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the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN®

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HYDRO-MAN
AND THE
SANDMAN
TEAM UP--!



HERE'S MUD IN YOUR EYE, SPIDEY!

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While attending a demonstration in radiology, student PETER PARKER was bitten by a spider which had accidentally been exposed to RADIOACTIVE RAYS. Through a miracle of science, Peter soon found that he had GAINED the arachnid's powers...and had, in effect, become a human spider...

Stan Lee
PRESENTS: THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN.

YOU'RE JUST A FEW SECONDS TOO LATE TO SEE SPIDEY PUT THE WRAPS ON A COUPLE OF GUN-TOTING ASSASSINS (THAT HAPPENED LAST ISSUE!) BUT DON'T DESPAIR... THAT ACTION IS NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT FOLLOWS--

SHEESH. I'M SO BEAT THAT EVEN A PAIR OF GARDEN-VARIETY GUNMEN ALMOST NAILED ME.

I GOTTA STOP KEEPING LATE HOURS-- OR STOP DOING MY PATENTED SUPER HERO BIT.

CAUTIONARY NOTE: WATCH THE WATER TOWER. IT ONLY APPEARS INNOCENT.

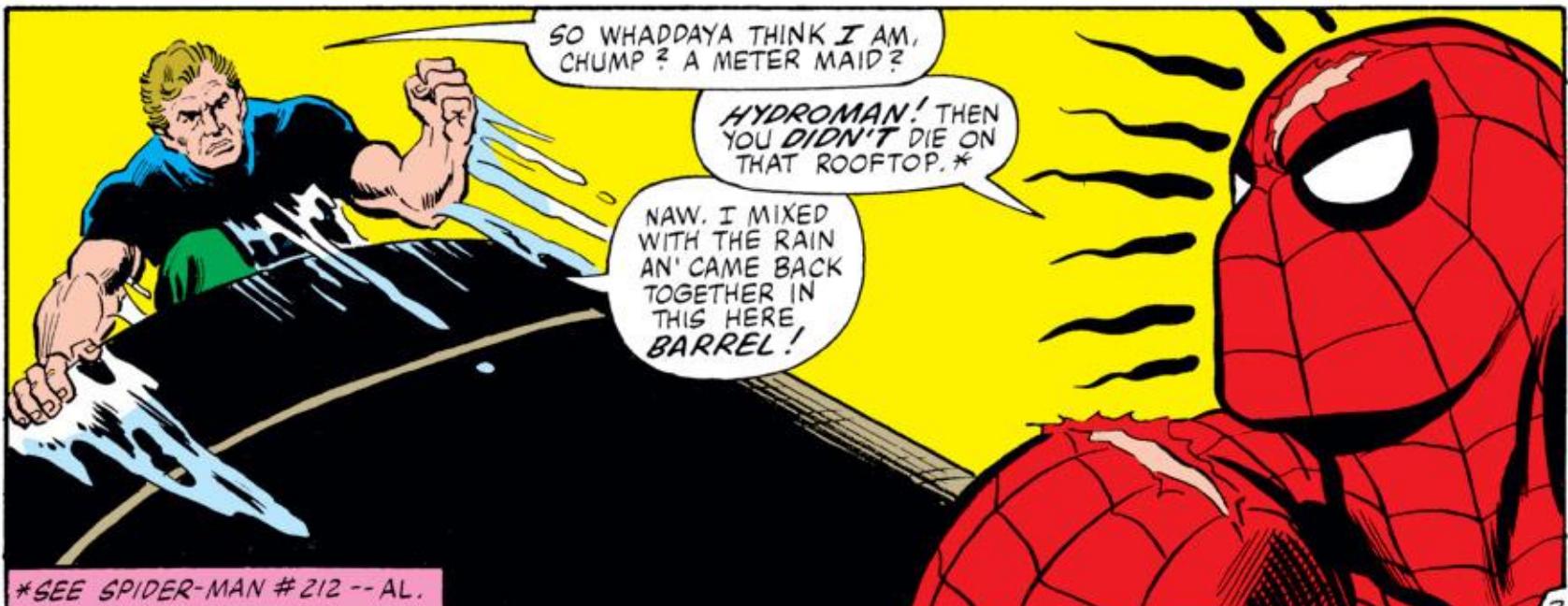


ONE SPIDER-MAN CAN'T BE EXPECTED TO DO BOTH.

MY PLAYMATES SHOT OFF ENOUGH AMMO TO CELEBRATE A CENTURY'S WORTH OF JULY FOURTHS. WONDER WHY NOBODY HEARD?!

HERE'S MUD IN YOUR EYE!

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MEANWHILE, AT THE VERRAZANO
NARROWS BRIDGE...



I HATED TO
SPLIT LIKE THAT
... IT WAS JUST
POSTPONING THE
INEVITABLE
CONFRONTATION
WITH WATER-
BRAIN

AT LEAST MY PETER
PARKER THREADS ARE
WHERE I LEFT 'EM. I
SHOULD BE GRATEFUL
FOR SMALL FAVORS.

VERY SMALL.

I FEEL LIKE A
SOGLY GRAHAM
CRACKER... NEED
TO MELLOW OUT.

MAYBE A MOVIE'LL DO THE TRICK. THAT NEW
MURDER MYSTERY OPENED AT THE GRIFFITH.

AND I'VE GOT
THE PRICE OF A
TICKET... JUST.

