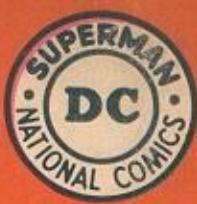




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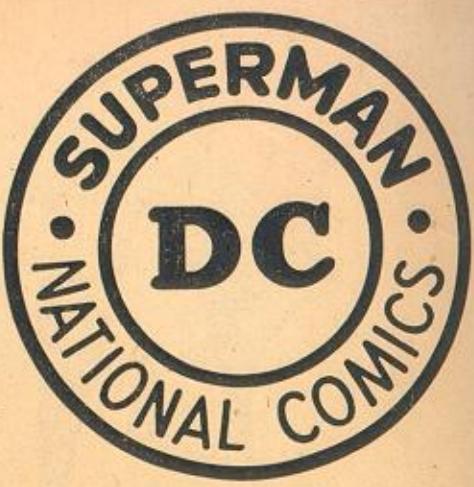
BAT-MAN



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BATMAN



BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN
THE BOY WONDER

FOR MANY YEARS, BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE THROUGH THE THICK AND THIN OF BATTLES AGAINST CRIME. CAN IT BE THAT AT LONG LAST THE PARTNERSHIP IS TO BE DISSOLVED ?? WHO IS THIS WINGMAN WHO SOARS THROUGH THE NIGHT AS BATMAN'S NEW ALLY -- DOING THE JOBS THAT ROBIN ONCE DID ?? THE SURPRISING ANSWERS ARE ALL HERE -- IN THE TENSE STORY CALLED --

"*A Partner for Batman!*"

by

BOB KANE

WHO NEEDS
ROBIN?
BATMAN'S GOT
WINGMAN
NOW!

BUT WHERE'S
ROBIN???



ONE NIGHT, IN A GOTHAM CITY SHIPYARD, AS BATMAN AND ROBIN THE BOY WONDER PATROL THE SLEEPING METROPOLIS...

LOOK--THERE'S THE DEXTER GANG! THEY'RE CLIMBING THAT ROPE LADDER!

THEY'VE MADE A MISTAKE! WE CAN TRAP THEM ON THE DECK OF THAT HULL, ROBIN-- I KNOW A FASTER WAY OF GETTING UP THERE!

WE'LL ATTACK THEM HEAD-ON! THEY'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT THEM!



AND, A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

THIS IS THE END OF THE DEXTER GANG!

BATMAN AND ROBIN! HOW'D THEY GET HERE SO FAST?

I'LL TIE THEM UP! ROBIN, GET DOWN TO A PHONE AND CALL THE POLICE.

RIGHT!



BUT IN HIS EAGERNESS, THE BOY WONDER FAILS TO SEE A SPOT OF OIL-SLICK ON THE DECK, AND...

BATMAN! I SLIPPED-- I CAN'T STOP!

ROBIN! GO LIMP! GO LIMP, ROBIN... AND RIDE WITH THE FALL! IT'S YOUR ONLY CHANCE!

AND THEN...

THE POOR KID! THE POOR KID!



MINUTES
LATER...

ANY OTHER KID WOULD
HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THAT
FALL! ROBIN'S LONG
TRAINING AND SPLENDID
CONDITION SAVED HIM. BUT
I'M AFRAID HE'S BROKEN
HIS LEG...

OOOOH!
MY...MY LEG...

LATER, AT THE HOSPITAL...

THERE YOU GO!
WHEN THAT LEG
HEALS, IT'LL BE
STRONGER THAN
EVER!

SEE,
COMMISSIONER?
ROBIN'S GETTING
BETTER ALREADY!

COME,
BATMAN--I HAVE
SOMETHING IMPORTANT
TO DISCUSS WITH
YOU.

SO LONG
FOR NOW, ROBIN!
I'LL BE BACK A LITTLE
LATER TO PICK YOU
UP AND TAKE YOU
HOME.

A FINE MESS I'VE MADE OF
THINGS! SIX WEEKS IN A CAST--SIX
MORE WEEKS BEFORE THE LEG IS
STRONG! AND AT A TIME WHEN
COMMISSIONER GORDON NEEDS
BATMAN AND ME THE MOST!

I'LL MOVE
YOU DOWNSTAIRS
SO YOU'LL BE READY
WHEN BATMAN
COMES FOR
YOU...

A WHEEL-CHAIR
INVALID! I SAW THE
LOOK IN COMMISSIONER
GORDON'S EYE, EVEN
THOUGH HE TRIED
TO HIDE IT. I'VE LET
HIM DOWN!

AND
LATER...

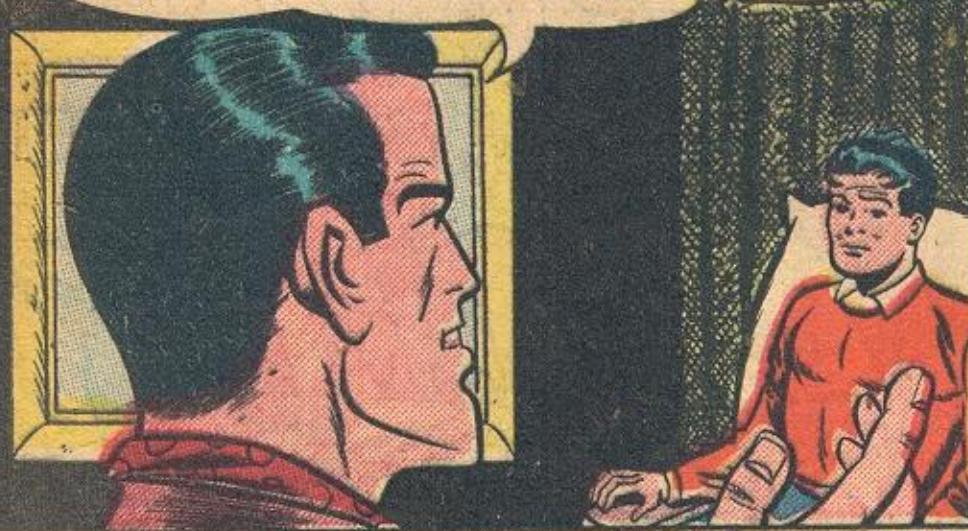
I'VE GOT NEWS
FOR YOU, ROBIN!
WAIT TILL YOU HEAR
WHAT GORDON HAS
UP HIS SLEEVE!

BATMAN'S
DOING HIS BEST
TO SOUND GAY.
BUT I CAN TELL
HIS HEART ISN'T
IN IT!

BATMAN

THEN, AS **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** REVERT BACK TO THE ROLES OF SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON...

A CERTAIN NORTHERN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT HAS PUT IN AN URGENT REQUEST FOR A COUNTERPART OF **BATMAN**! I'M GOING TO TRAIN ONE FROM AMONG THEIR NATURALIZED CITIZENS RESIDING HERE!



THE PLAN MUST BE KEPT SECRET, THOUGH--FROM CRIMINAL AGENTS OF THE COUNTRY WHO ARE HERE. SO THIS NEW LAWMAN IS GOING TO APPEAR AS **BATMAN'S PARTNER**--TO AVOID SUSPICION.

BATMAN'S PARTNER!
THAT'S WHAT
I THOUGHT
I WAS.



IT'LL WORK OUT SWELL! WITH YOU LAID UP, IT WOULD SEEM A NATURAL THING FOR ME TO TAKE ON SOMEONE ELSE TEMPORARILY.

IT'S TOO SWELL! I WISH I COULD BELIEVE HIM, BUT I'VE GOT A FEELING I'M BEING EASED OUT OF THE PICTURE...



AND NEXT DAY, WHILE DICK RECUPERATES IN GOTHAM PARK...

DID YOU SEE THE PAPER? **BATMAN'S** GETTING HIMSELF A PARTNER TO HELP HIM WHILE **ROBIN'S** LAID UP!

YEAH! IF YOU ASK ME, IT'S A SMART MOVE! A MAN IS BETTER THAN A KID ANY DAY! TWO **BATMEN**--THAT'S WHAT WE NEED AROUND HERE!



THAT EVENING, TO KEEP BUSY, **ROBIN** CHECKS EQUIPMENT IN THE CRIME LAB AS...

BATMAN MUST HAVE SWITCHED ON HIS BELT RADIO BY ACCIDENT. I CAN HEAR HIM SPEAKING TO COMMISSIONER GORDON...

BUT WHAT ABOUT **ROBIN**, COMMISSIONER?



WE DON'T NEED ANY **ROBIN**, **BATMAN**! I'VE GOT THINGS ALL FIGURED OUT!

JUST AS I FEARED!
(SOB!) THEY'RE PLANNING TO DROP ME!



BATMAN



NEXT DAY...

BEING ABLE TO SELECT A NEW LAWMAN FROM THE HANDFUL OF NATURALIZED CITIZENS IN GOTHAM CITY IS A PROBLEM. OF COURSE, I'M SCREENING ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE SO AS TO KEEP OUR INTENT A SECRET.

BATMAN SOUNDS CONVINCING. COULD I HAVE BEEN WRONG ABOUT ALL THIS? AFTER ALL, HE'S ONLY INTERVIEWING A FEW MEN...

...IF HE AND GORDON WERE ATTEMPTING TO REPLACE ME WITH AN ADULT, THEY WOULD COMB THE WHOLE COUNTRY FOR THE BEST MAN. HMM-- I'LL KNOW MORE WHEN THEY DECIDE WHO GETS THE JOB.

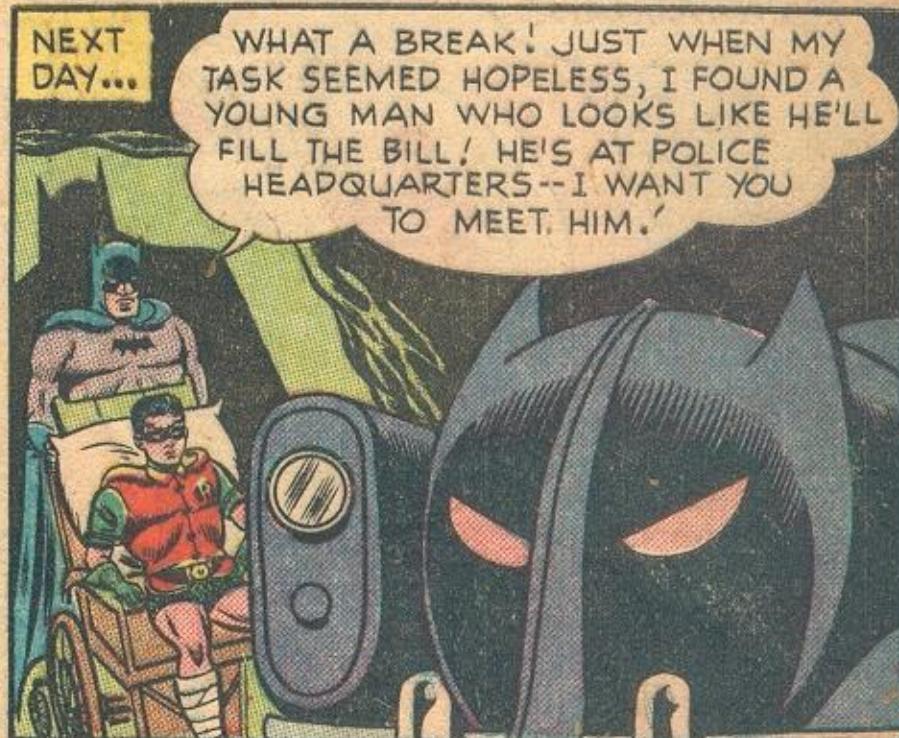
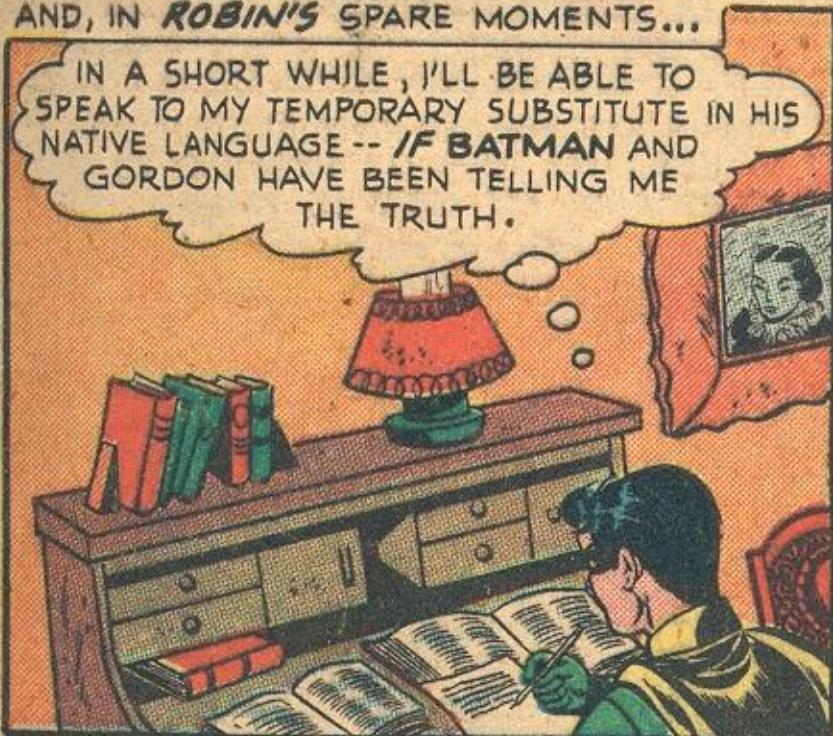


AND, IN ROBIN'S SPARE MOMENTS...

IN A SHORT WHILE, I'LL BE ABLE TO SPEAK TO MY TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTE IN HIS NATIVE LANGUAGE -- IF BATMAN AND GORDON HAVE BEEN TELLING ME THE TRUTH.

NEXT DAY...

WHAT A BREAK! JUST WHEN MY TASK SEEMED HOPELESS, I FOUND A YOUNG MAN WHO LOOKS LIKE HE'LL FILL THE BILL! HE'S AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS--I WANT YOU TO MEET HIM.



SOON...

HERE HE IS! WE CALL HIM WINGMAN! AND HE'S READY FOR ADVANCED TRAINING!

WINGMAN, EH? I'LL ASK HIM A QUESTION IN HIS OWN TONGUE!

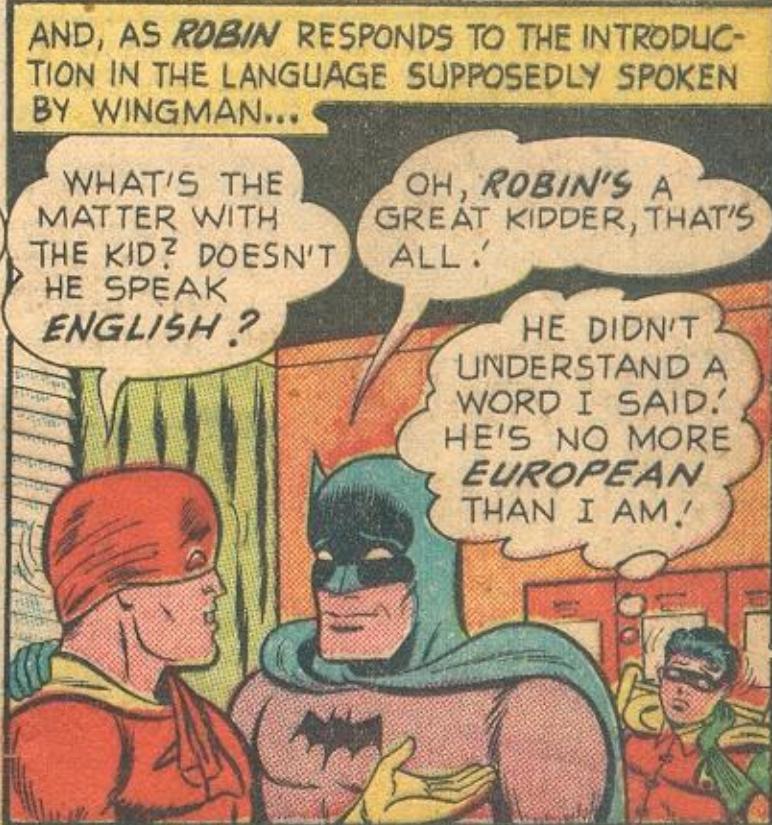


AND, AS ROBIN RESPONDS TO THE INTRODUCTION IN THE LANGUAGE SUPPOSEDLY SPOKEN BY WINGMAN...

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THE KID? DOESN'T HE SPEAK ENGLISH?

OH, ROBIN'S A GREAT KIDDER, THAT'S ALL!

HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND A WORD I SAID! HE'S NO MORE EUROPEAN THAN I AM!

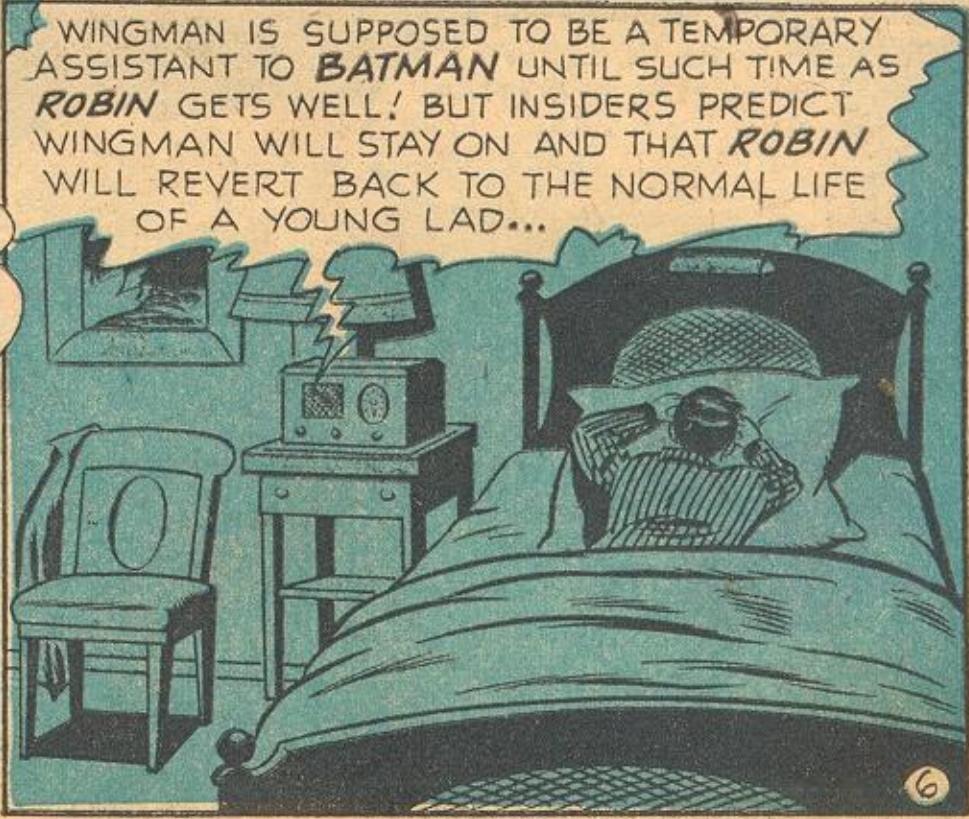




SPECULATION IS RIFE IN GOTHAM CITY TONIGHT AS TO WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ROBIN THE BOY WONDER...

STEVE BELTER,
THE GOSSIP
COLUMNIST. AND
HE'S TALKING
ABOUT ME!

WINGMAN IS SUPPOSED TO BE A TEMPORARY ASSISTANT TO BATMAN UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ROBIN GETS WELL. BUT INSIDERS PREDICT WINGMAN WILL STAY ON AND THAT ROBIN WILL REVERT BACK TO THE NORMAL LIFE OF A YOUNG LAD...



NEXT DAY, IN A SPECIALLY-CONSTRUCTED GYMNASIUM SOMEWHERE IN GOTHAM CITY...

WE'RE GOING TO START WINGMAN'S TRAINING WITH ADVANCED GYMNASTICS. I WANT YOU TO MAKE A MOTION PICTURE RECORD OF WHAT GOES ON, SO THAT WE CAN SPOT HIS FAULTS AND CORRECT THEM...

