



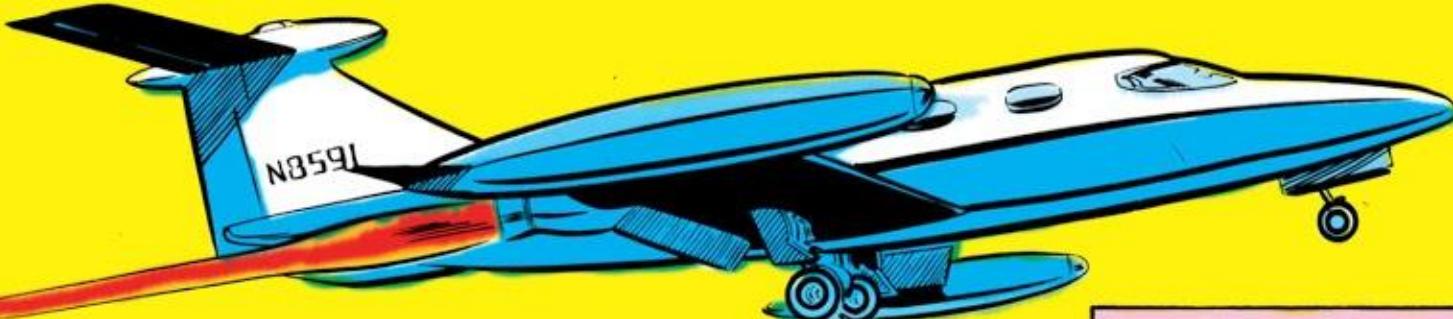
PART THREE OF FOUR

BATMAN. TEN NIGHTS OF THE BEGGAR

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DAY 5, 8:55 A.M. GOTHAM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.



THEIR FLIGHT TOOK OFF RIGHT ON TIME.

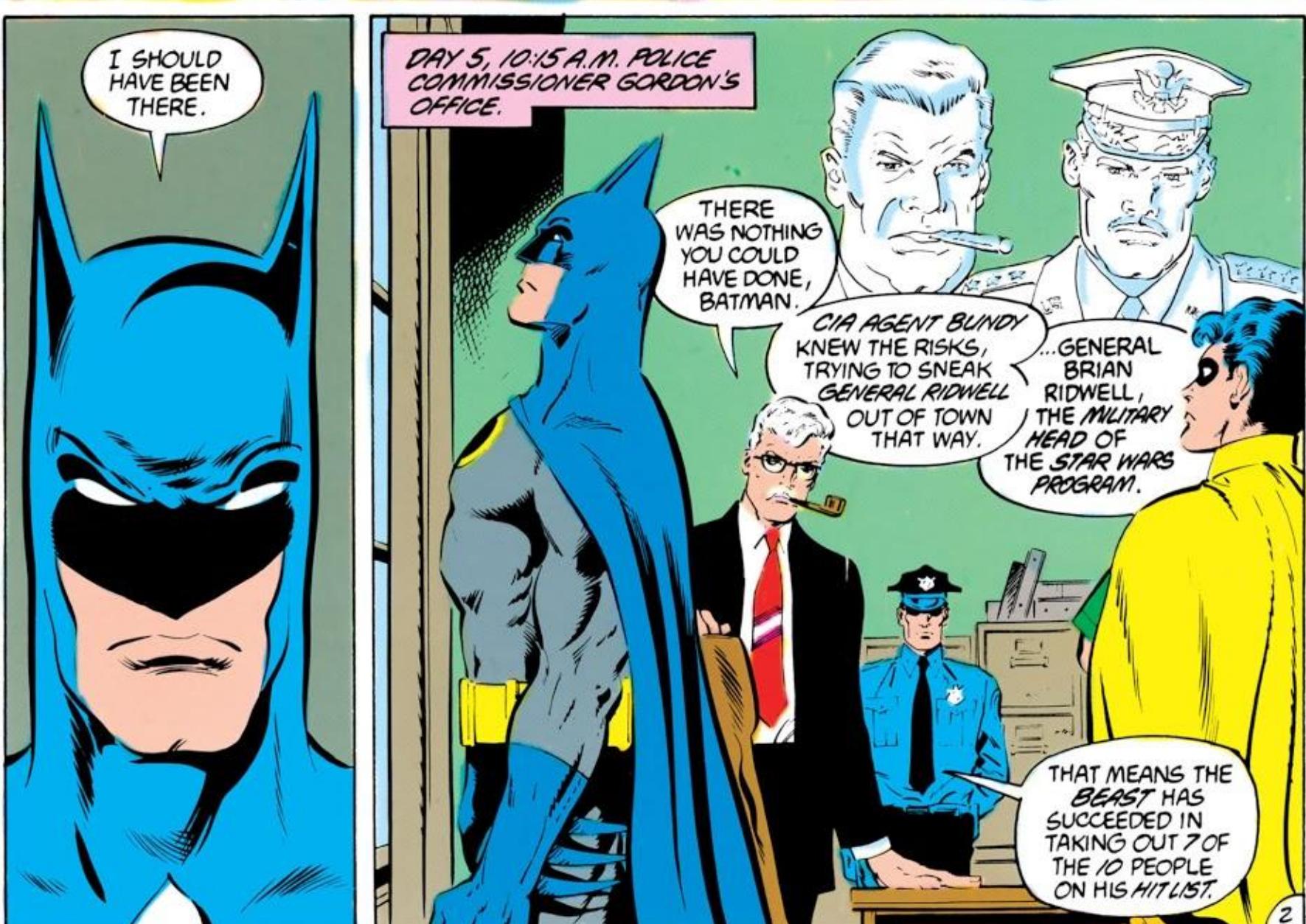
IT LOOKED LIKE WE'D
FINALLY OUTSMARTED
THE BEAST.

