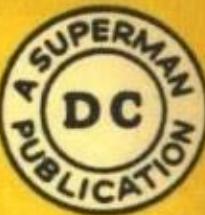


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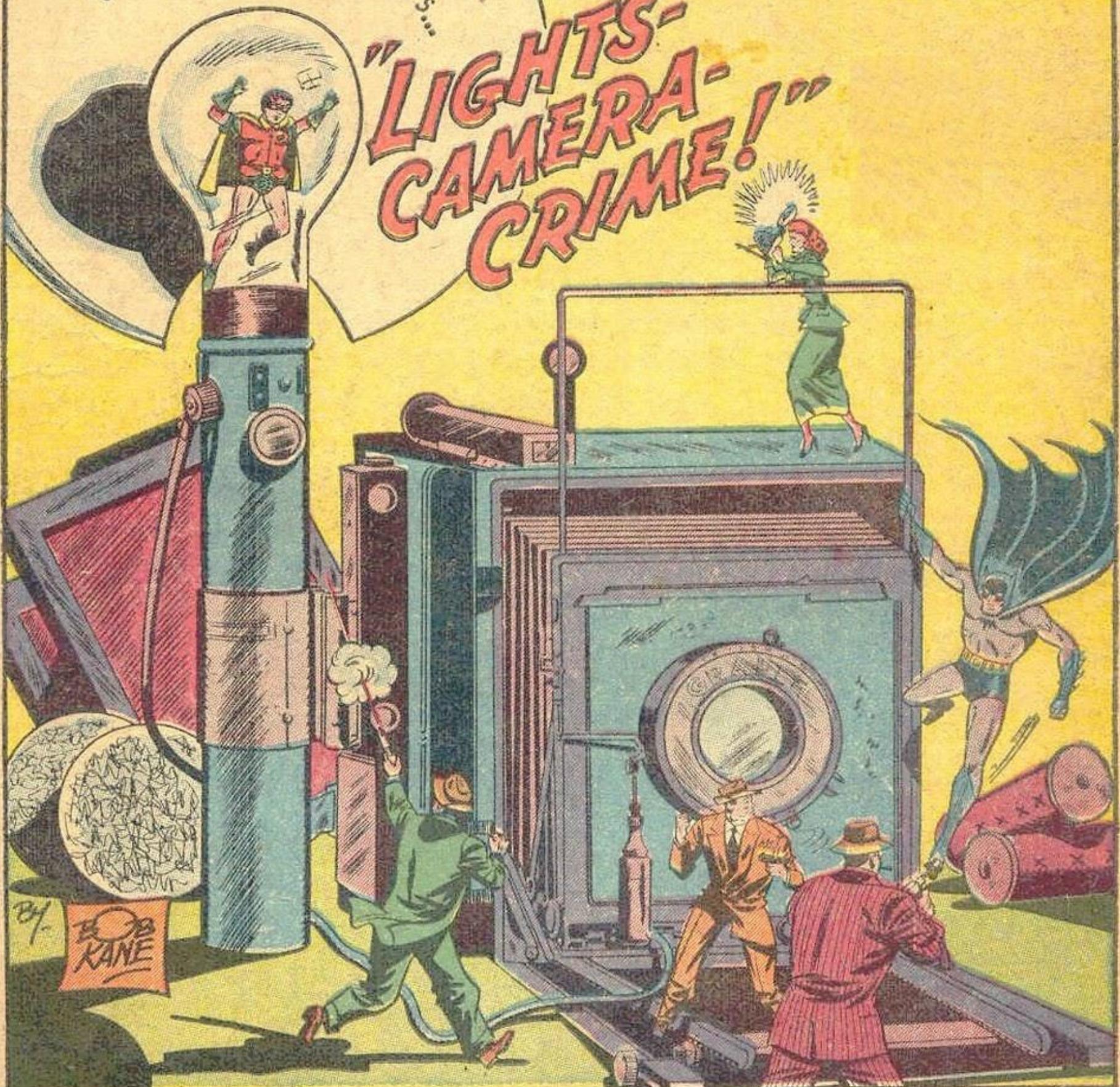
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THAT'S THE TRADEMARK OF EVERY PHOTOGRAPHER!
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BATMAN AND ROBIN, THEN IT'S...

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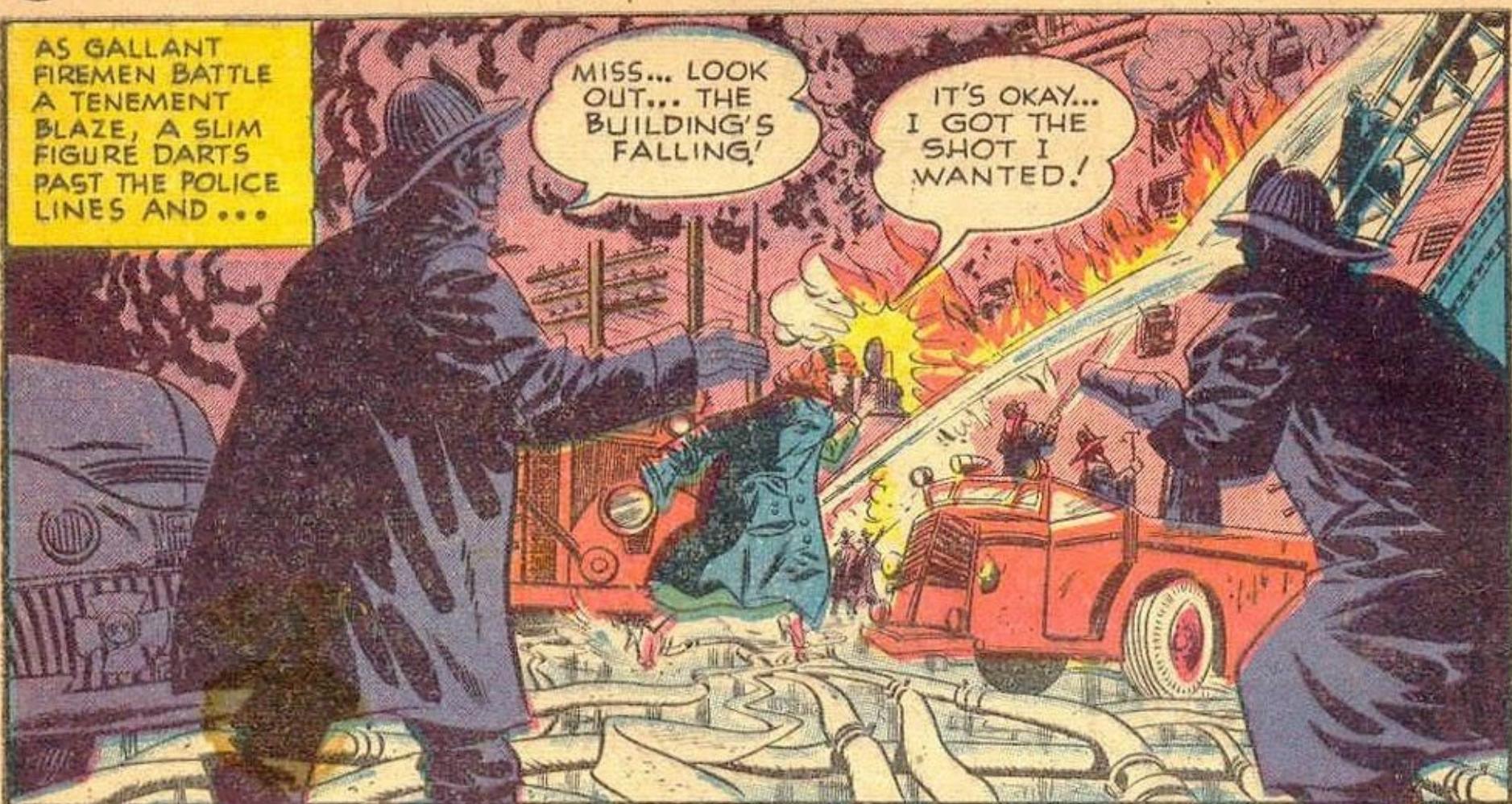


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SECOND ON VICKI'S LIST ARE THOSE SEA-GOING
SENTRIES - THE COAST GUARD!

GET DOWN, MISS... THOSE SMUGGLERS
ARE DESPERATE! GUNNER, PUT A
SHOT INTO THEM!

NICE
SHOT!

GUN OR
CAMERA?

THIRD ON THE LIST ARE THE DAREDEVIL STATE TROOPERS...

WOW!
HE GOT THE
CROOKS'
TIRE!

BATMAN SAYS
OBEY THE LAW

LATER...

CRASH!

NOW FOR
NUMBER FOUR
ON MY LIST OF
LAWMEN -
BATMAN AND
ROBIN!

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BATMAN

LATER... THE FAMED BAT-SIGNAL IS OUTLINED AGAINST THE NIGHT SKY.

STEP ON THE GAS, BATMAN... THAT'S AN S.O.S. CALL FROM POLICE COMMISSIONER GORDON!



SOON AFTER, BATMAN AND ROBIN THE BOY WONDER REACH THE HEADQUARTERS ROOF TO SEE...

I HAD TO GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU SOME WAY, AND THE DEAR COMMISSIONER WAS SO UNDERSTANDING!

VICKI! YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BAT-SIGNAL!

AHEM...



VICKI SOON EXPLAINS HER ASSIGNMENT TO BATMAN...

WELL, I'LL HELP YOU... BUT ONLY BECAUSE YOUR PICTURES MIGHT STOP SOME WOULD-BE CROOKS FROM CHOOSING A CAREER OF CRIME!

OH, BATMAN YOU'RE A DARLING!

