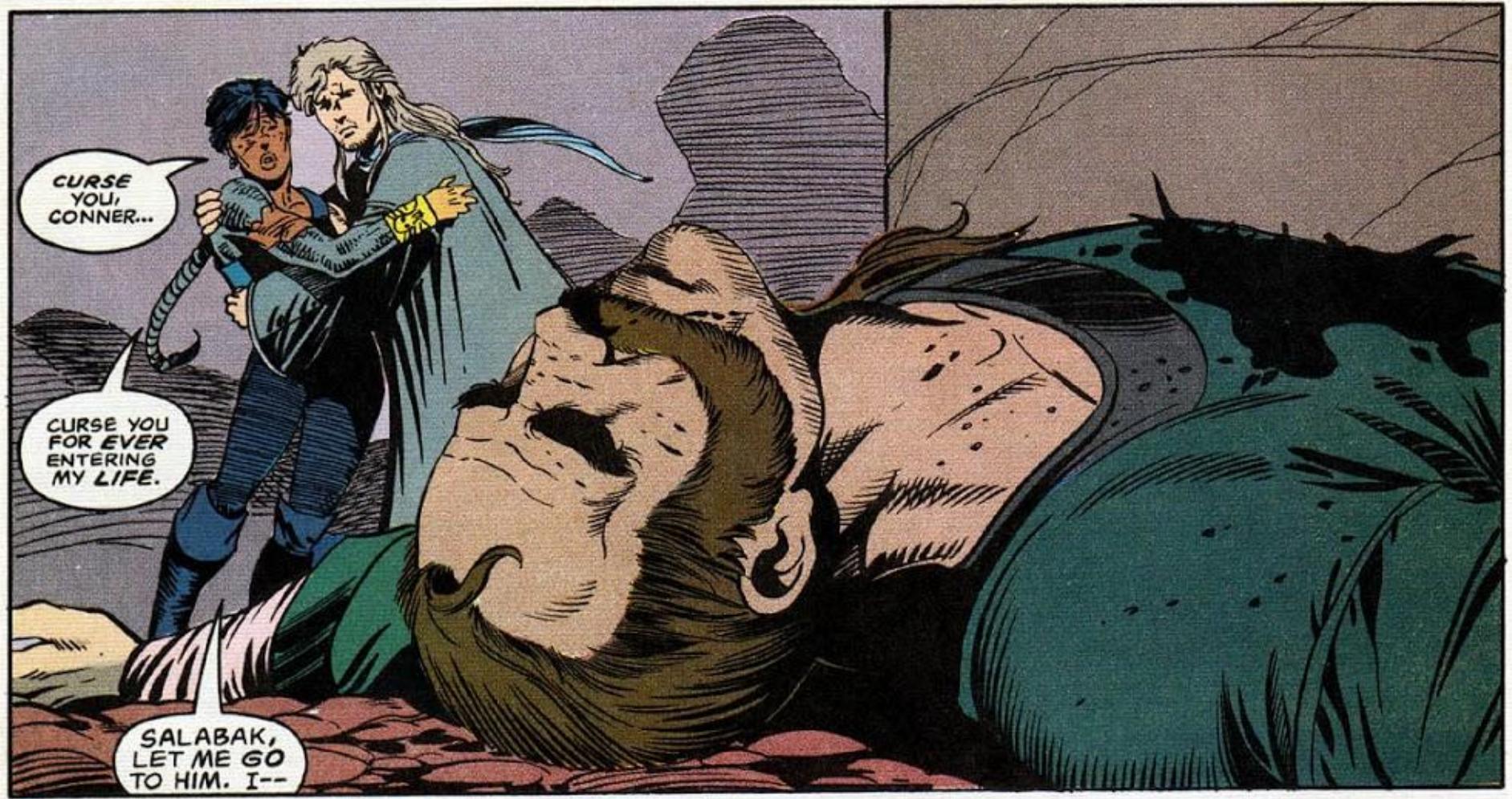
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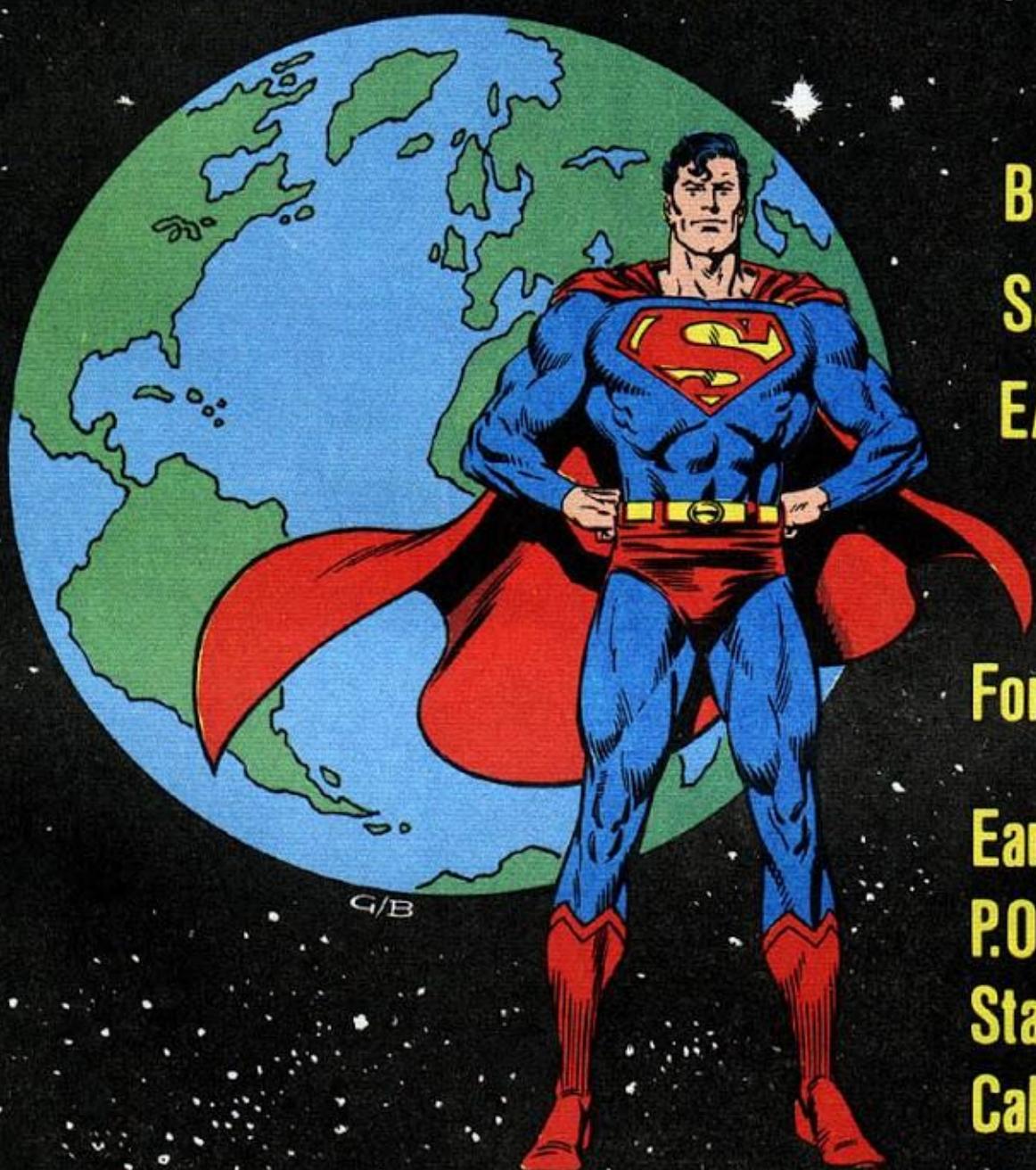