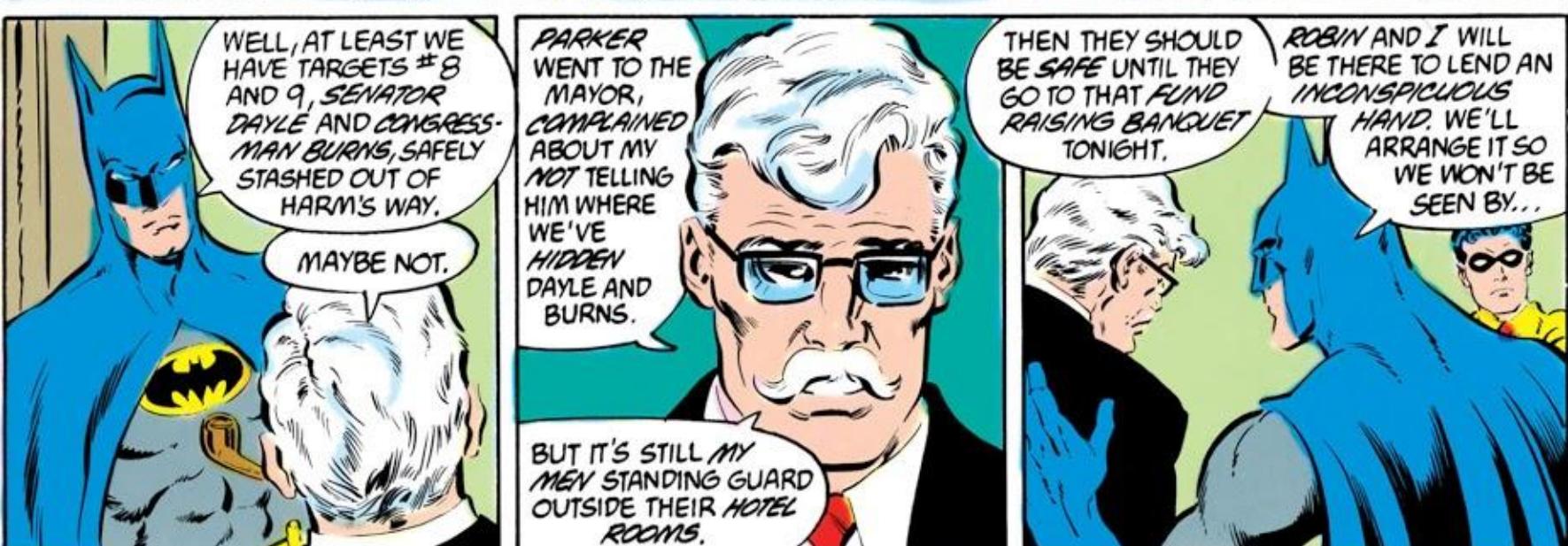
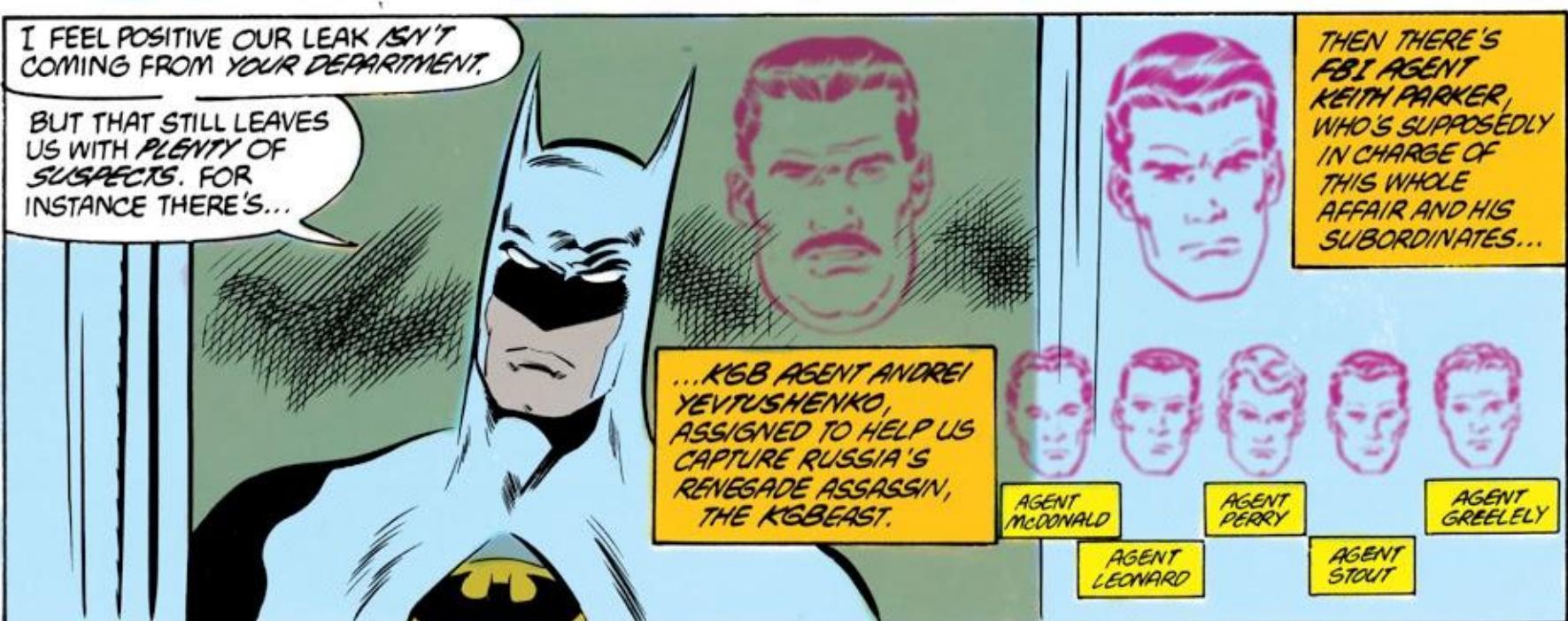
WE WERE WRONG,
OF COURSE.

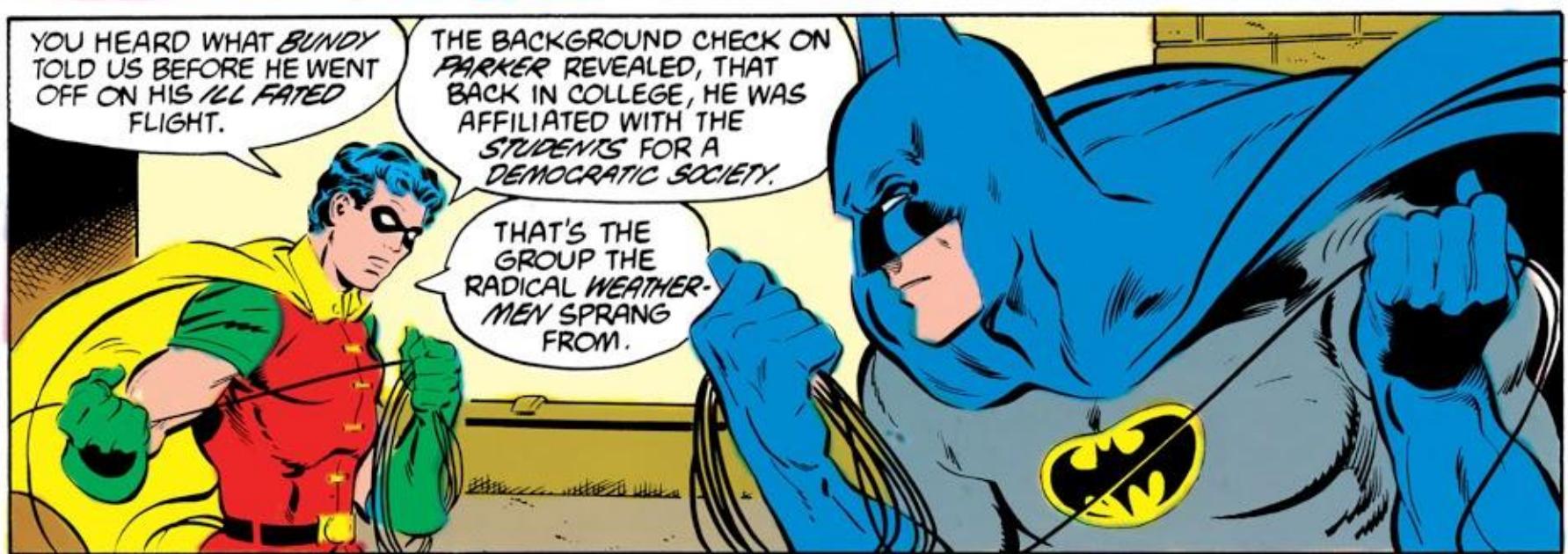
NO ONE COULD HAVE
SURVIVED THAT INFERNO.

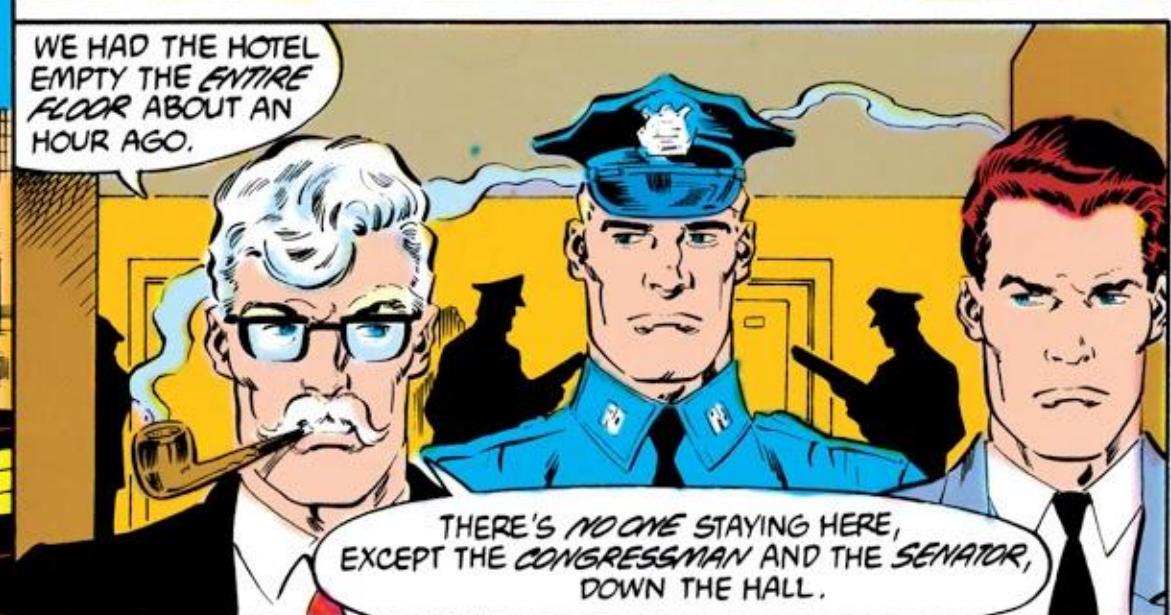
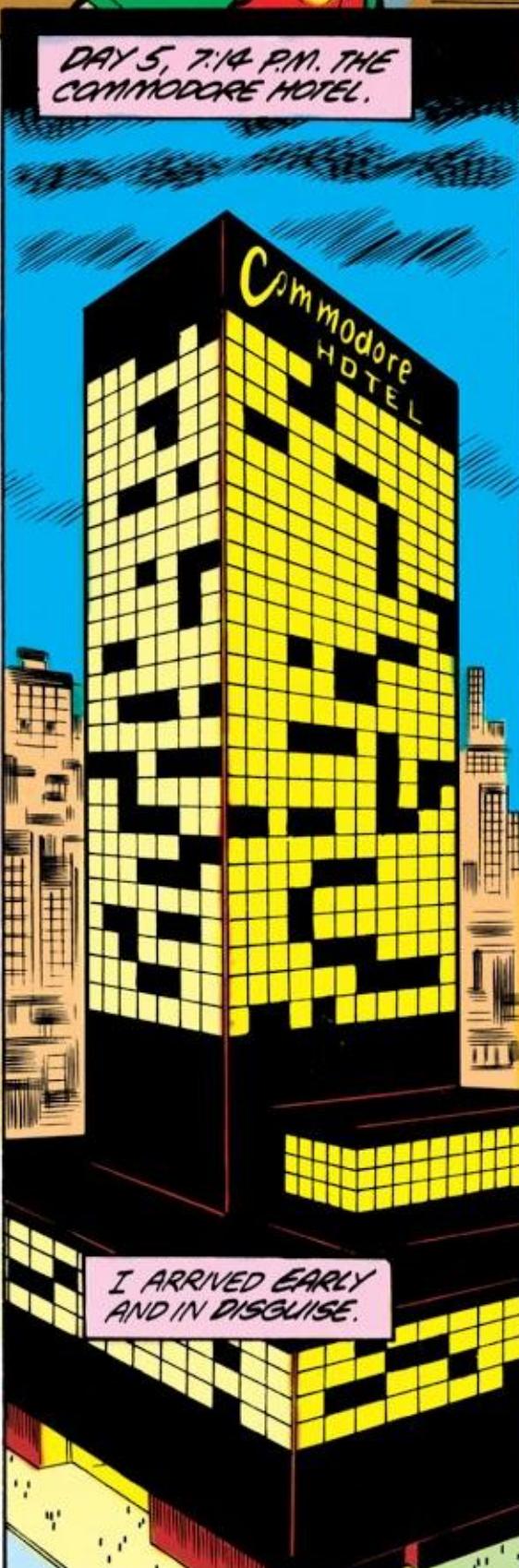
PART III