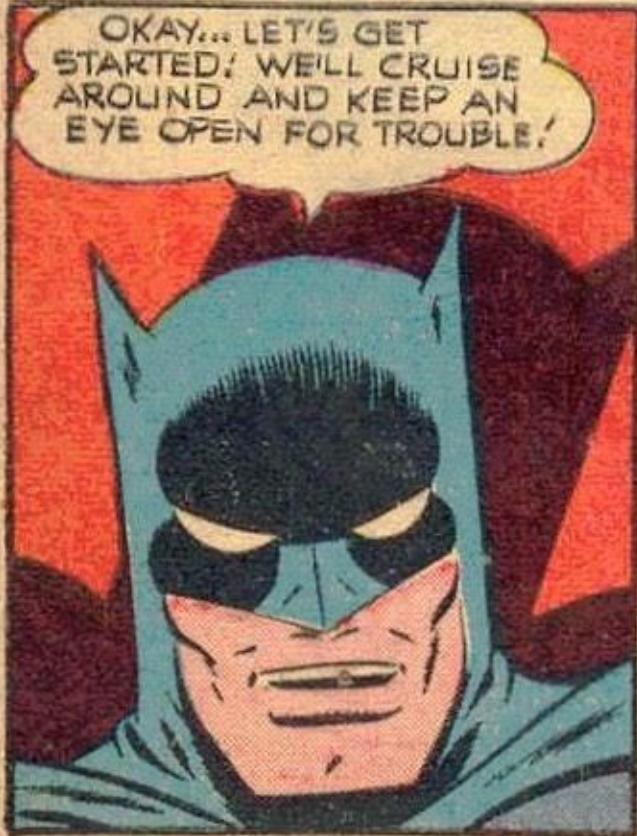


AFTERWARD, VICKI FOCUSES HER LENS ON THAT CRIME-FIGHTING WEAPON—THE BATMOBILE!

...AND IN ADDITION, THE BATMOBILE CARRIES AN INHALATOR, GAS MASKS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT! THE BATMOBILE IS READY FOR ANY EMERGENCY!



OKAY... LET'S GET STARTED! WE'LL CRUISE AROUND AND KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR TROUBLE!



TROUBLE IS NOT LONG IN COMING, FOR AS THEY COVER THE WATERFRONT...



THREE THUGS AFTER ONE MAN! VICKI, GET YOUR CAMERA READY FOR SOME ACTION SHOTS!



BATMAN



NOTING THAT THE FUGITIVE IS TRAPPED AS HE TRIES TO ESCAPE ON A SCOW, BATMAN WHISPERS A SHARP COMMAND...

ROBIN...
GET INTO THE CAB OF THAT CRANE...FAST!

CHECK!

ONE MINUTE LATER, ROBIN AT THE CONTROLS, SENDS THE SCOOP HOVERING OVER THE ATTACKING HOODLUMS...

AND BATMAN DROPS LIKE A PARATROOPER TO CUT OFF THE ATTACK!

THAT SCOOP JUST GAVE ME A PICTURE SCOOP!

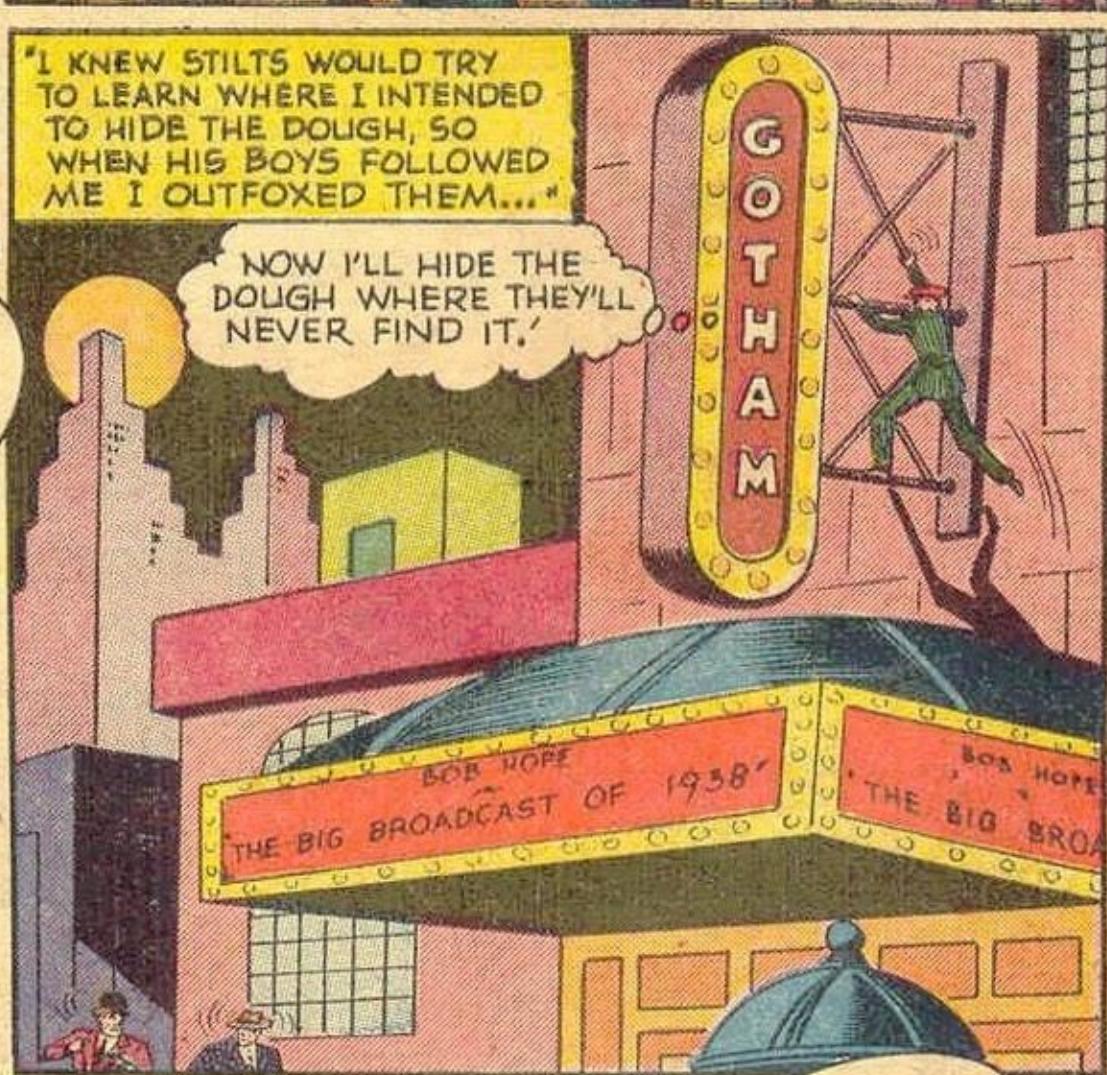
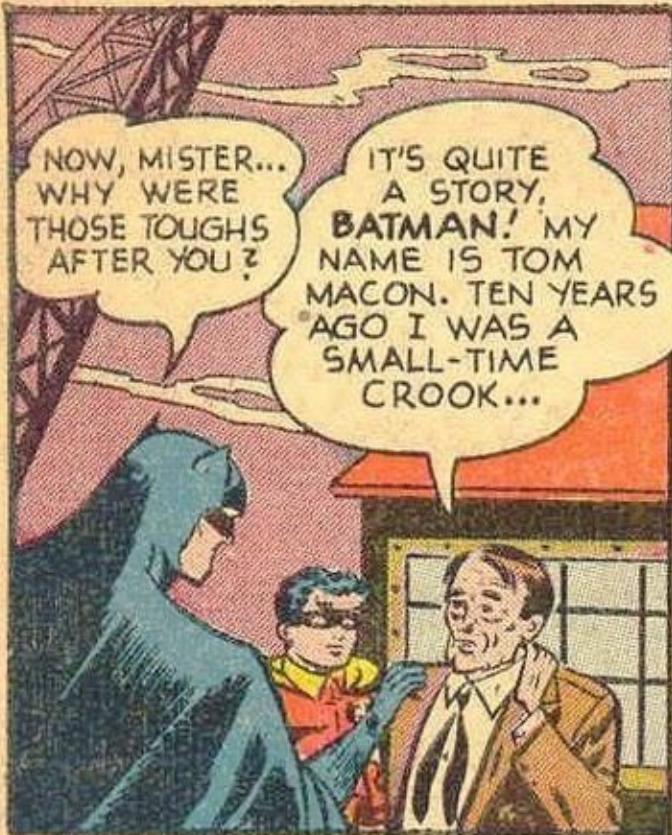
STRIKING WITH THE FURY OF A CYCLONE, BATMAN SCATTERS THE GUNMEN LIKE LEAVES!

I HAD ENOUGH!

OOOH... WHO PUSHED THAT BUILDIN' ON ME?

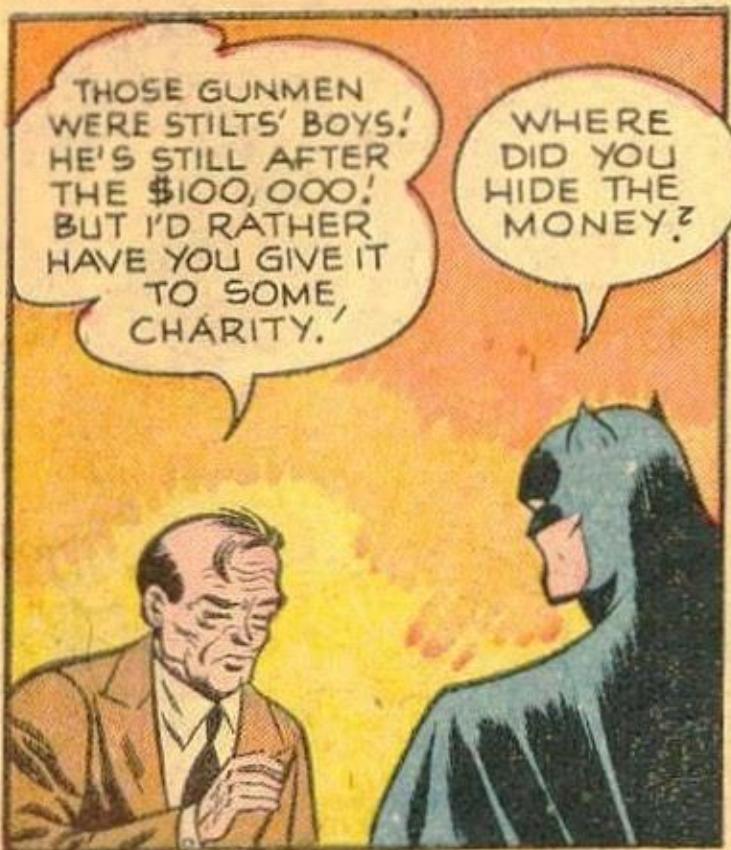
THREE AGAINST ONE ISN'T GOOD ODDS AGAINST THAT GUY!