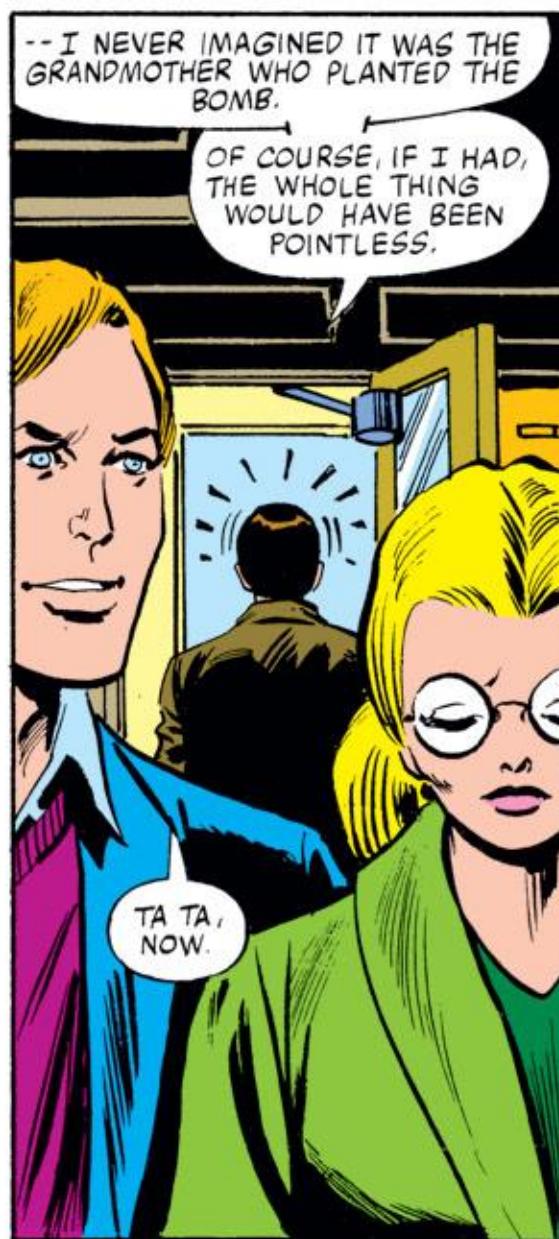
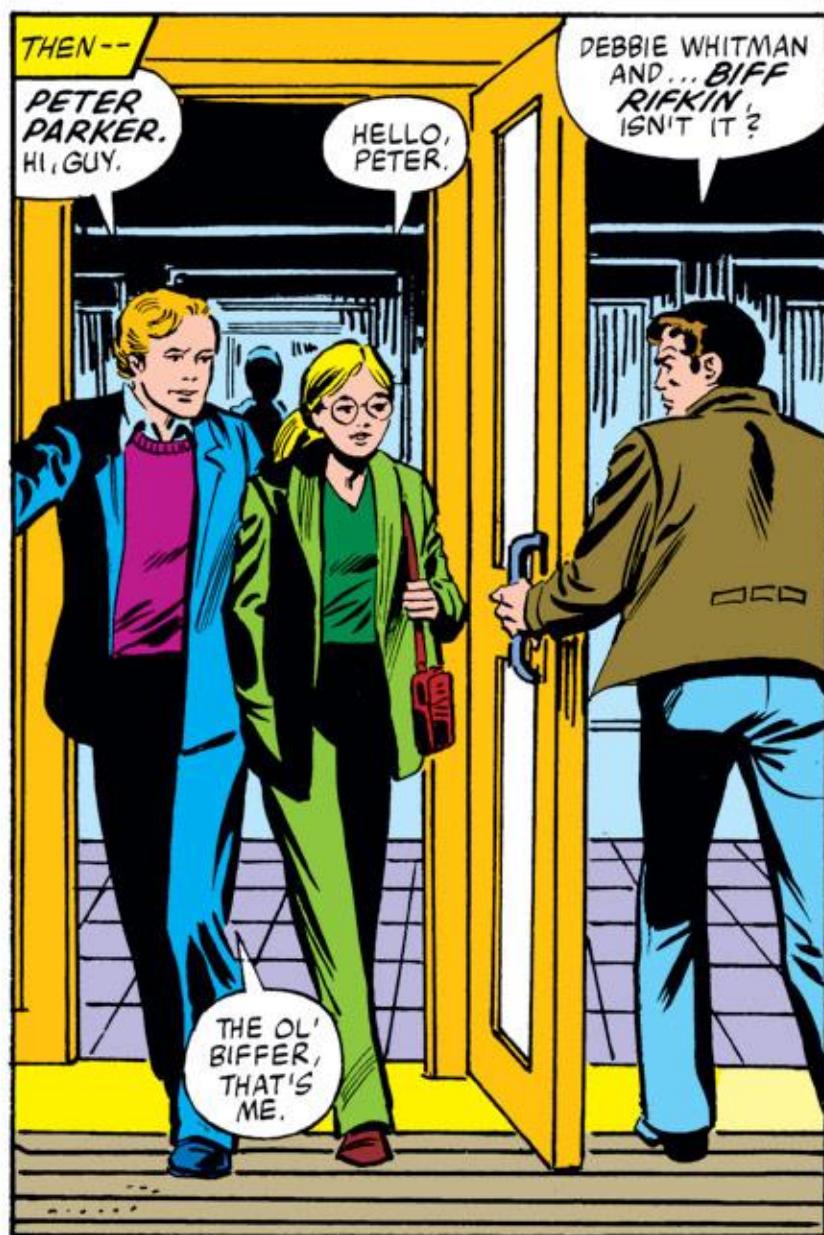
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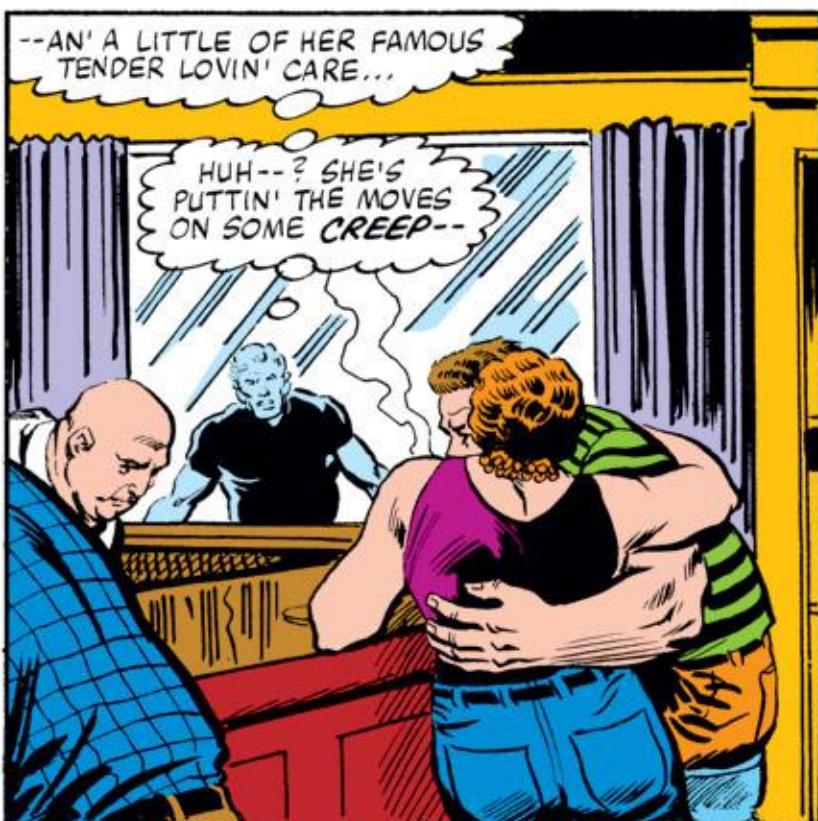
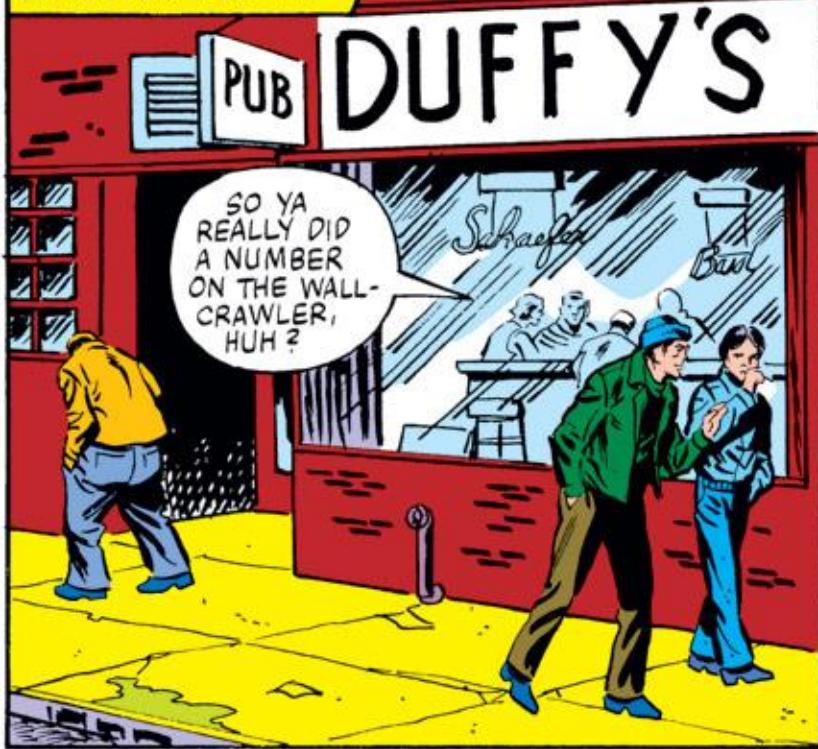
THAT'S THE KIND OF CHALLENGE
'SHERLOCK' PARKER LOVES.