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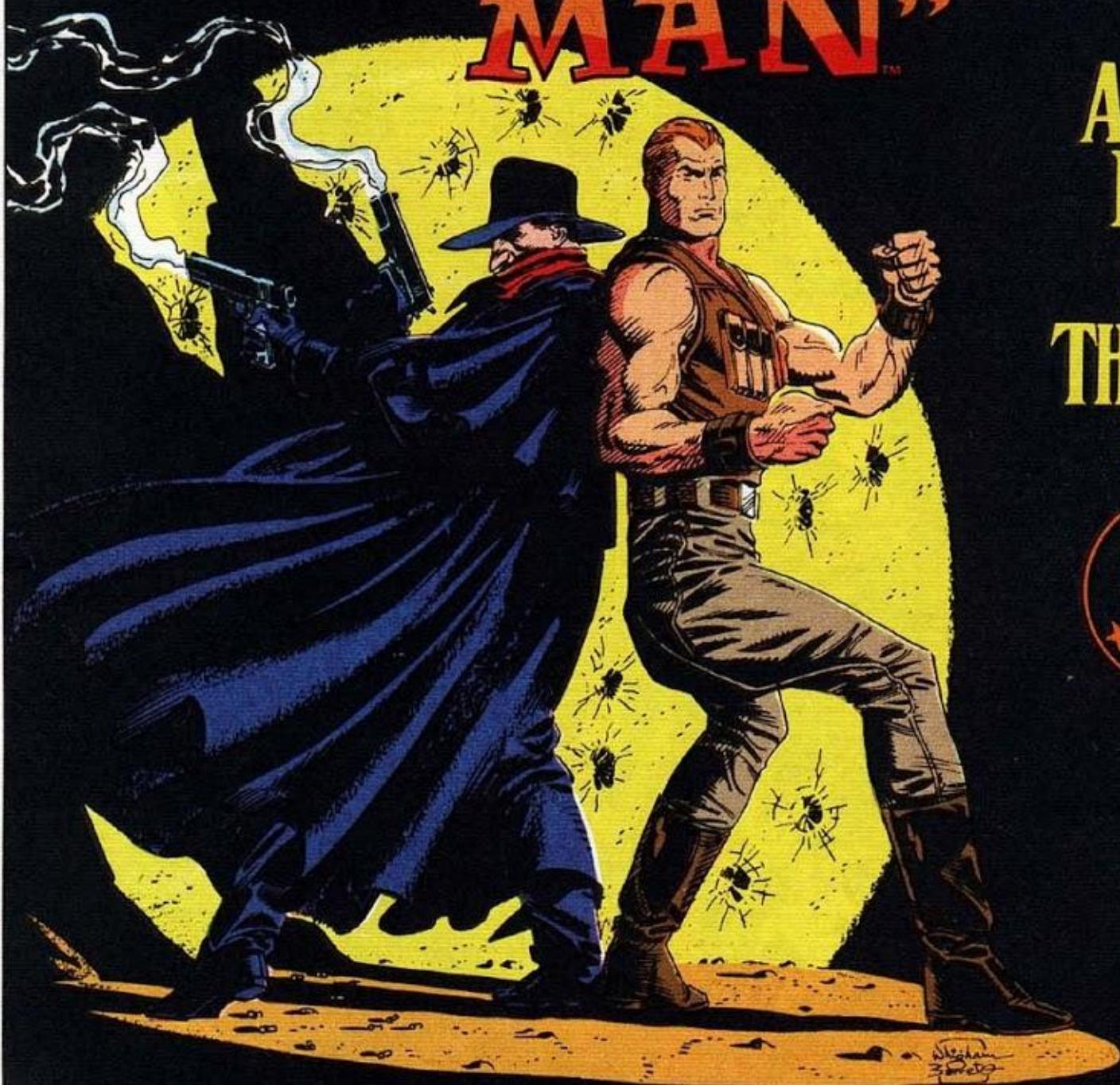


