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the AMAZING  
**SPIDER-MAN**™

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**ROCKED  
BY THE  
SHOCKER!**

**THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN!**

# ROCKED BY... THE SHOCKER!

FORGIVE  
MY SUDDEN  
ENTRANCE,  
STACY...

BUT I  
HAPPEN  
TO BE IN A  
HURRY!

NO, NO, SPIDEY-FAN... YOU DIDN'T  
WANDER IN AT THE MIDDLE OF OUR  
STORY! IT'S JUST THAT WE HAVE SO  
MUCH ACTION COMING UP, THAT WE  
CAN'T AFFORD TO WASTE A MINUTE!  
SO, LET'S GO, GO, GO...

ZAK! THE  
SHOCKER!

WHAT DO Y...  
UNHH!

STAN  
(THE MAN)  
LEE  
AUTHOR  
  
BIG JOHN BUSCEMA  
INNOVATOR  
  
JAZZY JOHNNY ROMITA  
and  
JIM (MADMAN) MOONEY  
ILLUSTRATORS  
  
SWINGIN' SAMMY  
ROSEN,  
LETTERER

IF OUR VILLAIN LOOKS FAMILIAR  
TO YOU, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'VE  
PREVIOUSLY THRILLED TO HIS  
PULSATING POWER IN SPIDER-MAN  
#46! BUT TAKE IT FROM US...  
YOU'VE NEVER SEEN HIM AS  
DANGEROUS AS NOW...



