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SINGAPORE.

ROUGHLY THE SIZE OF CHICAGO,
THIS ISLAND NATION HAS BECOME
THE MAJOR FINANCIAL AND TRADE
CENTER OF SOUTHEAST ASIA...

...ITS MODERN
OFFICE TOWERS
COEXISTING WITH
THE TRADITIONAL
MARKETS OF ITS
OLDER CITY
STREETS.

BEAUTIFUL
SUPergirl DOLLS
AT POPULAR PRICES!
HOW CAN YOU RESIST
SUCH BARGAINS?

HOW
INDEED?



A HERO
FOR EVERY
LITTLE
GIRL

S-SUPergirl?
HERE??

A HERO
FOR EVERY
LITTLE
GIRL



MAY I
SEE?

NOT BAD. IT'S
A VERY GOOD
LIKENESS!

TAKE ONE,
PLEASE!
NO CHARGE...
I INSIST!

LOOK! IT'S
REALLY
HER...



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SUPergirl

SUPergirl!

LET ME
TOUCH
YOU!

SUPergirl!

SUPergirl,
IS IT TRUE
ABOUT MR.
LUTHOR?

SUPergirl!

QUICK,
WHERE'S MY
CAMERA?



OH...
MY!

SUPergirl!

PLEASE
ACCEPT--!

SIGN MY
HAT--!

... YOUR
PICTURE
WITH MY
BABY!

SUPergirl!

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MINUTES LATER...

OKAY, THAT'LL HAVE TO BE ENOUGH FOR NOW. GOOD-BYE!

IT'S A GOOD THING I DON'T GET WRITER'S CRAMP--I MUST'VE SIGNED CLOSE TO A THOUSAND AUTOGRAPHS. SUCH NICE PEOPLE...

...I HATED TO LEAVE THEM, BUT THE STORY ABOUT LEX IN THAT MAN'S NEWSPAPER WAS SO FRIGHTFUL!

PLEASE, STAY FOR TEA!

THANK YOU, SUPERGIRL!

COME BACK SOON!

SUPERGIRL!

WELL, LET US KNOW NEXT TIME! YOU WERE GONE QUITE A WHILE!

I'M SORRY. I JUST WANTED TO GET OUT AND SEE THE SIGHTS. I DIDN'T DISRUPT YOUR TESTING SCHEDULE, DID I?

NO, NO, NOTHING LIKE THAT--



I'D HEARD THAT YOU WERE ILL, AND A LOCAL NEWSPAPER CARRIED A PICTURE OF YOU THAT LOOKED JUST AWFUL.

THE PERILS OF CELEBRITY! BUT REALLY, LOVE, I'M IN THE PINK!

I DON'T DOUBT THAT A MOMENT--BUT AS YOU CAN SEE THERE'S NO NEED. I MISS YOU, OF COURSE, BUT I'M MANAGING.



YES, I KNOW ALL ABOUT THAT PHOTO... SOME BLOODY PAPARAZZO CAUGHT ME AFTER I'D BEEN UP WORKING ALL NIGHT.

I WAS HARDLY AT MY BEST--AND IT DIDN'T HELP ANY THAT THE SNEAKING DRONGO SNAPPED ME FROM MY WORST SIDE!

I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT, LEX. SINGAPORE IS SO FASCINATING... I THOUGHT THAT, ONCE I WAS FINISHED WITH THE STRESS-TESTS, I MIGHT STAY A LITTLE LONGER.

EXCELLENT IDEA! YOU OUGHT TO GET OUT AND SEE A LITTLE MORE OF THE WORLD!

I'LL EVEN ARRANGE FOR THE NEXT SET OF BIO-TESTS TO BE RUN RIGHT THERE... THEN YOU CAN HAVE YOURSELF A LITTLE HOLIDAY!

WH-WH-Y.. THANK YOU, LEX!



YOU DESERVE IT, LOVE. RUN ALONG NOW...

--I HAVE SOME TECHNICAL MATTERS TO DISCUSS WITH THESE FINE FOLK. I'LL SPEAK WITH YOU LATER!

ALL RIGHT, LATER.

WELL! THAT WAS EASIER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE.

LEX CAN BE SO POSSESSIVE... I WAS PREPARED FOR AN ARGUMENT ABOUT MY STAYING OVER...



