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MARVEL'S GREATEST  
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-- AND ACROSS THE CITY TODAY, THE  
WAVE OF VIOLENCE CONTINUES.

MORE LIKE A  
PLAQUE,  
ACTUALLY.



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A PSYCHIC VIRUS,  
SPREADING THROUGH  
THE FIVE BOROUGHS--

-- TURNING HUNDREDS  
OF AVERAGE NEW YORKERS  
INTO BLOODTHIRSTY  
LUNATICS.

IT'S BEEN SPECULATED THAT THIS WOMAN--  
KNOWN ONLY AS SHRIEK--IS SOMEHOW THE  
SOURCE OF THE  
OUTBREAKS.

ALL WE KNOW FOR SURE IS THAT THE VIOLENCE  
BEGAN SHORTLY AFTER SHRIEK-- HAVING ESCAPED  
FROM A MENTAL HOSPITAL IN THE COMPANY OF  
THE SERIAL KILLER CALLED CARNAGE--

-- JOINED FORCES WITH  
SEVERAL OTHER COSTUMED  
PSYCHOTICS.

TOGETHER THEY'VE  
UNLEASHED A STORM  
OF BLOOD AND  
DESTRUCTION THAT'S  
TURNED OUR CITY  
INTO A WAR ZONE.

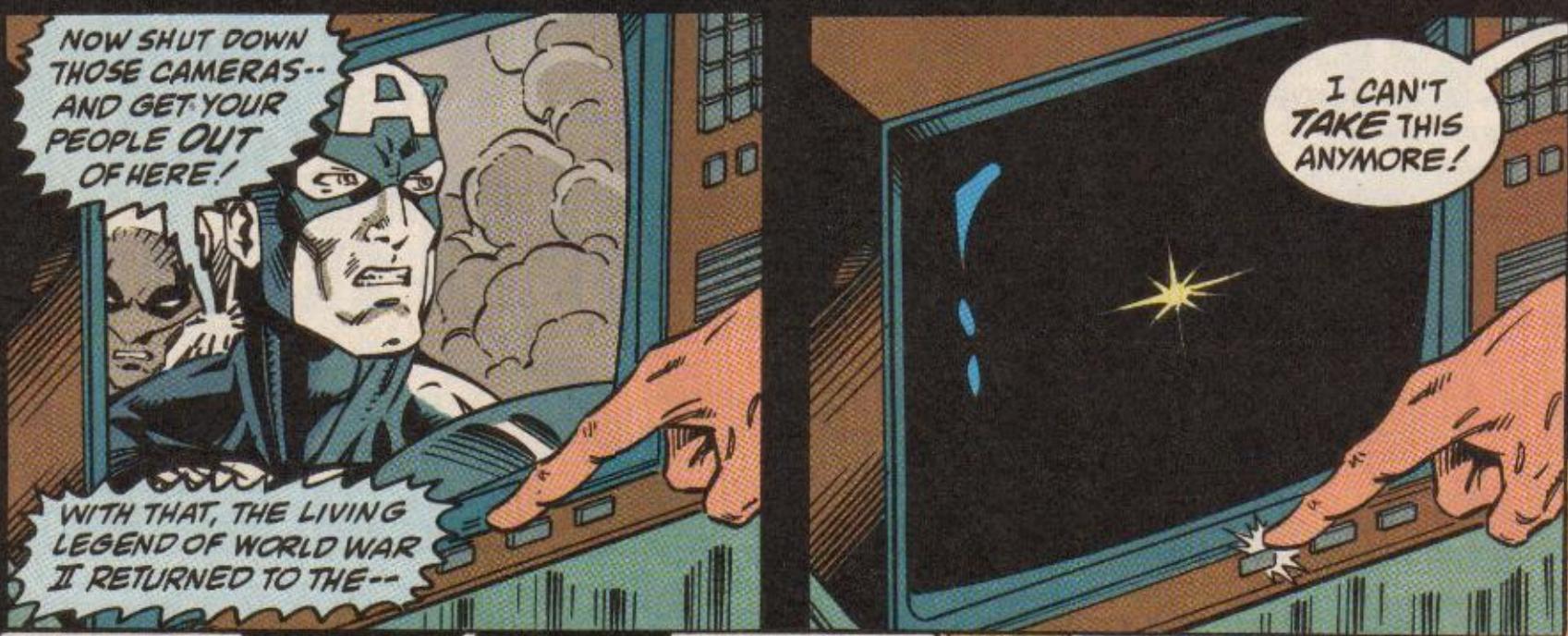
ALTHOUGH A  
LOOSELY-  
ASSEMBLED  
TEAM OF  
SUPER HEROES  
HAS MADE A  
VALIANT EFFORT  
TO STOP THE  
SLAUGHTER--

-- THEY, TOO,  
SEEM UNABLE  
TO BRING THIS  
MADNESS TO  
AN END.