TEN NIGHTS OF THE BEAST!









I WOULDN'T BE AT ALL SURPRISED TO FIND OUT, IT'S THAT VIGILANTE WHO'S LEAKING SECRET INFORMATION TO THE BEAST.

WELL, IT'S TIME TO GET THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD.

I TOOK ONE LAST LOOK DOWN THE HALLWAY TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING WAS IN ORDER.

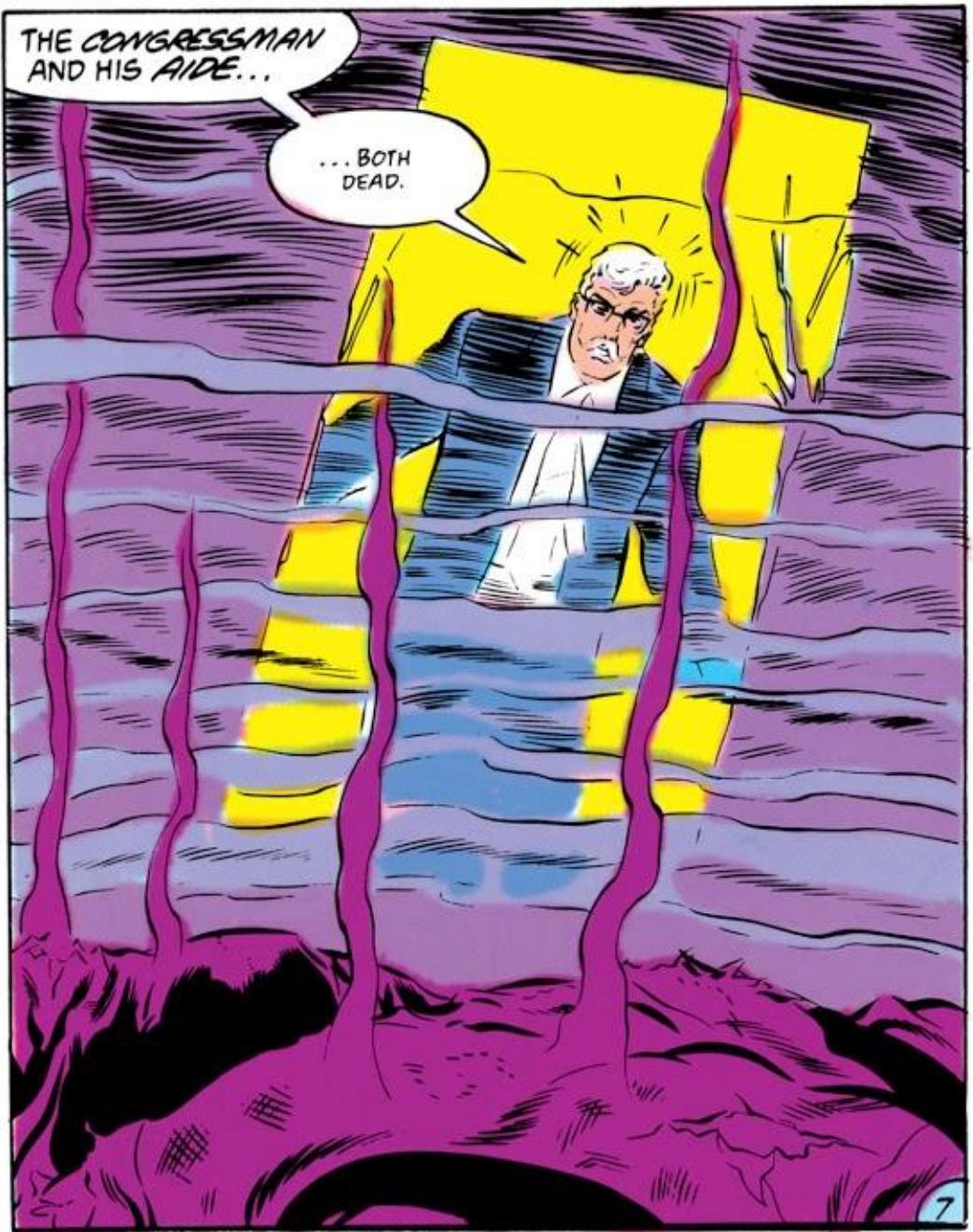
THAT'S WHEN I SAW IT.