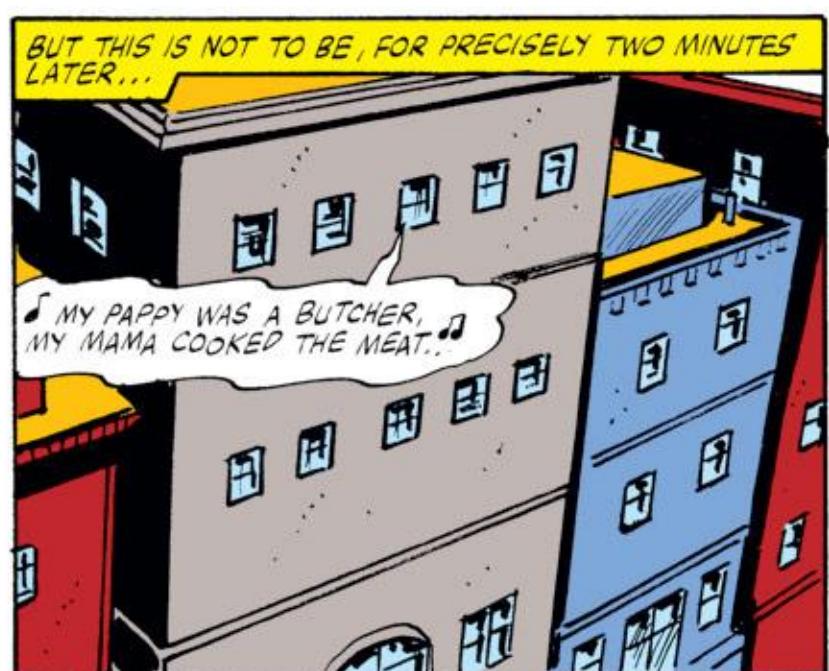
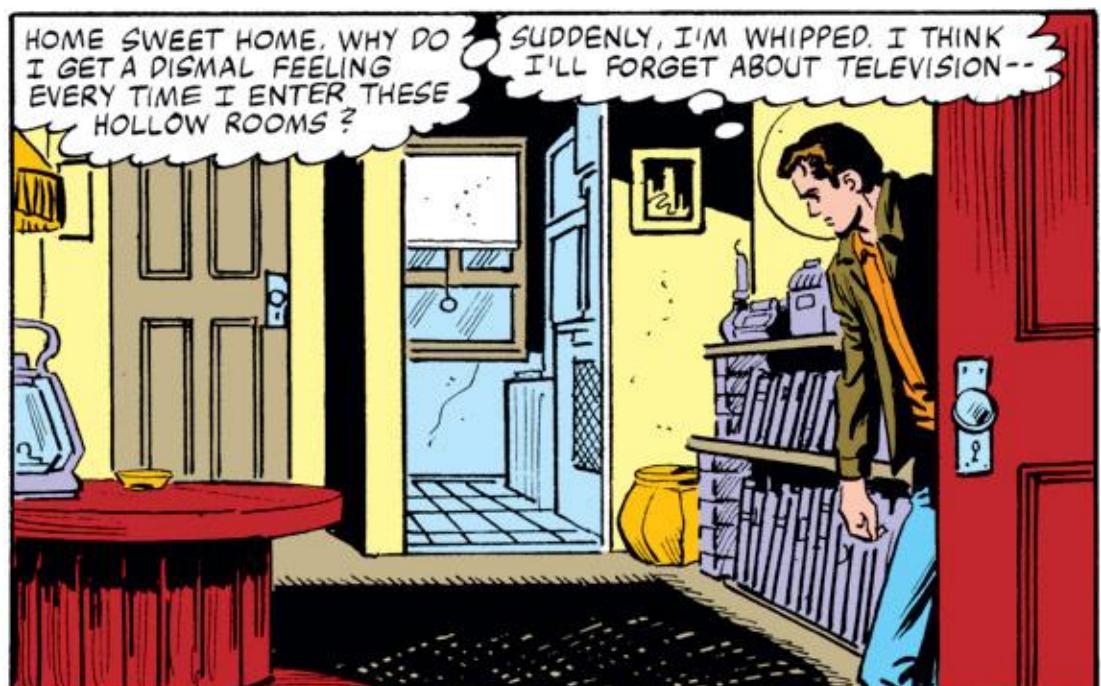
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MEANWHILE, IN A PART OF TOWN BIFF RIFKIN WOULDN'T BE CAUGHT DEAD IN...

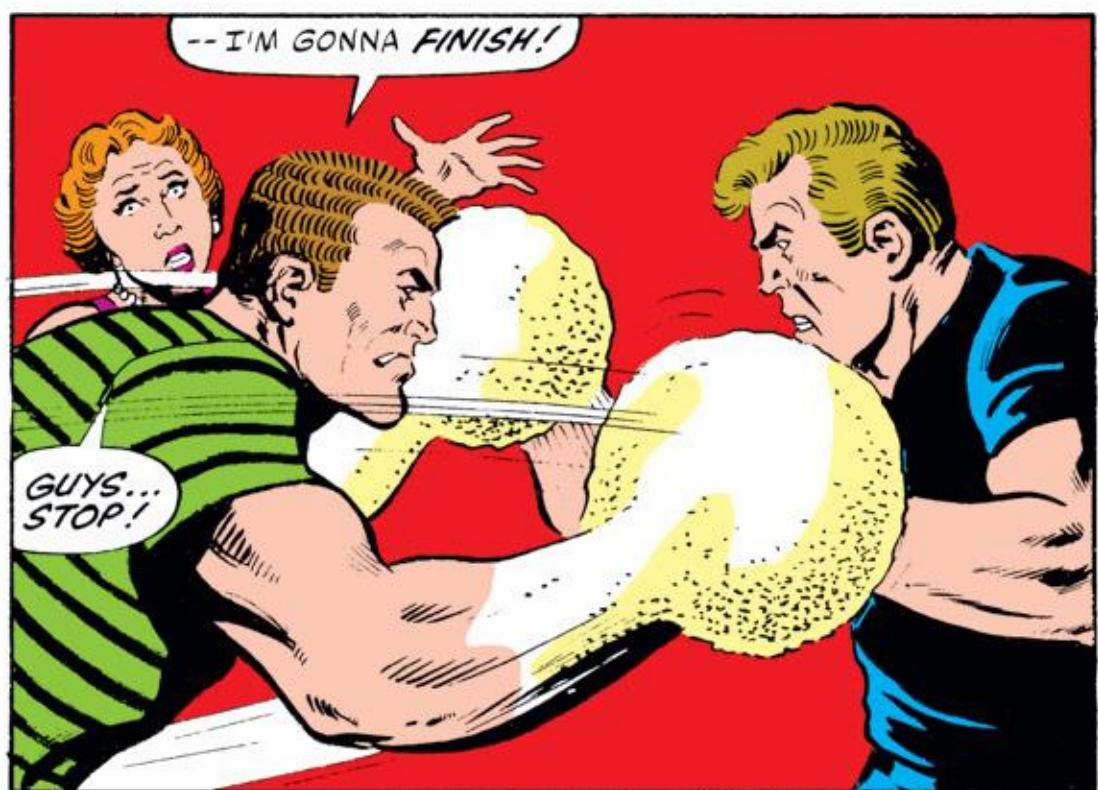






AT DUFFY'S BAR, HOWEVER, NOBODY IS LAUGHING. ON THE CONTRARY...