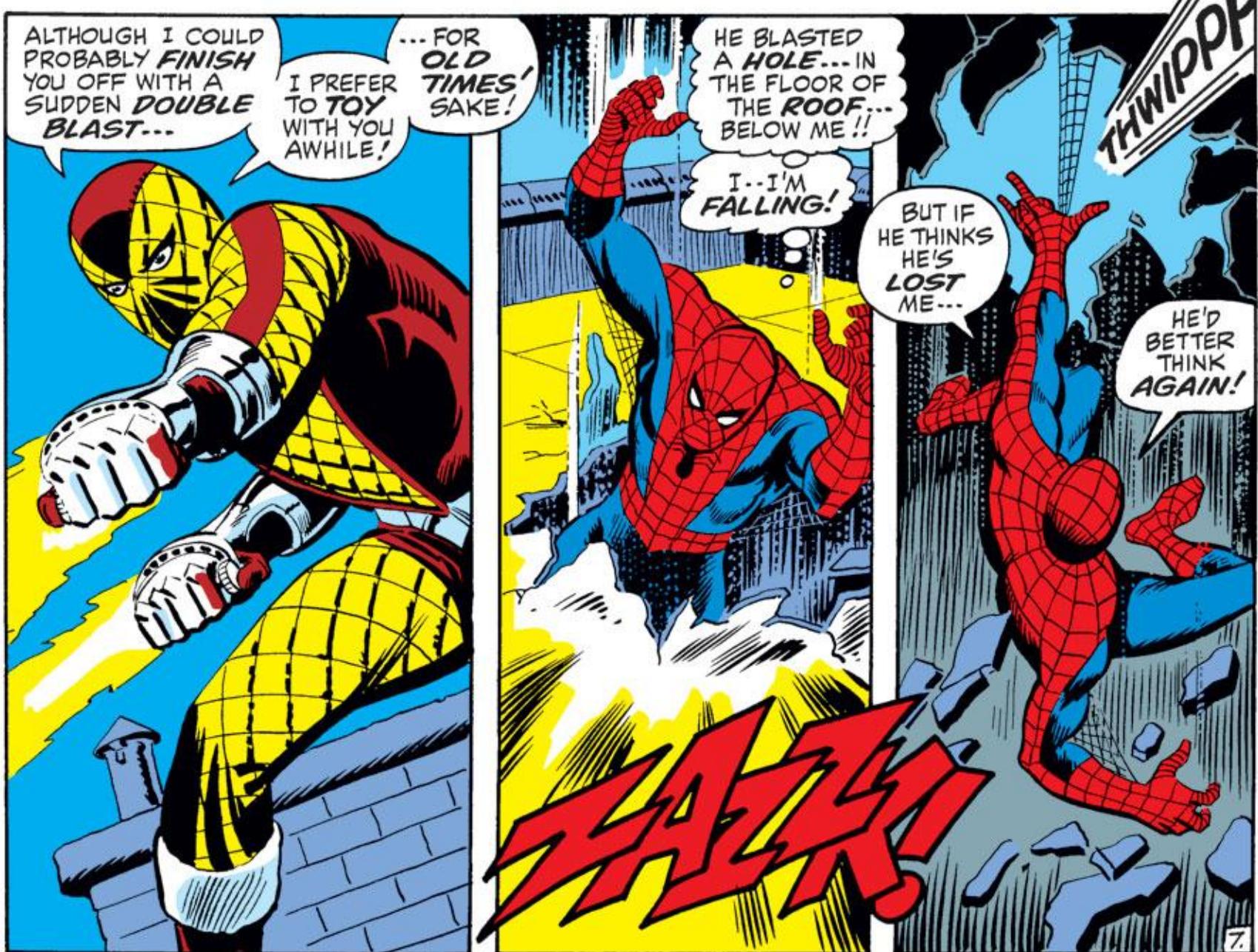


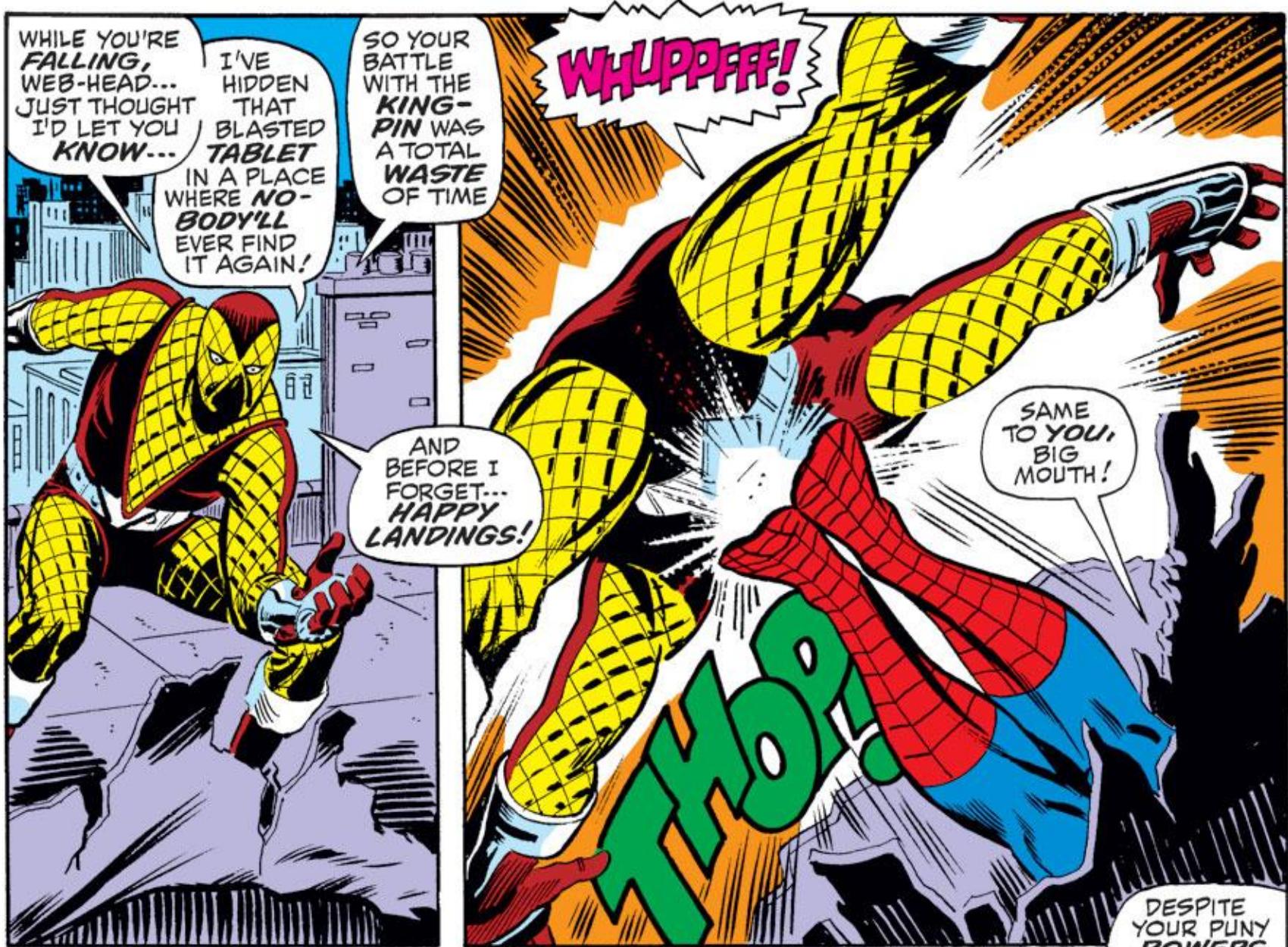
WE MUST ADMIT THAT GROOVY GWENDY HAS POSED A MOST INTERESTING QUESTION! BUT, BEFORE TRYING TO ANSWER IT, LET'S VISIT A SEEDY LITTLE PAWNSHOP ON A SEEDY LITTLE SIDE-STREET---