"HE MUST BE
STARTING TO
MELLOW OUT."

SUPERGIRL IS
NOT TO VENTURE
OUTSIDE THIS
COMPOUND
UNACCOMPANIED!"

IF SHE DECLINES A
CHAPERONE, SHE IS TO
BE FOLLOWED AND
HER MOVEMENTS KEPT
UNDER CLOSE
OBSERVATION.

IS THAT
REALLY
NECESSARY,
SIR? WHAT
HARM COULD
THERE
BE--?

NEED I
REMIND YOU
THAT SHE IS AN
ALIEN BEING?
SHE'S JUST
BARELY
FAMILIAR
WITH
WESTERN
CUSTOMS.

DO YOU WISH
TO BE HELD
ACCOUNTABLE IF
SHE SHOULD--
HOWEVER
INNOCENTLY--
CAUSE AN
INTERNATIONAL
INCIDENT?!

N-NO, SIR.
MISTER
LUTHOR!

GOOD, THEN SEE THAT MY
ORDERS ARE FOLLOWED!
LUTHOR OUT!

BLOODY
HELL, BUT
I'M GLAD
THAT'S OVER...
I FEEL
EXHAUSTED.

KELLEY... COME IN HERE.
IS THERE ANY WORD... ON THE
TESTS?

NOTHING
CONCLUSIVE.
I TAKE IT
THAT
EVERYONE
BELIEVED
YOUR LITTLE
SHOW?

WHAT'S NEXT-- AN
ANIMATRONIC LEX LUTHOR
ROBOT TO COVER YOUR
PERSONAL APPEARANCES?

KELLEY...
PLEASE...

THIS MAY BE THE ELECTRONIC
AGE, LEX. BUT JUST HOW LONG DO
YOU PLAN TO HIDE BEHIND A
COMPUTER-ENHANCED VIDEO
IMAGE?

AS LONG AS I MUST,
KELLEY. I CAN'T LET
MY SUPERGIRL SEE ME
LIKE THIS.

NO ONE MUST
LEARN THE
TRUTH ABOUT MY
CONDITION--



--NO
ONE."



IN A RELATED STORY, THE CITY HAS BEEN GRACED BY A NEW MEMBER OF THE LEXCORP FAMILY... TEAM LUTHOR'S SUPERGIRL. THE LOVELY YOUNG SUPER-HERO...



--WHO HAS BEEN ROMANTICALLY LINKED TO LUTHOR--IS REPORTEDLY HERE FOR AN EXTENDED VISIT.



"...IF SHE'S EVERYTHING THAT THEY SAY SHE IS!"

TESTS, TESTS,
TESTS! SOMETIMES
I WONDER IF
THEY'LL EVER
END!

AT LEAST
THE STAFF'S
ALLOWING ME
MORE BREAKS...



-- AND I INTEND
TO HOLD THEM TO
LEX'S PROMISE
OF GIVING ME
SOME REAL
TIME OFF.

HMM... I WISH
SUPERMAN COULD
HAVE HEARD THAT PROMISE.
I KNOW THAT HE'S BEEN
CONCERNED ABOUT MY
RELATIONSHIP WITH
LEX.

-- THE LAST TIME I WAS WITH HIM AND LOIS, "I COULD
TELL THAT HE WANTED TO GIVE ME ADVICE--AS IF HE
WERE MY OLDER BROTHER OR SOMETHING. POOR
CLARK! I WISH HE WOULDN'T WORRY SO--"



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-- I KNOW HE HAS MY BEST
INTERESTS AT HEART... BUT
SO DOES LEX.

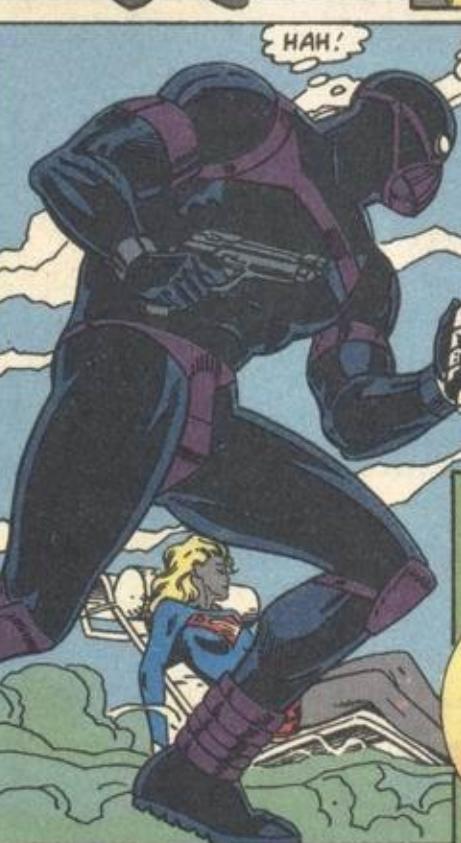


THEY'RE BOTH
SUCH KIND AND
CARING MEN...