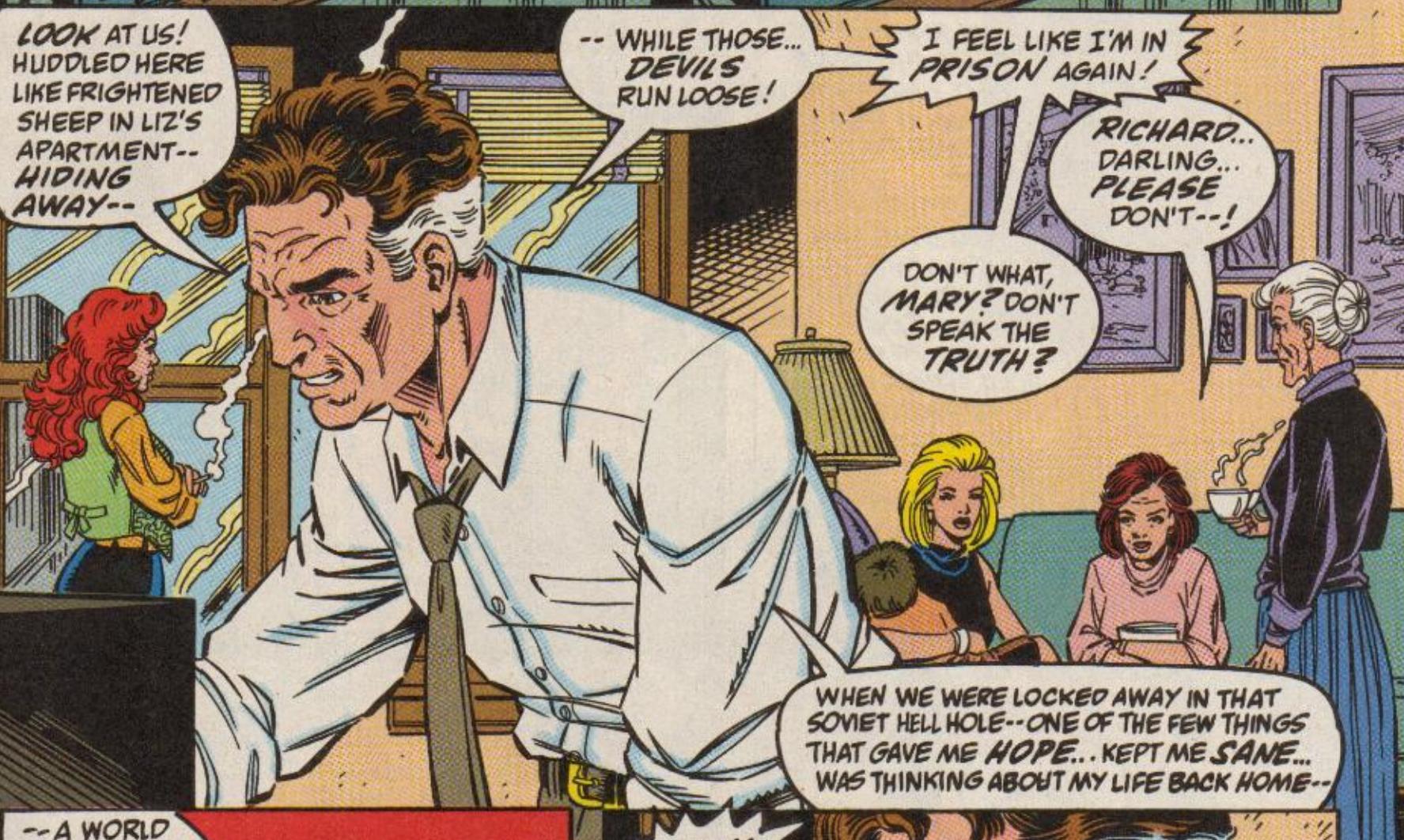
WHEN ASKED FOR A  
COMMENT, CAPTAIN  
AMERICA--CLEARLY  
UNDER STRESS--  
HAD ONLY THIS  
TO SAY:

WE'RE  
DOING  
EVERYTHING  
WE  
CAN!

ON THE SCENE



I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE!



UPSET?! YOU SAW WHAT HAPPENED A FEW MINUTES AGO! \* THEY MADE A DIFFERENCE!

WITHOUT EVEN LIFTING A FINGER, SPIDER-MAN AND THE OTHERS TOUCHED THOSE PEOPLE--

-- REACHED INTO THEIR HEARTS AND GAVE THEM HOPE!

\*IN AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #380.--Danny

THE VIOLENCE WOULD HAVE ENDED RIGHT THEN AND THERE IF IT WASN'T FOR WHAT THAT SHRIEK DID!

BUT THE HEROES WILL STILL WIN THIS THING-- YOU WAIT AND SEE!  
WHATEVER PSYCHIC HOLD SHRIEK HAS ON THOSE PEOPLE, SPIDER-MAN WILL STOP HER!

SO I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANOTHER NEGATIVE WORD OUT OF YOU, RICHARD-- YOU HEAR ME?

B-BUT--

NOT

ANOTHER

WORD!

...PLEASE...

WHAT'S THAT?  
SPEAK UP,  
"DADDY" DEAREST--  
I CAN'T HEAR  
YOU.

PLEASE...  
CARNAGE...

"PLEASE,  
CARNAGE"  
WHAT?

P-PLEASE...  
CARNAGE--

Stan Lee presents:

MAXIMUM CARNAGE  
CHAPTER 12

The **LIGHT!**

-- DON'T HURT US...  
...ANYMORE...

Y'KNOW SOMETHING,  
"POP"?

YOU'RE PATHETIC!

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IF YOU THINK I'M GOING TO  
STOP... WHEN I'VE FINALLY GOT  
YOU WHERE I WANT YOU... THEN  
YOU'RE CRAZIER THAN I AM!

I'M GONNA KEEP THIS UP  
FOR DAYS! WEEKS!  
TORTURE YOU TILL YOU'RE  
EVEN MORE OF A WHIM-  
PERING WRECK THAN  
YOU ARE NOW...

--AND THEN--  
AND ONLY THEN--

--WILL I DO YOU  
THE HONOR OF  
KILLING YOU!

SHRAAKK

YEEEAARRRR!

WELL, LOOKEE,  
LOOKEE--

--DADDY'S LITTLE  
SYMBIOTE IS STILL  
ALIVE AND KICKING!  
TRYING TO RE-FORM  
AND SAVE THE OLD  
MAN FROM BIG BAD  
CARNAGE--

LIKE I  
SAID,  
"POPS!"

--PATHETIC!

YOU TRIED THIS STUNT  
A LITTLE WHILE AGO\*  
--AND I STOPPED YOU  
COLD WITH THIS  
SONIC GUN!

GUESS I'LL  
HAVE T'DO IT  
AGAIN!

\* ALSO IN AMAZING  
#380. --Danny

NO... DON'T-- PLEASE!

NOT THAT!



NOT THAT!