FAULTS! THAT GIVES ME SOME HOPE!



AND, AS WINGMAN'S TRAINING CONTINUES...

HE'S NOT A VERY GOOD SWIMMER! I COULD BEAT HIM HANDS DOWN!



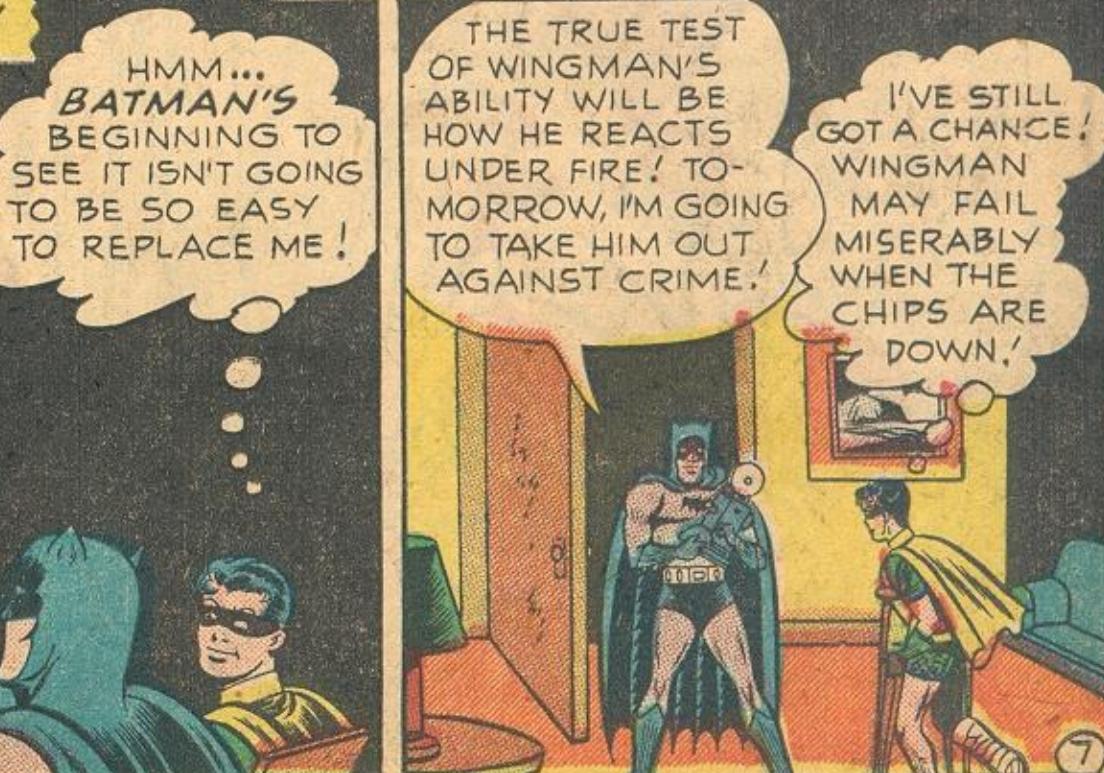
I WENT OVER THIS SAME OBSTACLE COURSE IN 94 SECONDS. WINGMAN WILL BE LUCKY TO DO IT IN UNDER THREE MINUTES.



THEN, AFTER WEEKS HAVE PASSED, AND WINGMAN'S TRAINING IS OVER...

WELL, SOME OF IT'S GOOD, AND SOME OF IT'S BAD-- HE'S STILL GOT A LONG WAY TO GO...

HMM... BATMAN'S BEGINNING TO SEE IT ISN'T GOING TO BE SO EASY TO REPLACE ME!

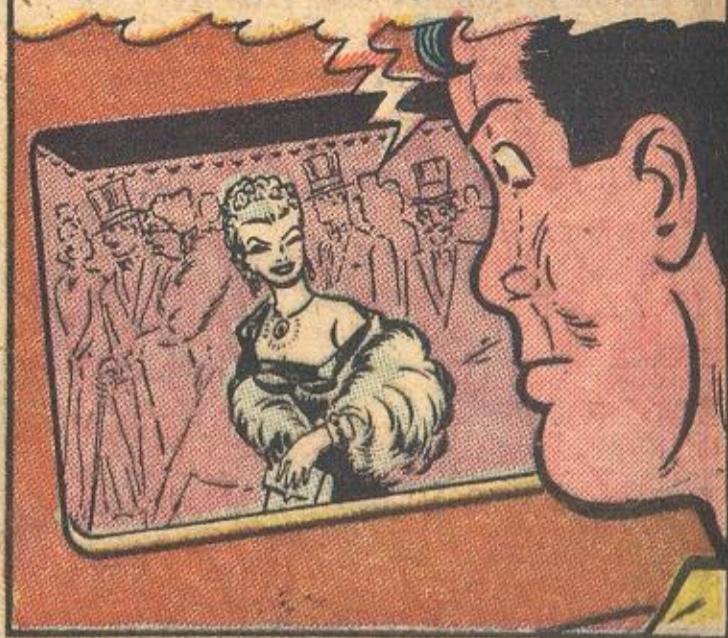


AND NEXT EVENING, AS ROBIN AWAITS WORD OF WINGMAN'S FIRST SORTIE AGAINST CRIME...

MIGHT AS WELL SEE SOME TELEVISION WHILE I WAIT. THE OPERA'S ON TONIGHT...



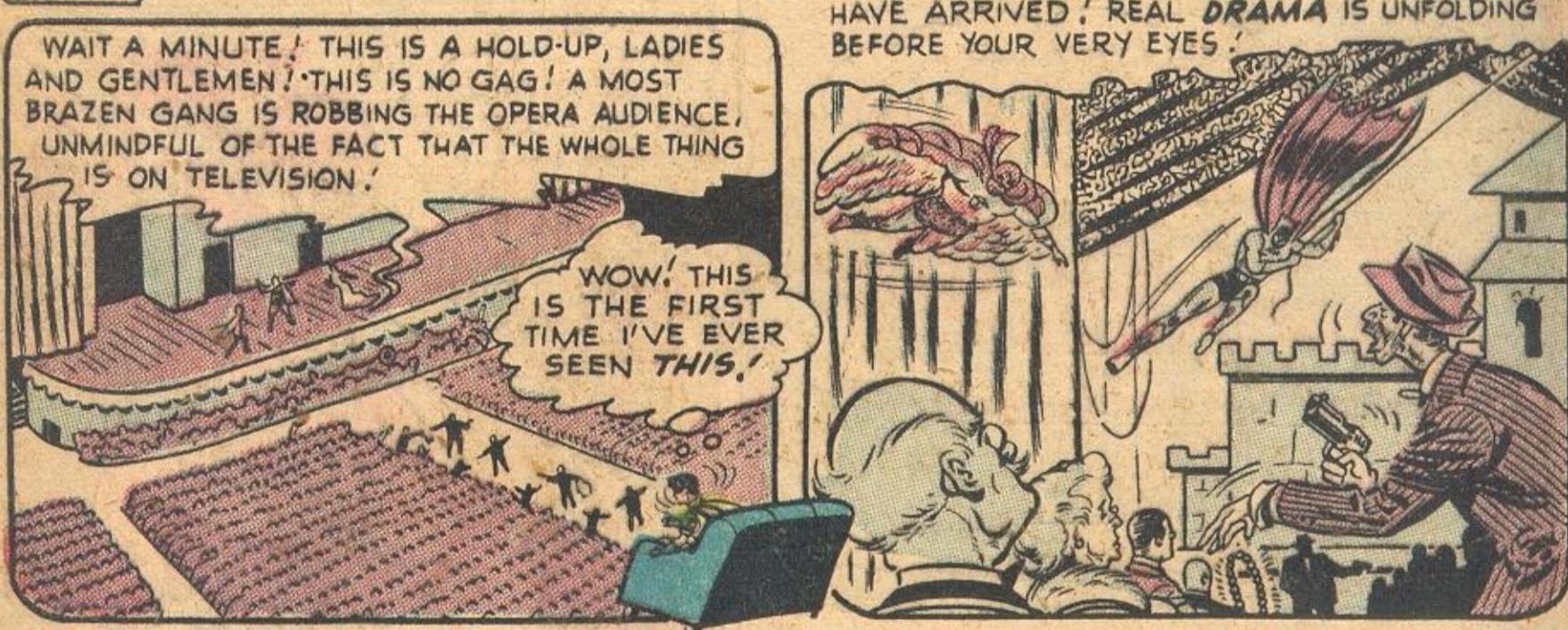
THIS IS THE MOST GALA OPENING NIGHT IN THE HISTORY OF THE GOTHAM OPERA COMPANY! SOCIETY'S "400", HAVE REALLY TURNED OUT TONIGHT.



THEN ALL AT ONCE, DURING THE OPERA'S FIRST ACT...

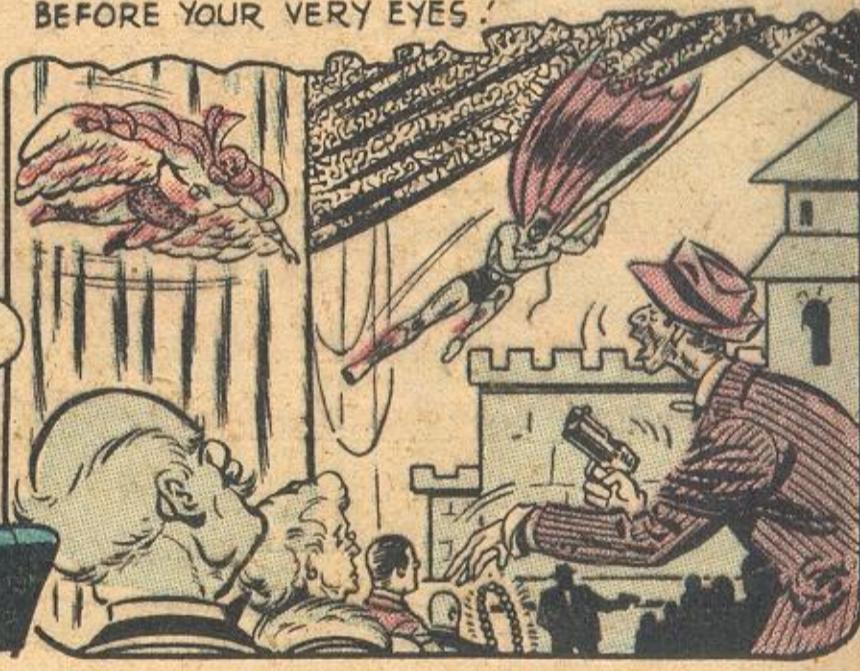
WAIT A MINUTE! THIS IS A HOLD-UP, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! THIS IS NO GAG! A MOST BRAZEN GANG IS ROBBING THE OPERA AUDIENCE, UNMINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT THE WHOLE THING IS ON TELEVISION!

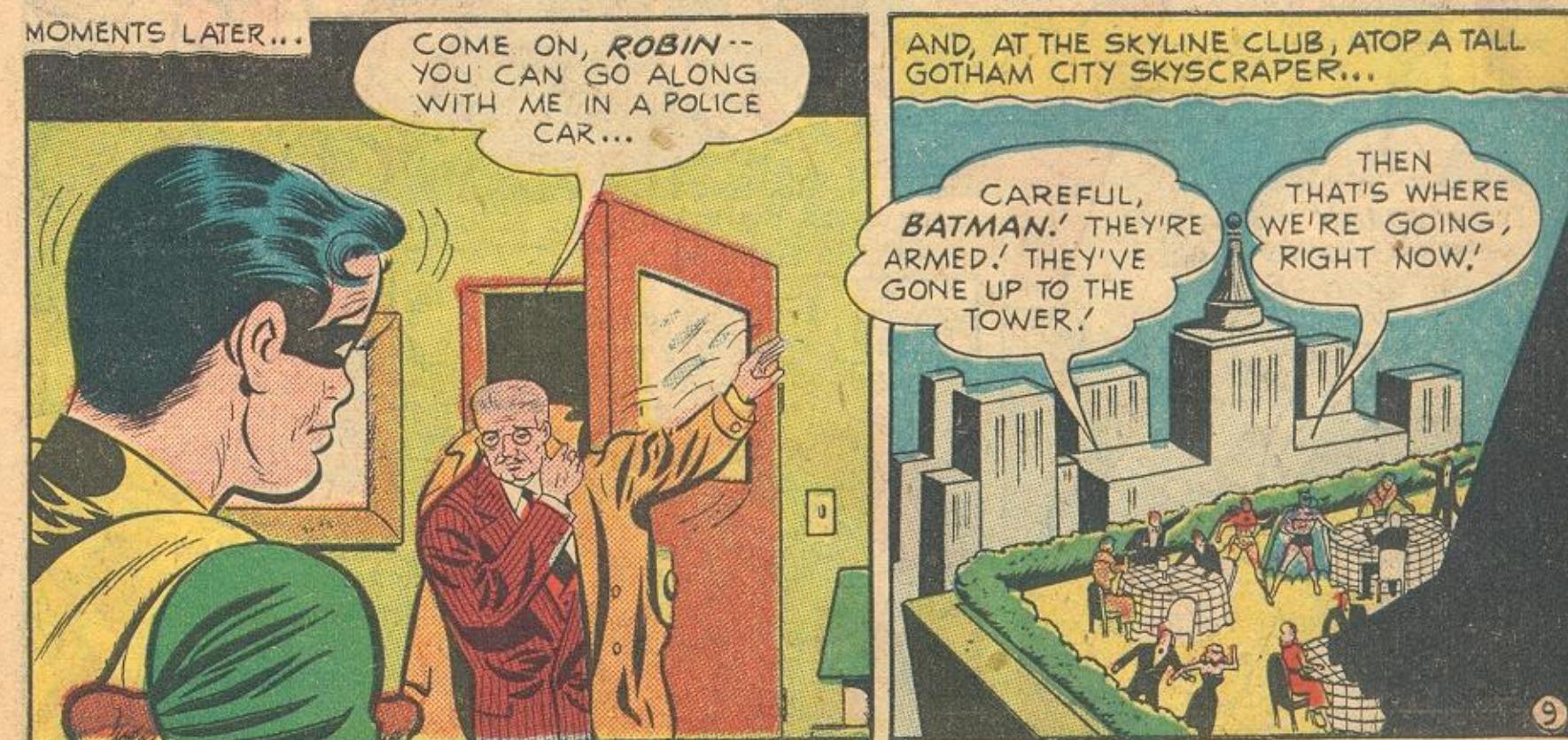
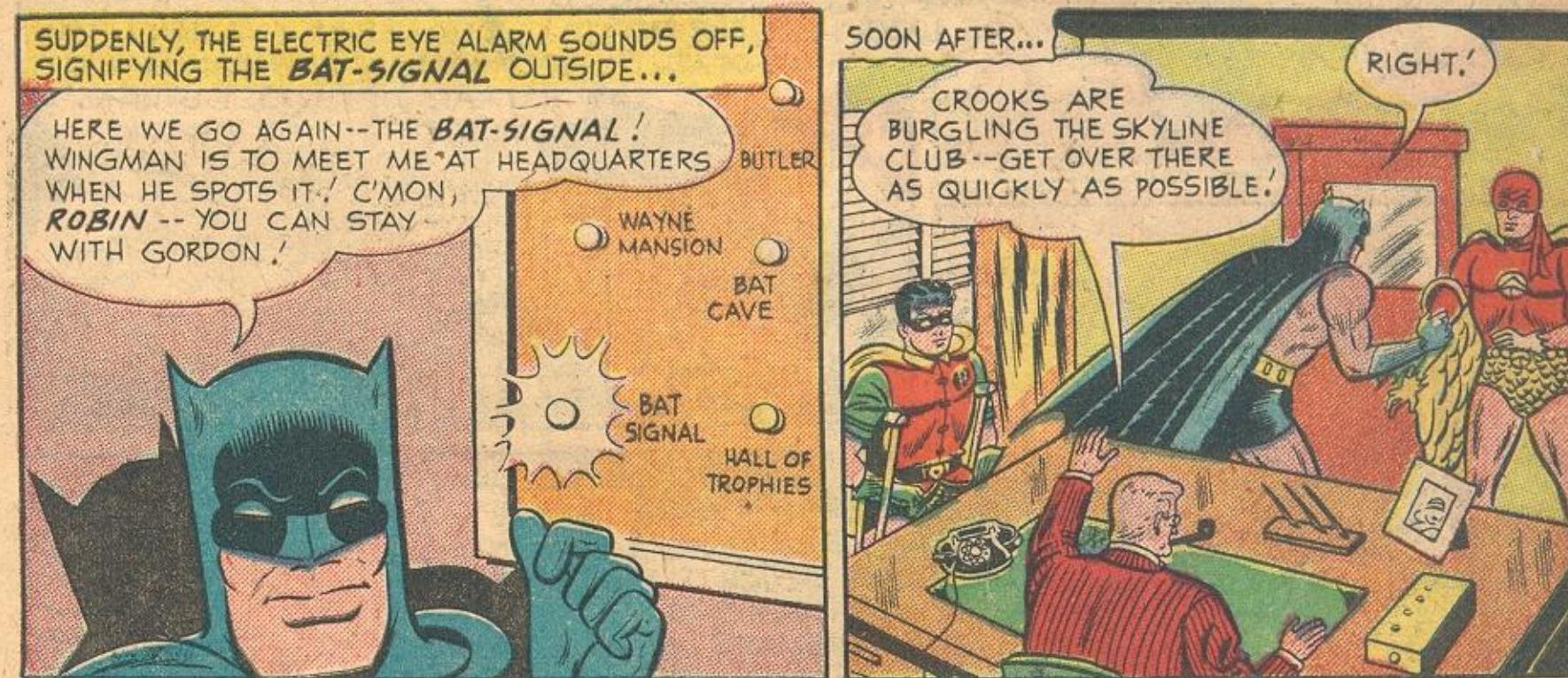
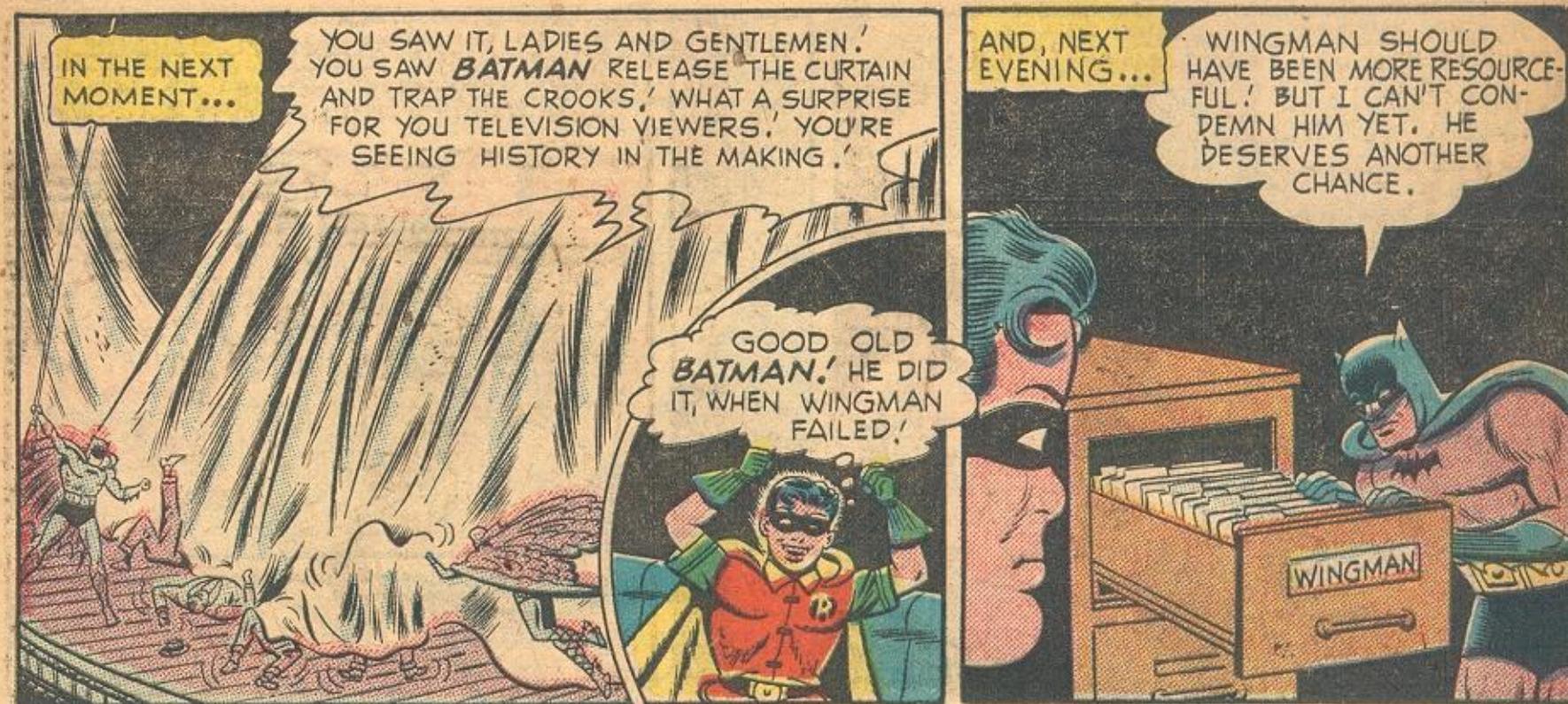
WOW! THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER SEEN THIS!