...I'M SO...LUCKY...TO
KNOW THEM...BOTH!

HAH!

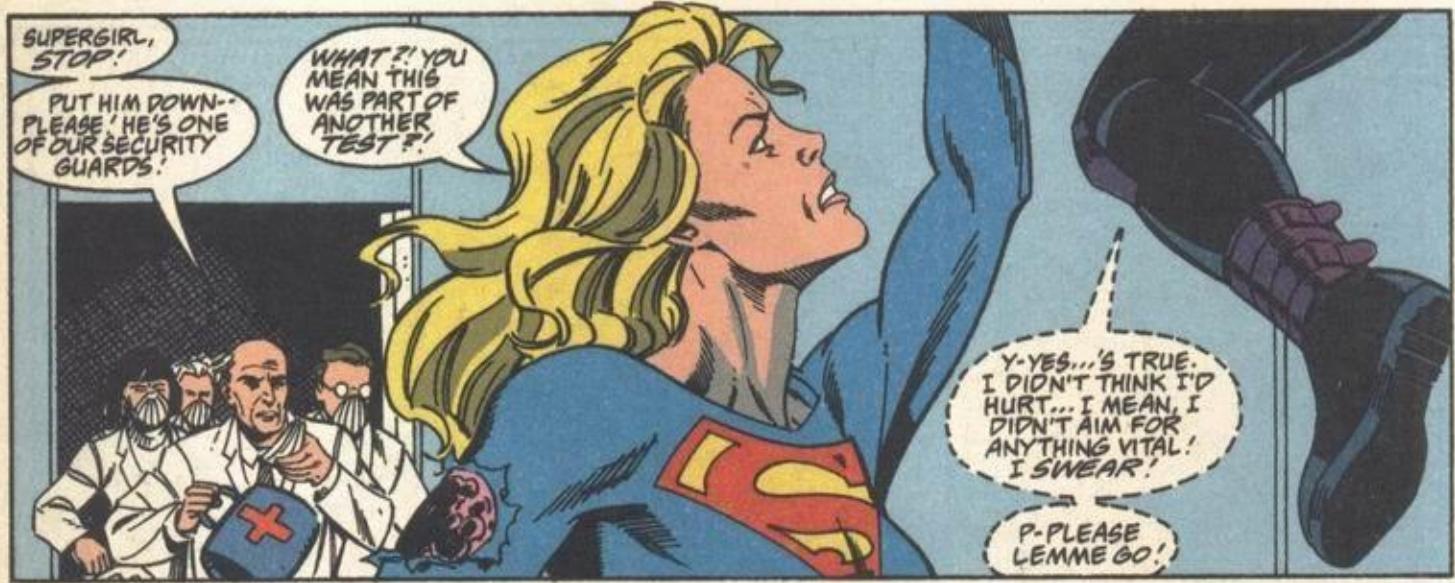
THE GAS WORKED LIKE
A CHARM. SHE'S OUT LIKE
A LIGHT.



NOW
FOR STEP
TWO!







HMMMPH! I SHOULD HAVE SUSPECTED SOMETHING WHEN YOU TOLD ME NOT TO REMOVE THIS SENSOR DISC UNTIL AFTER THE NEXT TEST.

I APOLOGIZE FOR THE DECEPTION, SUPERGIRL. BUT IF YOU'D BEEN AWARE OF WHAT WAS COMING, IT COULD HAVE SKewed THE RESULTS.

...I HOPE THE PRECIOUS LITTLE DISC GIVES YOU ALL THE DATA YOU WANT--BECAUSE I'VE HAD ENOUGH TESTING FOR ONE DAY!

OH, WE COULDN'T HAVE THAT, NOW COULD WE?