WHAT A MAN!



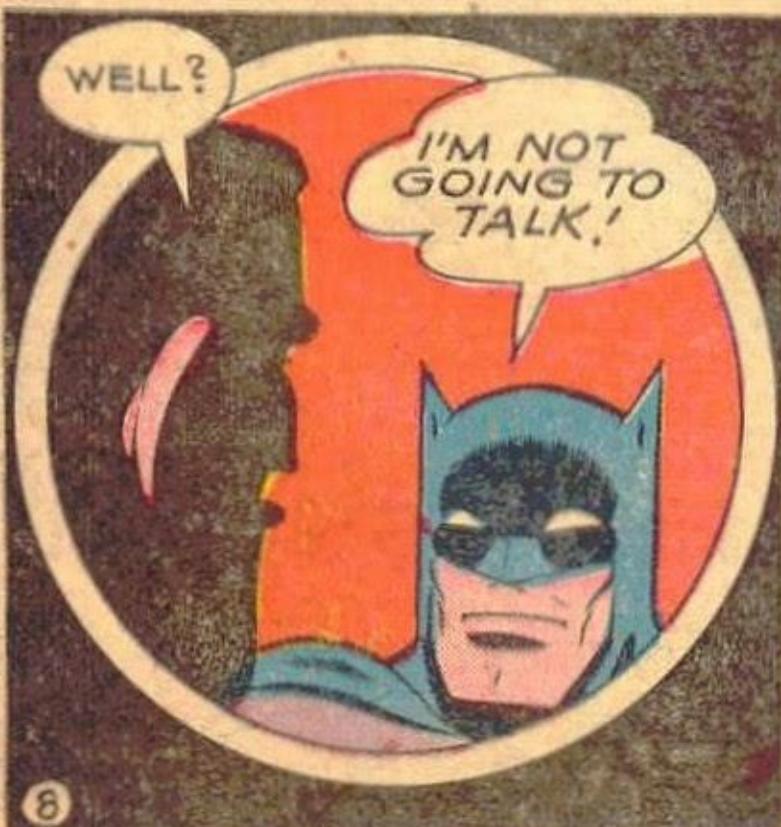
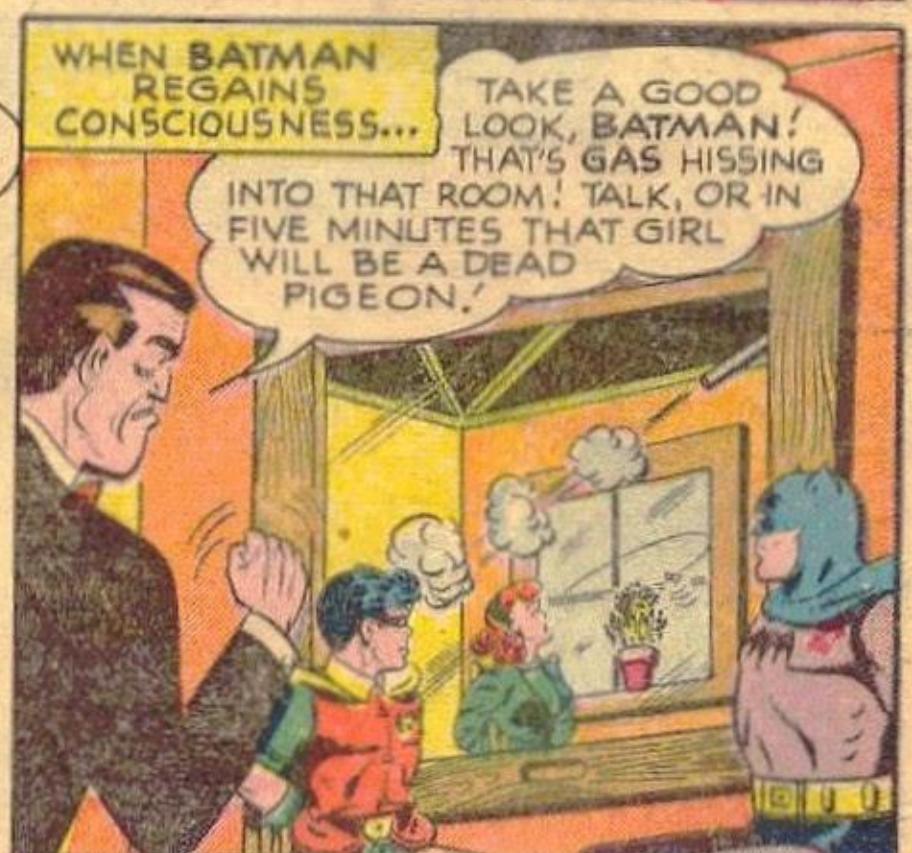


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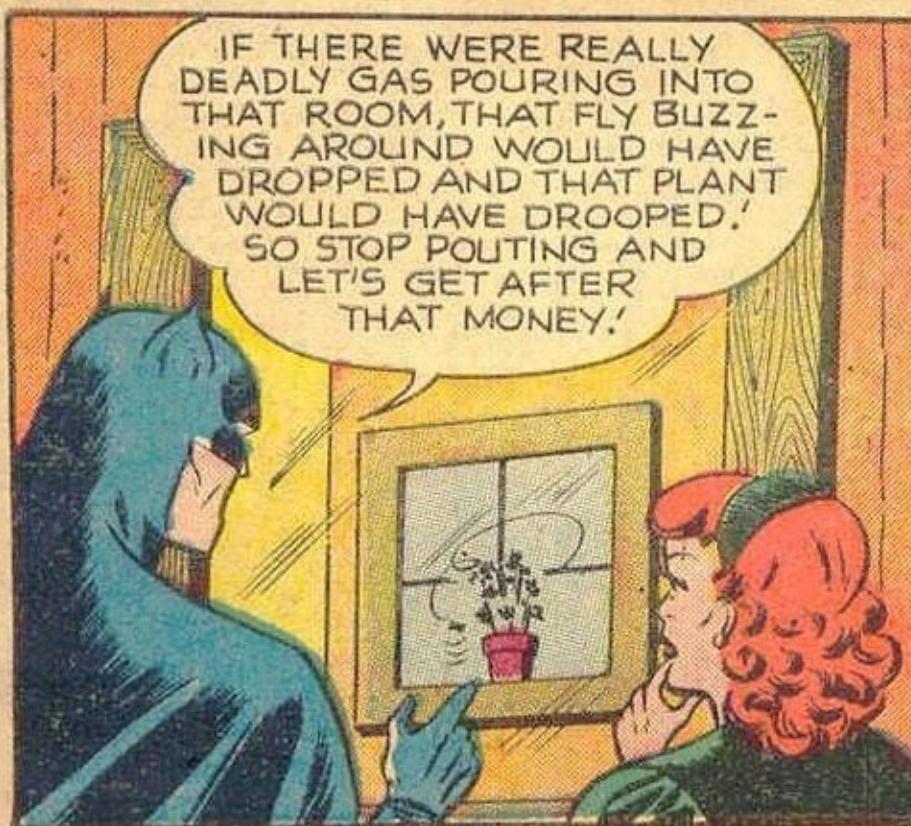
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WILL BATMAN SACRIFICE VICKI'S LIFE TO THWART STILT'S SINISTER SCHEME? WILL NOT EVEN AN INNOCENT GIRL'S MURDER LESSEN HIS DETERMINATION?