SUDDENLY...

LOOK, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: BATMAN AND WINGMAN HAVE ARRIVED! REAL DRAMA IS UNFOLDING BEFORE YOUR VERY EYES!





MINUTES LATER,
AS GORDON AND
ROBIN ARRIVE...

AHH! BATMAN
AND WINGMAN
HAVE TAKEN OVER
NICELY!

YES! BUT
THEY'D BETTER
WATCH THAT CROOK
IN THE BACK WHO'S
THROWING A ROPE
UP TOWARD THAT
CLOCK!

IN THE NEXT
MOMENT...

HOLD IT, WINGMAN--IF YOU WANT
BATMAN ALIVE, IF I LET GO OF
THIS ROPE, HE'S A GONER!

THE CROOK
SNEAKED UP BEHIND
BATMAN AND ROPE
HIM! NOW HE'S USING
HIM TO BARGAIN FOR
HIS OWN LIFE!

SUDDENLY...

BATMAN'S CAPE IS
CAUGHT ON THE MINUTE HAND
OF THE CLOCK! SOONER OR
LATER HE'LL SLIP OFF TO
HIS DEATH!

YOU RAT!

I DIDN'T
MEAN HIM TO
GET STUCK!
OWWW!

THEN...

GET A
GOOD GRIP
AND HANG ON,
BATMAN!

I'M HOPING THAT HE SAVES
BATMAN--EVEN THOUGH IT
MEANS MY FINISH! FOR THIS
WILL PROVE WINGMAN'S
GREATNESS!

TENSE
MOMENTS
LATER...

LOOK! ROBIN!
WINGMAN'S DOING
THE IMPOSSIBLE!
HE'S GOING UP
AFTER BATMAN!

AND, AFTER THE RESCUE HAS BEEN A
COMPLETE SUCCESS...

WELL, AT LEAST BATMAN'S
SAFE. I'D BETTER GO HOME--
NO ONE SEEMS TO NEED ME
ANY MORE...

HE'S
GOT HIM OFF
THE CLOCK AND
IS BRINGING
HIM DOWN!

WINGMAN'S
A BETTER MAN
THAN I THOUGHT
HE WAS--AND I'M
GLAD--FOR
BATMAN'S
SAKE!



BATMAN



LATER, IN THE BAT-CAVE...

NOW I'VE GOT ONLY ONE STRAW LEFT TO GRASP AT--AND A VERY THIN STRAW AT THAT! AT LEAST BATMAN HASN'T TOLD EVERYTHING TO WINGMAN--SHOWN HIM THIS BATCAVE--REVEALED OUR SECRET IDENTITIES...



AND THEN, AS IF IN ANSWER TO ROBIN'S THOUGHTS, WINGMAN ENTERS THE BAT-CAVE!

WELL, WELL--SO THIS IS THE BAT-CAVE! I CERTAINLY HEARD ENOUGH ABOUT IT!



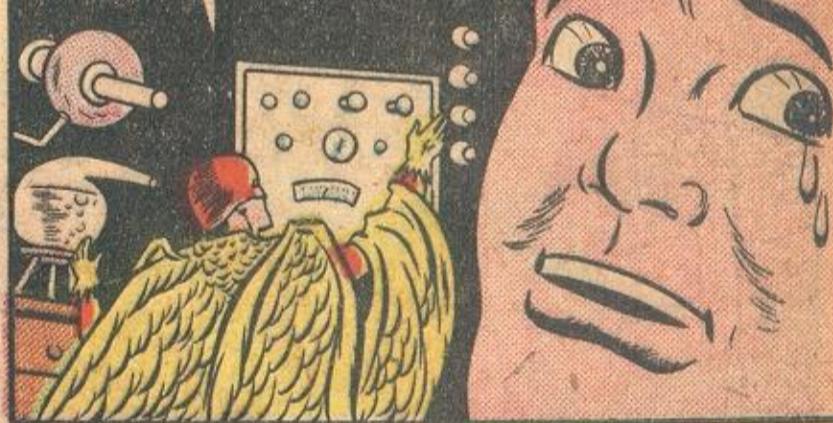
AND YOU'RE DICK GRAYSON! BOY, WAS I SURPRISED WHEN I FOUND OUT WHO BATMAN AND ROBIN REALLY WERE! I'D NEVER HAVE GUESSED IN A MILLION YEARS!

ALL
RIGHT--YOU
KNOW MY
SECRETS!
NOW--
WHO ARE
YOU?



OH, I COULDN'T TELL YOU THAT! BATMAN SAYS NO ONE BUT HE SHALL KNOW MY TRUE IDENTITY!

I'M NOT EVEN TRUSTED ANY MORE!



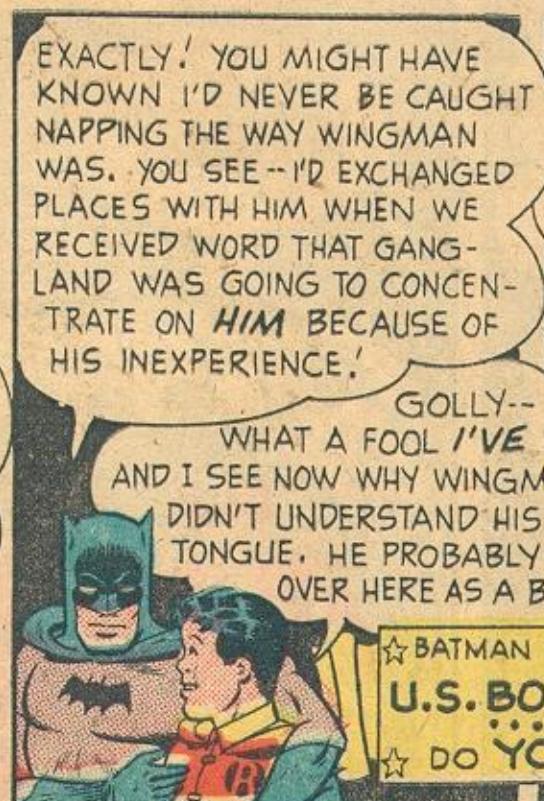
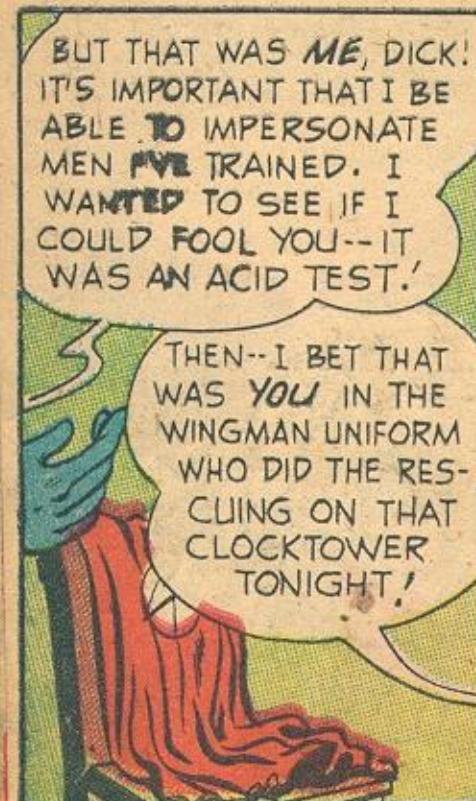
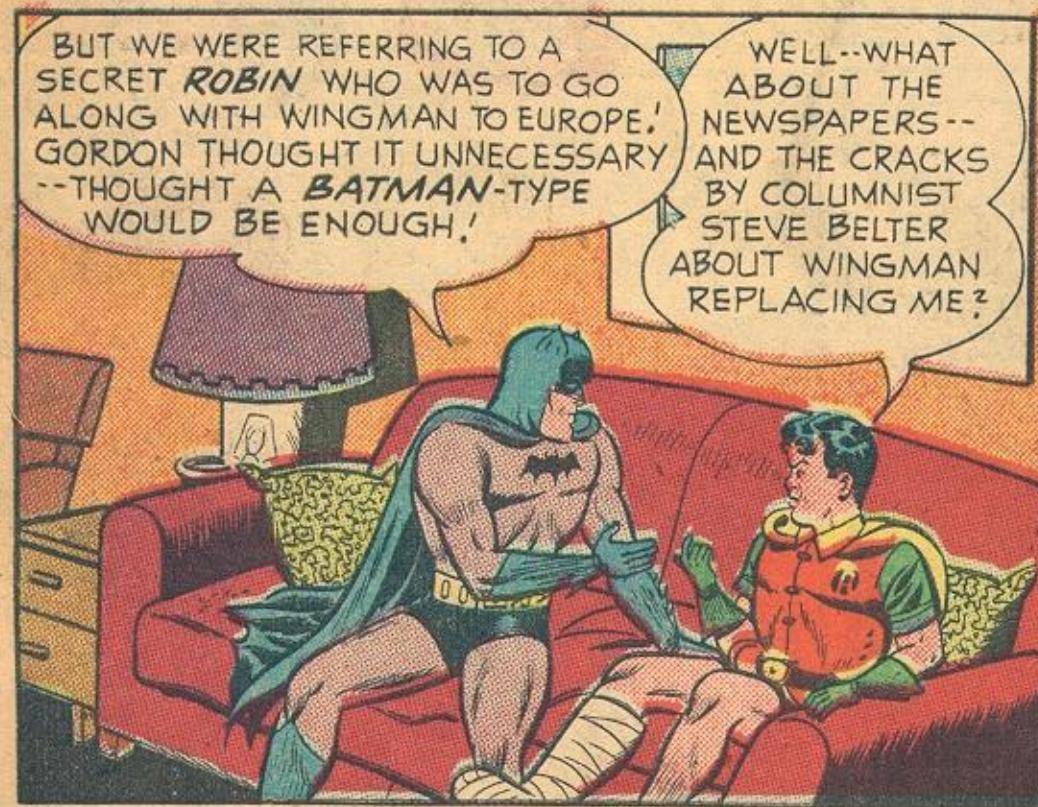
IF BATMAN'S STORY WERE TRUE, ABOUT TRAINING A BATMAN FOR A FOREIGN COUNTRY, THERE'D BE NO NEED OF REVEALING ALL THE BATMAN SECRETS TO HIM! I'LL NEVER FORGIVE BATMAN FOR NOT KEEPING FAITH WITH ME...



HEY, KID!
WHERE YOU HURRYING TO?

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE-- NOW?





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WHY, WE'D HAVE THAT JAIL FULL IN NO TIME!
WELL, BRING THEM IN.

HERE THEY ARE,
SARGE. IT'S NIGHT NOW AND THE BANK WAS CLOSED -

THESE FELLOWS WERE COMING OUT OF IT WITH ALL THAT MONEY!
THEY LOOK MIGHTY SUSPICIOUS TO ME!





BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN

-THE BOY WONDER-

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL
ABOUT IT! BATMAN BAFFLED
BY CRIMINAL CZAR!

THESE ARE THE HEADLINES BEING
HAWKED BY EVERY NEWSBOY IN
GOTHAM CITY! BUT BEHIND THESE BLAZING
FRONT PAGES IS ONE OF THE MOST
FANTASTIC STORIES IN THE ANNALS OF
JOURNALISM... A STORY WHICH CAN NEVER
BE FULLY REVEALED IN ANY NEWSPAPER!
NOW YOU CAN LEARN THE SECRET OF A
CRIME KING WHO HAS AN ENTIRE CITY
GUSSING--YES, EVEN THE FAMED DARING
DUO, BATMAN AND ROBIN! YOU'LL BE
STUNNED BY THE IMPACT OF THE POWERFUL
FACTS REVEALED IN THIS EXCLUSIVE STORY
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BATMAN

IN THE PRESS ROOM OF THE GOTHAM GAZETTE, EDITOR JACK "FIVE STAR" THORPE CHECKS THE FRONT PAGE OF THE FINAL EDITION BEFORE SIGNALING FOR THE GIANT HIGH-SPEED PRESSES TO START ROLLING ...

THE PROOF LOOKS OKAY! LET 'ER ROLL, CY!



HERE'S A PICTURE AND -- SAY! IF I EVER GET MY HANDS ON THE WISE GUY WHO PULLED THIS!

HEARD YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO I AM SO SENT MY PICTURE.

The Artisans' Chief



SUDDENLY...

THIS ENVELOPE WAS DELIVERED BY A TOUGH-LOOKING CHARACTER WHO SAID YOU SHOULD GET IT PERSONALLY, MR. THORPE! HE REFUSED TO LEAVE HIS NAME!

HOLD THE PRESSES, CY! WE MAY HAVE TO REPLATE! THIS COULD BE THE TIP I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR ON THE IDENTITY OF THE BOSS OF THE ARTISANS!



GO AHEAD WITH THE RUN, CY! THE CRIMINAL BRAIN BEHIND THE ARTISANS IS STILL UNKNOWN! BUT I'LL LEARN HIS IDENTITY SOME DAY AND, WHEN I DO, I'LL EXPOSE HIM THE WAY I HAVE A DOZEN OTHER CROOKS IN THIS TOWN!

PRES
ROOM

THAT NIGHT, AS THE FREIGHTER "NUANA MARU" DOCKS ALONG THE CITY'S WATERFRONT...

GET ABOARD FAST WHILE THE SEAMEN ARE BUSY WITH LANDING OPERATIONS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SHIP!



AND MOMENTS LATER, IN THE HOLD OF THE RECENT ARRIVAL FROM THE ORIENT...

PRICELESS JADE CARVINGS FROM CHINA! HA! AFTER TONIGHT'S HAUL, WE'LL BE IN CLOVER!

WE'LL GRAB THIS STUFF AND BE BACK IN THE SPEED BOAT BEFORE THIS TUB IS MADE FAST TO THE DOCK!



BATMAN



BUT EYES BLINDED BY GREED DO NOT SEE THE TWO CAPE FIGURES IN THE SHADOWS UNTIL...

IT'S
BATMAN
AND ROBIN!

YOU'RE 100% RIGHT!
GO TO THE HEAD
OF THE CLASS!



NICE WORK,
BATMAN AND
ROBIN! THOSE
BABIES HAVE BEEN
RAISING HAVOC
ALONG THE WATER-
FRONT FOR MONTHS!

YOU DESERVE THE
CREDIT, "FIVE STAR."
YOUR SERIES ON THIS
GANG REVEALED
THEIR METHODS AND
TONIGHT YOUR ALERT
COVERAGE OF THE
WATERFRONT RESULTED
IN OUR GETTING THE TIP
TO COME HERE!



AND A MOMENT LATER, ON THE FREIGHTER'S
DECK...

DID YOU GET IT, REYNOLDS? GREAT! WE'LL
RUN THIS SHOT OF BATMAN CAPTURING
THESE WATERFRONT RATS ON PAGE ONE!



YOUR NEWSPAPER
EXPOSES OF CRIMINAL
ACTIVITY IN GOTHAM
CITY HAVE RUN MOST
OF THE BIG-TIME
CROOKS OUT OF
TOWN!

YES... BUT THERE'S
STILL ONE I'VE NEVER
BEEN ABLE TO EXPOSE...
THE BOSS OF THE
ARTISANS! I HAVEN'T
EVEN A CLUE TO HIS
SECRET IDENTITY! BUT
I'LL RIDE WITH THE
STORY UNTIL I
GET RESULTS!



AND THE FOLLOWING NIGHT, AS POLICE MOVE
IN ON A CRIMINAL HIDEOUT...

COME OUT OF THERE
WITH YOUR HANDS OVER
YOUR HEADS! IF YOU
MAKE A FALSE MOVE,
YOU'LL BE WRITING
YOUR OWN DEATH
WARRANT!

ALL RIGHT, CHIEF!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO
GET TOUGH! WE'RE
COMIN'!



BUT AS THE POLICE CONCENTRATE ON THE
CRINGING CREW WHICH FILES FROM THE
FIRST FLOOR DOORWAY, A STEALTHY FIGURE
SLIPS FROM A SECOND-STORY WINDOW TO
THE BRANCH OF A TREE! AND FROM THERE...

HA! A PERFECT
LINE ON THE CHIEF!
I'LL KNOCK HIM
OFF LIKE A
CLAY PIGEON!