HERE...

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

"OUT!"

NOW THIS IS MORE LIKE IT. IF I'D DRESSED LIKE THIS THE FIRST TIME, I WOULDN'T HAVE ATTRACTED ALL THAT ATTENTION.

...NOT THAT I MINDED IT TOO MUCH, BUT IT IS EASIER TO GET AROUND WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE TO CONTEND WITH MOBS OF ADORING PEOPLE!



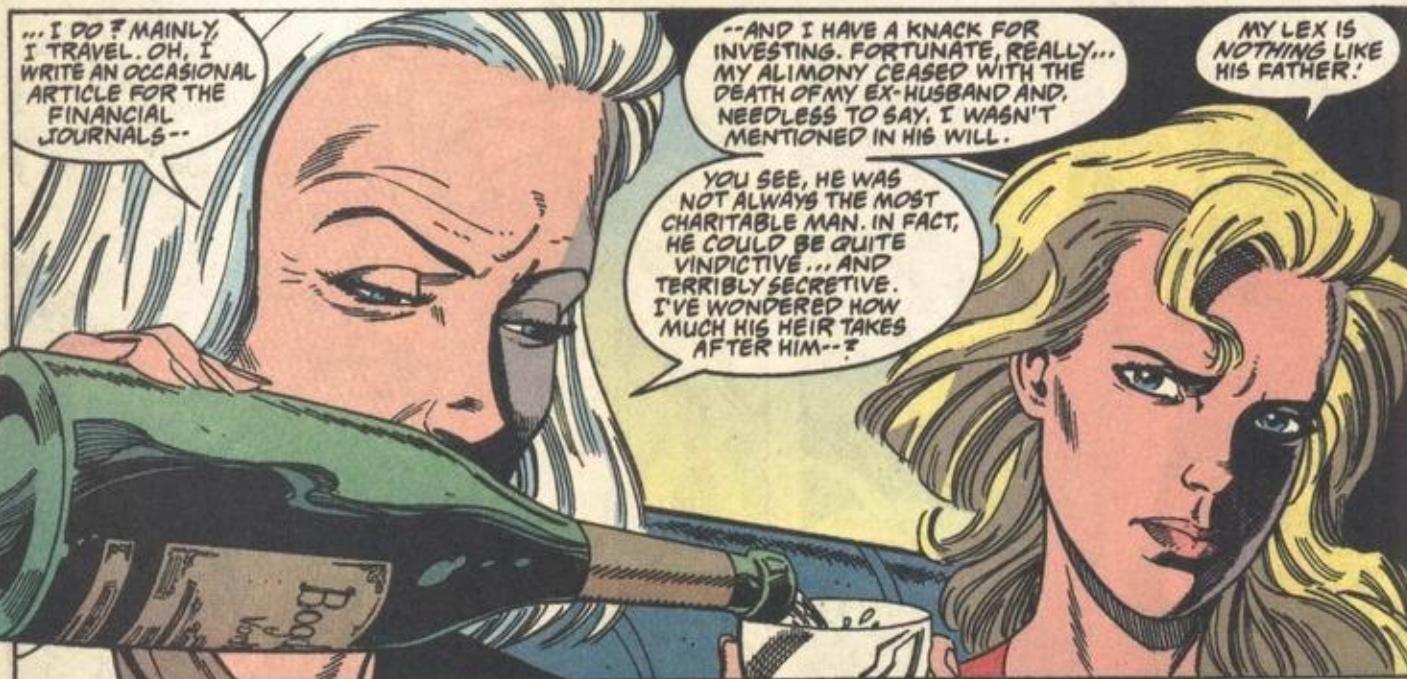
NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY CLARK HAS WORKED SO HARD TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM SUSPECTING THAT SUPERMAN HAS ANOTHER IDENTITY.

HERE THEY ARE, MY FRIENDS...



I GUESS MY 15 MINUTES OF FAME AREN'T UP YET. I'D BETTER MOVE ON BEFORE SOMEONE RECOGNIZES ME.





REALLY?
NOT AT
ALL?

THEN WHY WAS
HE HAVING YOU
FOLLOWED?

YES... FOLLOWED. IT WAS
ONE OF HIS FATHER'S MORE
COMMON TACTICS. LEX THE FIRST
COULD BE VERY POSSESSIVE...
HE LIKED TO KNOW WHERE
HIS WOMEN WERE AT ALL
TIMES. HERE...