AW... LOOK AT  
'IM: HE'S REALLY  
TERRIFIED.  
POOR GUY--

--MAYBE HE'S  
HAD ENOUGH,  
MAYBE I  
SHOULDN'T  
USE THE  
GUN ON HIM.

AND IF YOU  
BELIEVE THAT...  
THERE'S A  
BRIDGE IN  
BROOKLYN  
I'D LIKE TO  
SELL YOU!



BANG-  
BANG,  
EDDIE...  
YOU'RE--

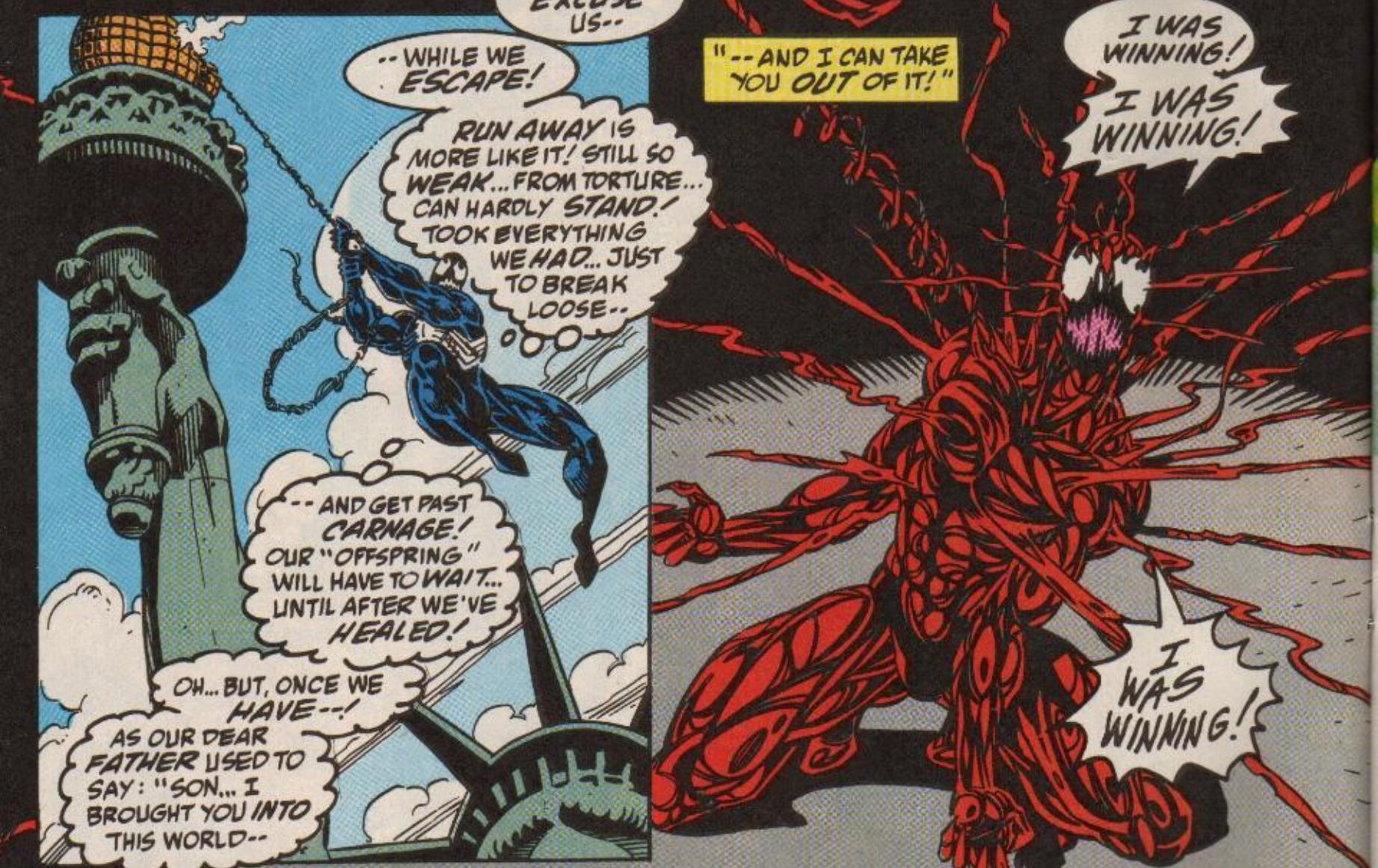
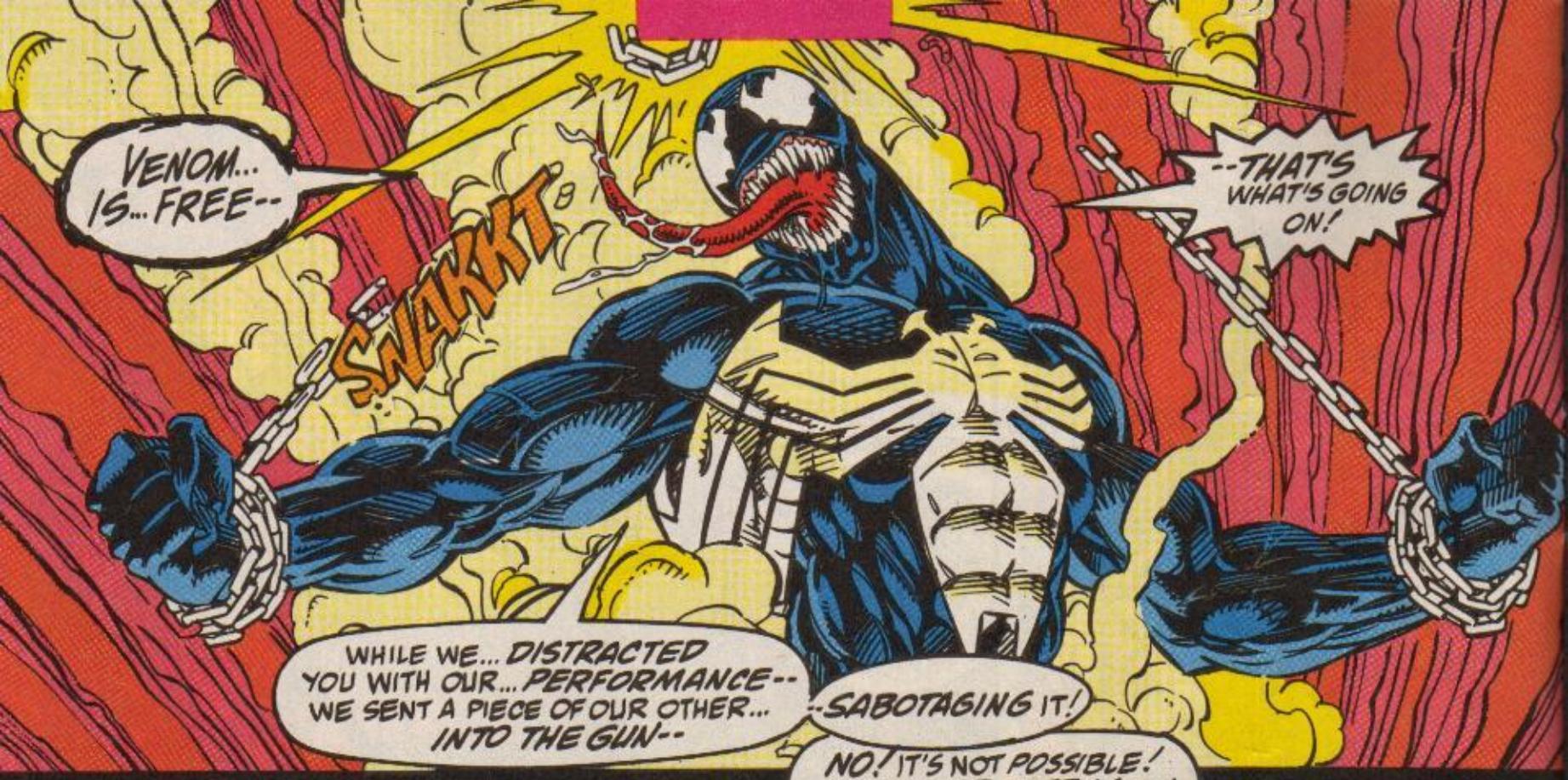
:PLODOSH!