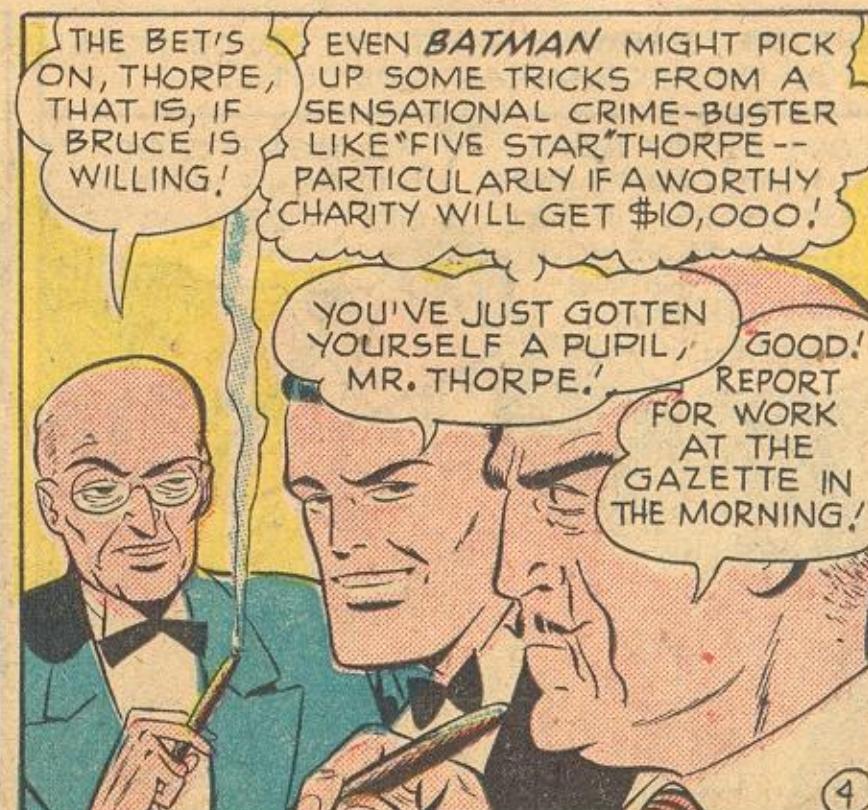
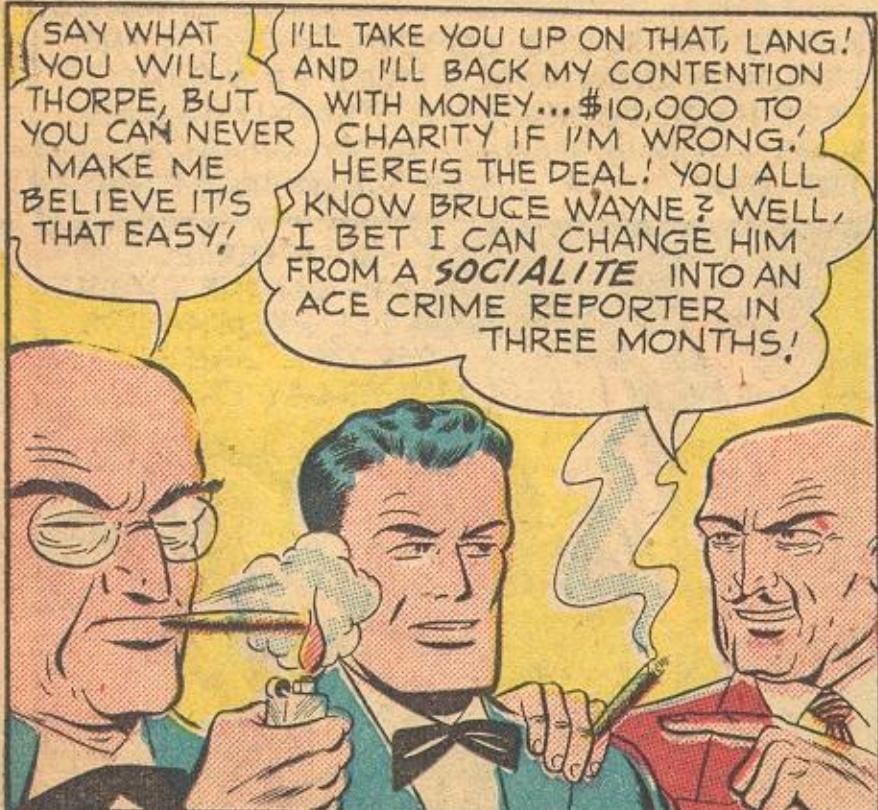
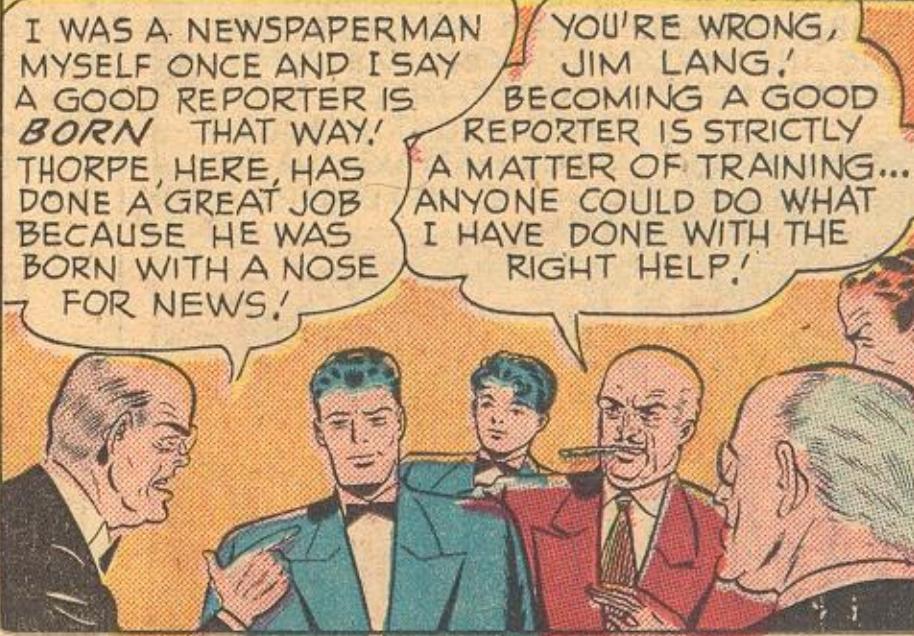
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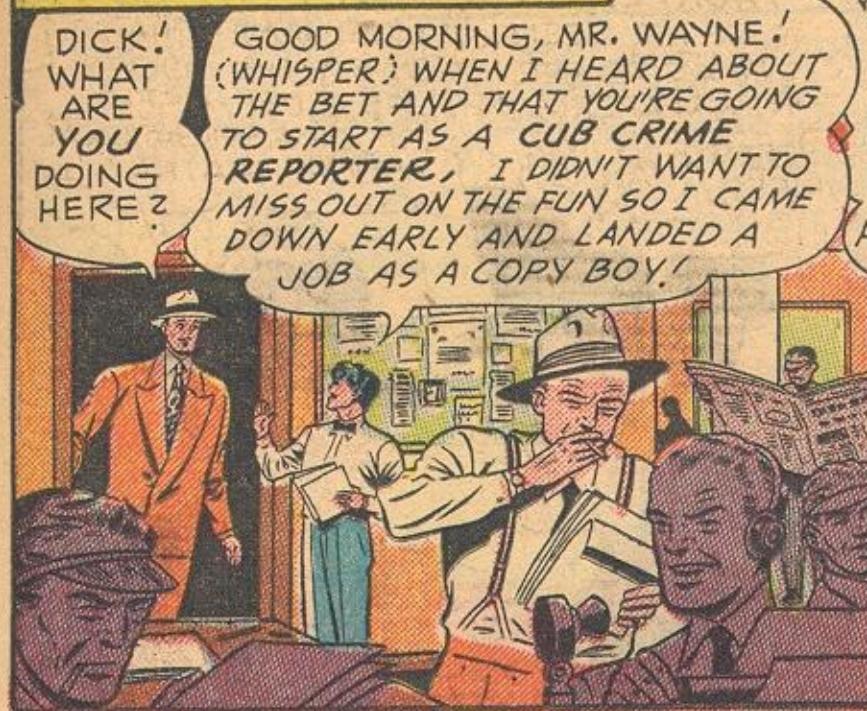
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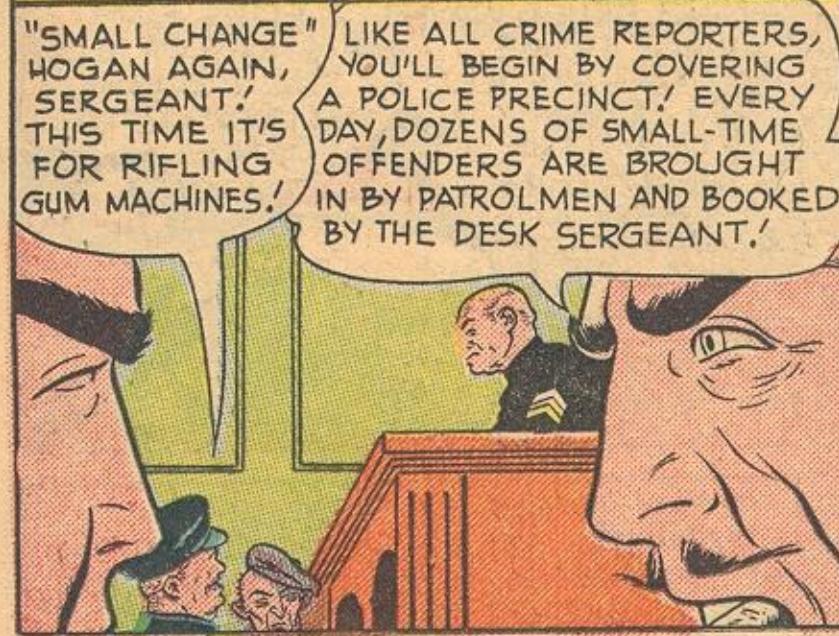
THAT NIGHT, AT THE POLICE LEAGUE DINNER, A GROUP OF GOTHAM'S BEST KNOWN CITIZENS ARE ENGAGED IN A FRIENDLY ARGUMENT...



EARLY THE NEXT MORNING...



AND DURING THE DAYS WHICH FOLLOW, THE "MAKING OF A CRIME REPORTER" ROUTINE PROCEEDS IN EARNEST...



HERE'S A CHANCE FOR YOU TO GET A STORY ON A NEW RACKET, BRUCE! THAT'S "SECOND STORY" FLEMING! HE KNOWS THE OWNER OF THAT HOUSE IS AWAY BECAUSE THE PAPERS AND MILK HAVEN'T BEEN TAKEN IN FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS! I'LL CALL THE POLICE!



SHORTLY AFTER...

'ALL RIGHT, FLEMING! THAT TELEVISION REPAIRMAN'S OUTFIT DIDN'T FOOL THESE REPORTERS! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST FOR TRYING TO STEAL THIS TV ANTENNA!'

YOU SEE, BRUCE, EVEN IN SPOTTING PETTY CROOKS YOU'VE GOT TO BE ALERT AT ALL TIMES!

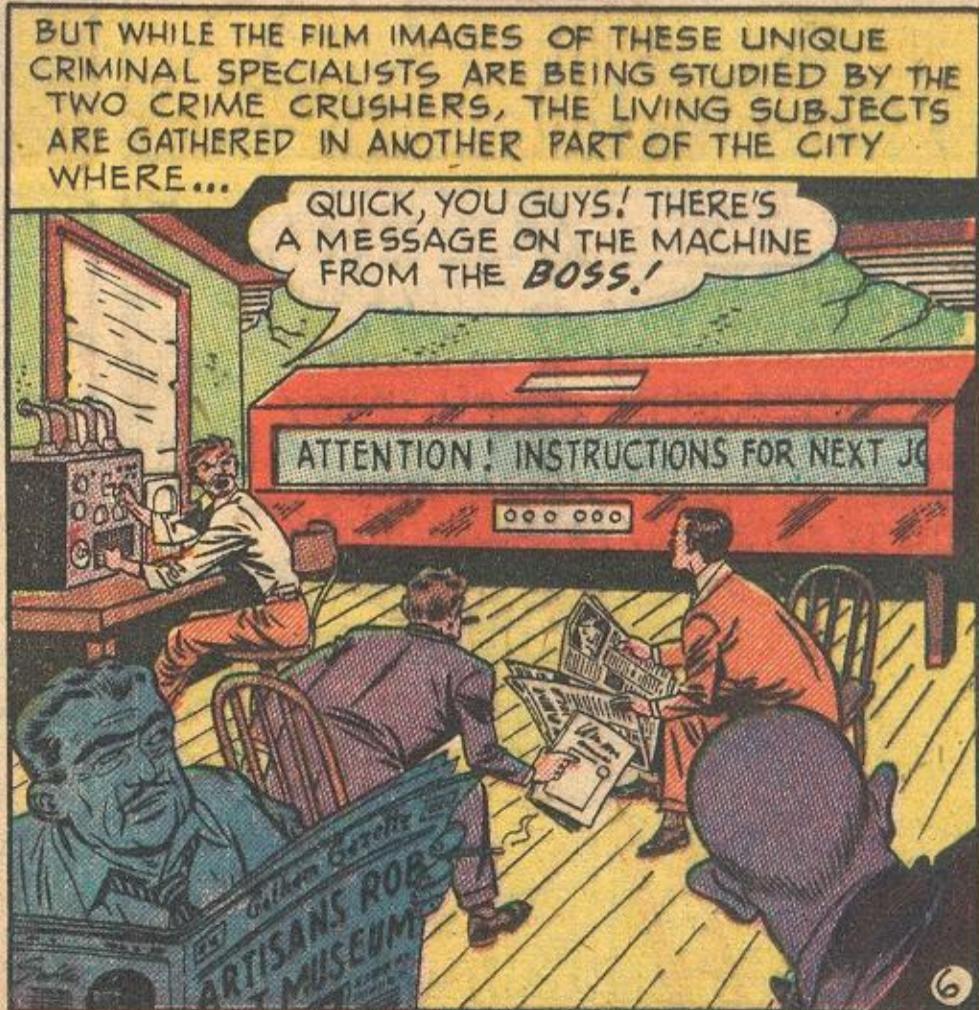
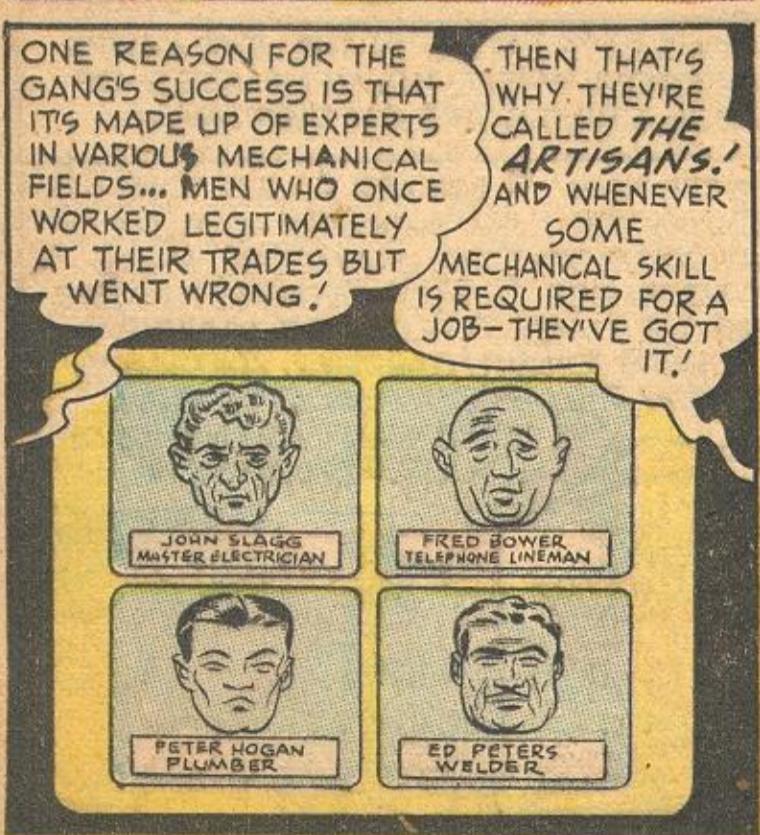
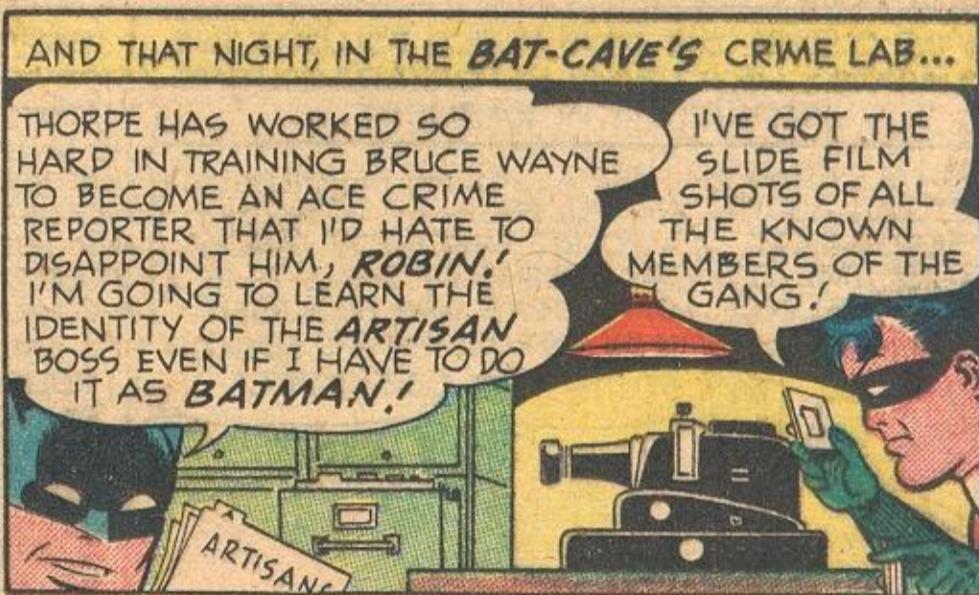
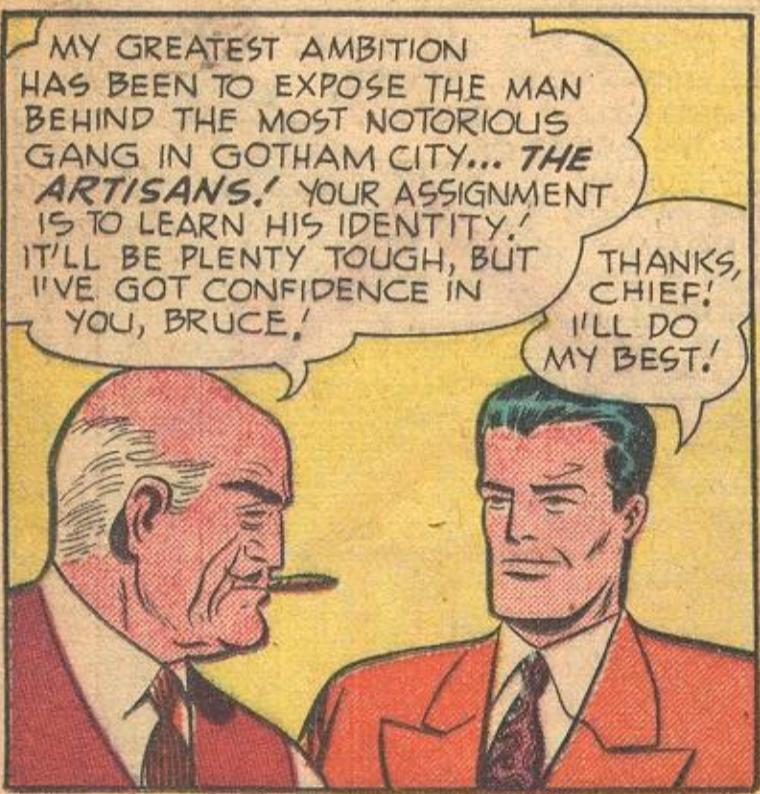


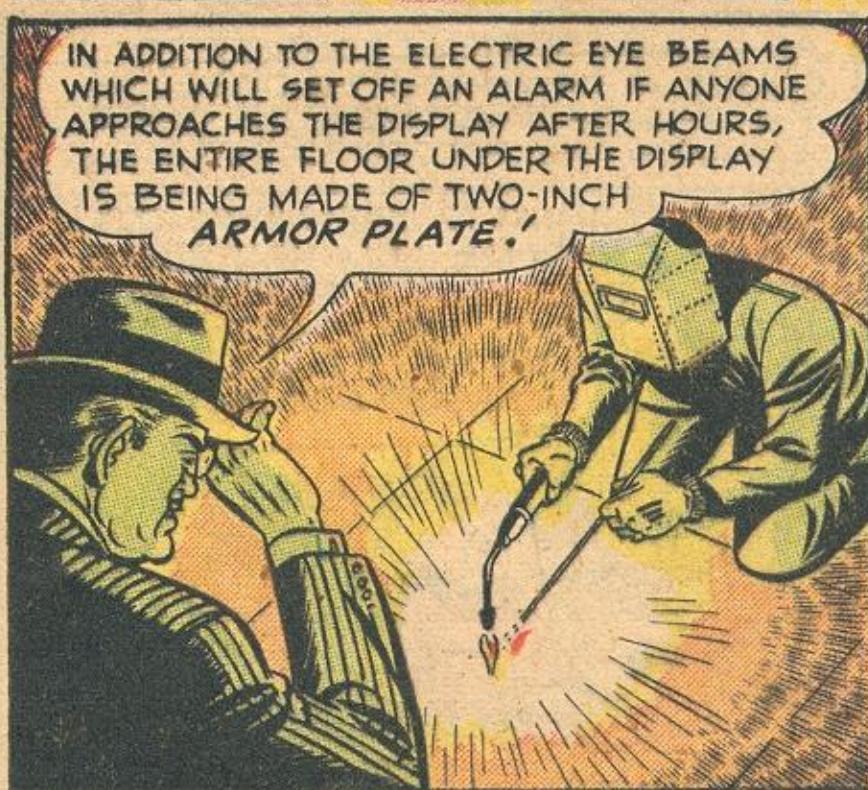
AND SOME DAYS LATER, IN THE BAT CAVE'S TROPHY ROOM, WHERE THE MEMENTOES OF FAMOUS CRIMES ARE ON DISPLAY...