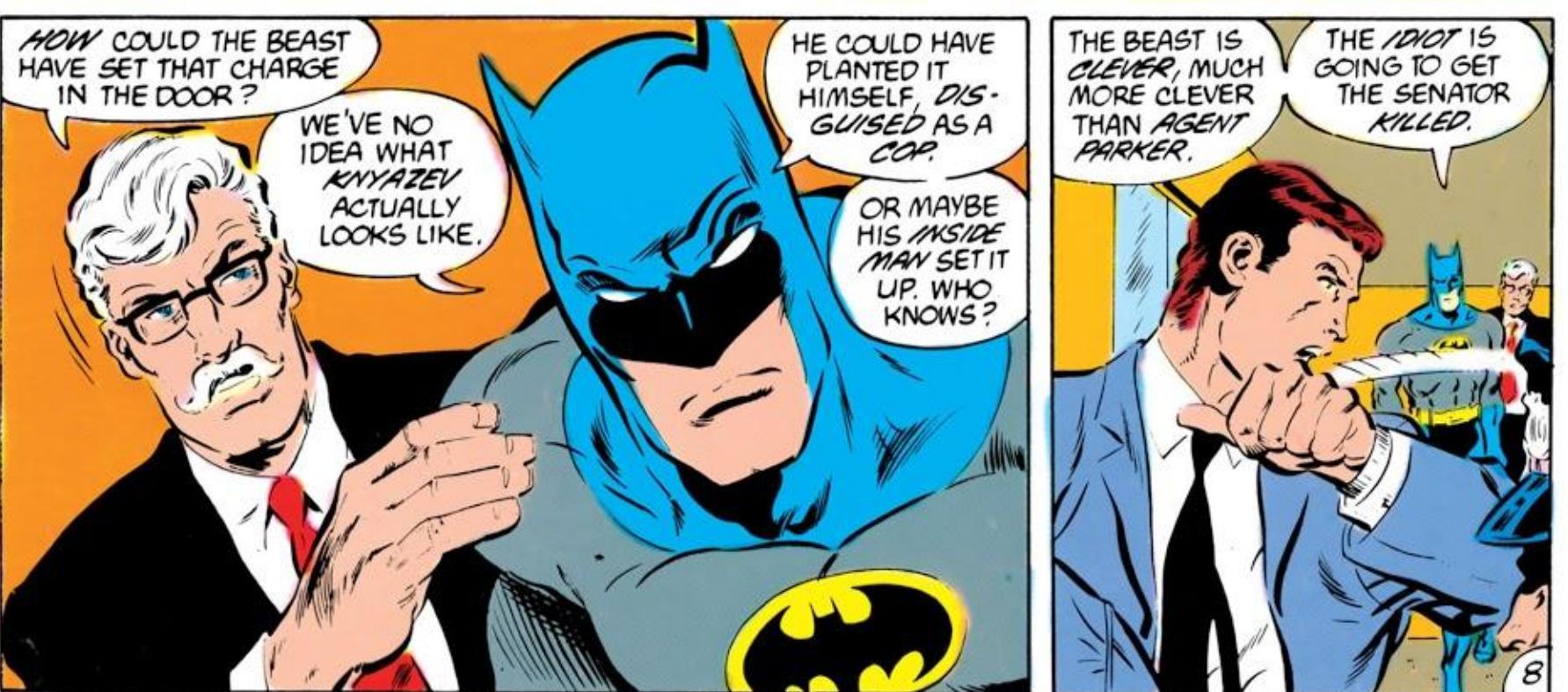
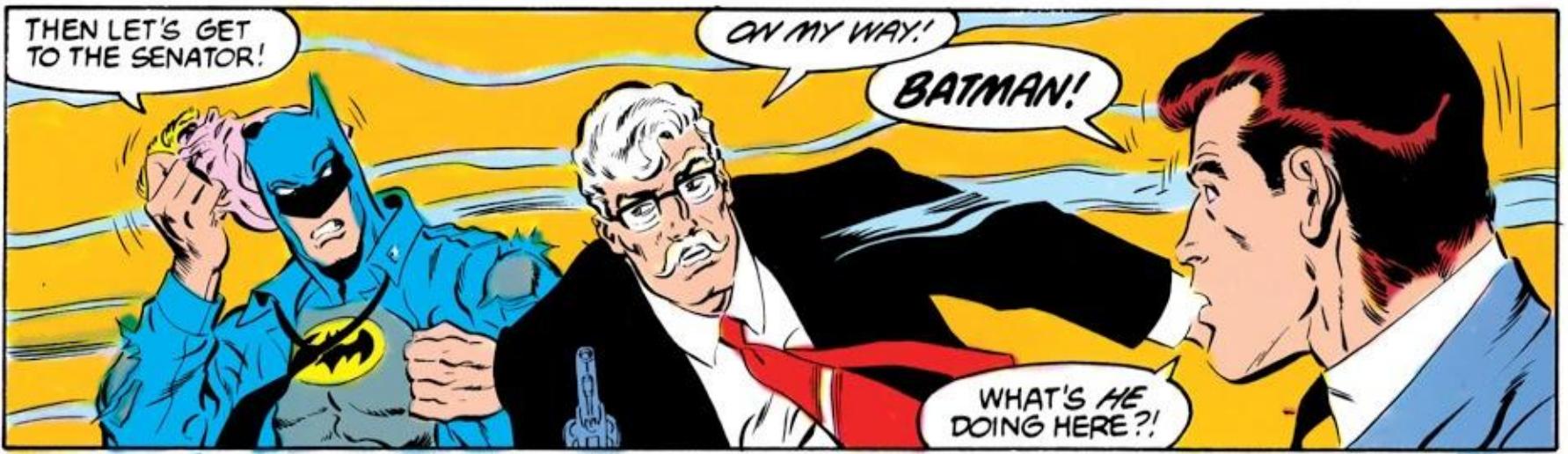
THE CONGRESSMAN'S DOOR KNOB WAS...

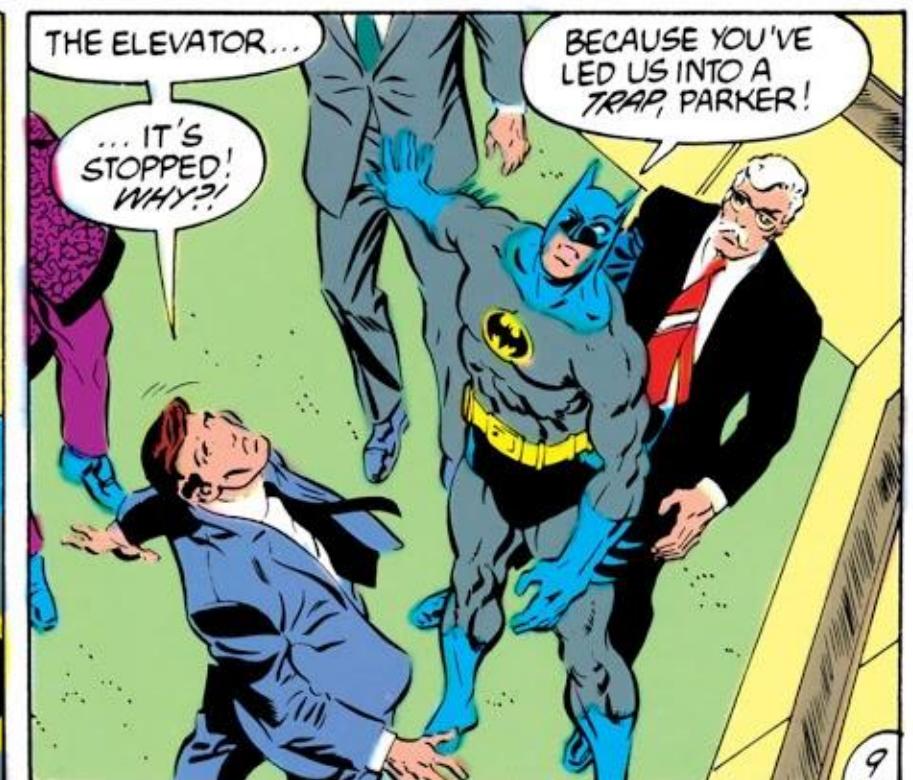
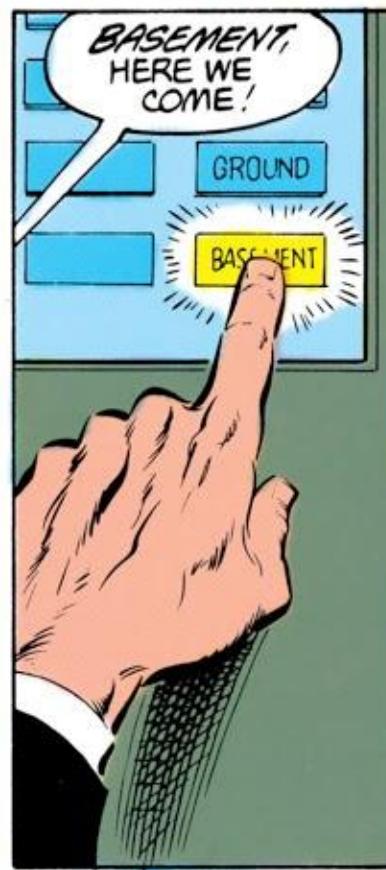
... DIFFERENT FROM ANY OF THE OTHERS ON THAT FLOOR.

I KNEW I WAS TOO LATE, BUT I HAD TO TRY.

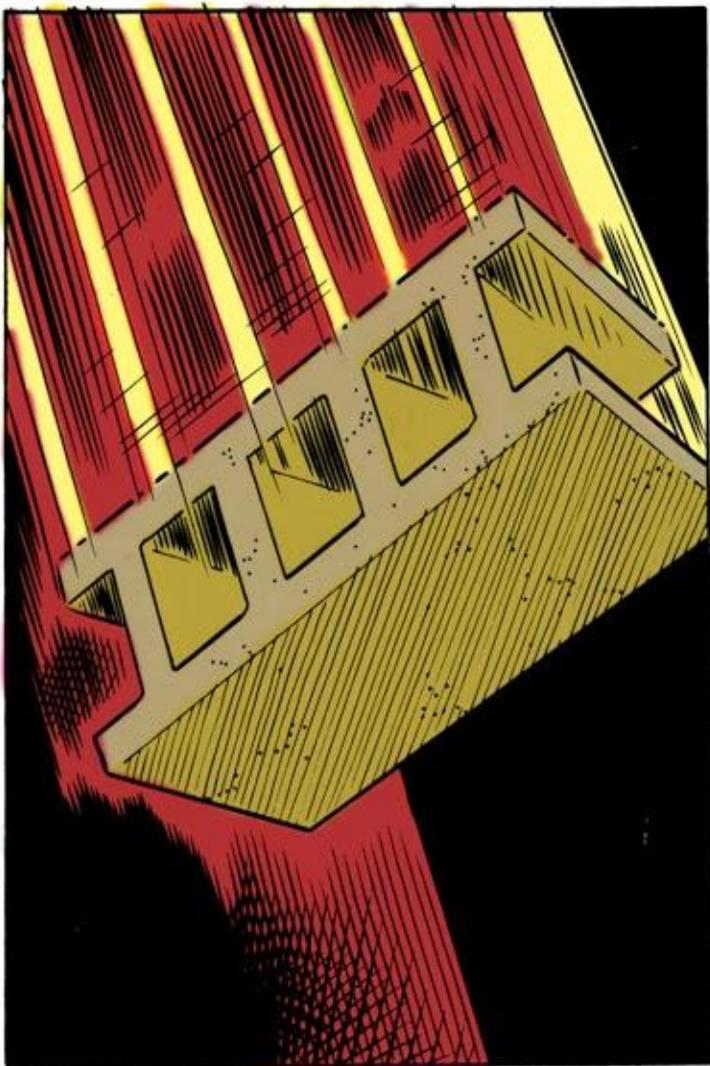
GET AWAY FROM THAT DOOR!