--DEAD...??

W-WAIT  
A MINUTE!  
WHAT'S GOING  
ON?!

WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON... YOU  
PITIFUL  
FOOL?







"BUT I WANT TO BE UPSET, CARRION!"

I JUST SMILED... TRIED TO BE GOOD... SO THEY'D LOVE ME... AND STOP HURTING ME!

BUT THEY NEVER STOPPED!

THEY JUST KEPT AT ME AND AT ME AND AT ME!  
AND THEY NEVER STOPPED!

H-YEENK?

NO,  
SWEETHEART.  
DON'T WORRY.  
I'M NOT YELLING  
AT YOU.

"WHEN I WAS A LITTLE GIRL... WHEN I WAS TORMENTED AND ABUSED BY THE PEOPLE I TRUSTED MOST IN THE WORLD--"

--I WAS NEVER ALLOWED TO BE UPSET!

"IT'S THEM I'M UPSET WITH. THE WHITE HATS. THE GOOD GUYS. HEADS STUFFED WITH DREAMS AND IDEALS.

"EVERY DAY THEY SAVE THE WORLD. BUT TELL ME THIS, MY LITTLE SPIDER--"

--WHY WEREN'T THEY THERE TO SAVE ME?!

HRRRGH--

NO, NO, NO--YOU DON'T HAVE TO PUNISH THEM. I KNOW IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE CLOSING IN ON US--