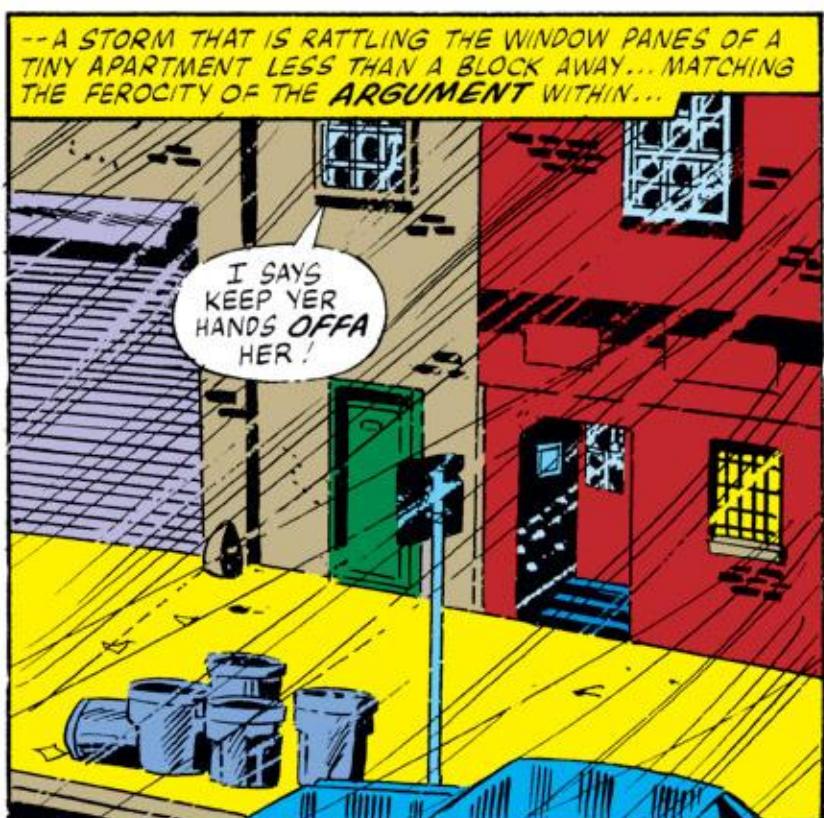


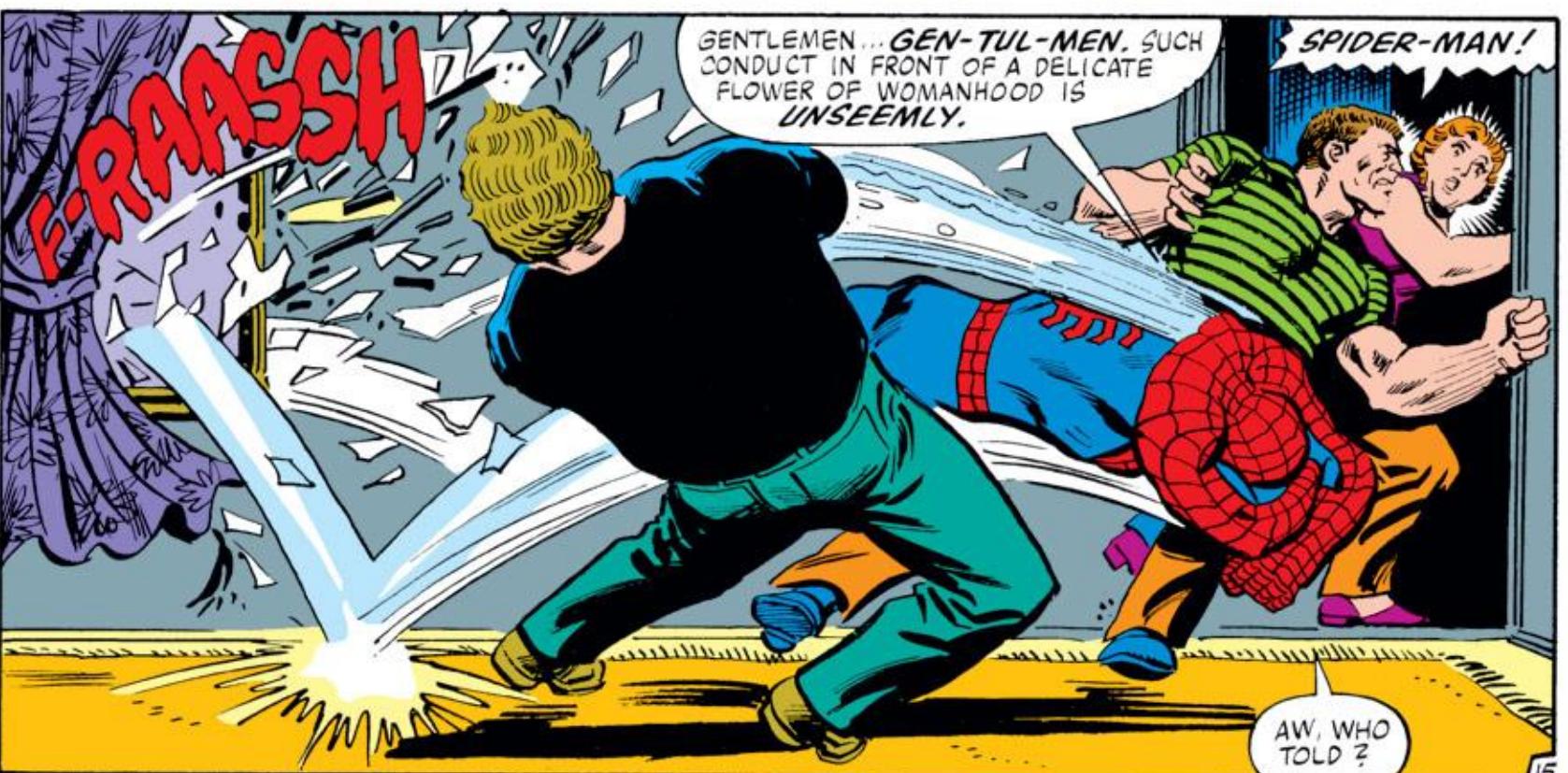
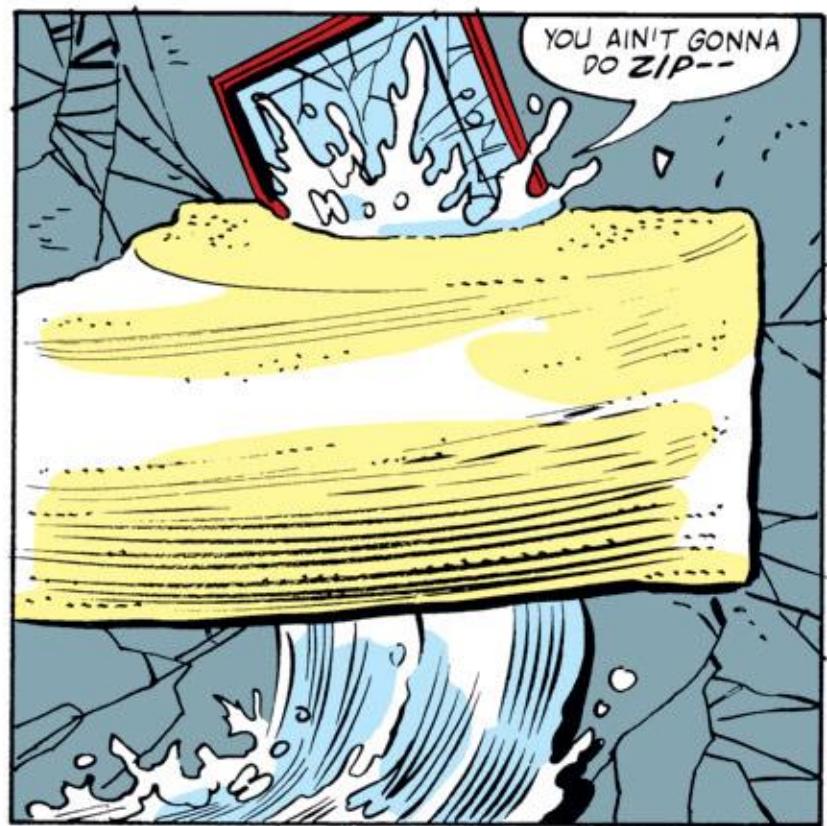