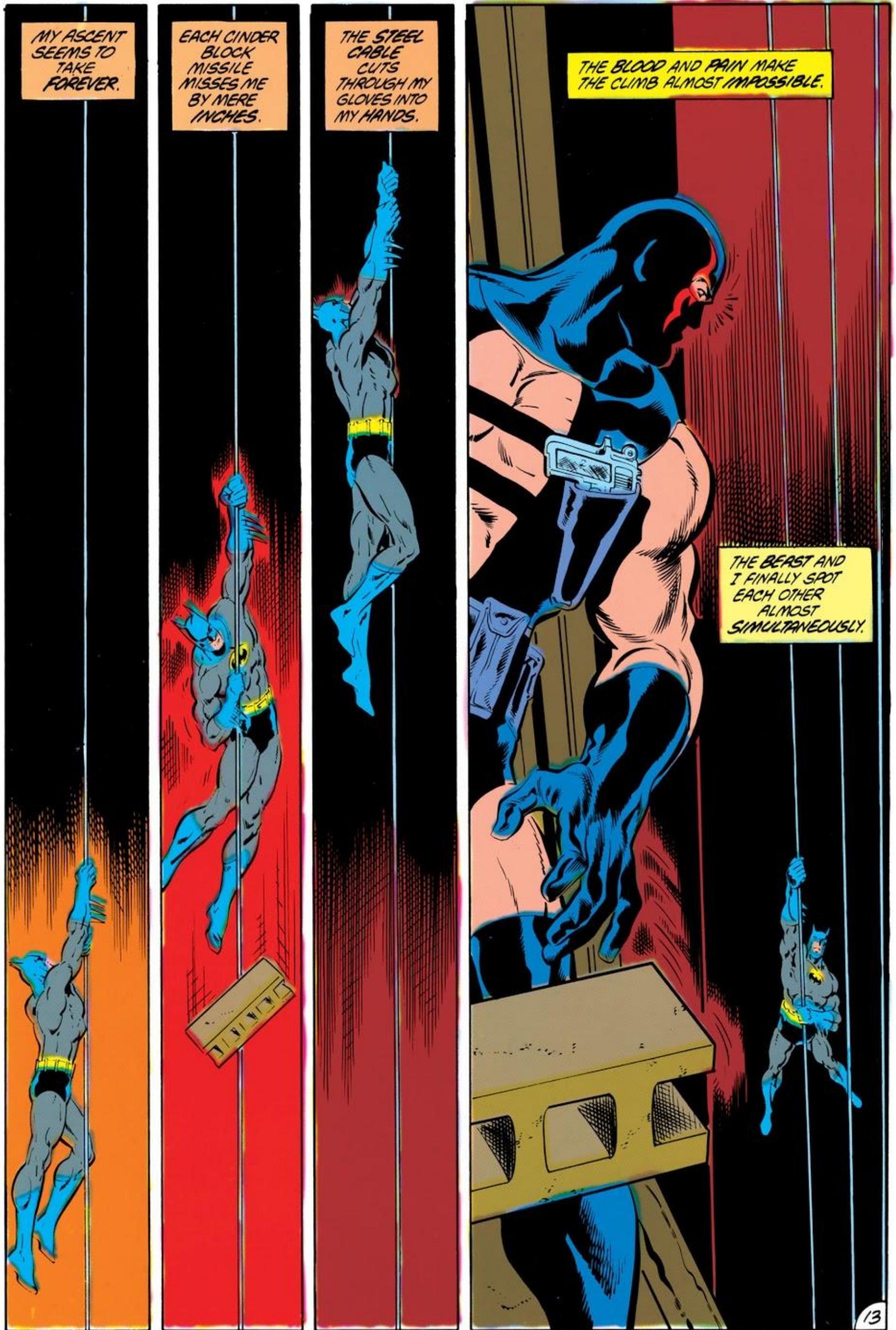


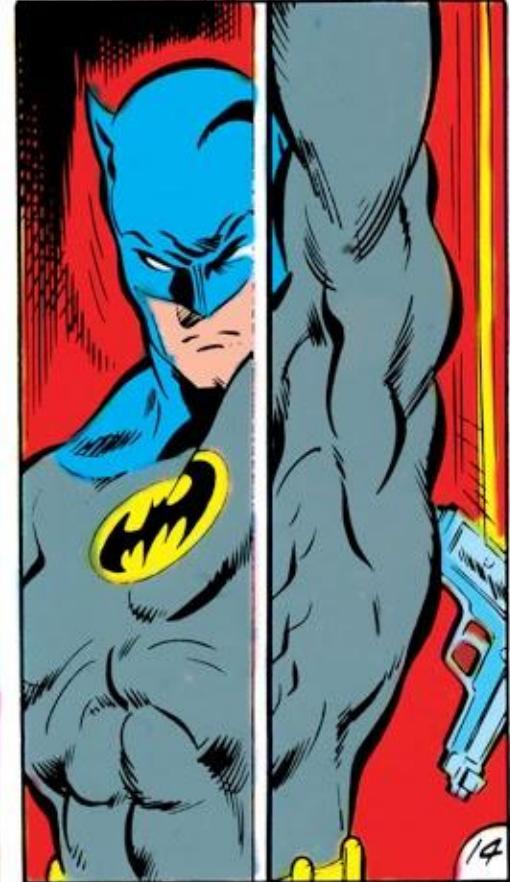


HOTEL MUST BE
HAVING SOME
CONSTRUCTION
TAKING PLACE ON
THE TOP FLOOR,
FIFTEEN STORIES
ABOVE ME.

THE MANAGEMENT HAS PROVIDED
ALL THE CONCRETE MISSILES THE
BEAST WILL EVER NEED.







THAT'S THE MOMENT THE POLICE DECIDE TO BREAK IN ON HIM.

BUT THE BEAST IS NEVER TAKEN UNAWARE AND HELPLESS.