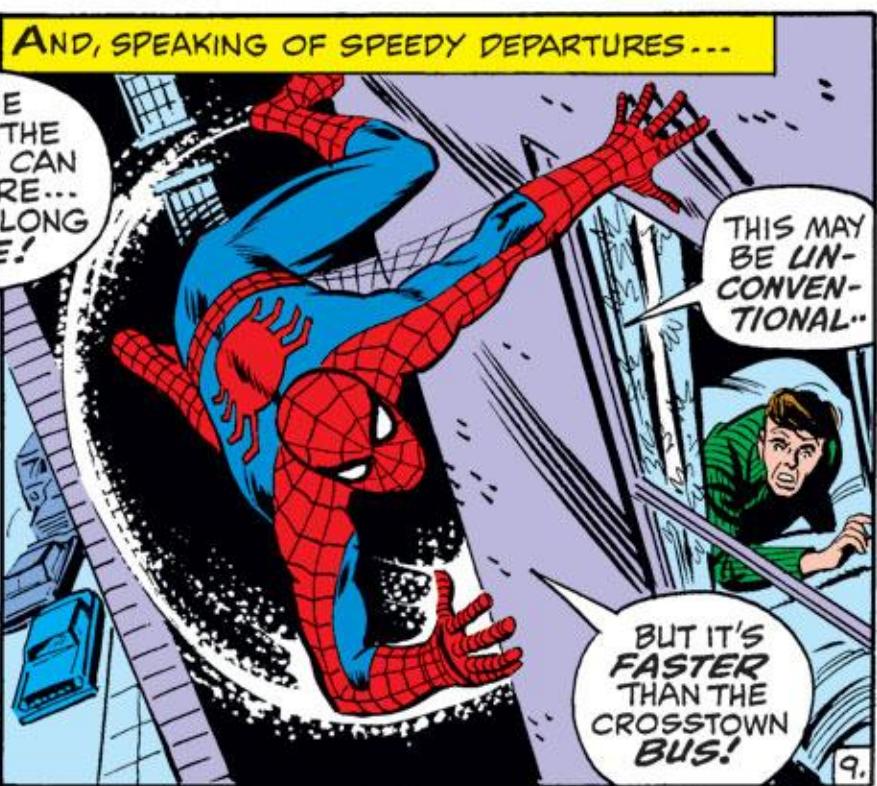












AND NOW, FOR THE BENEFIT OF AUNT MAY'S COUNTLESS FANS, WE HAPPILY PRESENT ONE OF THE FEW SCENES WHICH DOESN'T SHOW HER AT DEATH'S DOOR...

PETER, DEAR... ARE YOU SURE YOU CAN AFFORD THIS TICKET TO FLORIDA WHICH YOU BOUGHT ME?