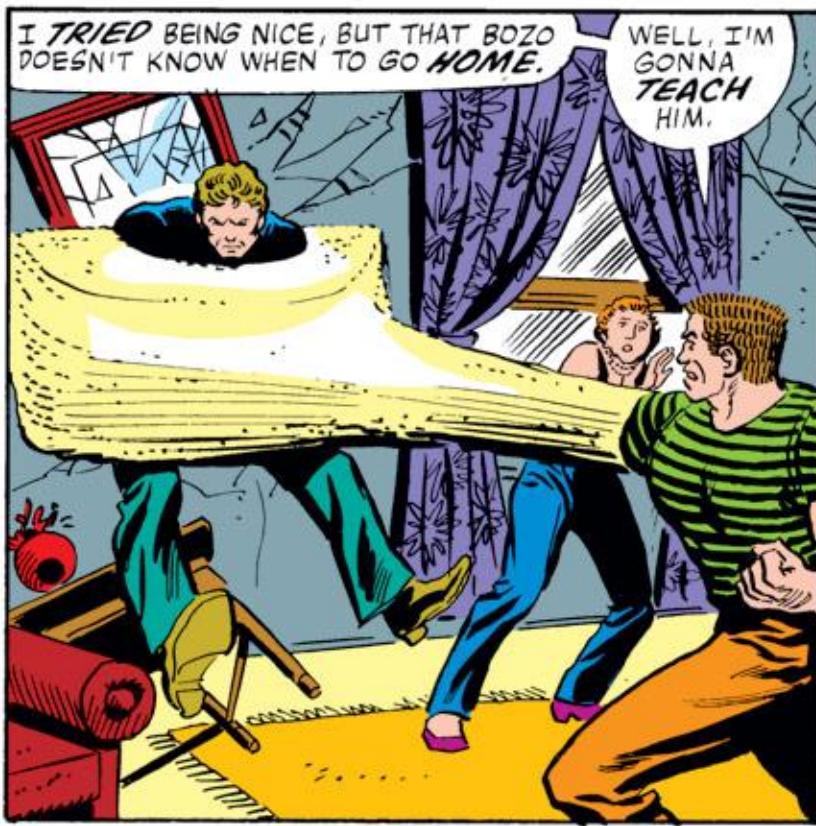
MEANWHILE, AT A GREAT METROPOLITAN NEWSPAPER...