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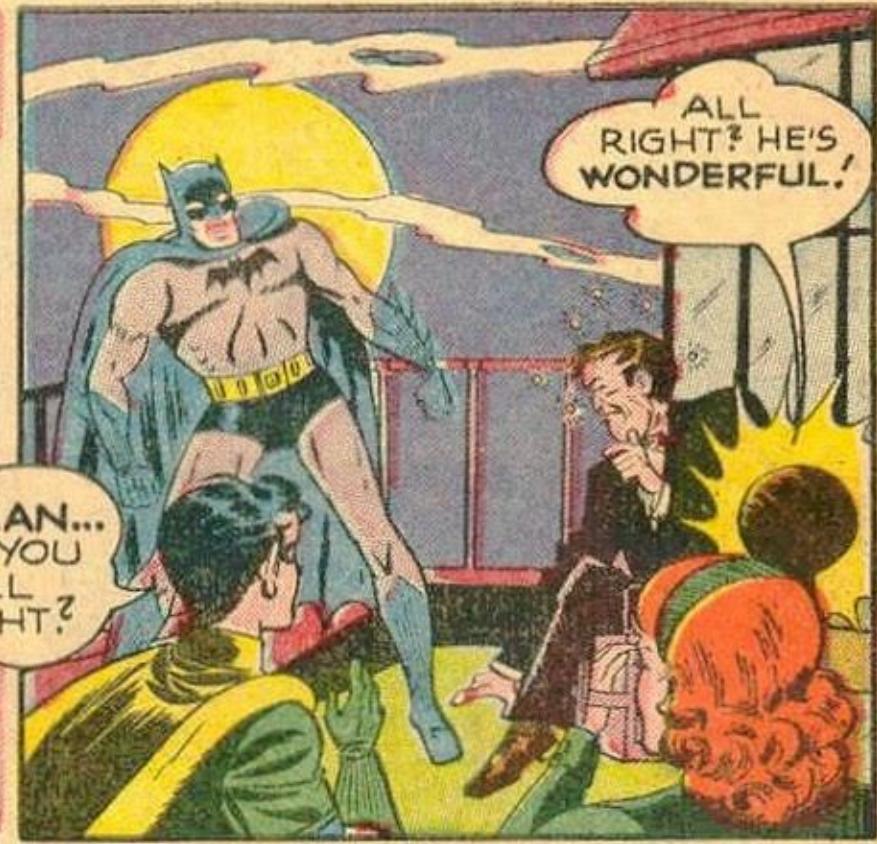


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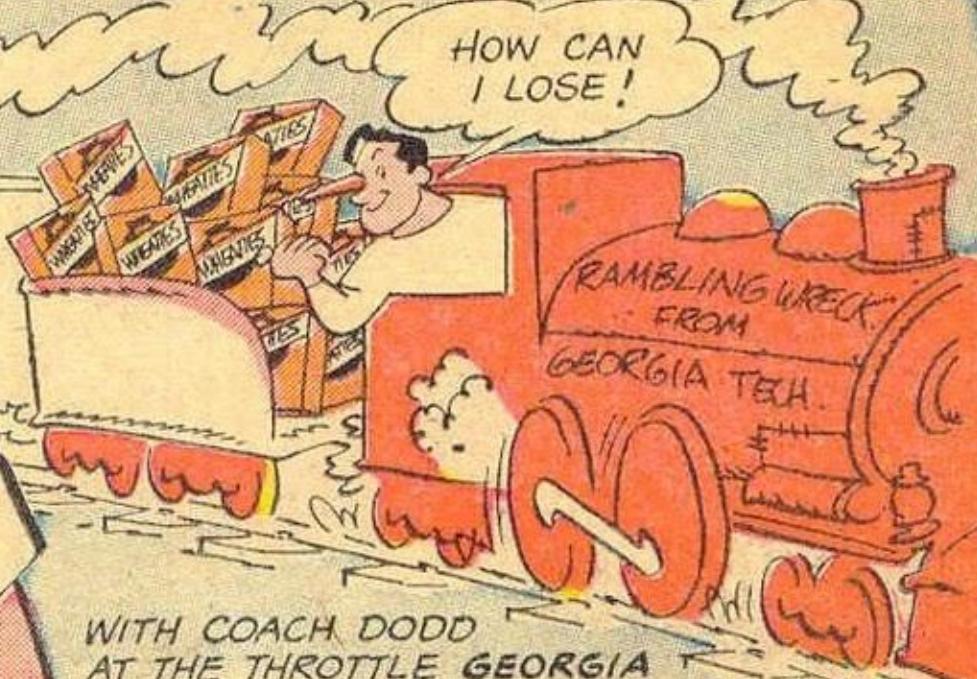


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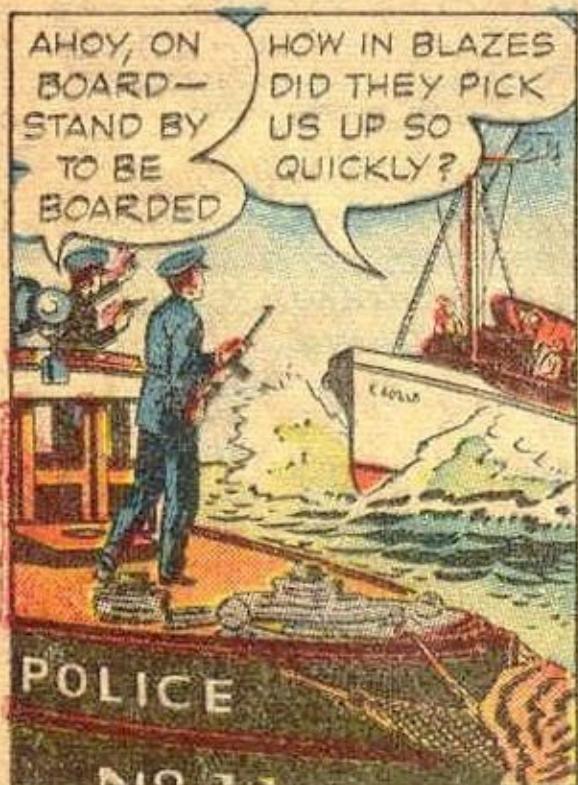
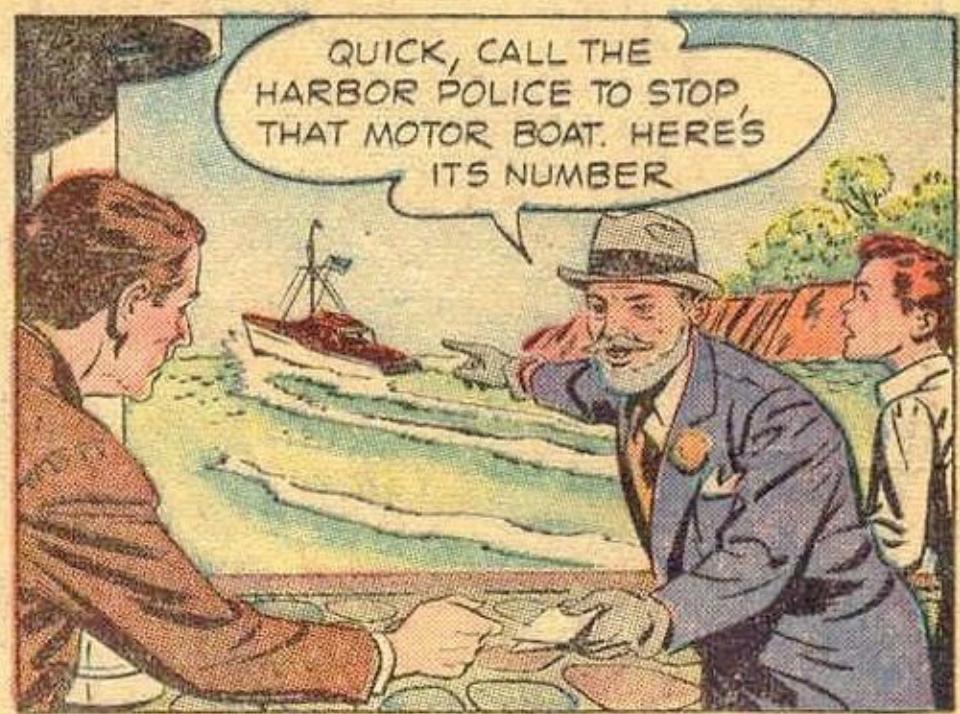
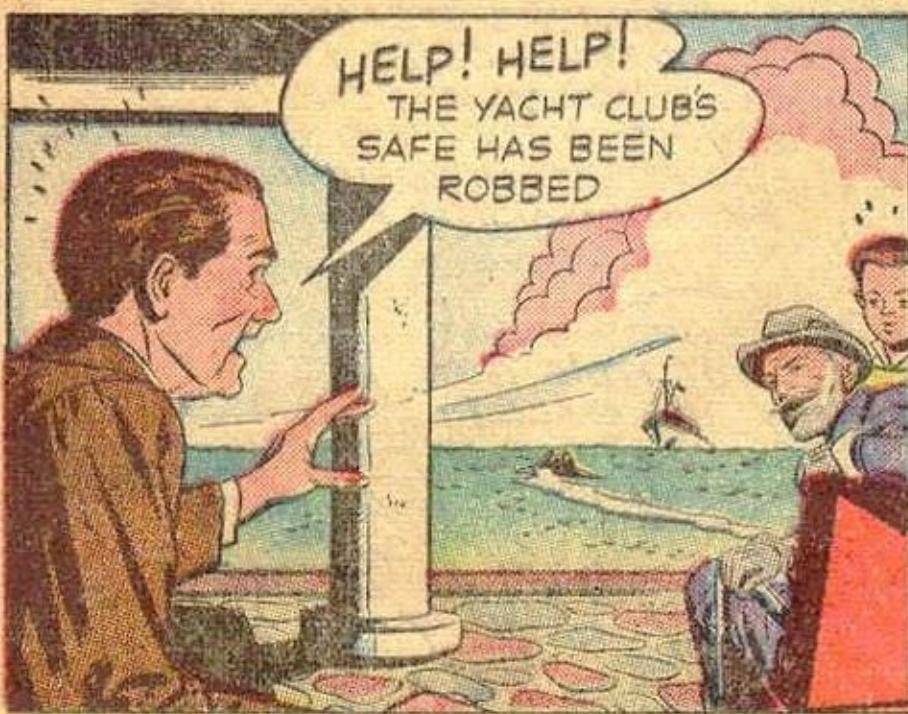
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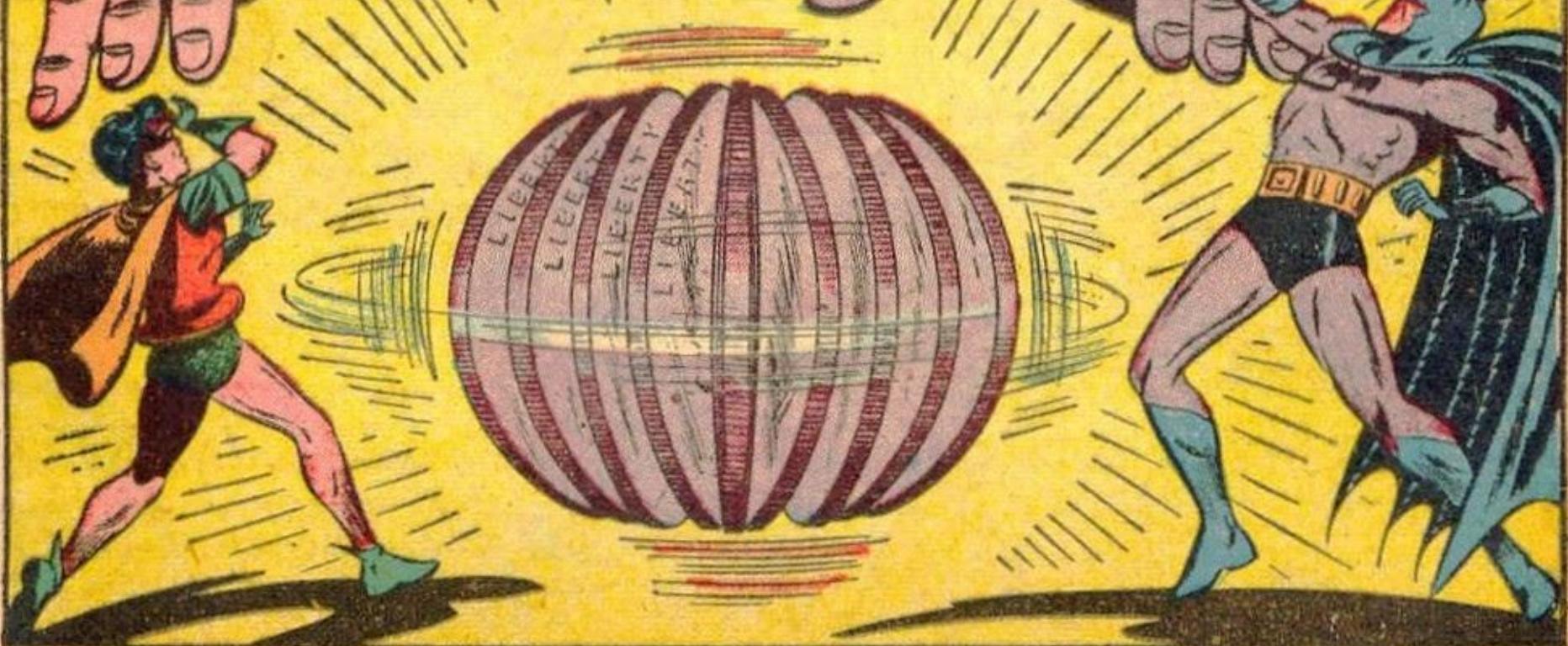
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COME TRUE?
CAN A DEAD MAN
COME BACK TO LIFE?
HOW IS IT THAT THE MOST
BIZARRE VILLAIN OF ALL
TIME STALKS THE
STREETS OF GOTHAM CITY,
AND BATMAN AND
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SMASHING STORY OF THAT
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TWO-FACE! BATMAN THINKS BACK TO THE TIME HARVEY DENT WAS ONCE GOTHAM CITY'S FIGHTING D.A.!