...SEE FOR
YOURSELF! MY
CHAUFFEUR TOOK
THESE PICTURES
JUST MINUTES
AGO.

I'D SAY THAT
THE MAN WITH
THE GLASSES WAS
DEFINITELY
TAILING YOU.



I DON'T
BELIEVE IT.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON?
WHAT OTHER SECRETS
DOES "YOUR" LEX
KEEP FROM YOU?

NO! I DON'T BELIEVE IT.
MAYBE I WAS BEING FOLLOWED,
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN LEX
WAS RESPONSIBLE.

THAT MAN COULD HAVE
BEEN SENT BY ONE OF LEX'S
ENEMIES... MAYBE EVEN BY
YOU! WHAT ARE YOU DOING
IN SINGAPORE ANYWAY?

AS I SAID, DEAR,
I TRAVEL. IT WAS
SIMPLY CHANCE
THAT WE WERE BOTH
IN THIS CITY AT THE
SAME TIME. BELIEVE
ME--I'M NOT AN
ENEMY... NOT OF
YOU!

WE ALL DO FOOLISH
THINGS FOR LOVE. I
SURVIVED BEING
MRS. LEX LUTHOR...
HOPEFULLY, I'M THE
WISER FOR IT. I
THOUGHT I'D PASS
ON SOME OF THAT
WISDOM...

IS
THAT
SO?!

WELL, IF YOU'RE
REALLY WISE, YOU'LL
HAVE YOUR DRIVER
STOP THIS CAR--

-- BEFORE
I STOP IT
FOR HIM!!

WAS I EVER THAT SURE OF
MYSELF AND MY PLACE IN THE
WORLD?

MA'AM?

NOTHING, CHARLES...
TAKE US TO THE
AIRPORT.

I HOPE THAT SHE'S RIGHT.
PERHAPS THE RUMORS I'VE
HEARD WERE GROUNDEDLESS...
PERHAPS THE SECOND LEX
LUTHOR IS DIFFERENT FROM
THE FIRST...

"...PERHAPS SUPERGIRL WILL BE
LUCKIER AT LOVE THAN I WAS."

SO, LEX IS A LITTLE
POSSESSIVE--SO WHAT?
THAT DOESN'T MEAN
THAT HE'D HAVE ME
FOLLOWED!

AFTER ALL, I KNOW THAT
CLARK KENT IS SUPERMAN. I'VE
NEVER BREATHED A WORD
ABOUT THAT TO ANYONE--NOT
EVEN LEX--DOES THAT MAKE
ME DISHONEST?

'COURSE NOT! IT
WOULD DISRUPT CLARK'S
LIFE AND REALLY WRECK
THINGS FOR HIS PARENTS...
MAYBE EVEN PUT THEIR
LIVES IN DANGER, IF I
LET HIS SECRET OUT!
AND I OWE THE KENTS
SO MUCH...

SURE, I'VE SEEN
HIM GET A LITTLE
SPITEFUL IN HIS
BUSINESS DEALINGS...
BUT THAT DOESN'T
MEAN HE'S AS BAD
AS HIS FATHER.

OKAY, MAYBE LEX HAS EVEN
KEPT SOME SECRETS FROM ME!
THAT DOESN'T MAKE HIM DISHONEST!
I'VE KEPT SECRETS FROM
HIM, TOO!

...THEY NURSED ME BACK
TO HEALTH, GAVE ME THE ONLY
FAMILY LIFE I'D EVER KNOWN.
I'D NEVER DO ANYTHING TO
HURT THEM... EVEN THOUGH
THEY'RE AS DOWN ON LEX
AS THAT DARN PERSKE
WOMAN!

GOOD
LORD!



AND THAT'S THIRTY MINUTES! VERY GOOD, SUPERGIRL, YOU CAN RACK THE GAMMA UNIT NOW.

HMM? OH, SURE.

THAT THING MUST WEIGH TONS, BUT SHE'S HANDLING IT SO... SO CASUALLY... ALMOST ABSENTMINDEDLY.