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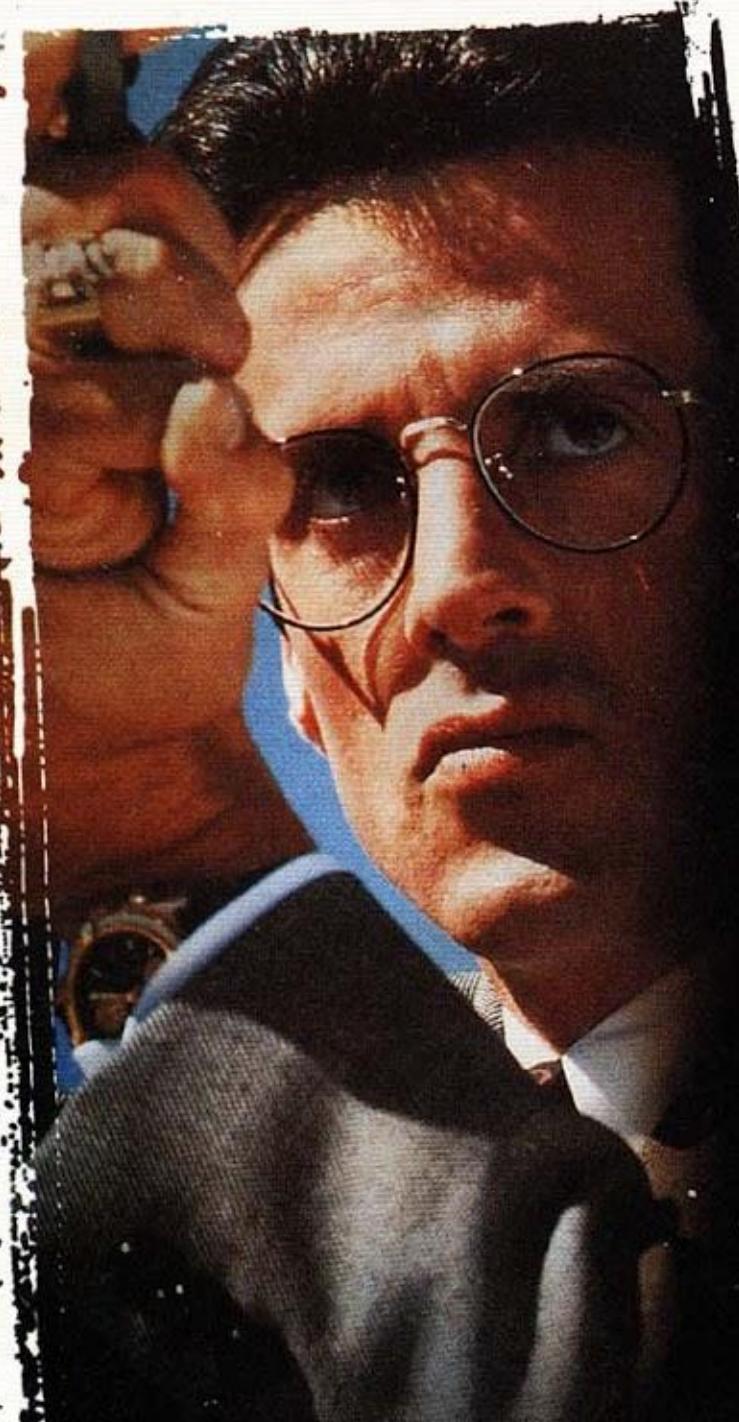
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