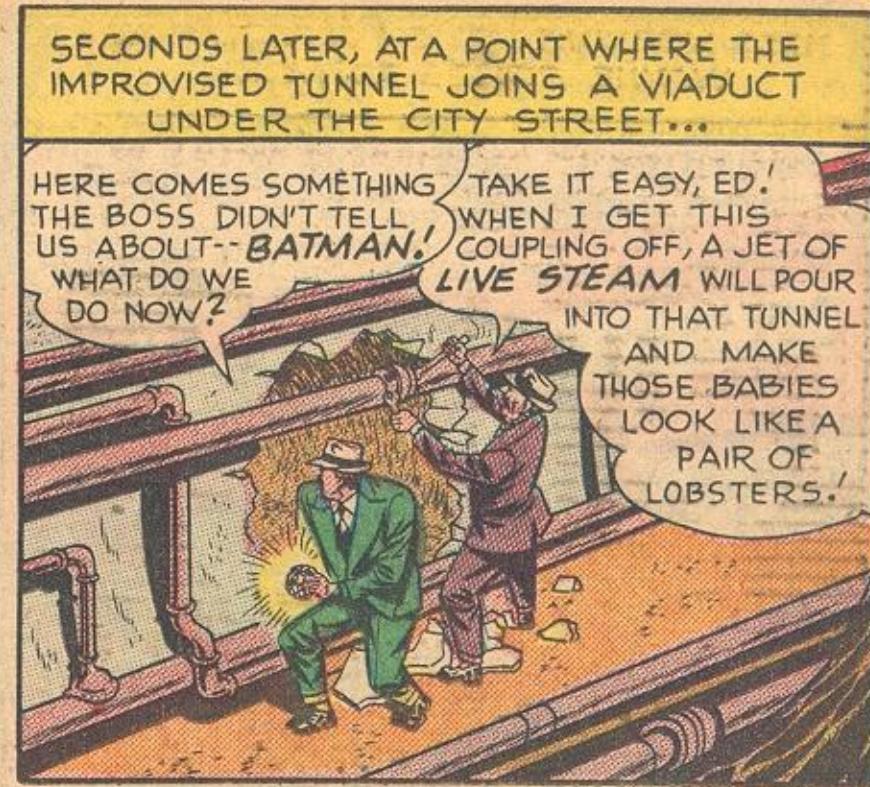
WHAT'S THE NEW ADDITION TO THE TROPHY ROOM YOU WANT ME TO SEE BEFORE WE START OUR ROUNDS TONIGHT, ROBIN?

I HEARD ABOUT YOUR... ER ... DARING CAPTURE OF THE CHARACTER WHO'S BEEN STEALING FLOWERS FROM THE MUNICIPAL GARDENS, BATMAN!
NATURALLY, I KNEW YOU'D WANT A SOUVENIR OF YOUR EXPLOITS! HA, HA!









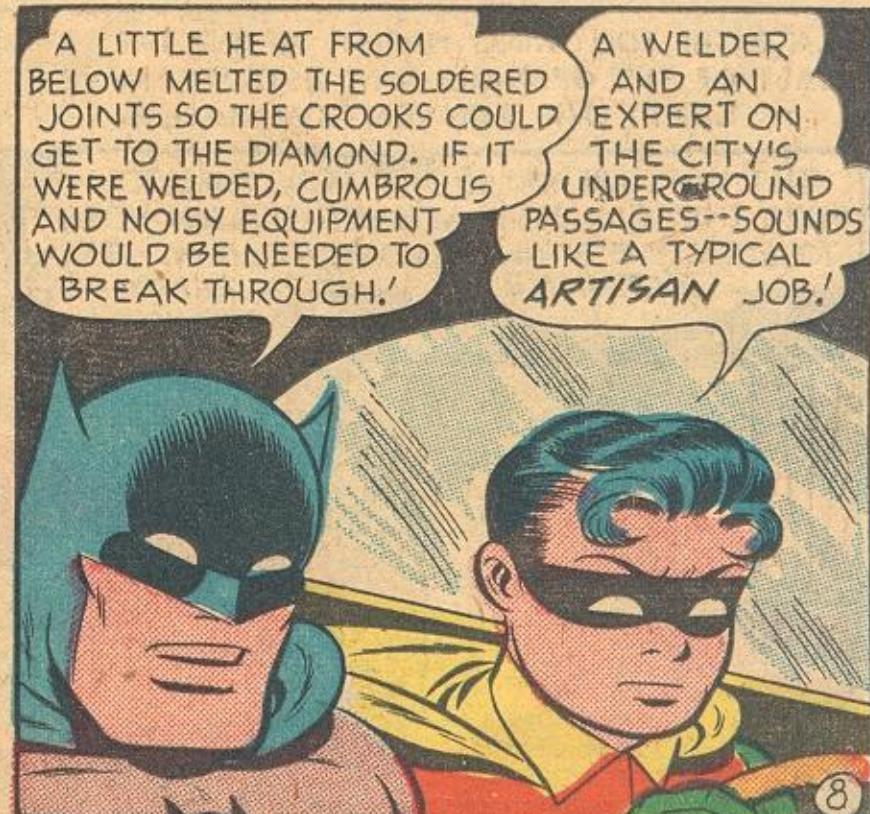
ABRUPTLY, THERE IS AN EAR-SPLITTING ROAR, AND THE TINY PASSAGE IS FILLED WITH A WHIRLING MASS OF SCALDING VAPOR...



AS CLOUDS OF STEAM CONTINUE TO CHARGE AT THEM FROM THE DIRECTION THE THIEVES HAVE TAKEN, THE CAPE LAW MEN ARE FORCED TO RETREAT...



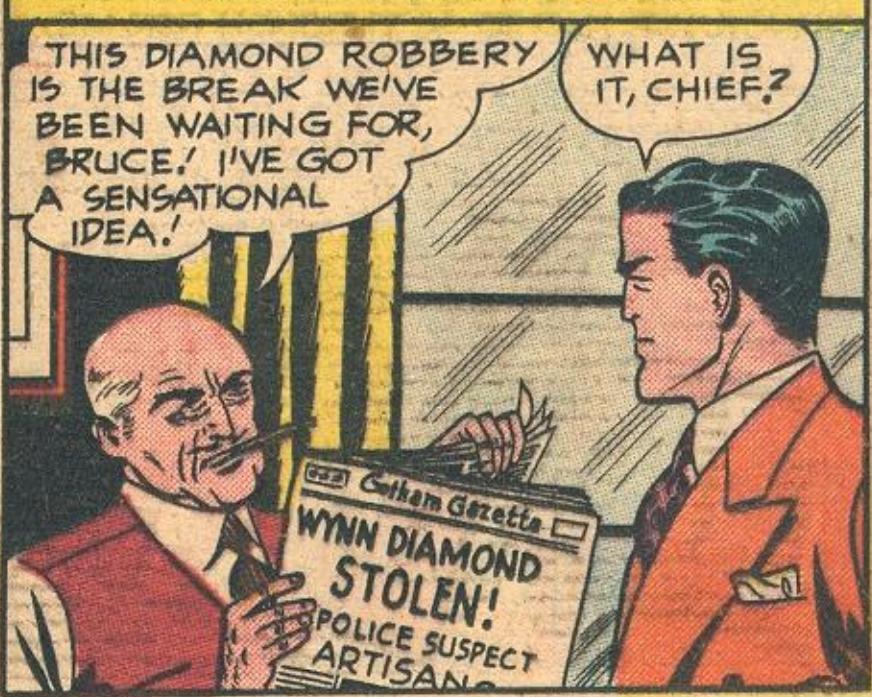
LATER, ON THE WAY BACK TO THE BAT-CAVE...



NEXT MORNING, WHEN REPORTER BRUCE WAYNE COMES TO WORK...

THIS DIAMOND ROBBERY IS THE BREAK WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR, BRUCE! I'VE GOT A SENSATIONAL IDEA!

WHAT IS IT, CHIEF?



THAT JOB LAST NIGHT WAS SURELY THE WORK OF THE ARTISANS! SO NOW THAT THEY HAVE THE WYNN DIAMOND, WHAT CAN THEY DO WITH IT? ANYONE TRYING TO SELL IT WILL BE ARRESTED!

I SEE! THEY'LL NEED A DIAMOND-CUTTER TO BREAK IT INTO SMALLER STONES. AN EXPERT WITH A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND IS SURE TO CATCH THEIR ATTENTION!



THIS PICTURE'S BEEN HEAVILY RETOUCHED IN OUR PHOTO LAB, BUT DO YOU RECOGNIZE THE MAN? HE'S PRACTICALLY A DOUBLE FOR BRUCE WAYNE. FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE VINTON WELLS! THE POLICE AGREED TO COOPERATE!

SKILLED DIAMOND CUTTER RELEASED FROM PRISON VINTON WELLS, CONVICTED 5 YEARS AGO OF ROBBERY, TODAY WAS RELEASED FROM STATE PRISON. KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD FOR HIS SKILL AS A DIAMOND CUTTER, VINTON WELLS

WELLS, KEEPS A LOW PROFILE.

JARVIS,

I DON'T GET IT, "FIVE STAR!"

THE HUNCH PROVES CORRECT FOR, LESS THAN 24 HOURS LATER, BRUCE, HIS FACE SLIGHTLY ALTERED BY MAKE-UP, FINDS HIMSELF IN THE HIDE-OUT OF THE NOTORIOUS ARTISANS...

THEY SURE DIDN'T WASTE ANY TIME CONTACTING ME AND BRINGING ME HERE!

PETE, OUR ELECTRONICS EXPERT, IS NOTIFYING THE BOSS THAT YOU AGREED TO OUR PROPOSITION, WELLS!



NOTIFYING THE BOSS? BUT WHERE IS HE? AND WHO IS HE?

NOT EVEN WE KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT! OUR MESSAGES ARE PICKED UP BY RADIO IN THE BOSS' SECRET HIDE-OUT AND HE ANSWERS US ON AN ELECTRONIC TYPEWRITER LIKE THIS ONE!

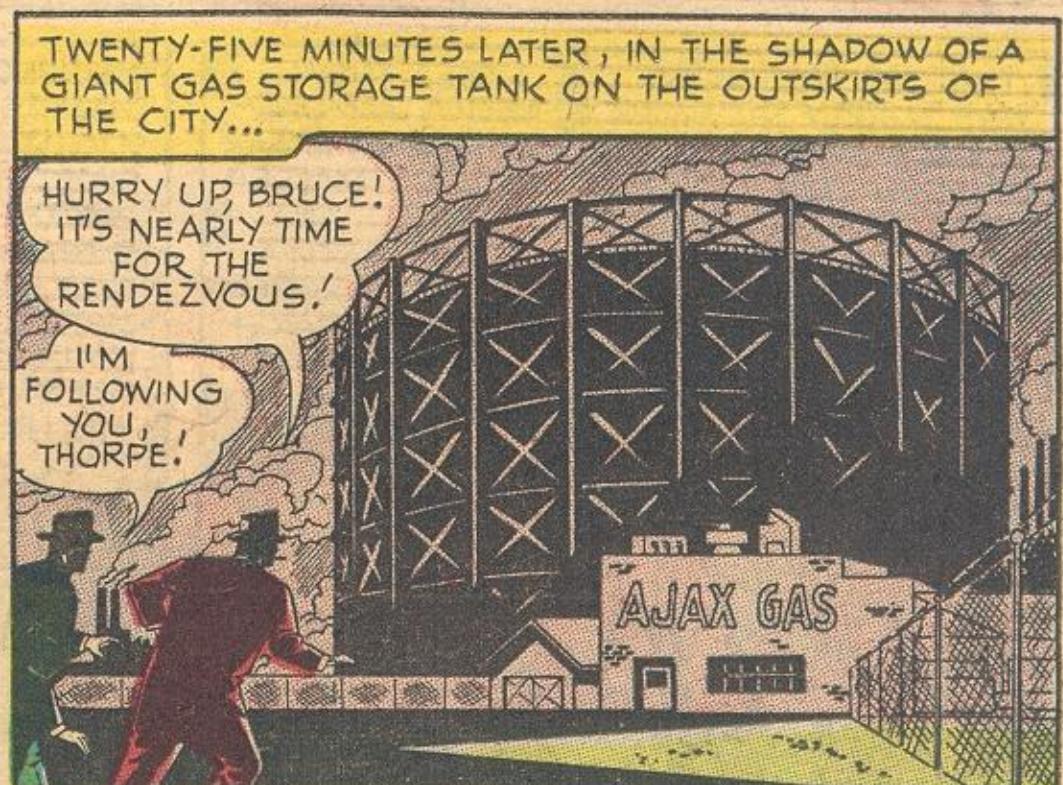


A SPECIAL SCRAMBLING DEVICE PREVENTS THE COPS FROM PICKING UP OUR MESSAGES! WAIT! HERE'S THE BOSS' ANSWER NOW!

HMM! FOR A CROOK, THE BOSS HAS AN INTERESTING WAY OF WRITING!

WYNN JOB GOT BANNERS IN ALL PAPERS. NO

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BATMAN



THEN AN ASTONISHING THING HAPPENS! FOR AS THORPE FIRES AT THE SHADOWY FIGURE BEARING DOWN ON THE YOUNG REPORTER...



SINCE HE FIGURED I'D BELIEVE THAT ONLY THE *ARTISAN* CHIEF WOULD BE AT THIS SPOT AT ELEVEN, HE PLANNED TO SHOOT *YOU* AND MAKE IT LOOK AS IF HE WAS PROTECTING *ME*! THEN I'D WRITE A NEWS STORY REVEALING *YOU* AS THE MYSTERY CRIMINAL... A DEAD MAN COULDN'T TALK BACK.



SUDDENLY, THE CRIME KING LUNGES FOR HIS GUN, AND...



WHAT ARE YOU DOING, WAYNE? "FIVE STAR" INVITED ME TO MEET HIM HERE AT ELEVEN. HE SAID I'D SEE YOU GET A SENSATIONAL CRIME SCOOP WHICH WOULD PROVE HE'D MADE YOU AN ACE REPORTER AND I'D LOSE MY BET WITH HIM!



SO A MISERABLE LITTLE CUB REPORTER LEARNED MY SECRET! I COULD HAVE RETIRED AFTER THIS WITH MY LOOT, AND YOUR STORY WOULD HAVE MEANT THAT I'D NEVER NEED WORRY ABOUT BEING FOUND OUT!



HIS BRAVADO SHATTERED BY THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF THE AWESOME CAPE FIGURES, THORPE SCURRIES FOR FREEDOM...



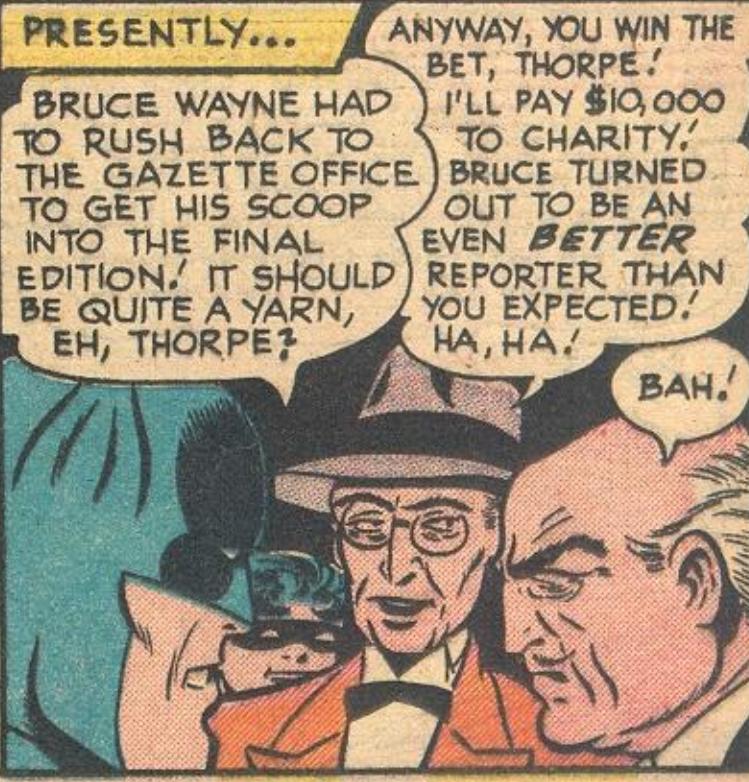
A LIGHTNING-LIKE CHANGE AND THEN THE TRUE FIGURE OF THE DASHING CRIME CRUSHER HURLES IN PURSUIT OF THE CRIMINAL PREY...



SWIFT SECONDS LATER, IN THE SHADOWS BEHIND THE GIANT STORAGE TANK...



PRESENTLY...



LATER, IN THE BAT-CAVE'S TROPHY ROOM...



I BECAME SUSPICIOUS BECAUSE THE BOSS USED A TYPICAL NEWSPAPERMAN'S WORD IN HIS MESSAGE ON THE ELECTRONIC TYPEWRITER -- "BANNERS" FOR HEADLINES! I WAS CERTAIN WHEN I LAGGED BEHIND ON THE WAY TO THE RENDEZVOUS AND THORPE WENT DIRECTLY TO IT -- YOU SEE, I HADN'T TOLD HIM THE EXACT SPOT!



Captain Tootsie

*IN
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By BILL SCHREIBER



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QUICK QUIZ

WHAT BIRD LAYS THE
LARGEST EGGS?



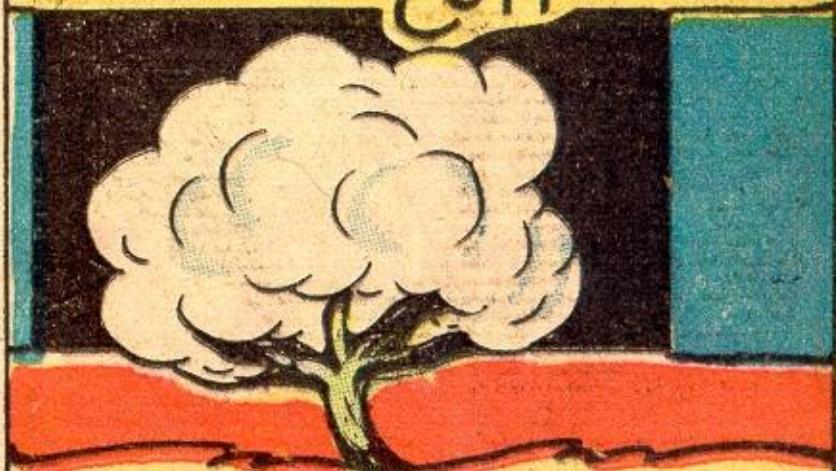
THE TINY KIWI... SMALLER THAN A HEN...
LAYS EGGS THAT ARE ALMOST AS
LARGE AS THOSE OF AN OSTRICH!

WHAT IS THE ORIGIN OF
WHITE FLOUR?



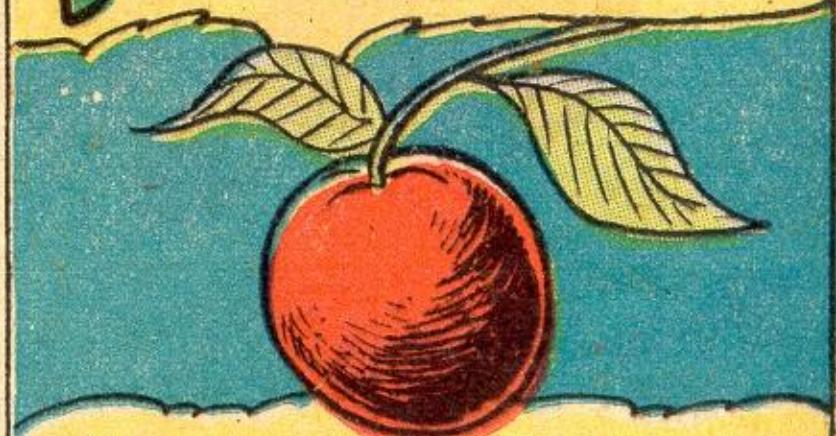
WHITE FLOUR WAS FIRST MADE
BY AN ENGLISH MILLER IN ORDER
TO MATCH THE TABLECLOTH OF
AN ENGLISH NOBLEMAN!

HOW MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF CLOTH
ARE MADE FROM COTTON?