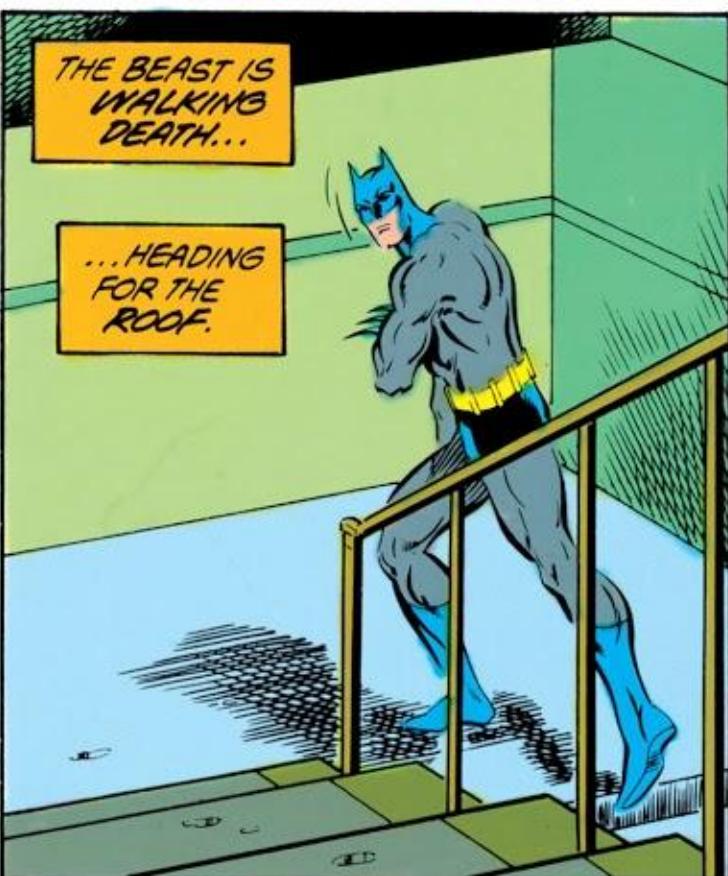
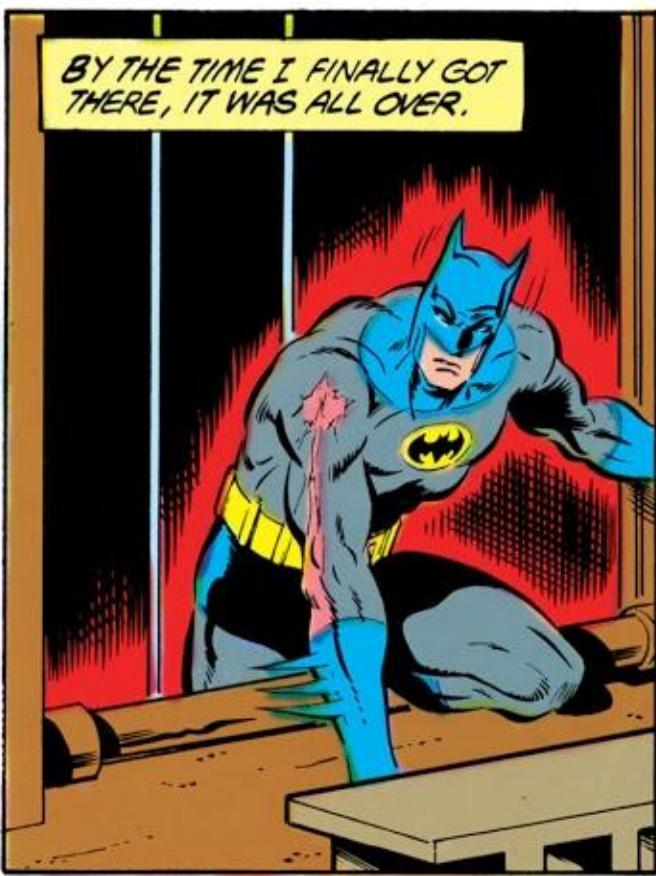
EVERYTHING IN THE WORLD'S A WEAPON AS FAR AS HE'S CONCERNED.

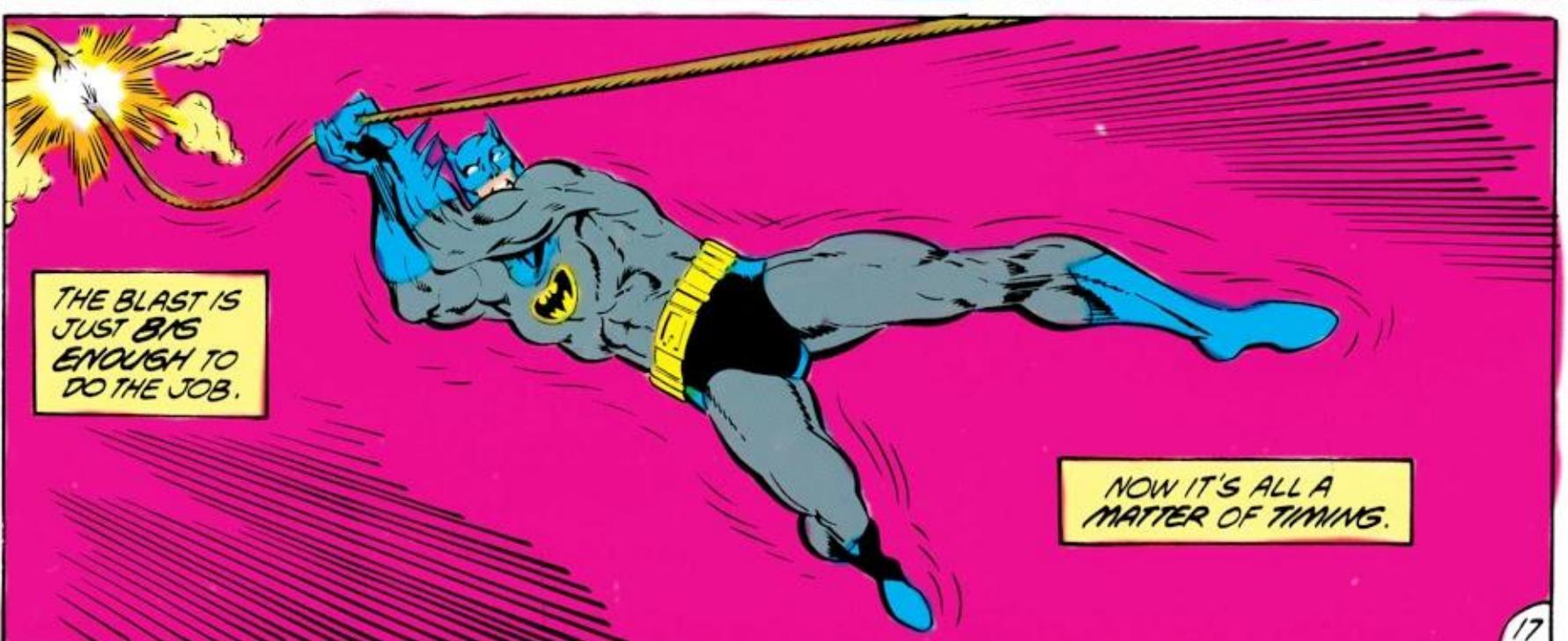
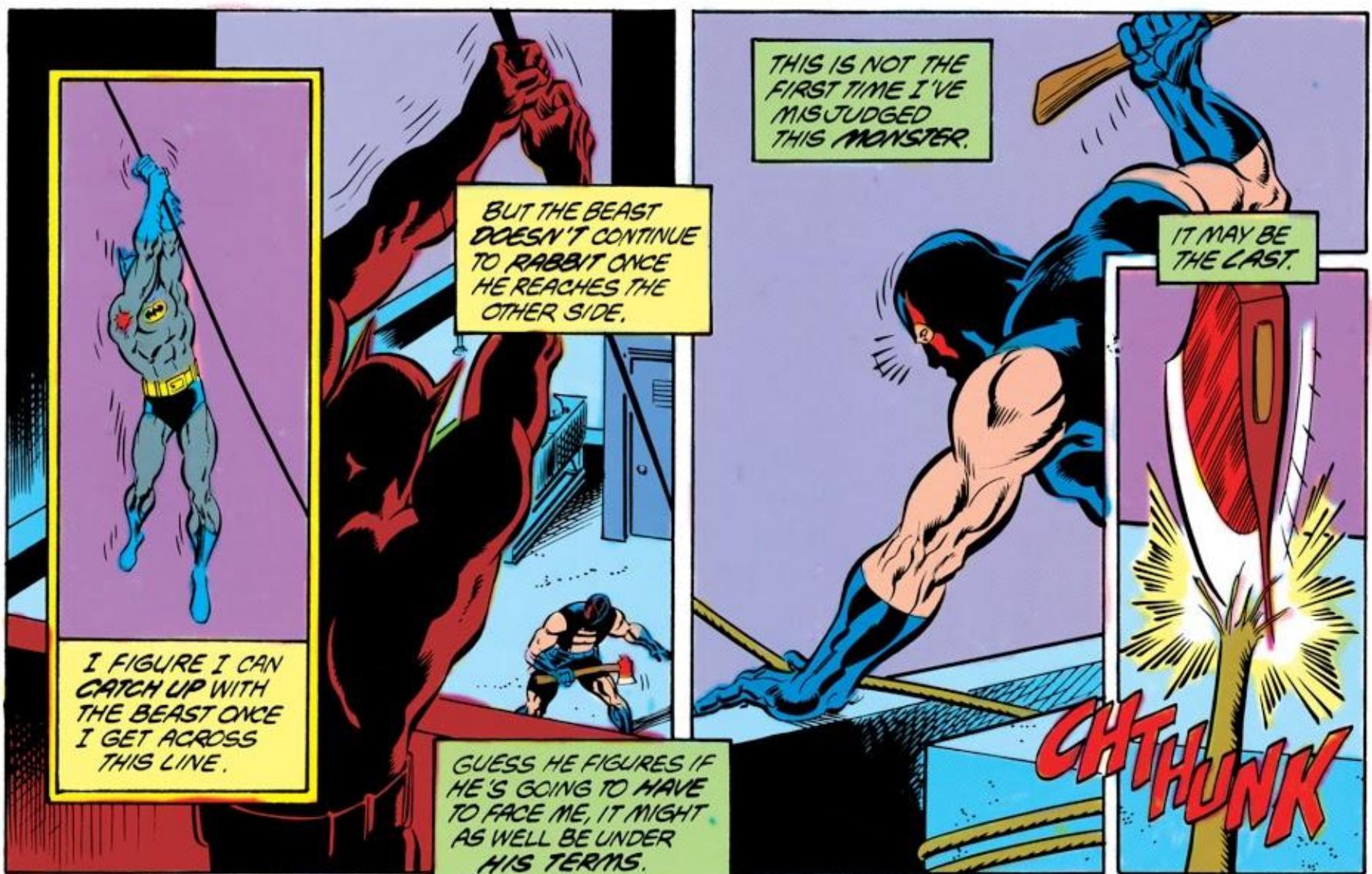
THE POLICE, UNFORTUNATELY, HAVE BEEN TRAINED TO GIVE A SUSPECT A CHANCE TO SURRENDER BEFORE THEY OPEN FIRE.