--ANOTHER--

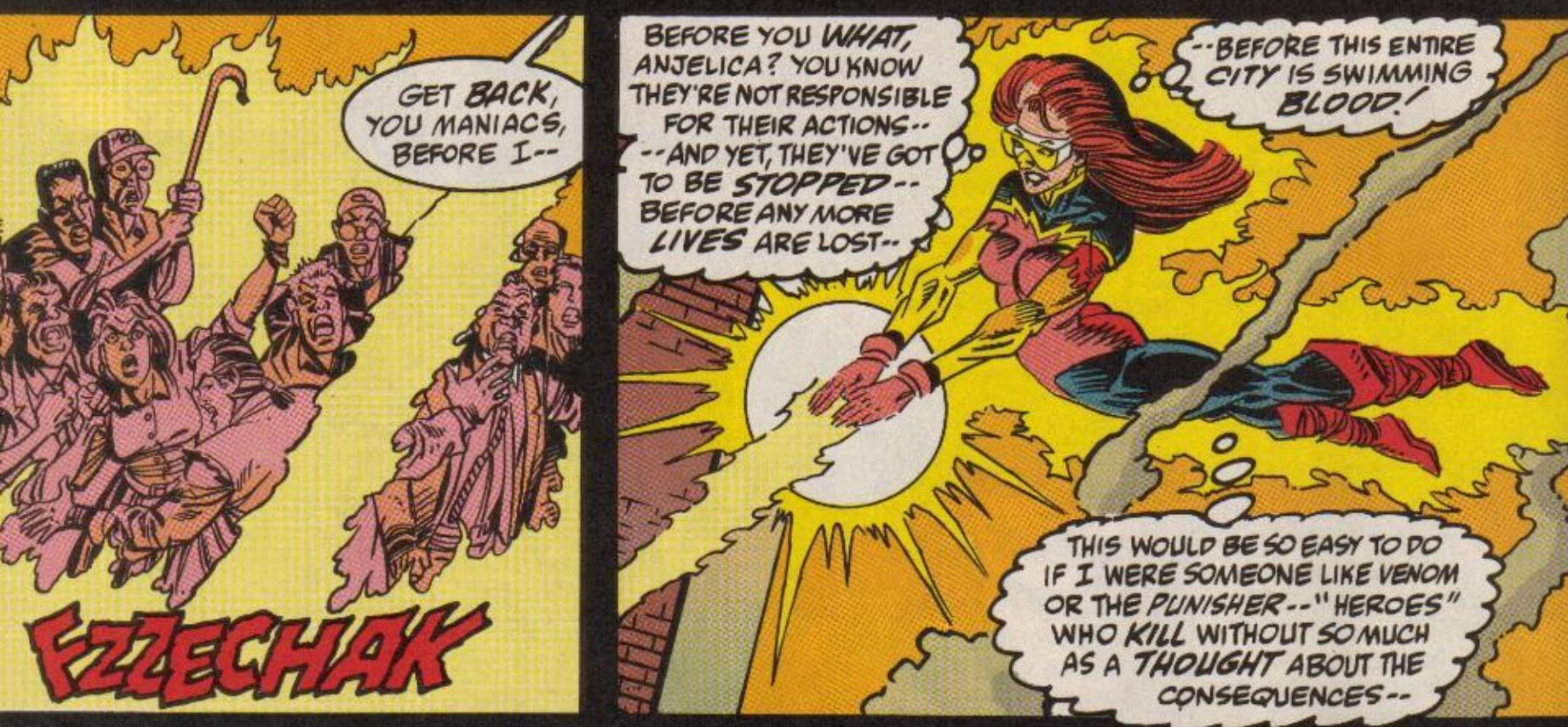
--LITTLE--

--PUSH--

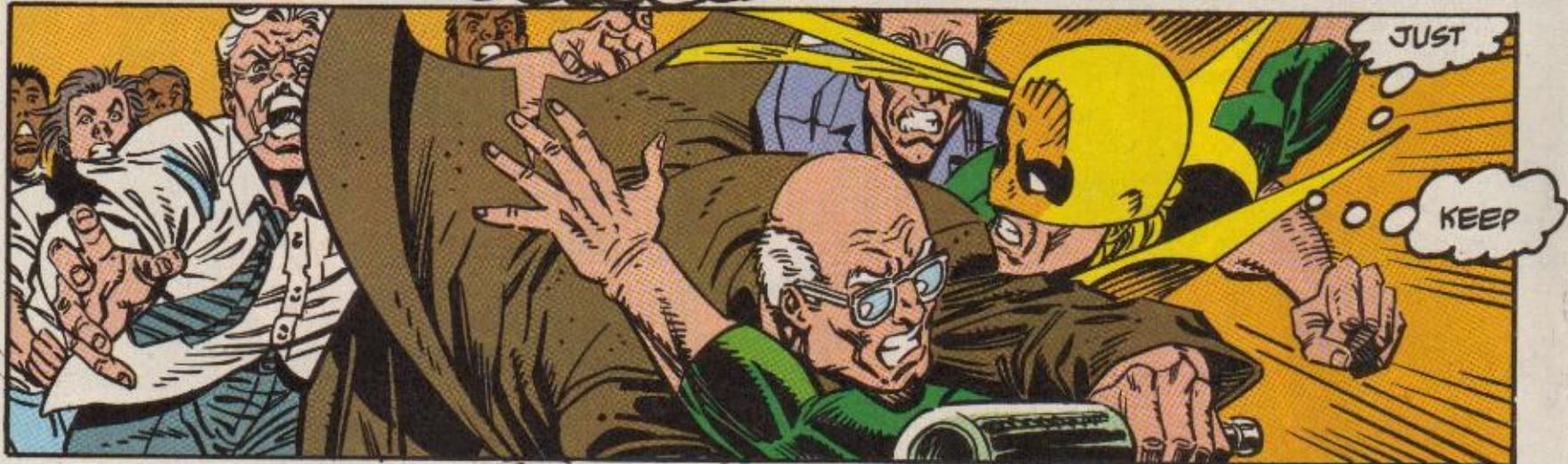
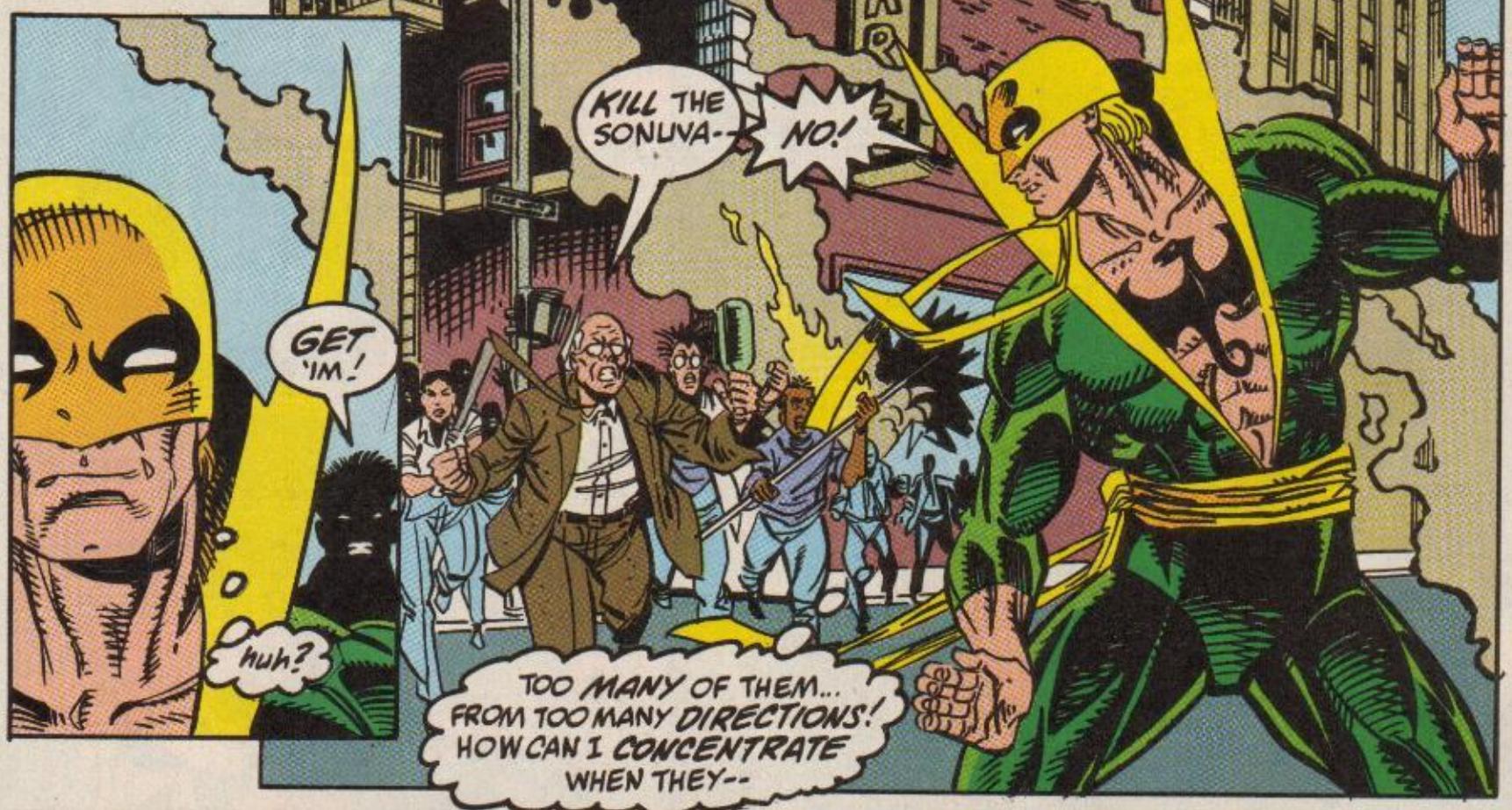
--AND THE GOOD GUYS LOSE--