YOUR HONOR, THIS WAS FOUND ON THE SCENE OF THE CRIME-A TWO-HEADED SILVER DOLLAR—"LUCKY" MORONY'S GOOD-LUCK PIECE!

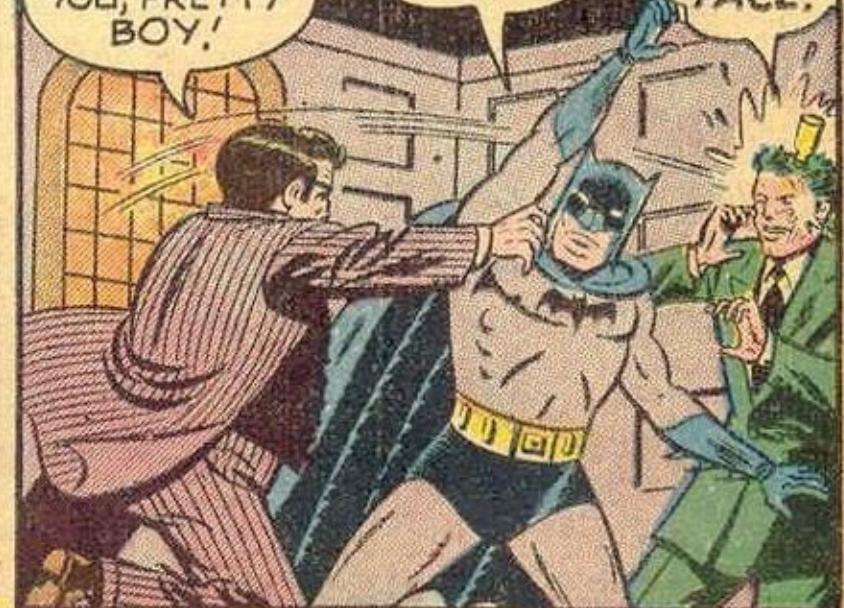


THEN THE TRAGEDY HAPPENED!

I'LL FIX YOU, PRETTY BOY!

LOOK OUT, D.A.! HE'S THROWING ACID!

AAGHH! MY FACE!



ONE SIDE OF HIS FACE SCARRED BY THE ACID, DENT BEGAN TO BROOD, BLAMED HIS TRAGEDY ON THE LUCK PIECE...

YOU HAVE TWO SIDES... CLEAN AND HAND-SOME AS MINE ONCE WERE! NOW ONE WILL BE UGLY, EVIL LIKE MINE!



THEN THE TORMENTED MAN FLIPPED THE COIN TO CHOOSE HIS LIFE'S COURSE...

THE 'EVIL SIDE WINS! CRIME WINS!' FROM THIS DAY ON, THIS TWO-FACED COIN WILL BE THE SYMBOL OF ME-TWO-FACE!



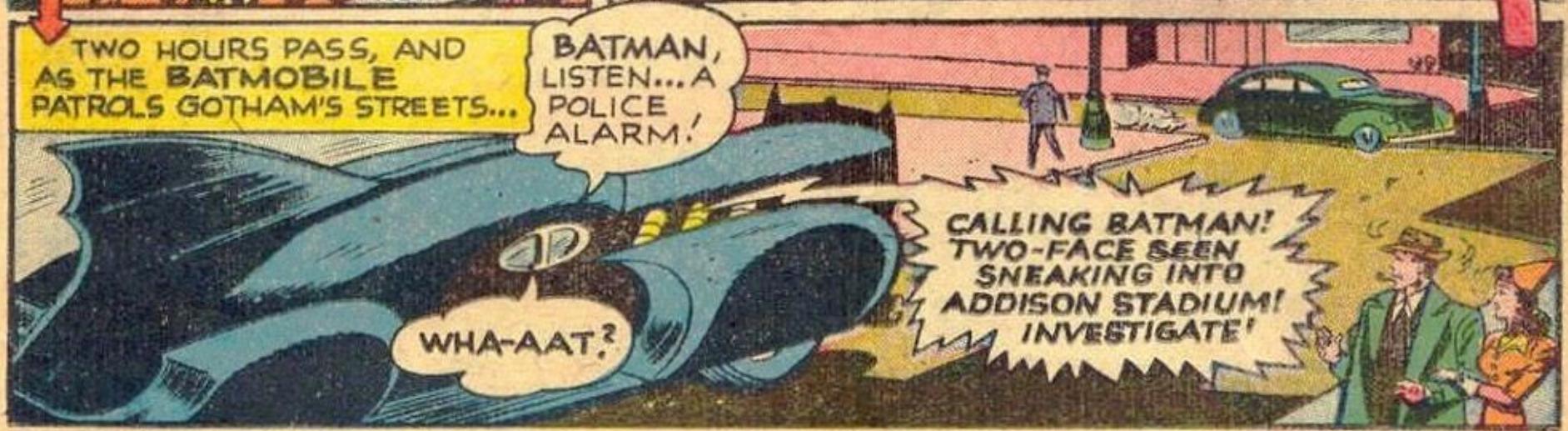
TWO-FACE'S ESCAPADES BECAME NOTORIOUS, BUT WHEN HE ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HIS LOYAL FIANCÉE, IT BROUGHT THE DEMENTED MAN TO HIS SENSES...



GILDA RECOVERED, AND DENT REFORMED AFTER HIS FACE WAS HEALED BY A PLASTIC SURGEON. THEN ONE DAY BATMAN RECEIVED SOME-THING FOR HIS TROPHY ROOM...



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BUT AS TWO-FACE'S FINGER TIGHTENS ON THE TRIGGER, SUDDENLY...

NO! DON'T PULL THAT TRIGGER!

BATMAN!
I'VE GOT TO
GET OUT OF
HERE!

COMMANDERING THE COUPLED MACHINES TO BE USED IN
THE NOVEL MOTORCYCLE CHARIOT RACE, BATMAN
PURSUES...

B DASHING THROUGH
AN EXIT, TWO-FACE
FIND HIMSELF ON
THE STADIUM FIELD
AND SEIZES A
MOTORCYCLE...

IT IS
FITTING
TWO-FACE
SHOULD
ESCAPE ON
A TWO-
WHEELED
VEHICLE!

THIS RAMP
IS MY ONLY
AVENUE OF
ESCAPE!

REVVING UP HIS MOTOR-
CYCLE ENGINES, BATMAN
THUNDERS FORWARD AT
BREAK-NECK SPEED
THROUGH THE HAZARDOUS
LOOP-THE-LOOP!