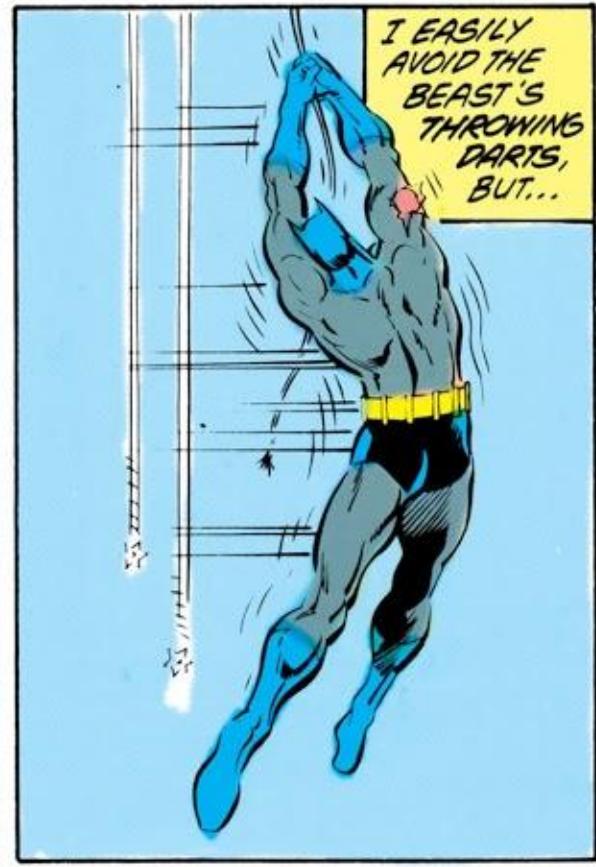
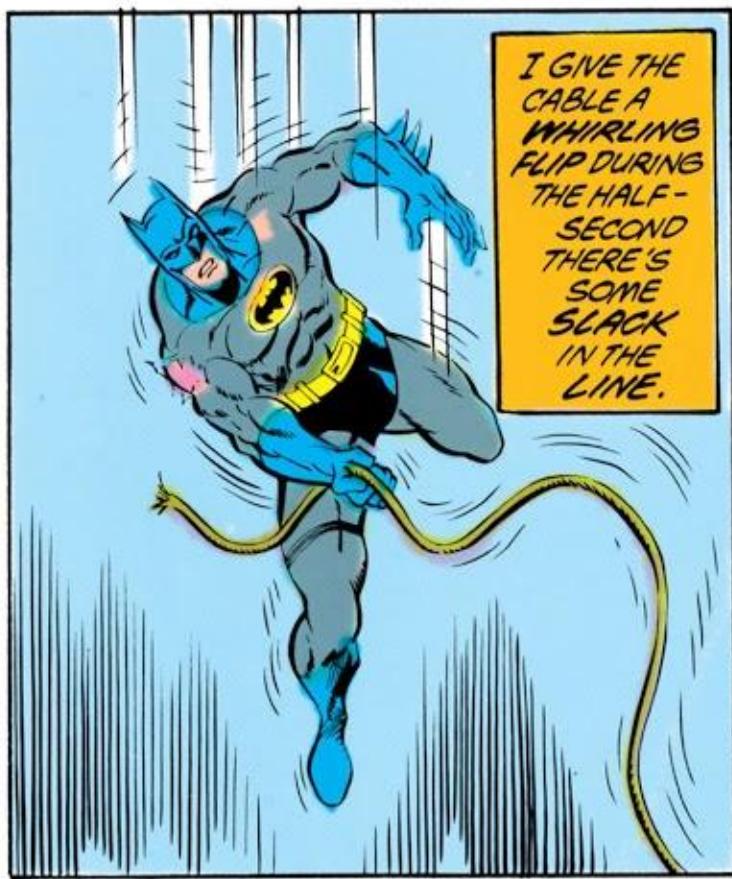
THAT MOMENT'S HESITATION IS ALL THE RUSSIAN KILLING MACHINE NEEDS.

HALF OF THE OFFICERS NEVER KNEW WHAT HIT THEM.



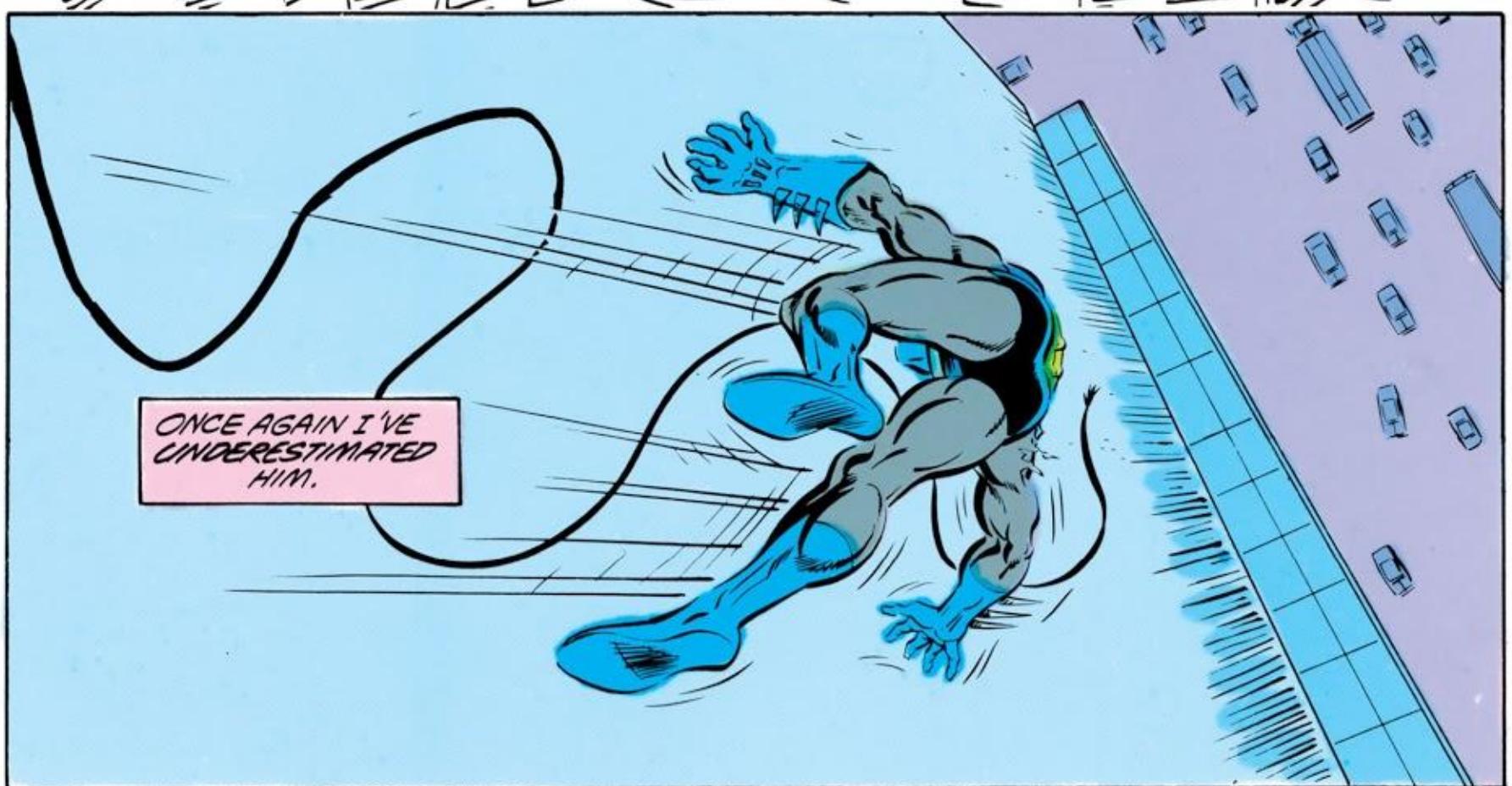








KATHUUNK!