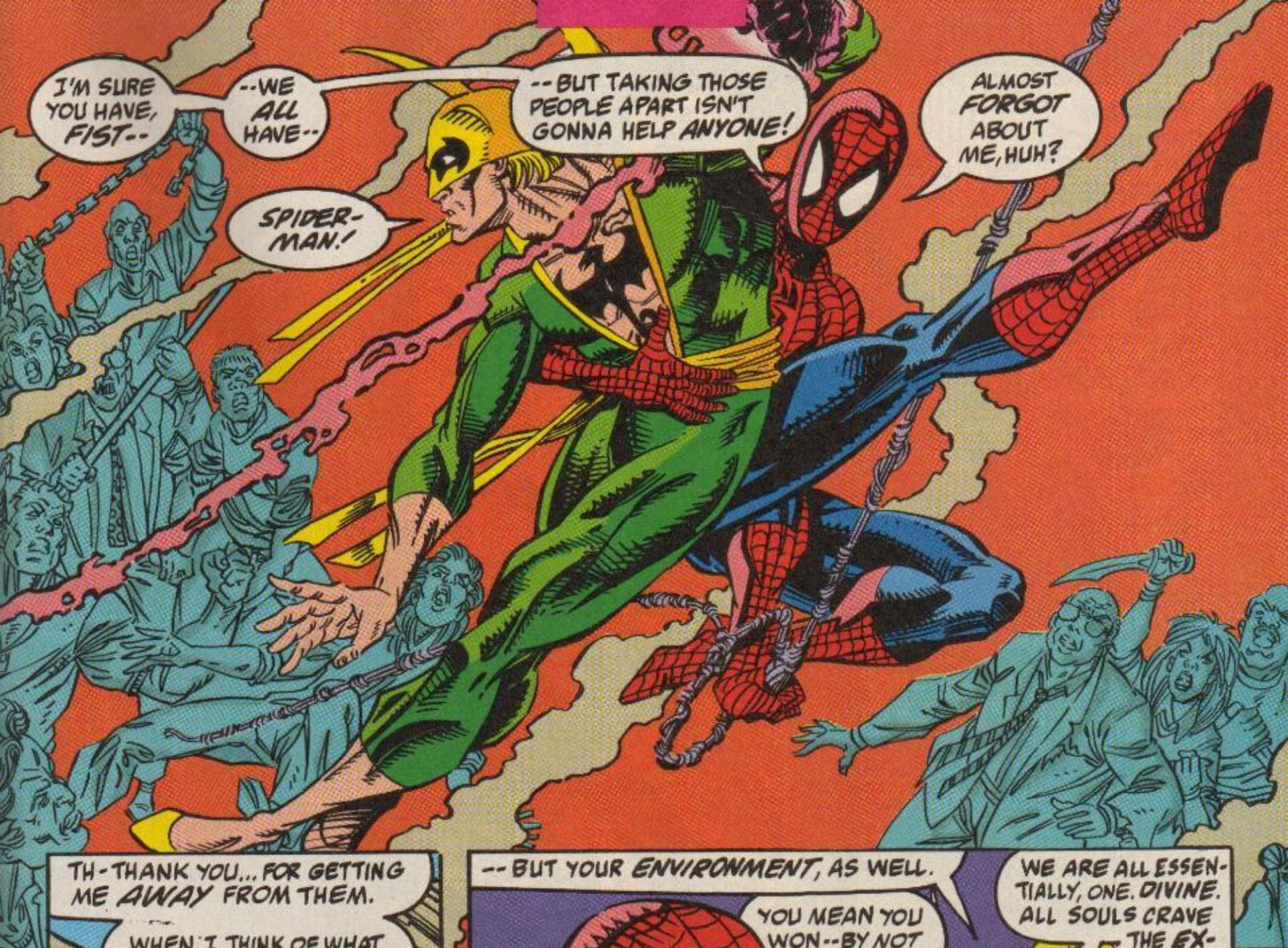
--BUT ALL I HAVE TO DO IS GIVE THE CROWD--

--BIG TIME--!"









TH-THANK YOU... FOR GETTING ME AWAY FROM THEM.