MORE THAN 243 DIFFERENT KINDS
OF CLOTH CAN BE MADE FROM COTTON!

DO LEAVES BREATHE?



YES! FOR EXAMPLE....THE LEAF
OF AN APPLE BREATHESES
THROUGH THE 14,500 PORES
ON ITS UNDERSIDE!

H.T. ELM

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FOUR-FOOTED DETECTIVES

ONE day, a little boy wandered from his backyard. Later, when his mother called him, he had disappeared. A thorough search was made of the neighborhood, but no trace of the child could be found. However, someone had seen a boy walking toward the forest. A posse was organized and started searching the woods.

After many hours, the child was still not found, so the local police called for aid. A man arrived with two trained Bloodhounds. The dogs were given a piece of clothing belonging to the child, and in a short time found him by trailing the scent from the clothing.

The exact ancestry of the Bloodhound cannot be determined, but some dogs with exceptional abilities of smell can be traced back 2400 years. Xenophon, in his writings, discusses at some length how dogs were used to track down people. It is also recorded that in the third century A.D., a "scent-hound" was used for the same purpose.

The Bloodhound, as we know him today, is probably descended from the dogs which William the Conqueror brought to England from France in 1066. We know that the part of France from which William came, had

many dogs trained to trail for hunting purposes. St. Hubert, in France, prior to the conquest, was known to have bred and raised hound dogs which were used for trailing both men and animals. During the Middle Ages, many monasteries and manor lords are believed to have raised packs of dogs of the hound variety, which were bred for their acuteness of smell. These undoubtedly are the ancestors of the modern Bloodhound.

In our own history, much mention is made of Bloodhounds. During the Civil War, Bloodhounds were used by military forces for hunting deserters and guerrilla bands hidden in the hills. Also, it will be recalled that in Harriet Beecher Stowe's famous book, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," plantation owners trained dogs to find runaway slaves. These dogs were depicted as being bloodthirsty animals, trained not only to trail, but to kill their victims as well. Hence, the name Bloodhound.

However, this is not true of the Bloodhound. He is not the dangerous, vicious animal that many people believe him to be. He is by nature extremely gentle and affectionate, and he does not need a blood scent

to trail, but an odor of clothing, food, etc. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" did much to harm the reputation of the Bloodhound, but today most people realize that this breed is one of the finest, and that their usefulness to man is almost immeasurable.

The Bloodhound is usually trained for one of two purposes, that is, to be a trailer or a show dog. There is a great difference between the two. Trailing dogs do not usually have as fine points as the show variety. They are not as large, do not have as pointed a head, their jowls are not as big, and their ears not as long, and their coats are not as smooth and as well formed as the show dog. Bloodhounds average about 26 inches in height, and weigh about 90 pounds.

Trailers also can be divided into two classes: warm trailers, and cold trailers. This means that one dog is especially adept at following a fresh, or warm trail, and may not be as skillful at following an old or cold trail, while a cold trailer is particularly keen in tracing an old trail.

Bloodhounds are usually used in pairs when trailing. A Bloodhound can travel at 8 miles an hour, held on a leash, or accompanied by a trainer on horseback.

Training begins early. The most popular method is to give the pup a piece of clothing belonging to a person acting as the quarry. While the dog is watching him, the quarry walks a hundred yards away. When the quarry is out of sight, the pup is released, and following his natural instincts, usually follows the quarry to his hiding place. If the dog accomplishes this satisfactorily, he is petted and rewarded.

One trainer has found another method which has proved satisfactory. He puts a piece of liver in a jar, allows the dog to smell

it, and then goes through the same procedure with the quarry hiding with the jar. This is to teach him to follow only one scent, and not be distracted by mixed odors he will come across in his trailing.

The pup's schooling begins when he is about 18 months old. After this initial phase, he is put to work with an older and more experienced dog. Since they usually work in pairs, Bloodhounds must be taught to work harmoniously together.

One of the best known Bloodhound detectives is V. G. Mullikin of Kentucky. This man and his famous dogs succeeded in locating 2,500 fugitives from justice.

Another well-known trainer is W. W. "Cy" Horton of the New York State Police. His famous dogs are trained at Troop K in Hawthorne, N. Y. and have been instrumental not only in police and detective work, but also in many mercy missions of finding lost persons. In the Sing Sing Prison break in 1941, Sgt. Horton used his Bloodhounds to trail the escaped convicts to the Hudson River. After crossing to the other side, the dogs again picked up the scent and trailed the culprits to a hill where they were eventually captured.

In Southern penitentiaries, Bloodhounds are used, too. If a convict escapes from a work gang, the dogs are brought to the area where he escaped from and start trailing. Bloodhounds are taught to tree their quarries, too, so that many an escaped criminal has been found hiding in a tree.

Bloodhounds do not usually bay while trailing, as is commonly thought. This would, of course, warn the criminal; they usually work quietly and only bay when the quarry has been treed or trapped so that the trainer can find them.

—B. Fairbanks

JERRY

THE JITTERBUG

HENRY
SOLITAIRE

GEE, DAD, WITH PRICES AND
EVERYTHING GOING UP, I
COULD USE A BIGGER
ALLOWANCE!

R-RING!

HELLO! WHAT - JOE'S
SERVICE STATION? JERRY
DID ALL THAT? OKAY,
GOODBYE!

SO - YOU SMASHED TWO
FENDERS ON MY CAR! WELL,
YOU'LL PAY THE REPAIR
BILL OUT OF YOUR
ALLOWANCE!

BUT AT YOUR PRESENT
ALLOWANCE, IT'LL TAKE
YEARS TO PAY IT OFF.
SO I'M GIVING YOU AN
INCREASE!

YOU LOOK BEAT, JERRY.
DIDN'T YOUR DAD
BOOST YOUR
ALLOWANCE?

HE DID!

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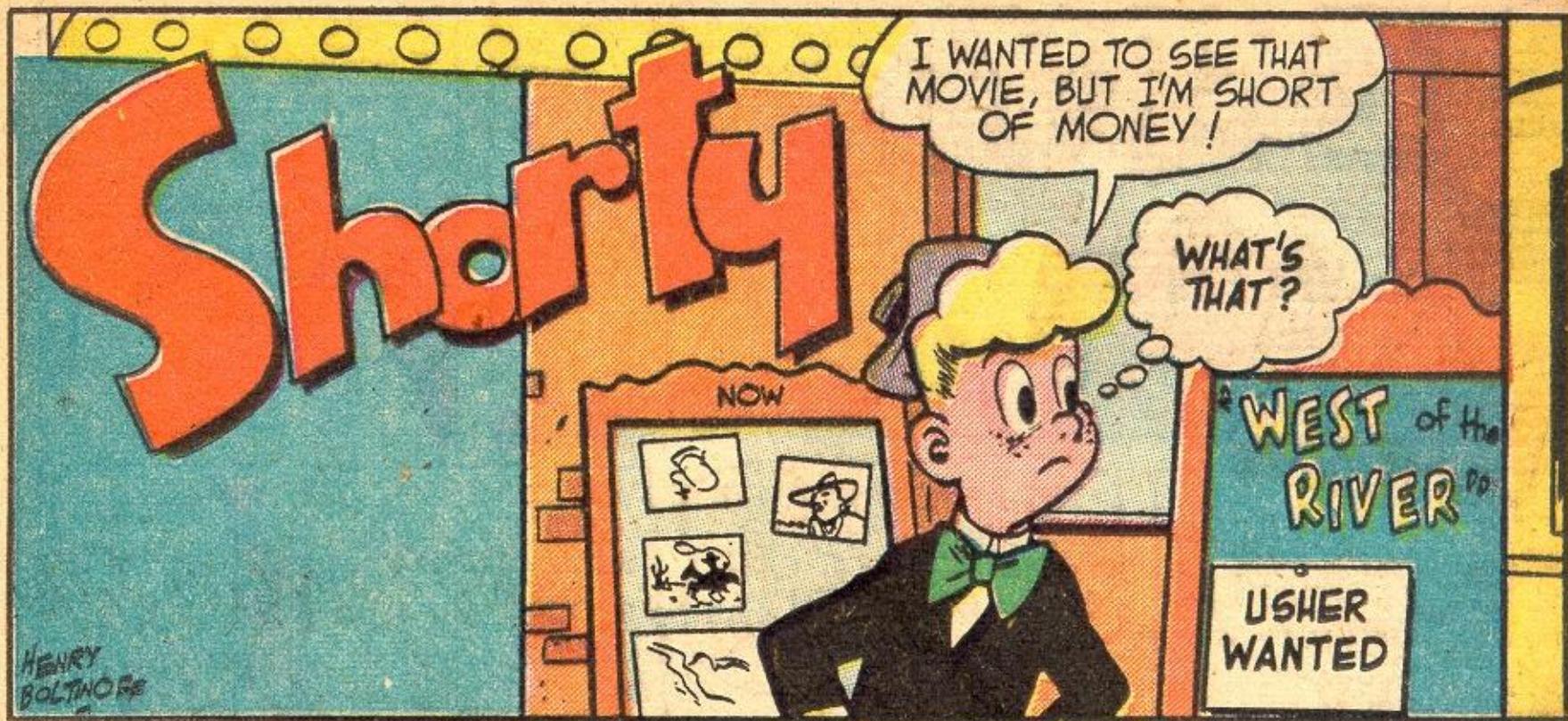
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BAT-MAN AND ROBIN

CATWOMAN FILE
NO. 5239-W4

ONCE AGAIN FROM THE DARK SHADOWS THERE SPRINGS THE Svelte FORM OF THAT FABULOUS FELINE...THE CATWOMAN! DOES SHE MOVE THROUGH THE SLEEPING CITY ON Muted PAWS IN THE INTERESTS OF JUSTICE, OR IS SHE ON A MISSION OF PLUNDER? THIS IS THE BAFFLING QUESTION WHICH FACES BATMAN AND ROBIN AS THEY FOLLOW HER DOWN A PERILOUS PATH DANGER! AND GOTHAM CITY WONDERS IF IT WILL WITNESS ANOTHER REIGN BY...

"CATWOMAN-

EMPERESS

of

the
UNDER-
WORLD"

by

BOB
KANE

WHERE DOES
HER FILE BELONG,
BATMAN, WITH
THE LAW OR THE
UNDERWORLD?

ROGUES'
GALLERY

UNDERCOVER
POLICE
AGENTS



I WISH
I KNEW,
ROBIN—
I WISH
I KNEW!

IN A TINY PET SHOP IN THE HEART OF GOTHAM CITY, A SLIM GIRL FACES THE HULKING FIGURE OF A MAN...

SO THIS IS WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE GREAT CATWOMAN! I'VE BEEN SEARCHING THE TOWN FOR MONTHS FOR YOU!

AND NOW THAT YOU'VE FOUND ME, YOU CAN GET OUT!

PET SHOP

WOW! HE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE A VERY SATISFIED CUSTOMER, MISS... ER... ER...

SELINA KYLE! I OWN THIS SHOP! I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT CHARACTER, BUT HE CAME HERE TO REMIND ME OF ANOTHER LIFE... A LIFE I'D RATHER FORGET!

WE'LL JUST LOOK AROUND, IF IT'S ALL RIGHT, MISS KYLE.

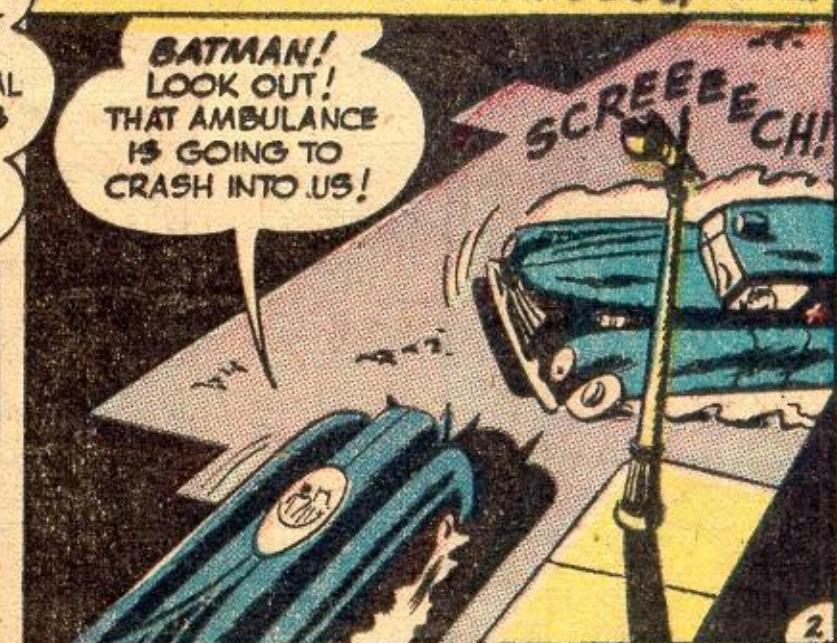
THAT EVENING, IN THE SUMPTUOUS WAYNE MANSION ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY...

BRUCE, ISN'T IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THAT QUIET LITTLE PET SHOP PROPRIETRESS, SELINA KYLE, WAS ONCE THE NOTORIOUS CATWOMAN?

REMEMBER, DICK, SELINA WAS AN AMNESIA VICTIM DURING HER CATWOMAN CAREER! SHE REALLY WASN'T A CRIMINAL AT HEART. AND SPEAKING OF AMNESIA, LET'S NOT FORGET WE HAVE WORK TO DO... AS BATMAN AND ROBIN!

A QUICK CHANGE AND THE WEALTHY PLAYBOY AND HIS YOUNG WARD ARE SOON GUIDING THE SLEEK BATMOBILE ALONG DARKENED CITY STREETS AS THE FAMED DARING DUO, WHEN...

BATMAN!
LOOK OUT!
THAT AMBULANCE IS GOING TO CRASH INTO US!



EVEN ON AN EMERGENCY CALL, THE DRIVER OF THAT AMBULANCE SHOULD SIGNAL A WARNING WHEN APPROACHING AN INTERSECTION!

THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE ABOUT THAT AMBULANCE, ROBIN! IT'S FROM GOTHAM GENERAL ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN! THIS IS WAY OUT OF THAT HOSPITAL'S TERRITORY! LET'S CHECK!

BUT AS THE BATMOBILE HURTELS AFTER THE SUSPICIOUS AMBULANCE...

BAD LUCK, ROBIN! BY THE TIME THAT BOAT PASSES AND THE BRIDGE IS LOWERED THEY'LL BE OUT OF SIGHT! WE'D BETTER CHECK AT THE HOSPITAL!

TOOT-TOOT!

SWIFT MOMENTS LATER, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN...

BATMAN! ROBIN! I'M SURE GLAD TO SEE YOU! SOMEONE LET THE WHITE MICE OUT OF THEIR CAGES AND THEN RELEASED A MOB OF CATS IN THE LAB! DURING THE CONFUSION WHICH FOLLOWED, A VALUABLE SHIPMENT OF DRUGS WAS STOLEN AND THE THIEVES GOT AWAY IN AN AMBULANCE!

HOSPITAL ROUTINE HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED! UNLESS ORDER IS RESTORED AT ONCE, THE PATIENTS MAY BE ENDANGERED! YOU MUST DO SOMETHING, BATMAN!

THERE IS ONLY ONE PERSON WHO CAN HANDLE THIS SITUATION! I'M PUTTING IN A CALL FOR SELINA KYLE!

A BRIEF TIME AFTER...

SELINA! YOU'RE WONDERFUL! WHY, MOMENTS AGO THOSE CATS WERE LIKE WILD JUNGLE BEASTS!

THIS CAT CRIME IS LIKE THE KIND I USED TO ARRANGE WHEN I WAS THE CATWOMAN! I HOPE NOBODY SUSPECTS ME!

AND ON THE WAY BACK TO THE BAT-CAVE...

I THOUGHT WE'D SEEN THE END OF CRIMES INVOLVING CATS WHEN THE CATWOMAN JOINED THE SIDE OF THE LAW! BATMAN! YOU DON'T SUPPOSE THAT...?

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS, ROBIN! THAT GIRL IS AS INNOCENT AS EITHER OF US!

PURRRR!

PURRRR!



BATMAN



BUT DURING THE DAYS WHICH FOLLOW, THE CITY IS ROCKED BY A WEIRD SERIES OF CRIMES, EACH OF WHICH BEARS **THE MARK OF THE CAT...**

FURS

Debbie
Ann
Fine
Furs

SWELL IDEA
RELEASING THESE JUNGLE CATS - WHILE THE PANIC'S ON, WE GET AWAY WITH THE FURS! HA, HA!

WHEN THE GUARDS CHECK US ON THE WAY OUT, WE'LL BE CLEAN. BUT THE KITTY WILL GET OUT THROUGH THIS NARROW VENTILATOR SHAFT CARRYING THE MICROFILM COPIES OF THE LATEST POLICE EQUIPMENT INVENTIONS!



AND IN THE WAYNE HOME, NEWS OF THESE EVENTS IS FOLLOWED WITH KEEN INTEREST...

FOUR CAT-CRIMES IN THE PAST WEEK! DON'T YOU BELIEVE **NOW** THAT SELINA'S RETURNED TO HER LIFE OF CRIME AS **CATWOMAN**, BRUCE?

NO! I STILL HAVE CONFIDENCE IN HER, DICK! NO ONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED GUILTY WITHOUT ABSOLUTE PROOF!



WHILE IN ANOTHER PART OF THE CITY, BEHIND LUXURIOUS SILKEN FOLDS, ANOTHER READER SCANS THE HEADLINES... "CRIMINAL MAY HAVE BEEN HURT BY JUNGLE CAT USED IN FUR STORE ROBBERY!"

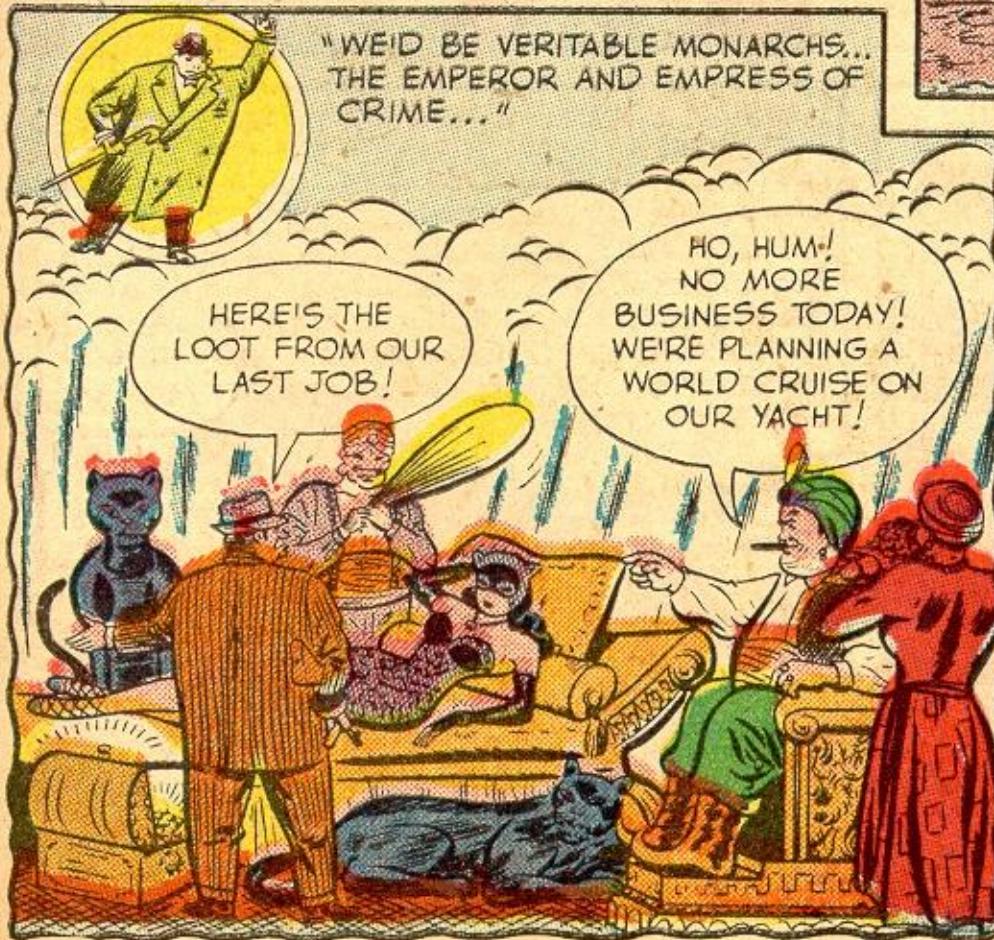
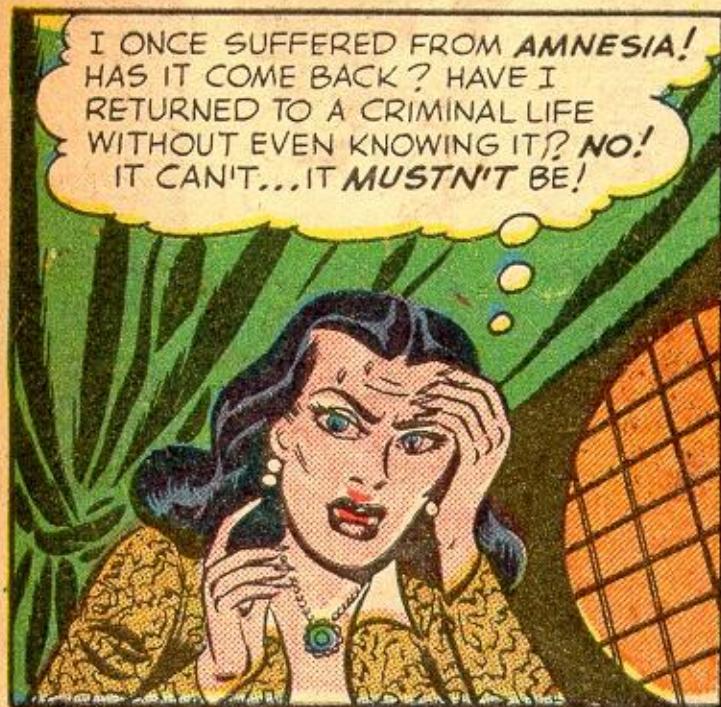
"...SINCE BLOOD SPOTS WERE FOUND IN THE STORE, IT IS BELIEVED THE BIG CAT USED IN THE ROBBERY MAY HAVE CLAWED THE CULPRIT." HMM! THIS PAPER ALSO SAYS THAT THE **CATWOMAN** IS SUSPECTED OF PERPETRATING THESE CRIMES! NO! NO! IT ISN'T TRUE!