...THE BEAST TURNS AROUND AND SWEARS AN OATH.

IF ANYONE WERE AROUND TO HEAR IT, THEY WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND THE WORDS, THEY'RE IN RUSSIAN.

BUT ONE LOOK INTO THE MAN'S EYES WOULD CLARIFY HIS MEANING.

"I WILL BE BACK!"

SO WILL I, AS SOON AS I GET BANDAGED UP A BIT.

TOUGHER FOR SOME THAN FOR OTHERS.

THE BEAST'S BODY COUNT IN GOTHAM IS NEARING THE TRIPLE DIGIT MARK.

IT'S LIKE A WAR.

IT'S BEEN A TOUGH NIGHT.

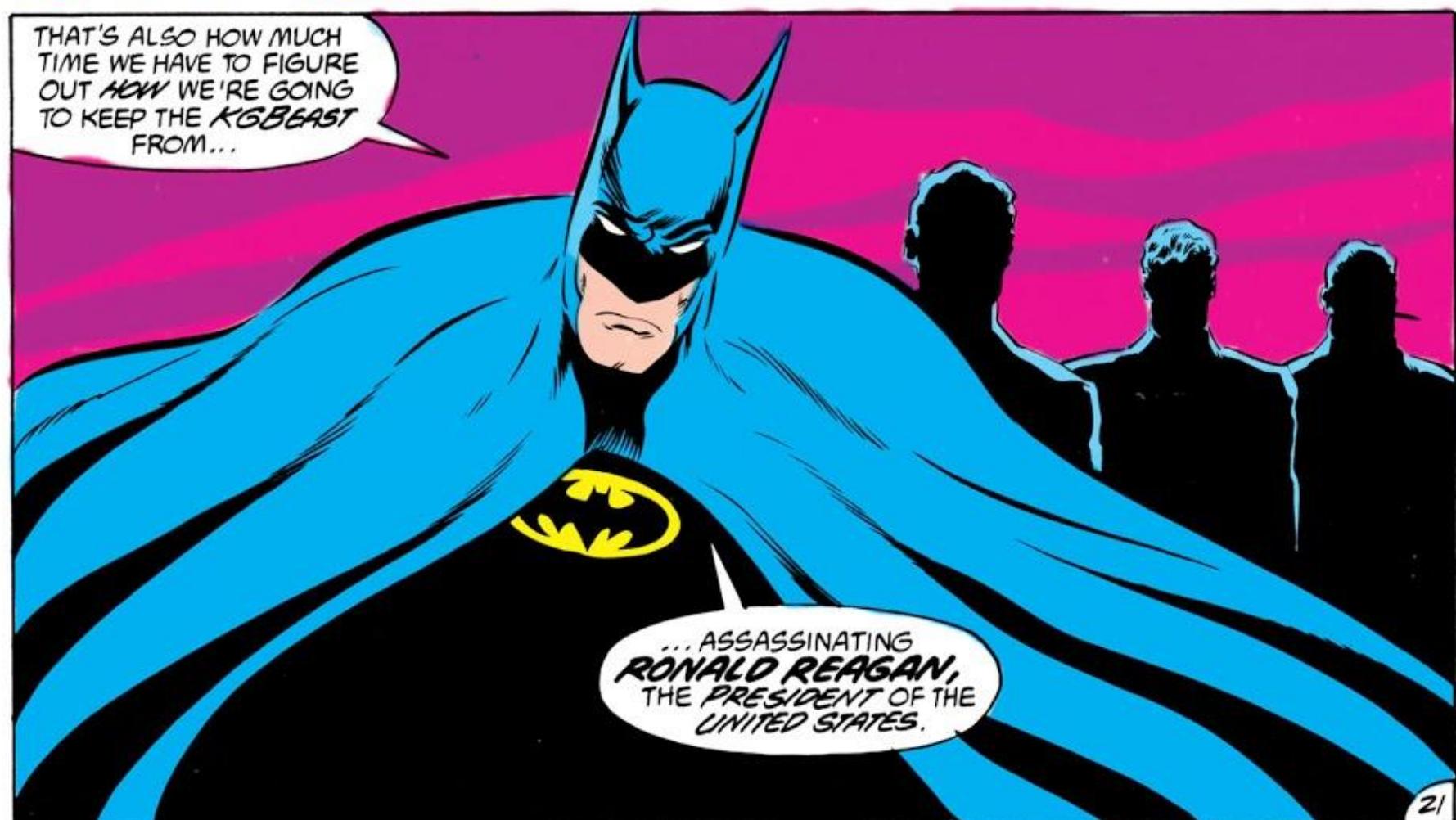
WELL, AT LEAST WE SAVED ONE OF THE BEAST'S INTENDED VICTIMS, SENATOR DAYLE.

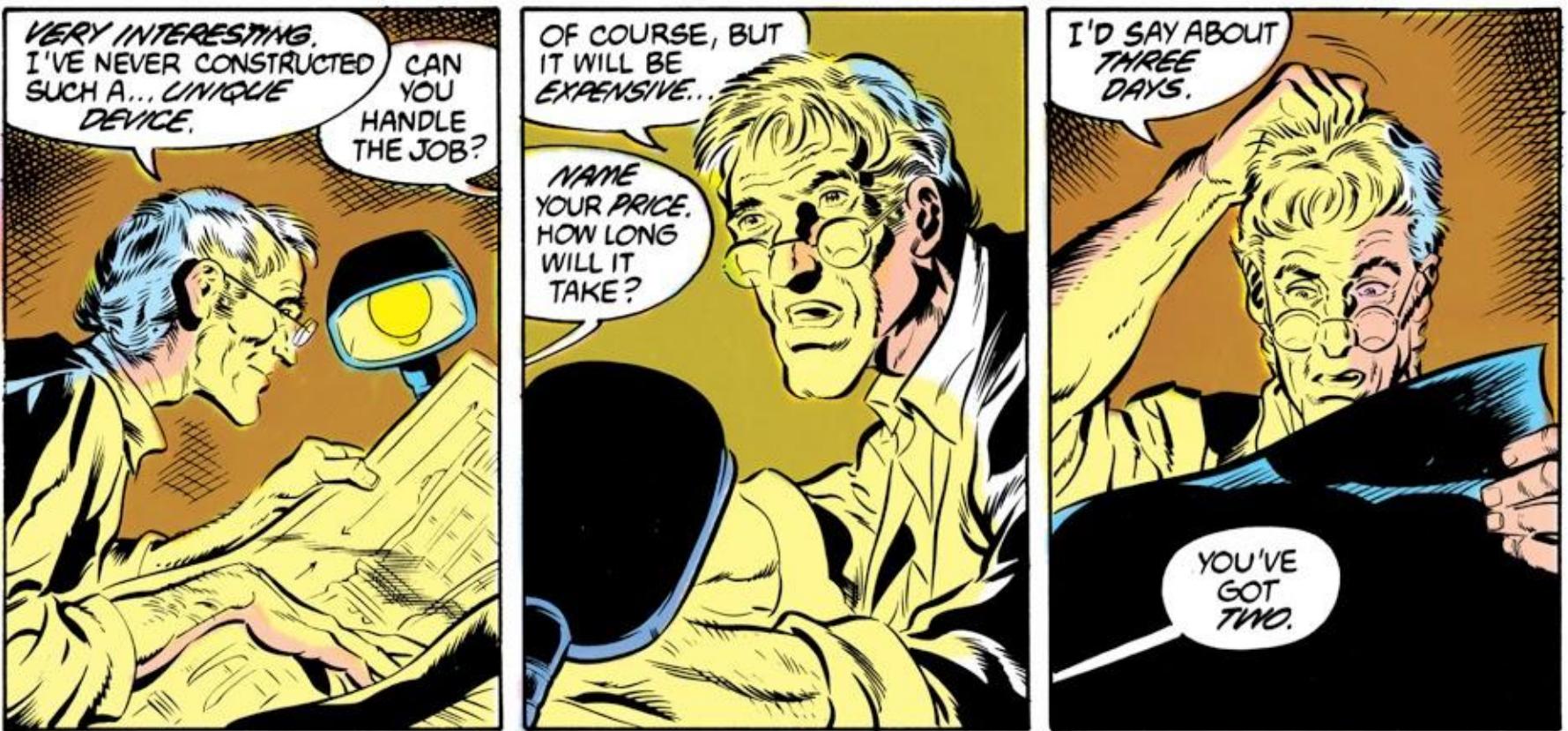
MAKE THAT TWO.

THREE IF YOU COUNT ME.

RALPH BUNDY! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DEAD!

KILLED IN THAT PLANE CRASH THIS MORNING!





JIM
STARLIN • writer

JIM
APARO • penciller

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