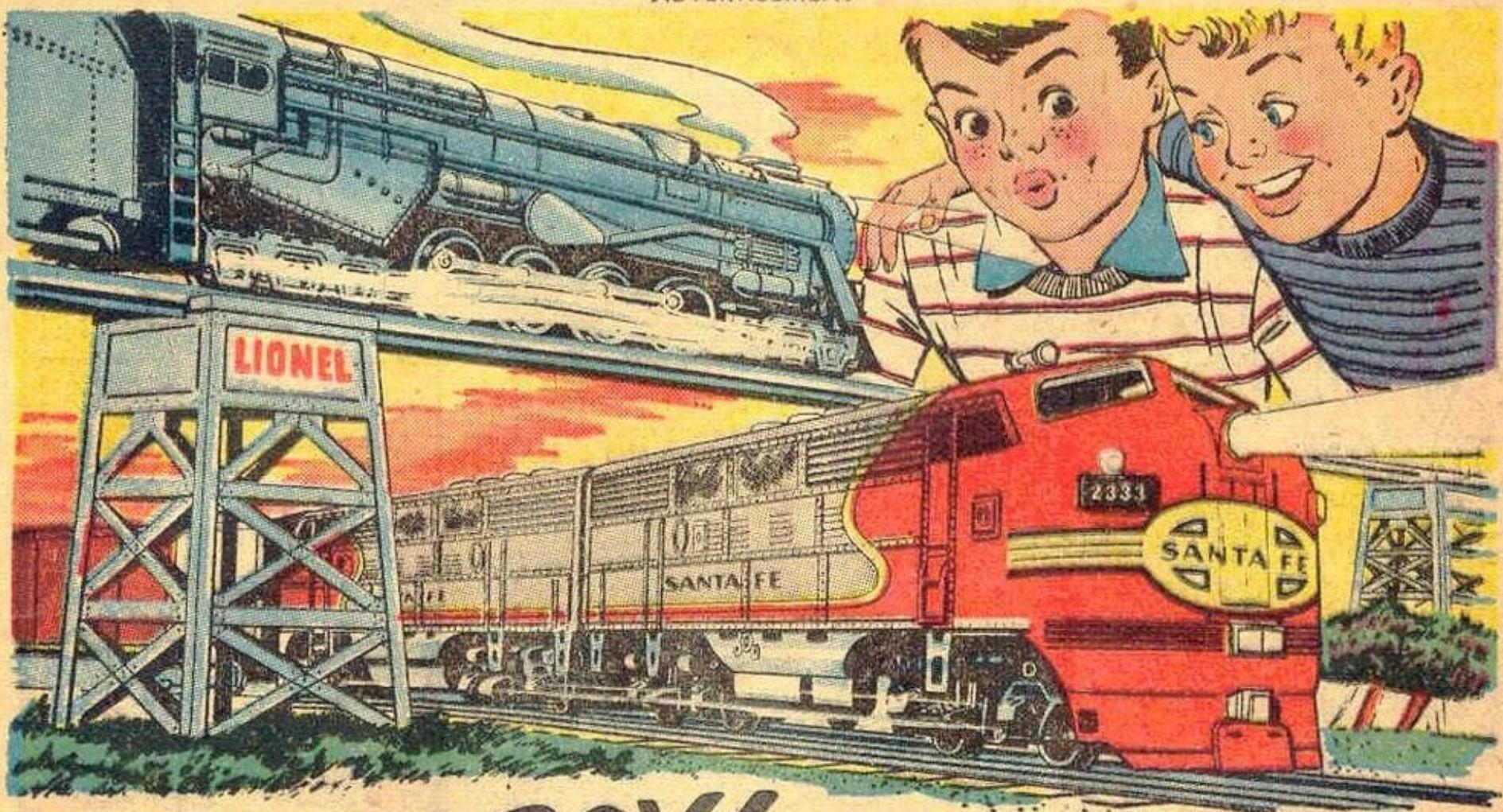
HA-HA!
BATMAN'S
CHARIOT IS TOO WIDE
TO PASS THROUGH HERE!
I'LL GET AWAY NOW!

YOW!

LEAVING THE LOOP, TWO-FACE RUTHLESSLY
POINTS HIS MACHINE TOWARD A GUARDED
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COUGH!

WHO'S THAT?

AHAA (COUGH!)
AFTER ME GOLD
ARE YE?

YOU...HAVE A BAD COUGH
MISTER. BETTER HAVE
A SMITH BROTHERS.

HARUMPH!
ALL RIGHT, BLAST YE!

LATER
AN' FOR FIXIN'
ME COUGH, I'M
GIVIN' YE THIS SACK
O' GOLD, AN' BIDDIN'
YE FAREWELL!