WHEN I THINK OF WHAT I ALMOST DID! I WAS READY TO--

HEY--DON'T GET SO DOWN ON YOURSELF! YOU THINK WE'RE NOT FEELING THE EFFECTS OF SHRIEK'S PSYCHOTIC VIBES? IT'S AMAZING WE HAVEN'T ALL CRACKED UP BY NOW--!



A... MEDITATIVE TECHNIQUE I LEARNED IN K'UN L'UNN. REACH DOWN INTO THE CALM CENTER OF THE SOUL... AND YOU NOT ONLY AFFECT YOURSELF...

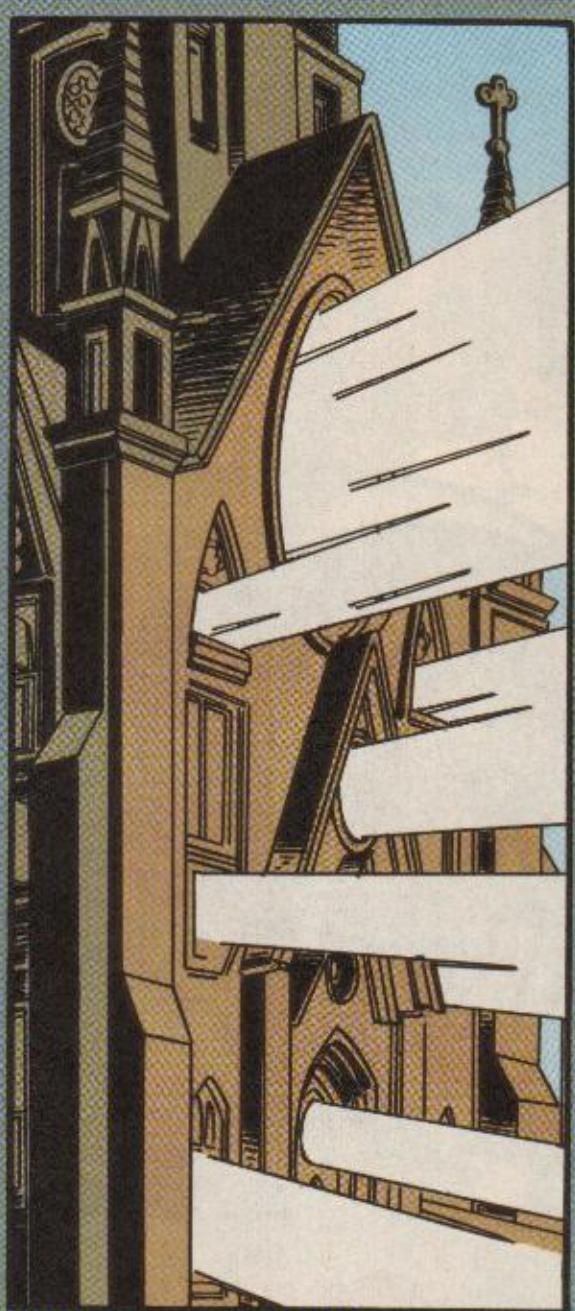
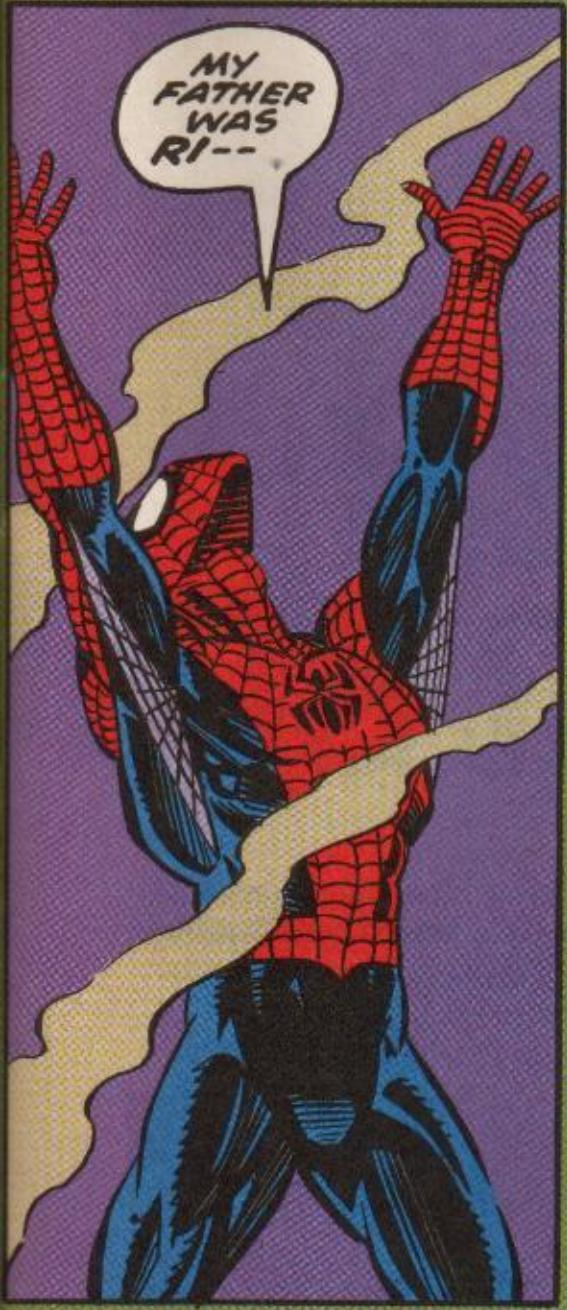