I'M THROUGH WITH CRIME! I MUST GET RID OF EVERY REMINDER OF MY FORMER... WAIT! THIS **SCRATCH ON MY WRIST** THAT I'VE BEEN UNABLE TO ACCOUNT FOR! IT COULD HAVE BEEN MADE BY A JUNGLE CAT!

AND THIS BLEACHED SPOT THAT I NOTICED THE OTHER DAY ON RAJAH'S FUR... IT COULD HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE CHEMICALS FOUND IN A PHOTOGRAPHIC LAB, SCENE OF THE LAST CAT-CRIME! OH, NO! WHAT AM I SAYING?



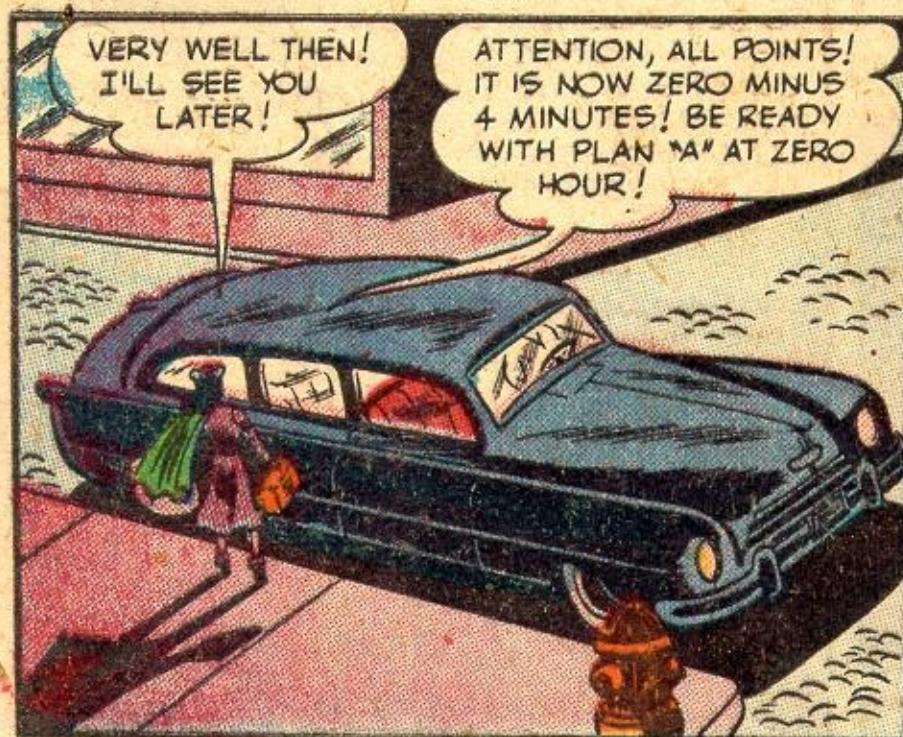
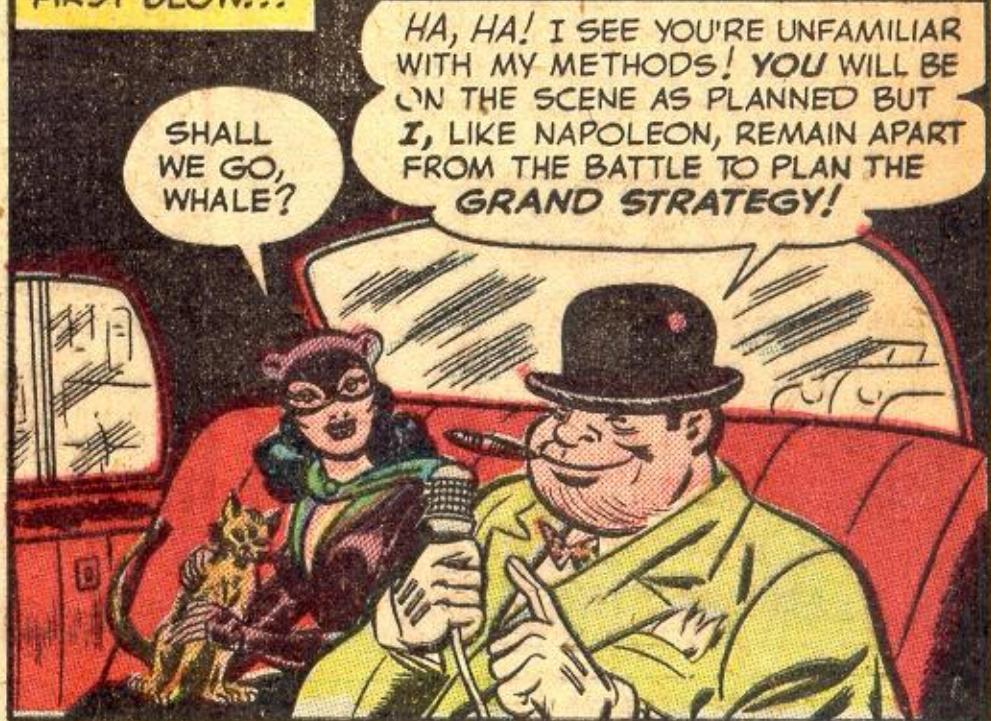


BATMAN

AND SO, AFTER ONE MEMBER OF THE NEWLY-FORMED CRIMINAL COMBINE DEPARTS...



SEVERAL NIGHTS LATER, THE EVIL AXIS STRIKES ITS FIRST BLOW...



LIKE A WELL-REHEARSED CAST IN SOME SINISTER DRAMA, THE UNDERWORLD ACTORS AWAIT THEIR CUES...



AND AS THE SECOND HAND SWEEPS RELENTLESSLY OVER THE APPOINTED MOMENT, A FELINE FIGURE MOVES SWIFTLY FROM THE SHADOWS OF A HANGAR AT THE GOTHAM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT...



SEVERAL MINUTES LATER, AS THE NEWLY ARRIVED PASSENGERS CHECK THROUGH THE CUSTOMS OFFICE...



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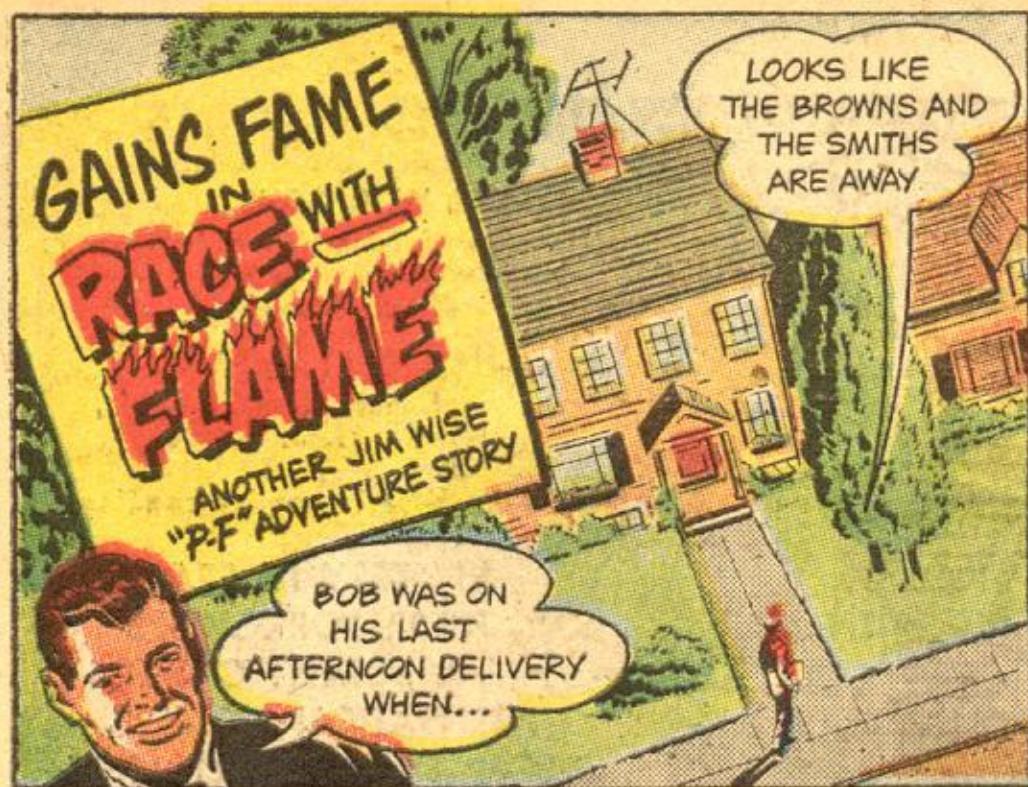
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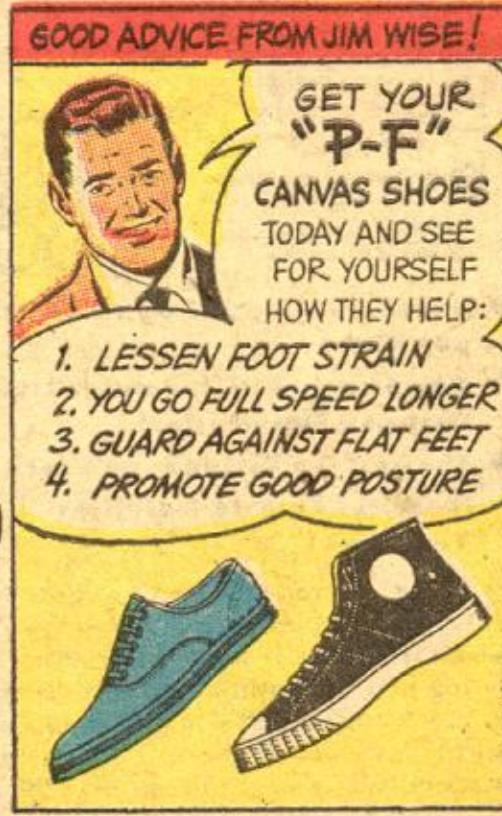
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BATMAN

THEY SEEM TO BE RIGHT, MR. HAMMER! AT LEAST, THIS CAT CAME IN WITH THE REST OF YOUR LUGGAGE AND THE CASE HAS YOUR NAME ON IT! BETTER GO ALONG! IT WILL ONLY TAKE A MOMENT!

WHY...WHY, IT MUST BELONG TO SOMEONE ELSE! BUT I'LL GO WITH YOU AND TRY TO STRAIGHTEN THINGS OUT!

AND AS THE TWO "AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT AGENTS" LEAD THE UNSUSPECTING TRAVELER INTO THE DARKNESS OUTSIDE THE TERMINAL...

ALL RIGHT, HAMMER! HAND OVER THE WEMBLY NECKLACE! WE KNOW YOU'RE CARRYING IT!

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND! I'M NOT HIDING ANYTHING! I'VE ALREADY DECLARED THE NECKLACE TO THE CUSTOMS OFFICIAL FOR ONE MILLION DOLLARS!



MAYBE YOU'LL UNDERSTAND THIS! IT'S A GUN AND WE'RE NOT FROM THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT! NOW, IS EVERYTHING CLEAR?

ONLY TOO CLEAR! THAT CAT

WAS PUT WITH MY THINGS IN ORDER TO LURE ME AWAY FROM THE TERMINAL! I SEE I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO HAND OVER THE NECKLACE!

BUT AT THIS MOMENT, TWO CAPE FIGURES SOAR HIGH ABOVE ON THEIR NIGHTLY PATROL OF THE CITY...

LOOK AT THE PERCH THAT CAT'S FOUND IN FRONT OF THE AIRPORT BEACON LIGHT, ROBIN! IT LOOKS LIKE A CAT SIGNAL!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS,

BATMAN! BUT DOWN BEHIND THE HANGAR THERE'S A SIGNAL FOR US TO GO INTO ACTION...LOOKS LIKE A HOLDUP!



IN AN INSTANT, THE TWIN AVENGERS OF JUSTICE SWOOP DOWN FROM THE NIGHT SKY...

SOMETHING'S GONE WRONG WITH THE PLAN! IT IS BATMAN AND ROBIN!

BY JOVE! THIS IS JUST LIKE THE AMERICAN MOVIES!

I'LL TAKE THAT!



YOU SAY THIS WHOLE BUSINESS STARTED WHEN SOMEONE PLANTED A CAT WITH YOUR LUGGAGE, MR. HAMMER? HMM! THAT'S VERY INTERESTING!

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, BATMAN! I'VE READ ABOUT YOU IN MY COUNTRY, BUT I NEVER EXPECTED TO MEET YOU SO SOON AFTER ARRIVING IN AMERICA!





BATMAN



SEVERAL MINUTES LATER, IN A PARKED LIMOUSINE NEARBY...

FIVE AND ONE HALF MINUTES LATE! SOMETHING MUST HAVE GONE WRONG! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE... I NEVER ALLOW MYSELF TO BE FOUND NEAR THE SCENE OF ONE OF MY CRIMES!

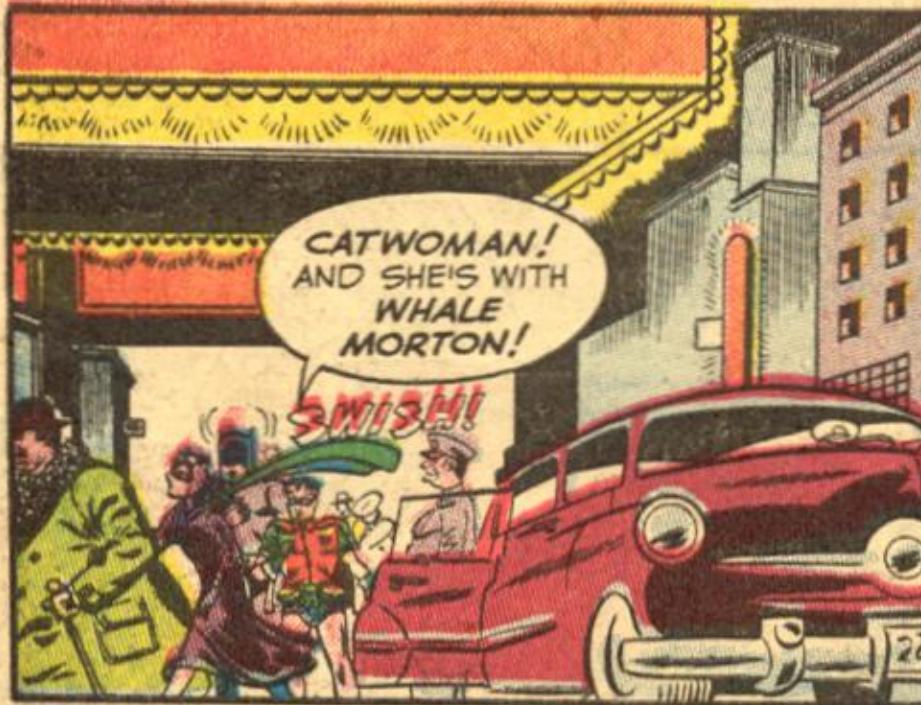


SEVERAL NIGHTS LATER, IN THE CITY'S SPARKLING AMUSEMENT DISTRICT...

THAT ATTEMPTED ROBBERY AT THE AIRPORT HAD THE TRADE-MARK OF A **CAT CRIME**. DO YOU STILL BELIEVE **CATWOMAN** IS NOT INVOLVED IN THIS CRIME WAVE, **BATMAN**?



ABRUPTLY, A SLEEK LIMOUSINE SWEEPS UP TO THE CURB AND FROM ITS PLUSH INTERIOR EMERGES...



NOW WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT HER,

FRANKLY, **ROBIN**, I DON'T KNOW! A FEW DAYS AGO I'D SWEAR THAT SELINA HAD FORESAKEN CRIME PERMANENTLY. BUT NOW...



A MOMENT LATER, INSIDE A GAUDY NIGHT CLUB...



THIS IS THE LIFE... BUT IT TAKES PLENTY OF DOUGH TO KEEP IT UP! SINCE THOSE BOOBIES SLIPPED UP ON THAT AIRPORT JOB AND GOT CAUGHT BY **BATMAN**, WE'LL HAVE TO PLAN SOMETHING ELSE... SOON!

DON'T WORRY, WHALE! I'VE GOT SOMETHING WORKED OUT... SOMETHING REALLY BIG!





BATMAN



THE FOLLOWING NIGHT...

EXCELLENT, CATWOMAN! THE BOYS HAVE ALL BEEN BRIEFED ON THE PLAN YOU WORKED OUT!

THERE IT IS, WHALE! OUR TARGET FOR TONIGHT!



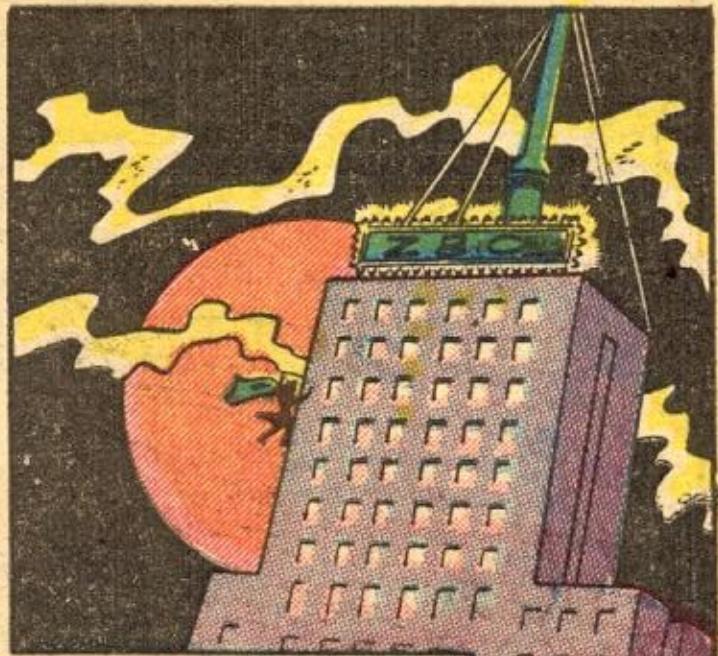
AND NOW, ART THROUGH THE AGES... A PROGRAM PRESENTED IN COOPERATION WITH THE GOTHAM MUSEUM OF ART! TONIGHT, WE...