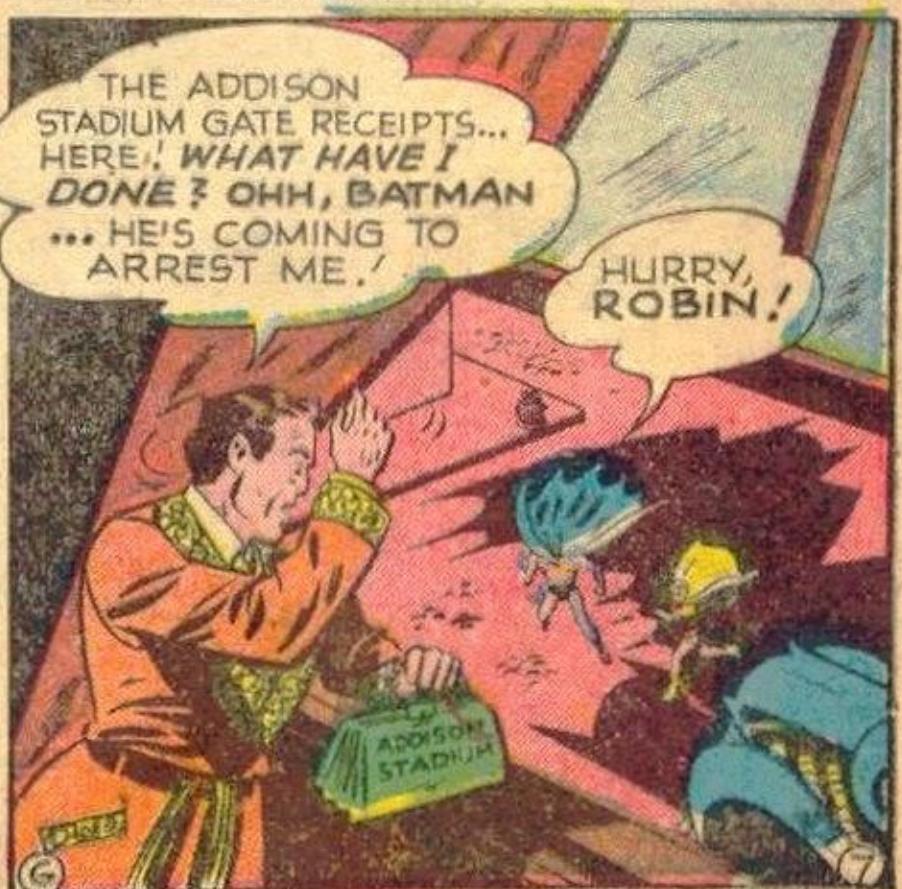
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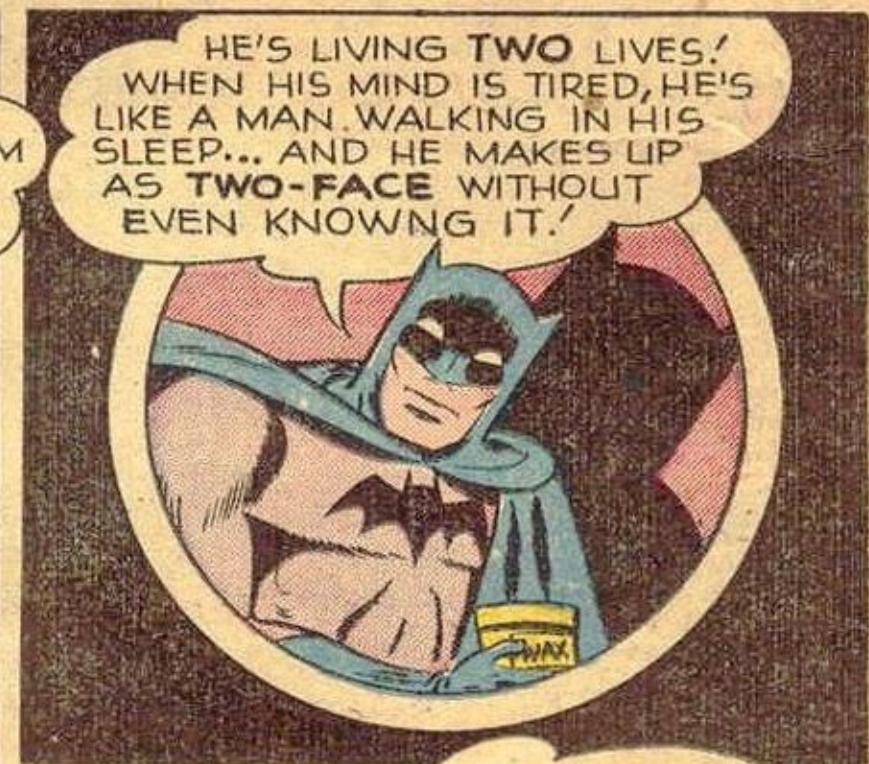
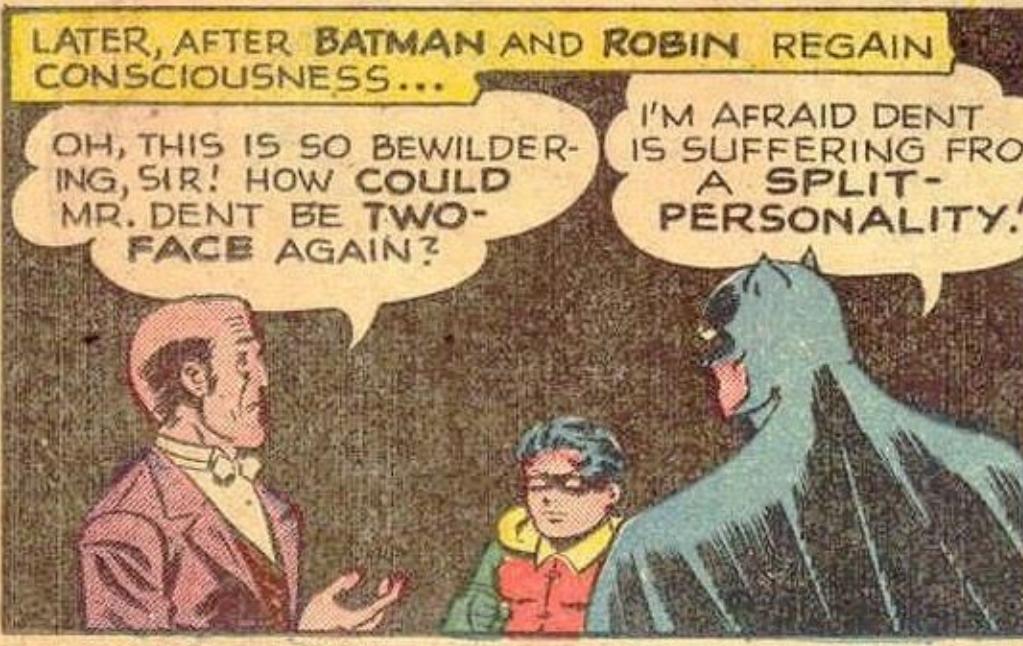
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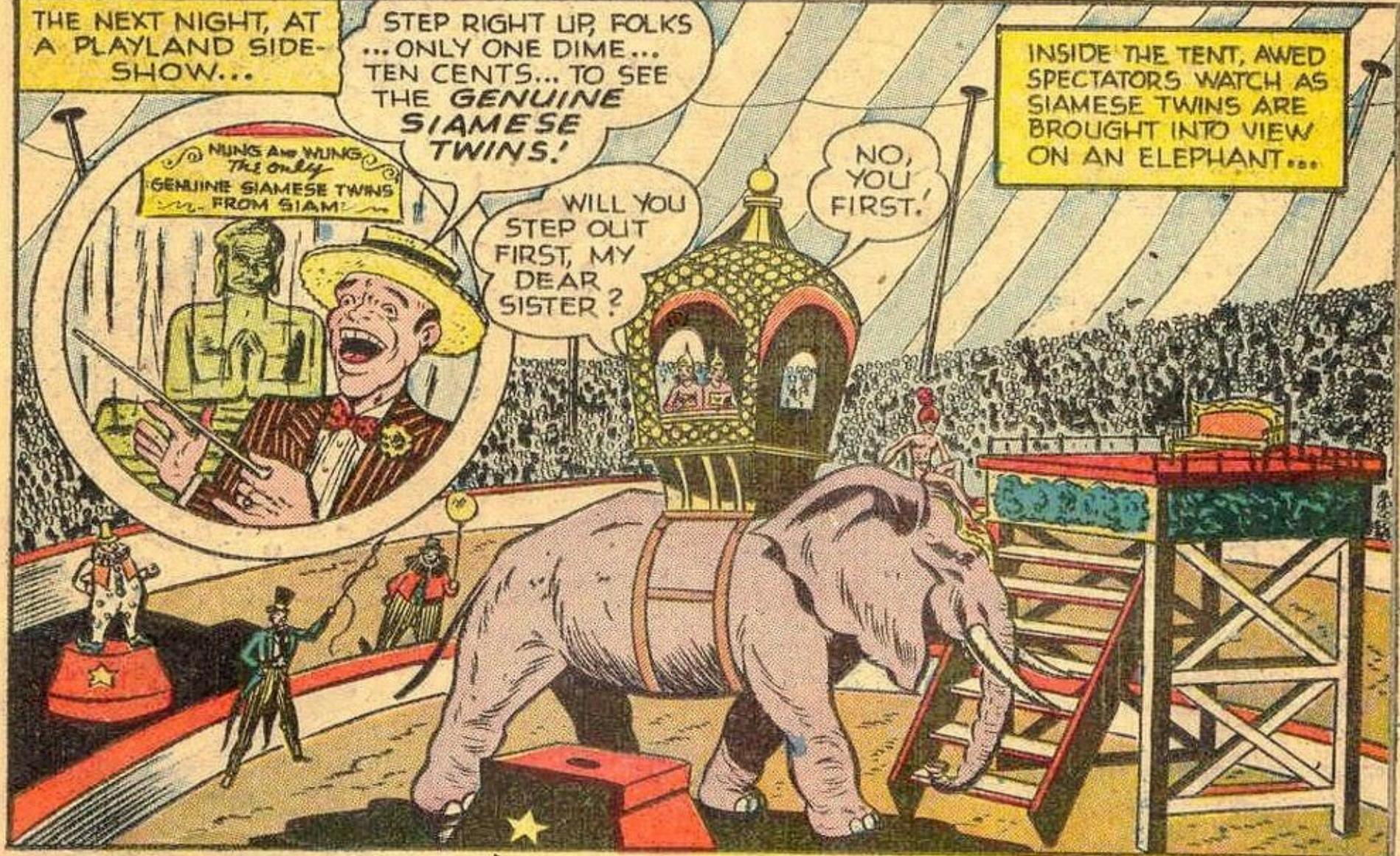
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INSIDE THE TENT, AWED SPECTATORS WATCH AS SIAMESE TWINS ARE BROUGHT INTO VIEW ON AN ELEPHANT...



SUDDENLY, ANOTHER "TWIN" JOINS THE ACT.

HELLO, GIRLS... HOW ABOUT A **DOUBLE DATE** WITH ME? AFTER ALL, I, TOO, AM TWO PEOPLE JOINED TOGETHER IN ONE BODY!

OHHH!

YOUR GEM-STUDDED CROWNS ARE WELL KNOWN! SHALL I STEAL THEM OR NOT? I'LL LET MY COIN DECIDE!

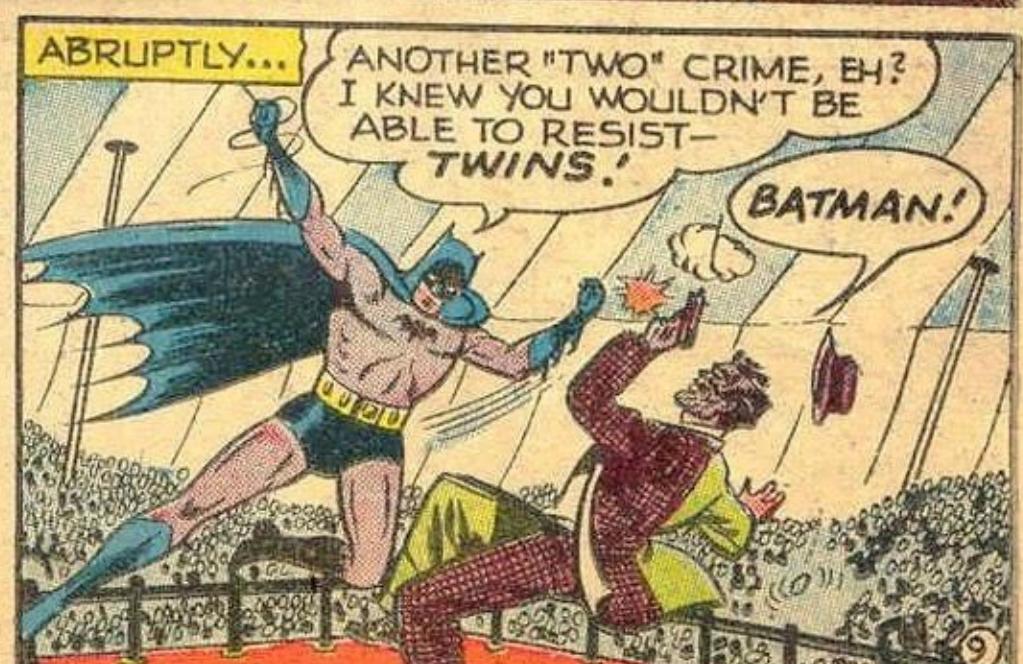
AGAIN THE COIN SPINS HIGH AND DROPS...

THE EVIL SIDE WINS! HAND OVER YOUR CROWNS, GIRLS... AND DON'T TRY ANYTHING OR THERE'LL BE TARGET PRACTISE!

ABRUPTLY...