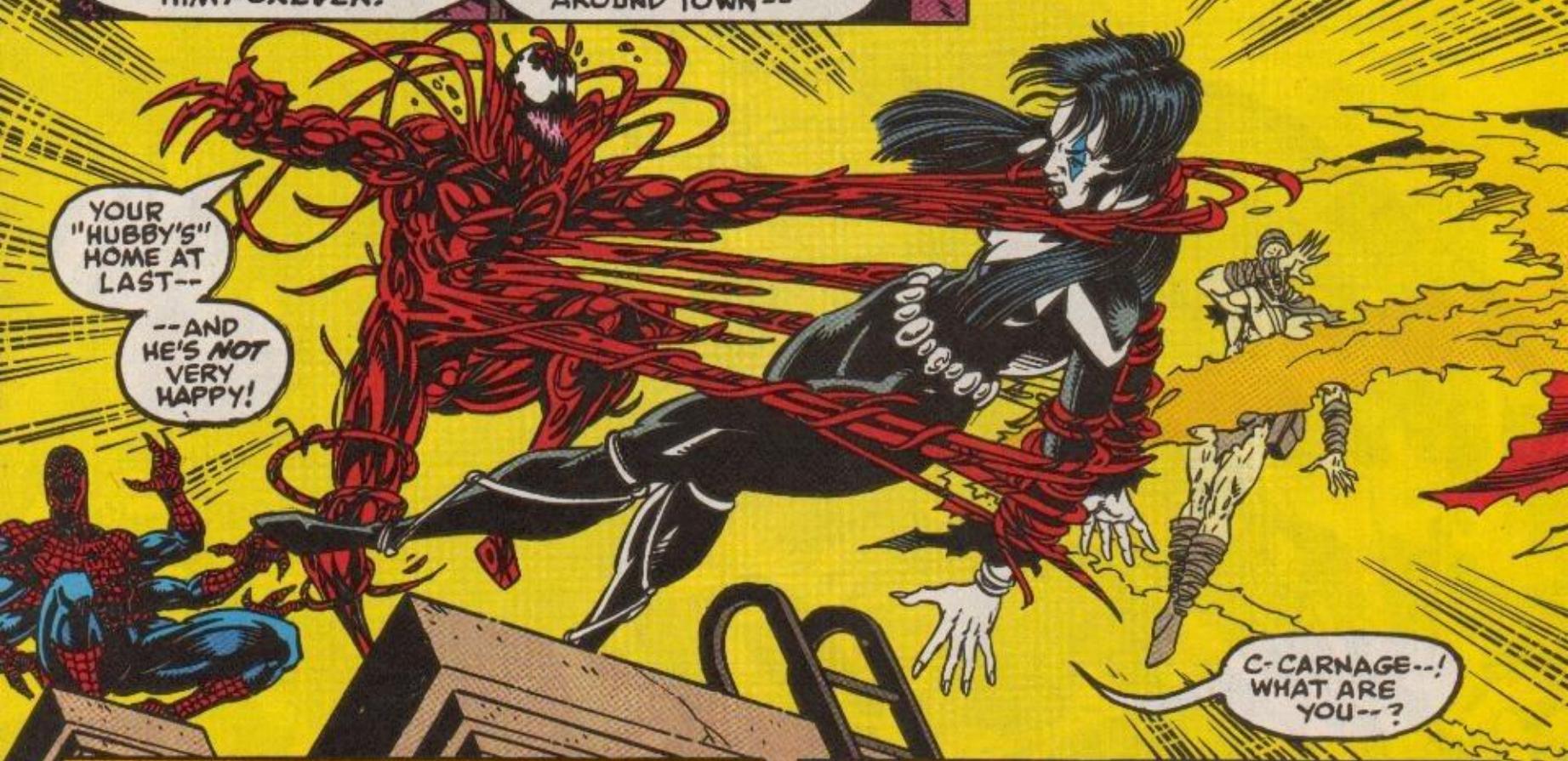
EIGHT OR TEN YEARS.





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I WEAR THE PANTS  
IN THIS FAMILY--AND  
EITHER YOU LIVE BY  
MY RULES OR YOU  
FACE THE CONSE-  
QUEN--

--AAA!!

I'M  
CARNAGE--

YAAAAA!!

--THAT'S  
WHO I AM!

SO--THIS  
IS HOW IT'S  
GONNA BE,  
EH?

MY  
LITTLE  
BOYS  
ARE--

--REVOLT-  
ING.

WELL...  
IF THAT'S  
HOW YOU  
WANT IT...  
WHO AM I  
TO ARGUE?

NO!

I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO THESE KIDS WHEN THEY REACH ADOLESCENCE--

--THE HORMONES START POPPING, THE ADRENALINE STARTS PUMPING--

WELL, SURPRISE--

--YOU'RE NOT!

POK!

SIGH  
IT'S SUCH A TRAGEDY... A "FATHER" LOSING HIS FAVORITE "SON"!!

--NEXT THING YOU KNOW, THEY'RE WEARING LEATHER JACKETS AND GETTING INTO ALL KINDS OF TROUBLE!

THOUGHT YOU WERE INDESTRUCTIBLE-- DIDN'T YOU, JAMES DEAN?

I HAD SUCH... HIGH HOPES FOR HIM!

AH, WELL... NO USE GETTING LOST IN MY GRIEF. TIME TO LOOK TOWARD THE FUTURE AND MOVE ON.

SO-- DID WE ALL GET THE POINT OF MY LITTLE DEMONSTRATION?

ARE WE GOING TO START ACTING LIKE A FAMILY AGAIN-- OR DO I HAVE TO TAKE YOU APART--

--ONE BY ONE!

BAH!

I REMAINED WITH YOU THIS LONG BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WOULD HELP ME IN MY HOLY CAUSE--

--BUT I SEE THAT-- IN THE COMPANY OF SUCH AS YOU--

--THE CAUSE WOULD SURELY BE LOST!

AND SO I BID YOU ALL A VERY HEARTFELT GOOD--

WHERE'RE YOU GOING IN SUCH A HURRY, DEMO?



--TO FACE  
**THE  
LIGHT!!**



NEXT, IN SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #203:  
**DAGGER LIVES!**  
(AND VENOM REJOINS THE BATTLE!)  
MAXIMUM CARNAGE--  
PART 13!  
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