THAT'S THE CUE... IT'S TIME TO PUT THE PLAN INTO OPERATION! AS USUAL, I'LL DIRECT FROM THE CAR AND THIS TIME I'LL BE ABLE TO WATCH... BY TELEVISION!



ABRUPTLY, AN UNSCHEDULED PERFORMER MAKES HER ENTRANCE...

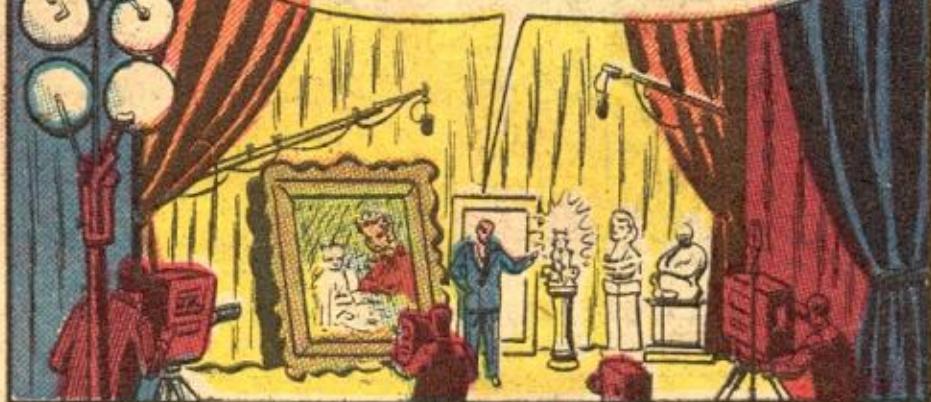
JUST LOOKING FOR ANOTHER CAT FOR MY COLLECTION... ONE COVERED WITH JEWELS WILL DO!



MOMENTS LATER, WITH THE GRACE OF A JUNGLE CAT, THE FELINE FELON SCALES THE SHEER MASS OF STONE AND CONCRETE LEADING TO THE ROOF OF THE ENTERTAINMENT CENTER...

WHILE INSIDE, IN ONE OF THE STUDIOS...

AND FROM THIS GIANT PAINTING OF DICK WHITTINGTON AND HIS CAT, LET'S MOVE OVER FOR A LOOK AT THIS EXQUISITE EGYPTIAN CAT IDOL... IT WAS DEDICATED TO THE MOON GODDESS, ISIS, AND IS ENCRUSTED WITH PRECIOUS STONES WORTH A FORTUNE!

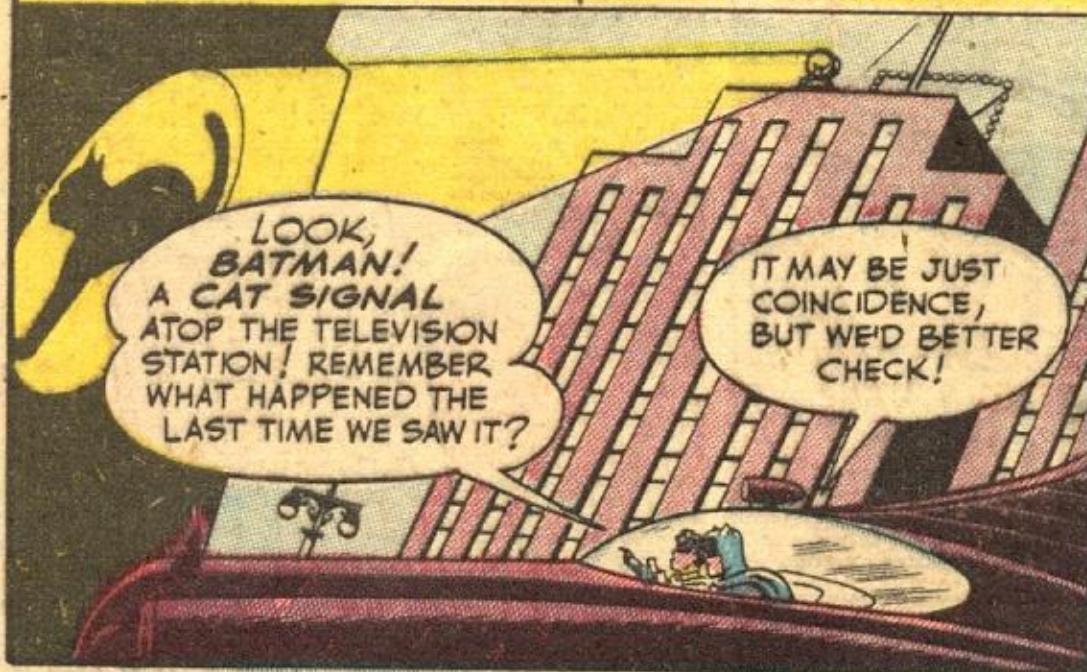


WHILE ON A SIDE STREET NEAR THE STUDIO...

HA, HA! THIS IS GREAT! THE CATWOMAN'S THE BEST THING I'VE EVER SEEN ON TELEVISION!



AND ON ANOTHER NEARBY STREET, A DIFFERENT KIND OF VEHICLE CRUISES THROUGH THE NIGHT--THE BATMOBILE...



AND SWIFT SECONDS LATER...

WE CAME TO THE RIGHT PLACE, ROBIN! THIS SKYLIGHT'S BEEN BROKEN INTO! YOU KNOW, CATWOMAN MAY STILL BE WORKING FOR THE LAW AS AN UNDERCOVER AGENT AND USING HER CATS TO CALL US WHEN CROOKS STRIKE!



LEAPING THROUGH THE OPENING IN THE SKYLIGHT, THE DYNAMIC DUO LANDS IN THE ELECTRONIC, TUBE-PACKED MASTER CONTROL ROOM OF THE TELEVISION STUDIO...

WE LANDED IN THE RIGHT PLACE, ROBIN! WE CAN FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN EVERY PART OF THE BUILDING IN SECONDS!



ON THIS MASTER CONTROL BOARD, WE CAN CUT IN ON EVERY STUDIO! SO FAR I'VE ONLY GOTTEN REHEARSALS!

ROBIN! LOOK! STUDIO 4 IS DARK, BUT SEE THAT FIGURE SLINKING ALONG THE CATWALK? IT'S THE CATWOMAN! LET'S GO!



AT BREAKNECK SPEED, THE TWIN TORNADOES RACE TO THE DARKENED STUDIO, WHERE...

BATMAN, SHE MUST BE UP THERE IN THAT MASS OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT!

IT'S SO DARK... I CAN HARDLY SEE! LOOKS LIKE A BLACKSMITH SHOP SET, BUT THAT'S ALL I CAN MAKE OUT!



BUT AS THE FAMED FIGHTER SPEAKS, THE CAPE LAW MEN ARE SUDDENLY CAUGHT IN A SEARING BEAM OF INESCAPABLE BRILLIANCE...

THAT LIGHT FROM THE CATWALK! IT'S BLINDING!





BATMAN



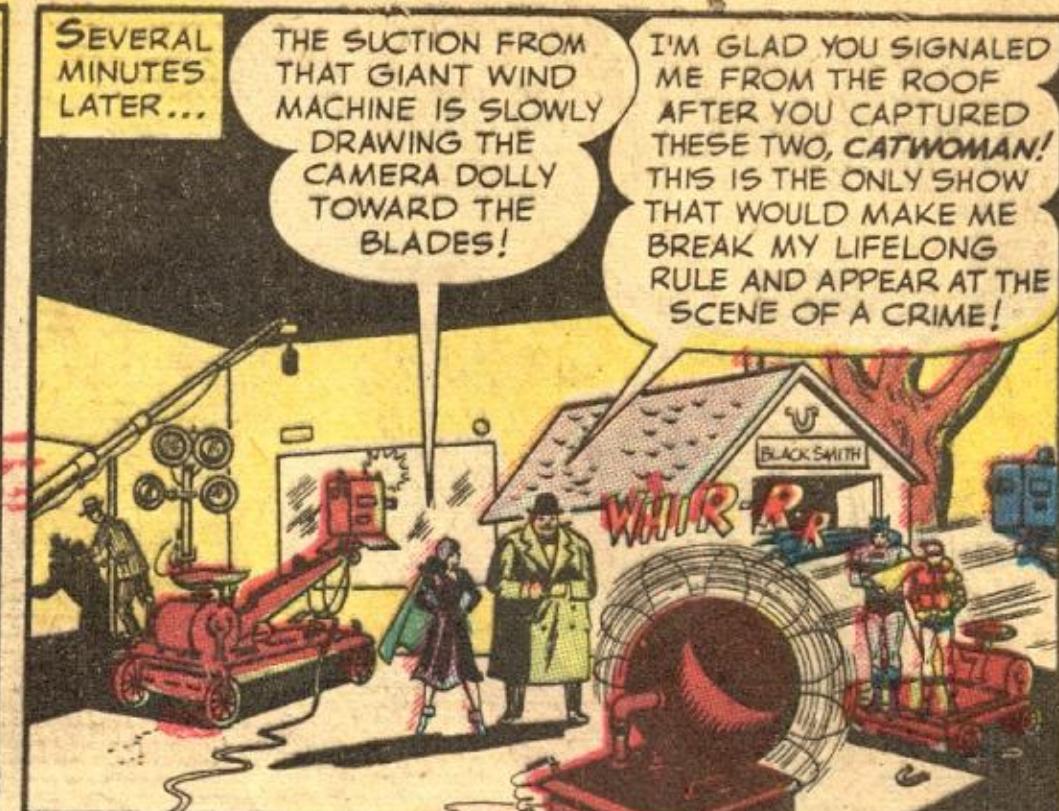
THEN, ABRUPTLY, THERE IS A BRIEF WARNING HISS AND THE TENTACLES OF A **CAT-O'-NINE-TAILS** REACH OUT FROM THE BLACKNESS...

I THOUGHT YOU TWO MIGHT BE DROPPING IN!

SEVERAL MINUTES LATER...

THE SUCTION FROM THAT GIANT WIND MACHINE IS SLOWLY DRAWING THE CAMERA DOLLY TOWARD THE BLADES!

I'M GLAD YOU SIGNALLED ME FROM THE ROOF AFTER YOU CAPTURED THESE TWO, **CATWOMAN**! THIS IS THE ONLY SHOW THAT WOULD MAKE ME BREAK MY LIFELONG RULE AND APPEAR AT THE SCENE OF A CRIME!



THIS STUDIO IS ABSOLUTELY SOUND-PROOF! NO ONE CAN HEAR THEM IF THEY CALL AND IN A MOMENT WE'LL BE RID OF **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** FOR GOOD! HOW'S THAT, WHALE?

BRILLIANT!
BRILLIANT!

WE'LL REACH THE BLADES IN ANOTHER FEW SECONDS, **BATMAN**! I GUESS THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THE **CATWOMAN** NOW, IS THERE?

AND I WAS ALMOST CERTAIN SHE'D REFORMED!

AND YET THAT LIGHT ON TOP OF THE CAMERA, IT'S GLOWING! COULD IT BE THAT...? BUT THAT'S WISHFUL THINKING!



WRENCHING ONE HAND FREE, **BATMAN** GRABS A HORSESHOE FROM THE BLACKSMITH SHOP SET...

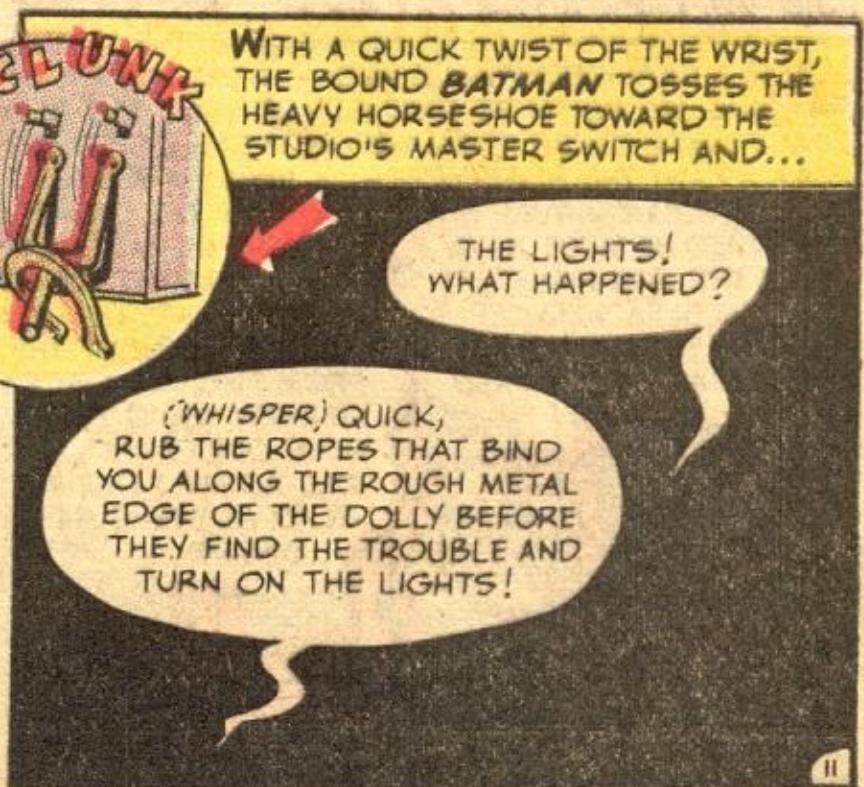
LUCKY OUR MURDER IS BEING STAGED ON THIS BLACKSMITH SHOP SET! I USED TO BE A CHAMPION HORSE-SHOE PITCHER! WONDER HOW I CAN DO FROM THIS POSITION?

WITH A QUICK TWIST OF THE WRIST, THE BOUND **BATMAN** TOSSES THE HEAVY HORSESHOE TOWARD THE STUDIO'S MASTER SWITCH AND...

THE LIGHTS!
WHAT HAPPENED?



(WHISPER) QUICK,
RUB THE ROPES THAT BIND
YOU ALONG THE ROUGH METAL
EDGE OF THE DOLLY BEFORE
THEY FIND THE TROUBLE AND
TURN ON THE LIGHTS!



WORKING FURIOUSLY,
THE DYNAMIC DUO
REGAINS FREEDOM
AND THEN...

UP GO
THE LIGHTS
AND...
SURPRISE!

THIS SWITCH!
HMM! IT WASN'T
WISHFUL
THINKING
AFTER ALL!

I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT THE HELP YOU
SUMMONED ARRIVED, EVEN IF WE
COULDN'T TAKE A CHANCE AND WAIT
FOR THEM BEFORE FREEING OUR-
SELVES, CATWOMAN...

OR SHOULD I SAY
SELINA KYLE?

SAY! WHAT'S
GOING ON HERE?

WHY ARE WE
SUDDENLY SO CHUMMY
WITH SOMEONE WHO
JUST TRIED TO KILL
US?



SHE NEVER INTENDED TO KILL US, ROBIN! I SUSPECTED AS MUCH WHEN I NOTICED THAT THIS LITTLE SIGNAL LIGHT WAS GLOWING... THAT MEANT THE CAMERA WAS ON AND EVERYTHING IN THIS STUDIO WAS CARRIED TO THE OUTSIDE. SINCE IT WASN'T ON WHEN WE ENTERED, CAT... ER... SELINA MUST HAVE DONE IT!

AND WHEN I TURNED ON THE SWITCH, I WAS CERTAIN THAT SELINA KYLE WAS ON OUR SIDE! SHE'D RIGGED IT WITH A VERY THIN WIRE THAT WOULD BREAK IN A SHORT TIME FROM THE HEAT CAUSED BY THE CURRENT... IT SHOULD GIVE ANY SECOND NOW!

I KNEW WHALE'S REPUTATION FOR AVOIDING THE LAW... THE PROMISE OF SEEING THE "DEATH" OF BATMAN AND ROBIN WAS THE ONLY WAY I COULD GET HIM TO APPEAR ON THE SCENE OF A CRIME!



AND SO, BACK AT THE PET SHOP...

...AND I REALIZED WHALE WAS FRAMING ME WHEN HE SAID GUN PLANS WERE TAKEN FROM THE POLICE LAB! THE NEWSPAPERS DIDN'T MENTION WHAT WAS TAKEN SO HE MUST HAVE DONE THE JOB HIMSELF! BUT THE BLEACHED CAT AND THE SCRATCH ON MY HAND... THEY STILL WORRY ME!

THEY NEEDN'T, SELINA! WHALE COULD HAVE PUT BLEACH ON THE CAT WHEN HE VISITED YOU HERE BEFORE THE CRIMES! HE PUT THE SCRATCH ON YOUR HAND ON THAT VISIT, TOO... A MILD ANAESTHETIC ON A PIN WILL PREVENT THE VICTIM FROM FEELING A SCRATCH. HE KNEW YOU'D BELIEVE YOURSELF GUILTY AND, FOR A BIT, I'LL ADMIT I DID, TOO! I'M GLAD WE WERE BOTH WRONG.



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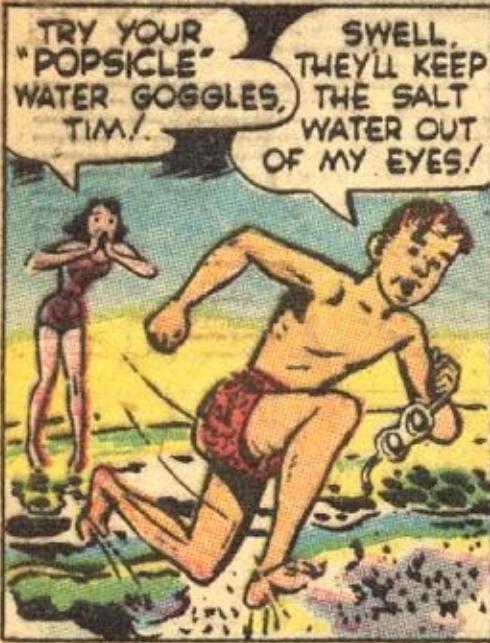
SWELL.
THEY'LL KEEP
THE SALT
WATER OUT
OF MY EYES!

GOSH, THIS
GREAT SALT LAKE
REALLY BURNS
YOUR EYES

LOOK...
THAT LADY
LOST HER
NECKLACE
IN THE WATER

I CAN GET DOWN
TO THE BOTTOM...
BUT THE SALT
WATER BLINDS
ME

I'LL GIVE
\$50 TO ANY-
ONE WHO
FINDS IT!



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HMM... SIGRID IS THAT LITTLE SCANDINAVIAN GIRL WHO'S NEW HERE. NOBODY HAS PAID MUCH ATTENTION TO HER, BECAUSE SHE'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT.

MAYBE SUPERBOY CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS!



A QUICK CHANGE OF COSTUME IN A NEARBY HALLWAY, AND ...

HIYA! GOING OVER TO SIGRID'S LATER? I'M GUEST OF HONOR, YOU KNOW!

YOU ARE! WHY--ER-- SURE, WE'LL BE THERE!



LATER, AT SIGRID'S HOUSE, WHERE SUPERBOY HAS BEEN GRACIOUSLY WELCOMED ...

SAY! THIS KOTTBULLER IS DELICIOUS! LIKE LITTLE HAMBURGERS, WITH WONDERFUL STUFF IN IT!

HMMMMMM...

BET YOU'RE GLAD YOU DIDN'T PASS IT UP!



YOU NEVER CAN TELL WHAT YOU'RE MISSING IF YOU DON'T TRY! IF YOU WANT TO KNOW YOUR COUNTRY, LEARN ABOUT THE DIFFERENCES AMONG PEOPLE IN FOOD, LANGUAGES, CUSTOMS AND DRESS...

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