YOU KNOW THE IT, AUNT MONEY MAY! I GOT FOR THOSE NEWS PIX I SOLD TO THE BUGLE, I COULD SEND YOU TO THE MOON...

...BUT YOU WOULDN'T LIKE THE ALTITUDE!

HAVE A GREAT TIME... AND SOAK UP GOBS OF SUN... LIKE THE DOC TOLD YOU TO, HEAR?

AND REMEMBER... NO DISCO THEQUING PAST FOUR A.M.... AND DON'T OVERDO THE JOGGING AND KARATE!

SHE CAN'T HEAR ME THRU THE GLASS... BUT SHE GETS THE MESSAGE!

BLESS HER HEART... THIS TRIP'S JUST WHAT SHE NEEDED!

SHE'S LOOKING HEALTHIER ALREADY!

AS FOR ME, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO FIRST! I STILL HAVE TO THIS! SPIDEY SQUARE FINALLY GOT MYSELF WITH GWEN... AND THEN HEY!!

THINGS ARE REALLY LOOKING UP SINCE JOLLY JONAH'S IN THE HOSPITAL AND JOE ROBERTSON IS RUNNING THE PAPER!



THEN, AS THE AMAZING YOUTH IDLY SCANS THE REST OF THE NEWSPAPER, HE SUDDENLY SEES A FATEFUL ITEM...

A WRITE-UP ABOUT DR. CURT CONNORS!

HE'S WORKING ON SOME NEW, VITAL, HIGHLY-SECRET EXPERIMENT AT HIS LAB IN THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES!

IT'S BEEN MONTHS SINCE OUR PATHS LAST CROSSED!

HE'S ONE OF THE GREATEST MEN I'VE KNOWN!

"BUT, EXCEPT FOR HIS WIFE,... I'M THE ONLY OTHER PERSON WHO KNOWS THAT DOC CONNORS IS ALSO... THE DEADLY, SUPER-POWERFUL LIZARD!!!"





AND, SPEAKING OF CONCENTRATION, LET'S SEE WHAT JOLLY JONAH JAMESON IS COGITATING ABOUT RIGHT NOW---



AND NOW THAT WE'VE SHARED A BRIEF CULTURAL MOMENT TOGETHER, LET'S RETURN TO OUR HARRASSED HERO, WHO SUDDENLY SPIES....

GWEN! GWEN... WAIT UP!



S'MATTER? I'M NOT EVEN GOOD ENOUGH TO TALK TO ANYMORE?

I'M AFRAID I WAS SO BUSY THINKING ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO MY DAD --- THAT I DIDN'T HEAR YOU!

OH, PETER!  
I... I'M SORRY!

YOUR DAD?  
WHAT DID HAPPEN, Gwendy?



THEN, AFTER A BRIEF EXPLANATION...

HE'S ALL RIGHT NOW---BUT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN KILLED!

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE AS MENACING AS THE SHOCKER!

NO? HOW ABOUT... SPIDER-MAN?



AT LAST SHE'S BEGINNING TO ACT MORE LIKE HER OLD YUMMY SELF!

LET'S GRAB A SODA TOGETHER LADY!

SURE, PETE... I...

LOOK! IT'S FLASH THOMPSON!

WELCOME HOME, SOLDIER!

GWEN!  
I HOPED YOU'D BE COMING BY, DOLL!

MAN! ARE YOU A SIGHT FOR THESE GAL-HUNGRY EYES!



BUT HOW COME YOU DIDN'T WRITE ME MORE OFTEN, BABY?

I THOUGHT MARY JANE WAS TAKING CARE OF THAT DEPARTMENT!

HAVE THINGS BEEN THAT BAD ON THE HOME FRONT?

AND, I'VE BEEN SEEING A LOT OF PETER!



LAST TIME I SAW YOU, I COULDA SWORN YOU WERE ALMOST THOUGHT THE TURNING HUMAN! ARMY HAD CHANGED YOU!

BUT IF YOU THINK THOSE NEW STRIPES GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO...

BUG OFF, SONNY BOY!

WHEN I NEED A CIVILIAN, I'LL ASK FOR ONE!