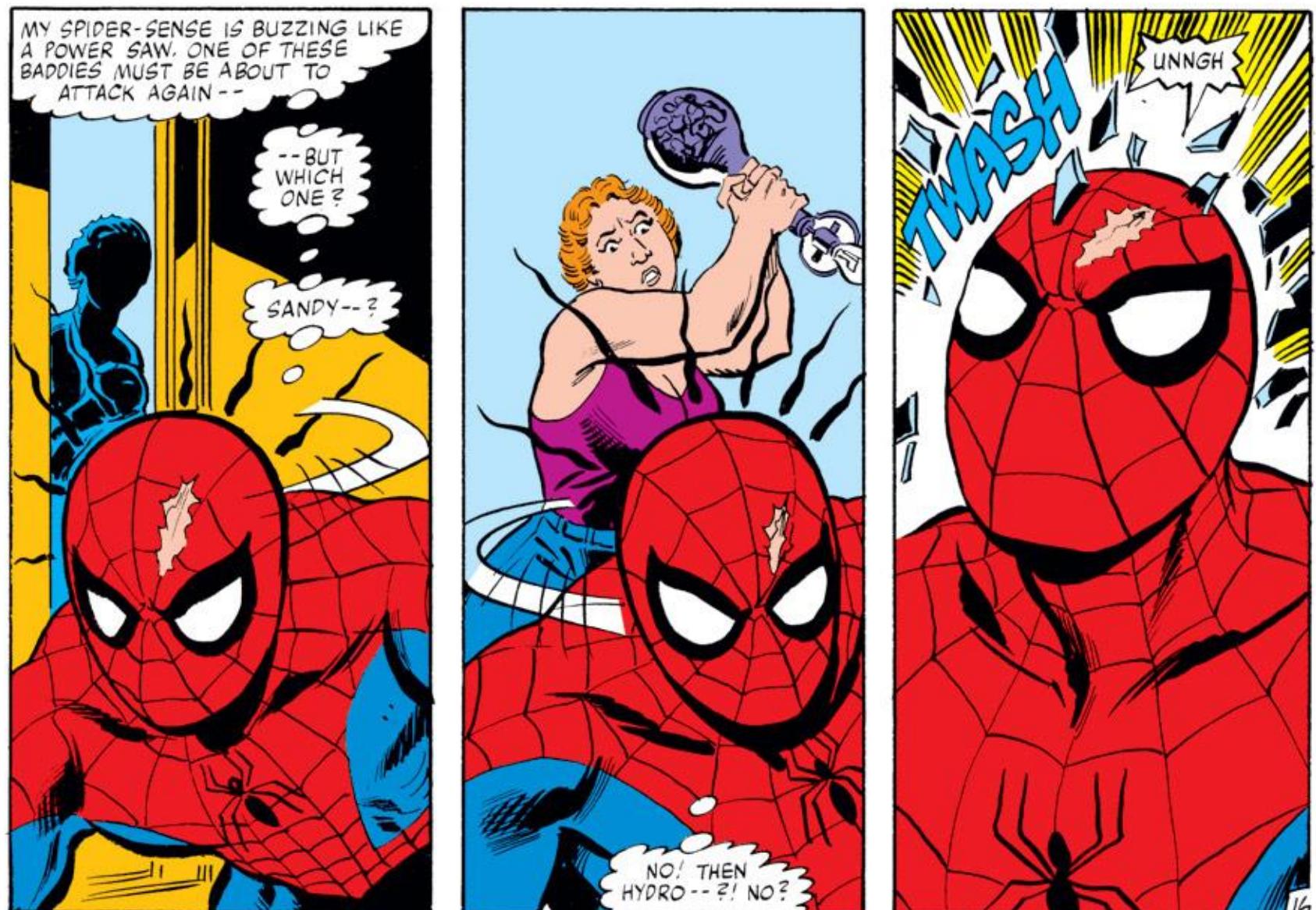


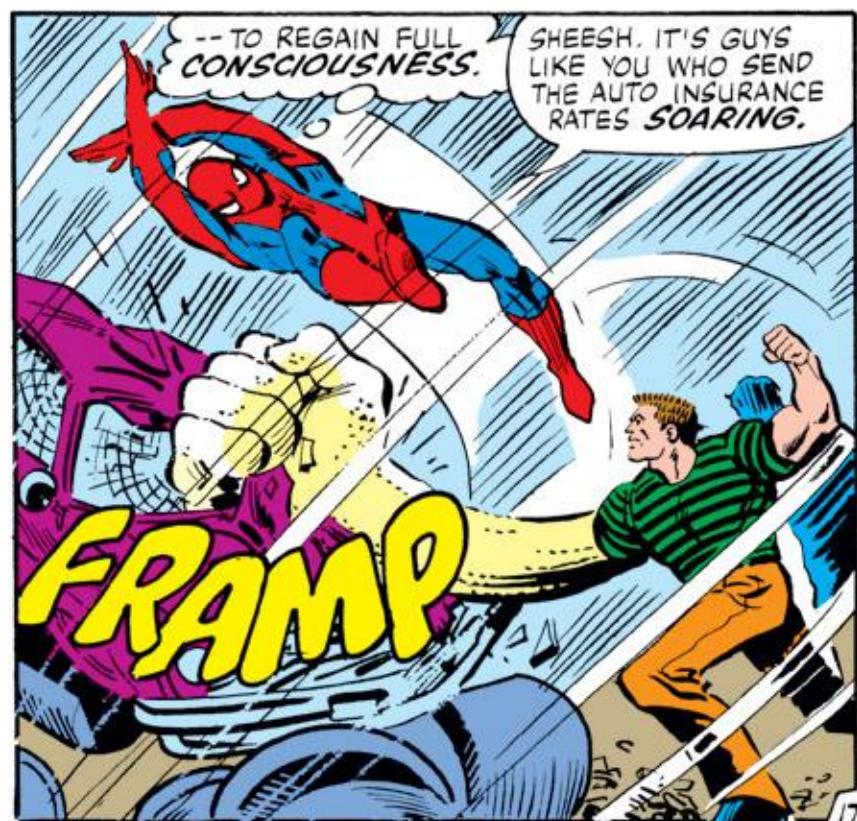
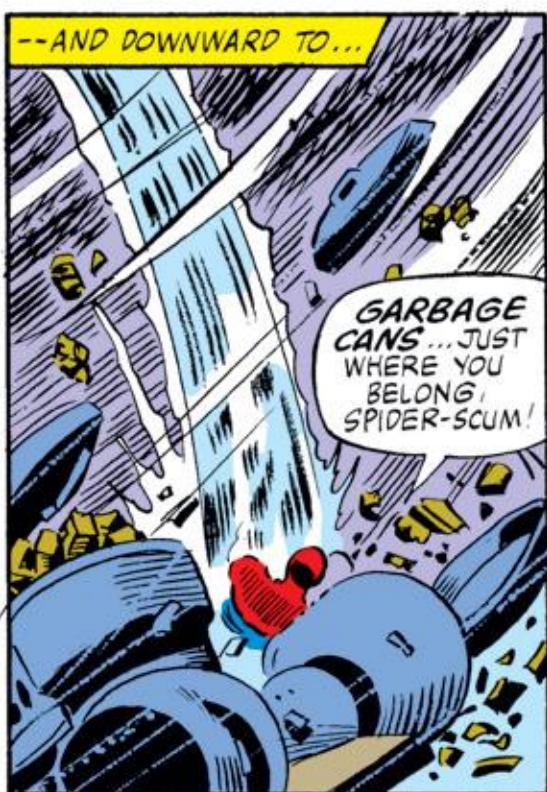
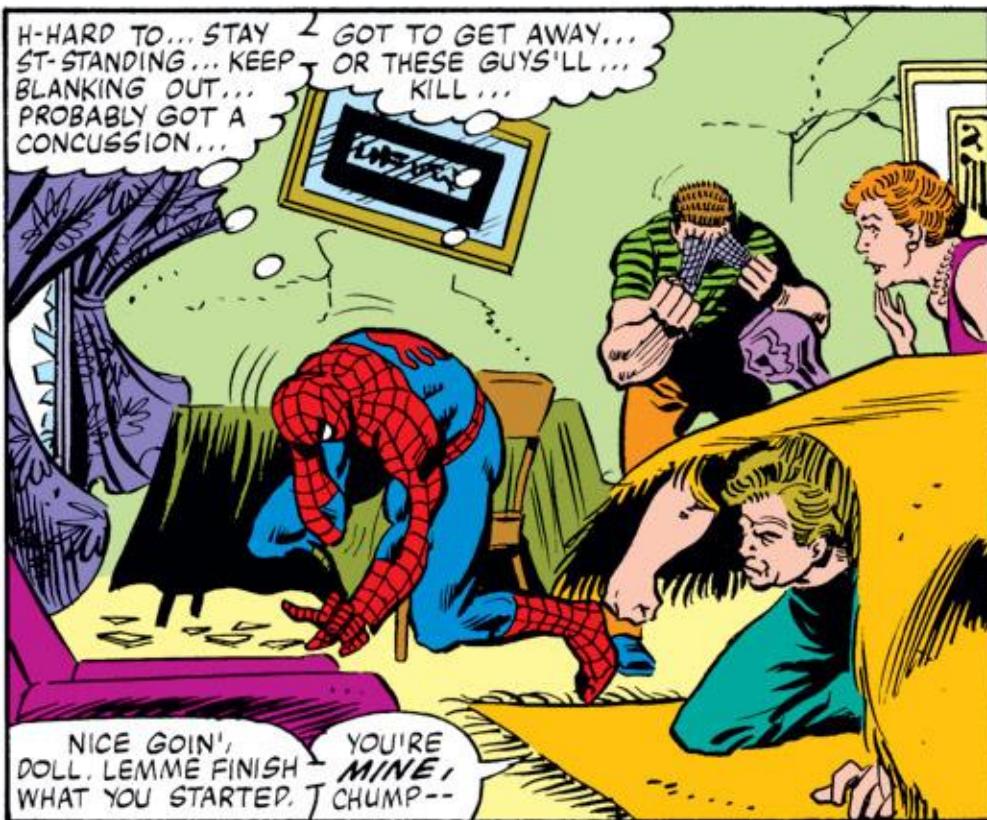
THAT'S NEW YORK FOR YOU, PARKER--ALWAYS SOMETHING. I--WOULD YOU BELIEVE THAT HYDROMAN AND SANDMAN WERE DUKING IT OUT LAST NIGHT?