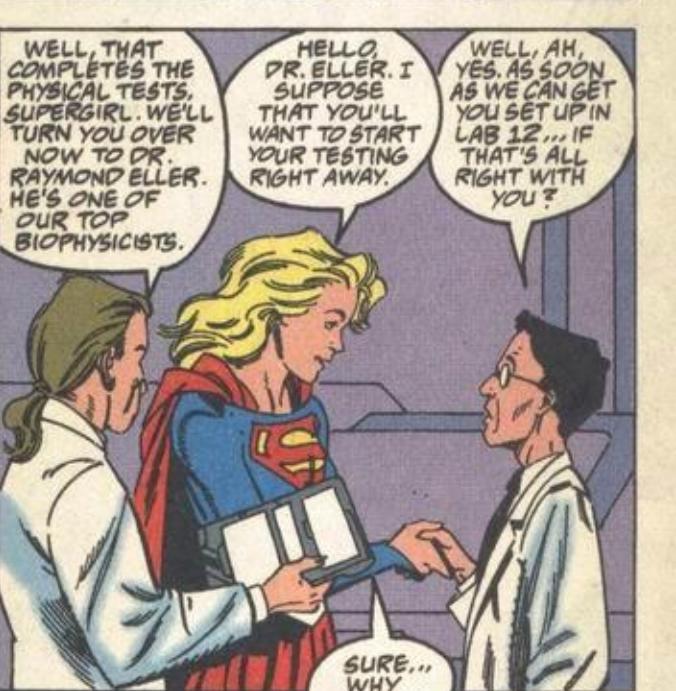
WELL, THAT COMPLETES THE PHYSICAL TESTS, SUPERGIRL. WE'LL TURN YOU OVER NOW TO DR. RAYMOND ELLER. HE'S ONE OF OUR TOP BIOPHYSICISTS.

HELLO, DR. ELLER. I SUPPOSE THAT YOU'LL WANT TO START YOUR TESTING RIGHT AWAY.

WELL, AH, YES. AS SOON AS WE CAN GET YOU SET UP IN LAB 12... IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU?

I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF I SHOULD BELIEVE THAT ELIZABETH HAD BEEN MARRIED TO LEX'S FATHER...

...MAYBE THAT WAS A LIE, TOO. THOUGH, I SUPPOSE I COULD CHECK--!



AMAZING, SIMPLY AMAZING.

ANYTHING TO TAKE MY MIND OFF THINGS.



NOW THAT THE STRESS TESTS ARE FINISHED, WE'LL BE EXAMINING THE MECHANISM BEHIND YOUR SHAPE-SHIFTING POWERS.

THIS ARMBAND HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO RECORD ANY BIOCHEMICAL CHANGES--GALVANIC SKIN RESPONSES, ENDOCRINE REACTIONS, AND SO FORTH--WHICH OCCUR DURING YOUR...ER... TRANSFORMATIONS.

UH-HUH.

NOW THEN, I SUGGEST THAT WE START WITH A FEW SIMPLE...



OH, GENDER IS HARDLY A RESTRICTION, DOCTOR. ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, THE BIOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN AREN'T THAT EXTREME.

G-QUIETE RIGHT. THEN...YOU COULD BECOME ANYMAN-- AS WELL AS ANY WOMAN--WITHOUT EXPERIENCING ANY PAIN?

NOT ALWAYS. THERE'S PAIN ONLY IF I SIGNIFICANTLY TAKE ON MASS TO INCREASE MY VOLUME.

YOU CAN DO THAT?! HOW--?

THEN BY ALL MEANS, SHOW ME! WE MUST UNDERSTAND THE MECHANISMS!

I'M REALLY NOT SURE HOW...I JUST KNOW THAT I CAN.

YOU WANT ME TO BEEF UP RIGHT NOW?

PLEASE.

WELL...OKAY...



I TOLD YOU... THERE WAS... PAIN... INVOLVED.

:HUFF: THERE.



YOU HAVE TAKEN
ON MASS! AND YOUR
MUSCLE DEFINITION
IS INCREDIBLE!

WE MUST RUN
MORE TESTS AT
ONCE.

I WAS AFRAID
YOU'D SAY
THAT.

WELL, I
ASKED FOR
THIS.

OKAY,
LET'S DO
IT...

"...AND GET IT
OVER WITH!"

AM I BEAT!
"GROW TO THIS
SIZE... TAKE ON
THAT FORM..."

TWO DAYS OF
ELLER'S EXAMS WERE
MORE WEARYING THAN
THE WHOLE PAST
WEEK OF STRESS
TESTS!

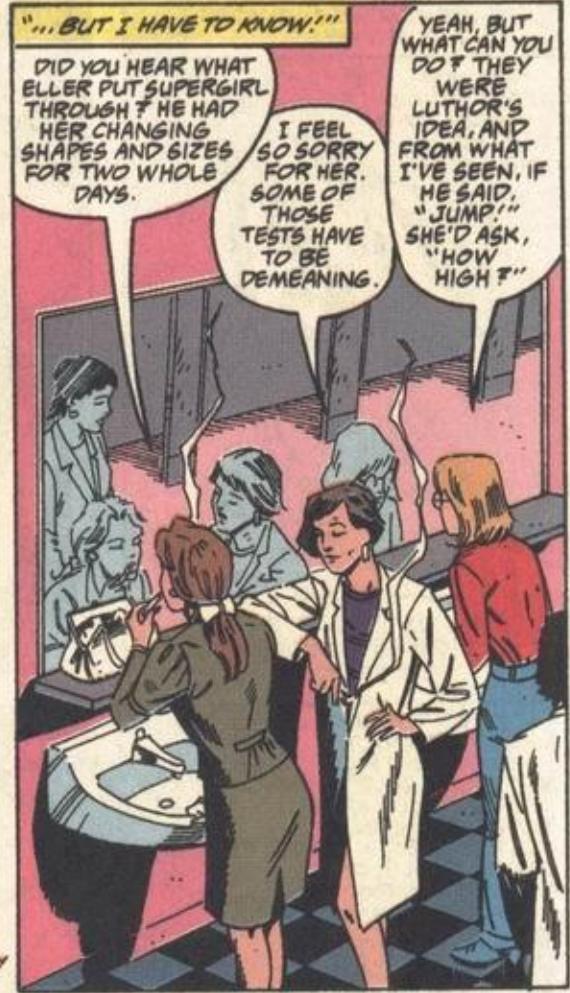
ALL I
WANNA DO
NOW IS...

HEY, THAT
LOOKS LIKE--!

IT IS! IT'S THE
MAN FROM
PERSKE'S
PICTURES... MY
"STALKER."

AND I
COULD HAVE
SWORN THAT...





NO ONE IS SUPPOSED
TO KNOW WHAT?

OHMM, EVER SINCE
MY RUN-IN WITH PERSKE,
EVERYTHING IS SOUNDING
SO SUSPICIOUS. I HATE
ACTING LIKE SUCH A
SNOOP...

"...BUT I MUST GET TO THE
BOTTOM OF THIS!"

HAVE YOU HAD A
CHANCE TO GO OVER
ANY OF THE INITIAL
DATA I SENT YOU
YESTERDAY, DR.
HAPPSEN?

REALLY?
TO USE? HOW-?

YOU'LL FIND
OUT EVENTUALLY,
RAY... ON A
NEED-TO-KNOW
BASIS.

SIR? ARE
YOU ALL RIGHT?
YOU DON'T SOUND
WELL. I HEARD
THAT YOU HAD AN
ACCIDENT...

Dr. R.P. ELLER

YES... YES.
AS A MATTER
OF FACT, WE'VE
PUT SOME OF
IT TO USE
ALREADY!

ACCIDENT... YES, I SUPPOSE
THAT'S THE BEST WAY TO
DESCRIBE IT. AN EXPERIMENT
BACKFIRED ON ME. I'M
AFRAID.*

THE UPSHOT IS THAT
THE DATA WE'VE COLLECTED
ON SUPERGIRL IS
INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT.
I'M GOING TO NEED YOU
STATESIDE.

NO... NOT
METROPOLIS. I'M
AT A SPECIAL
SECRET FACILITY.
YOU'LL BE BROUGHT
HERE TO ASSIST ME
ON OPERATION:
PROTOMATTER.
YOU ARE TO
BRING ALL YOUR
DATA.

WHAT?
BACK IN
METROPOLIS?

SHOULD
SUPERCYRIL
COME ALONG?

NO! NO... IT IS
BEST THAT SHE KNOW
NOTHING ABOUT THIS.
IN FACT, WE WANT HER
TO STAY IN ASIA FOR
THE TIME BEING...

"IN SUPERMAN #37,
NOW ON SALE!"