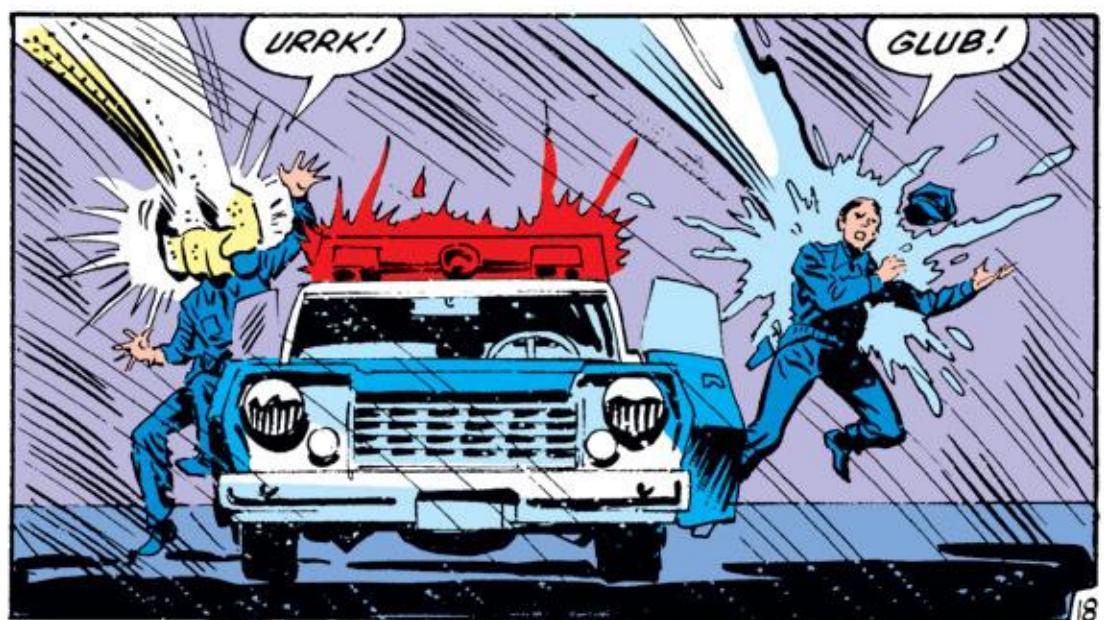


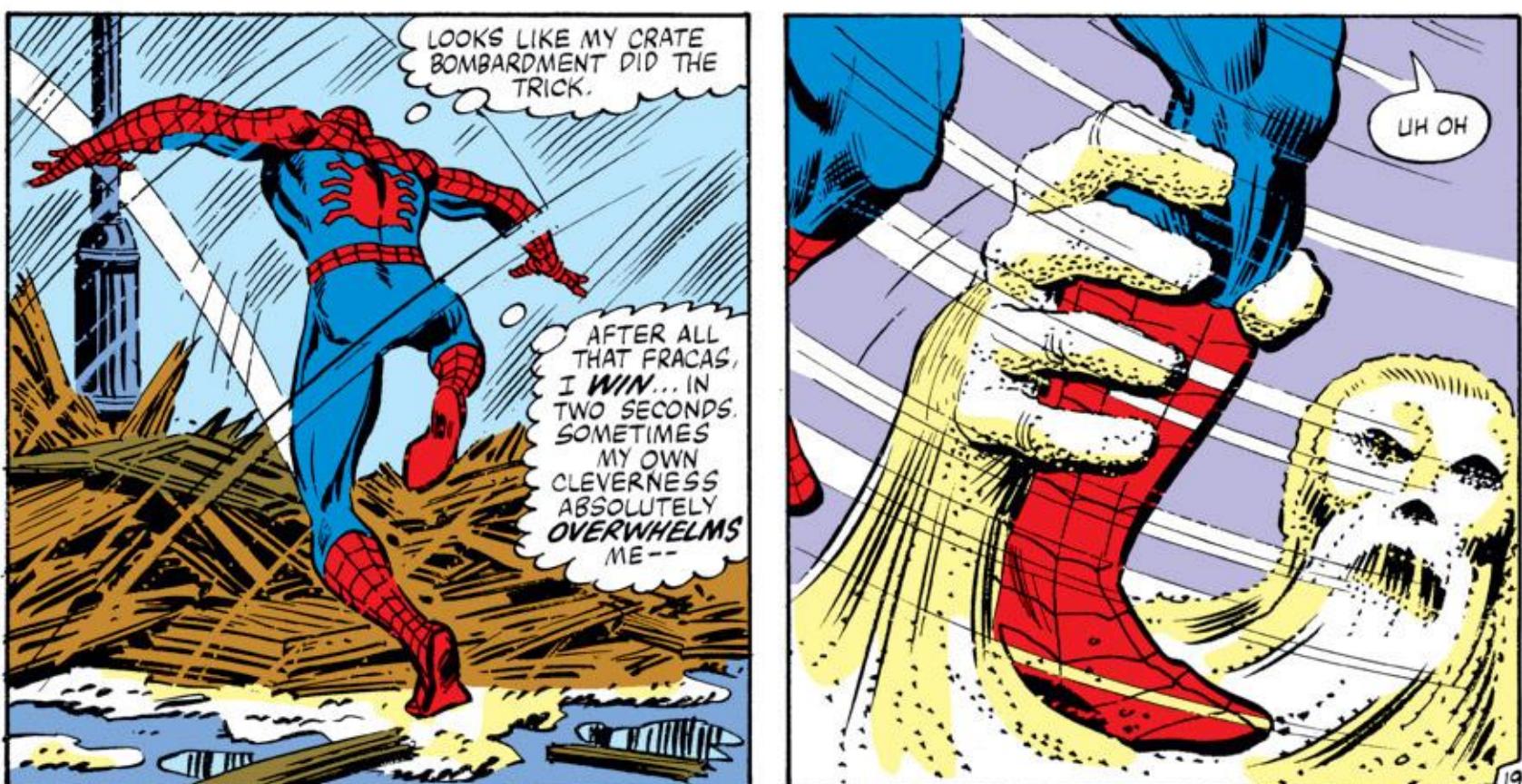


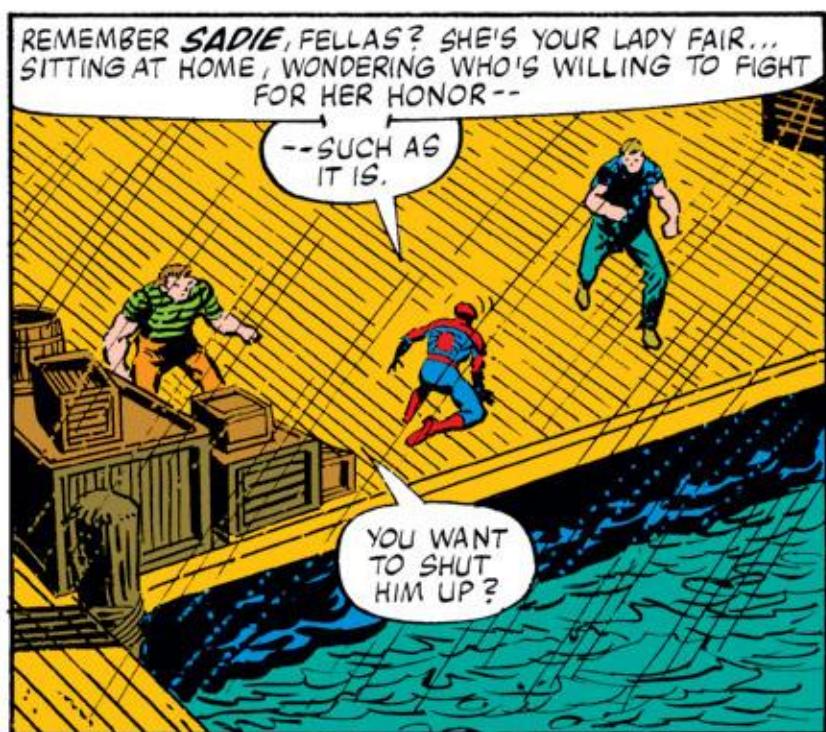
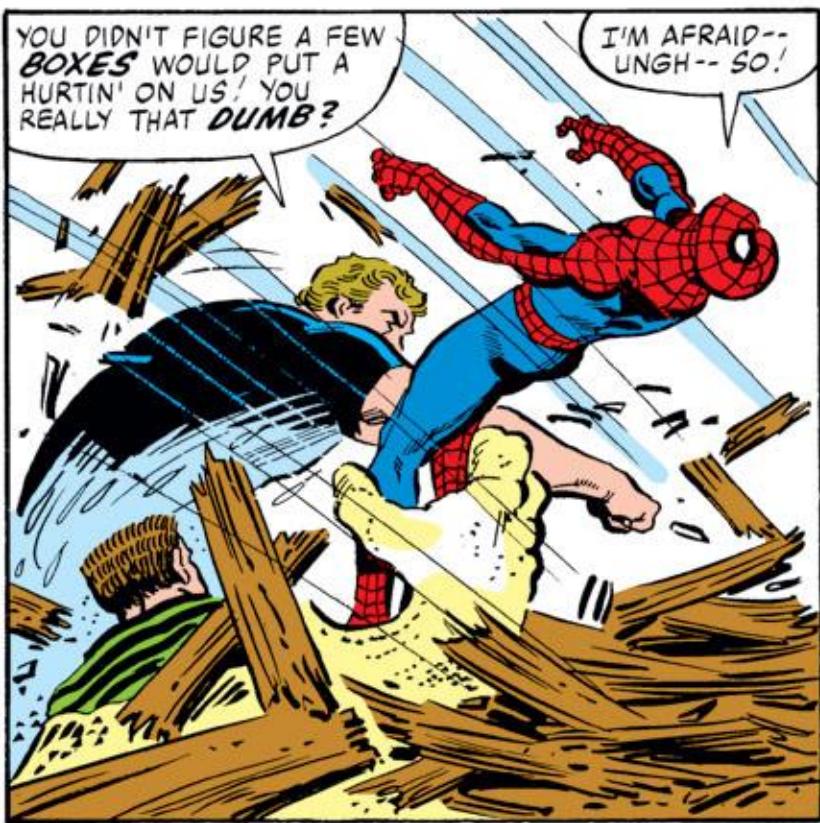


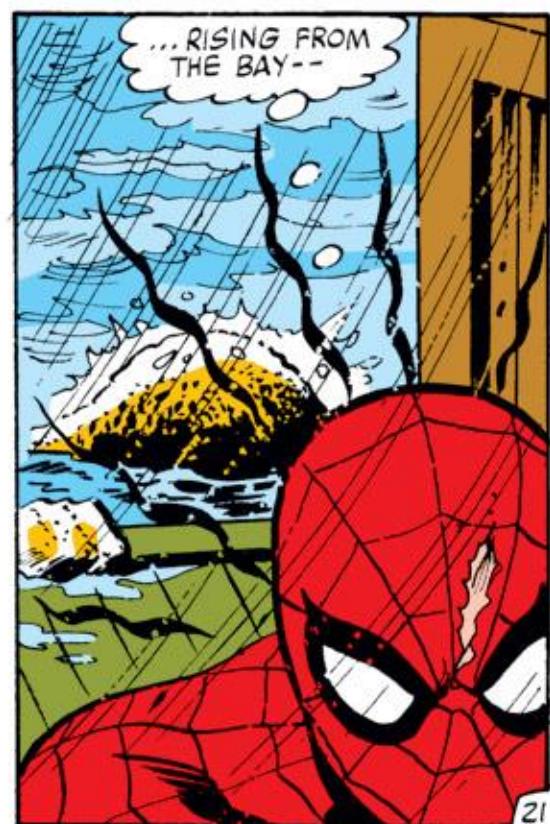
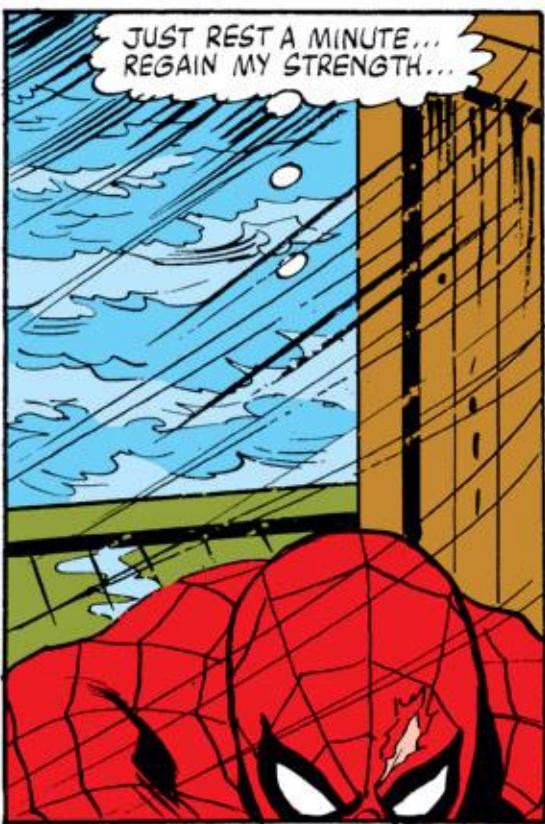












IT IS SILENT, THIS GLISTENING, QUIVERING THING... YET SPIDER-MAN CANNOT DOUBT ITS FURY... ITS HATRED--

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING ASSAULT THE EARTH, BUT HE IS NOT AWARE OF THEM -- OR OF ANYTHING, EXCEPT A COLD, NUMBING DREAD...

NEXT ISSUE: THE TOTALLY UNEXPECTED...