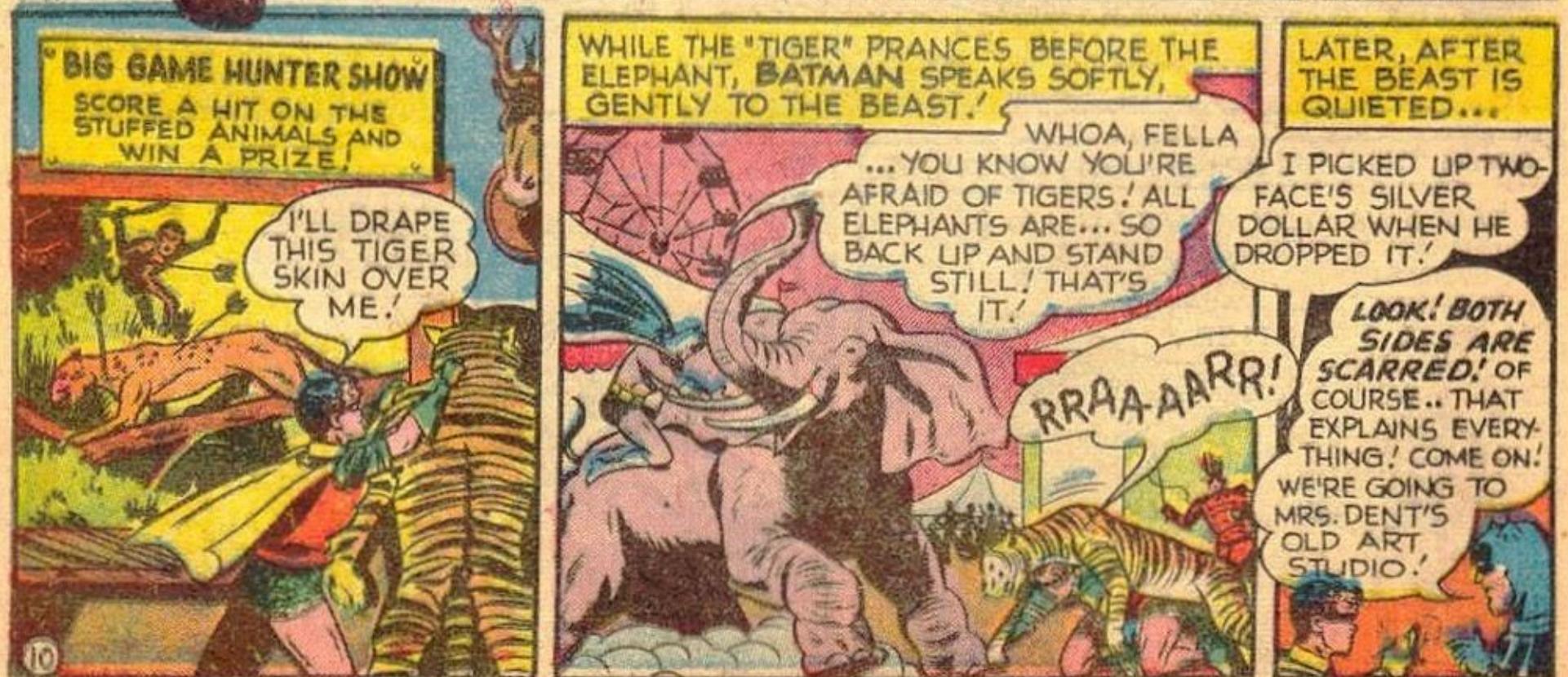
ANOTHER "TWO" CRIME, EH? I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO RESIST—
TWINS!

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SOON AFTER...

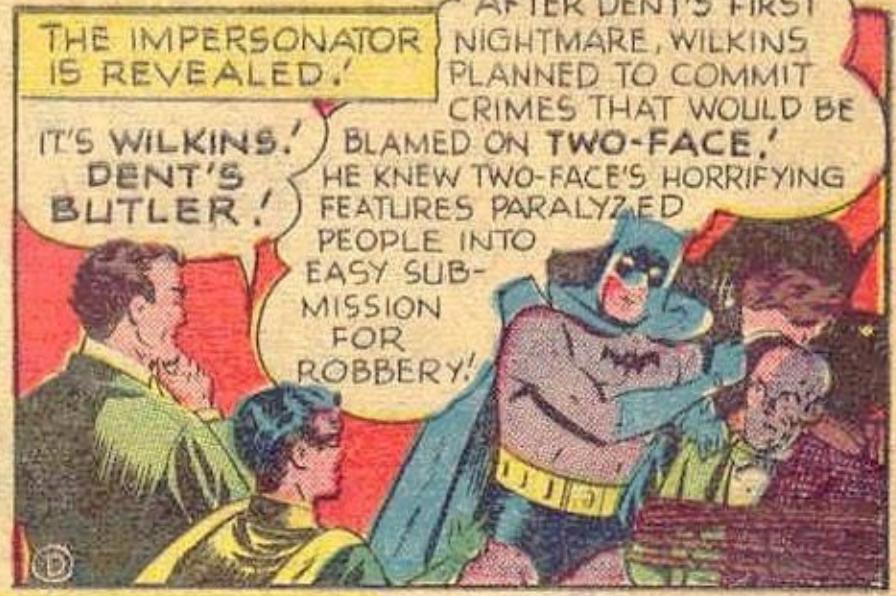
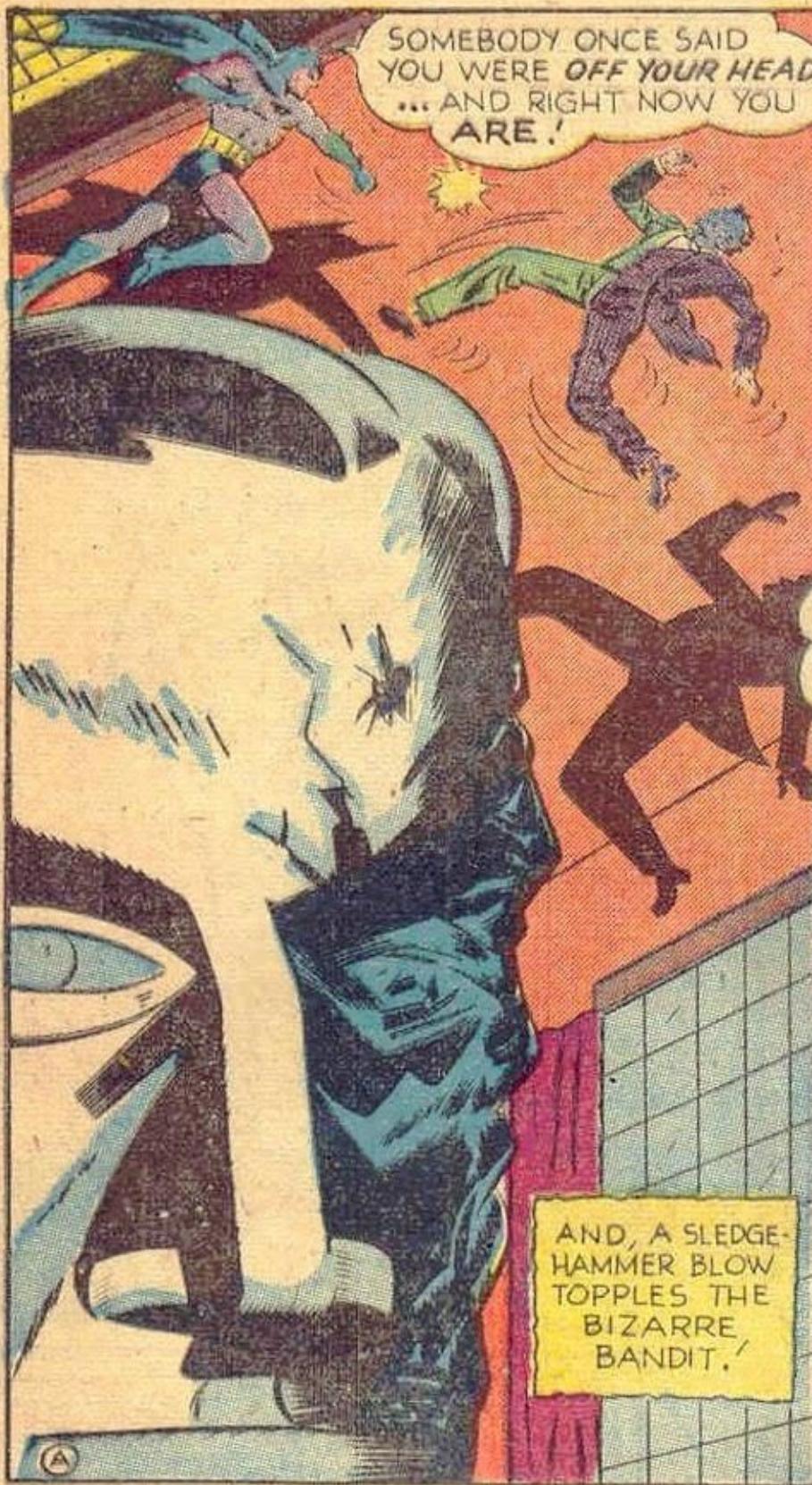
GILDA... SHE'S MRS. DENT NOW... WAS ONCE SCULPTING A GIANT HEAD OF HARVEY! WHEN HE BECAME TWO-FACE, HE MUTILATED ONE SIDE OF THE STATUE! AFTER THAT, SHE CLOSED UP THE STUDIO!

LATER, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS ENTER THE GLOOMY STUDIO WHERE THEY SEE THE GIGANTIC IMAGE OF A MAN'S TORMENT PERPETUATED IN AGELESS STONE...





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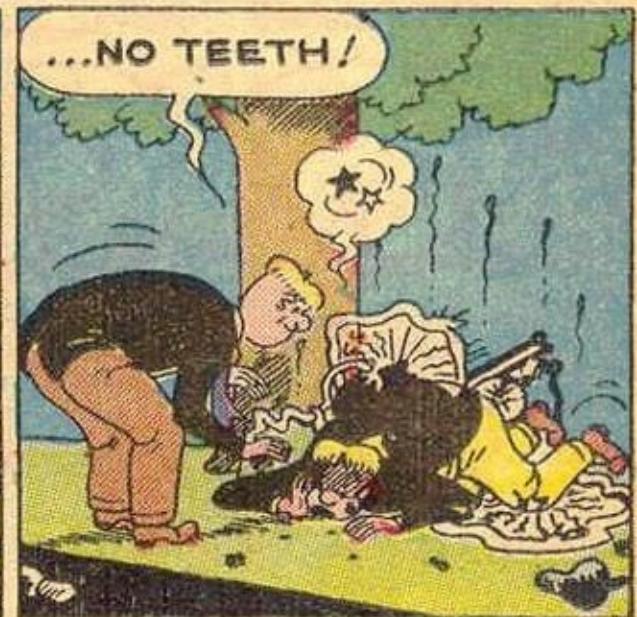
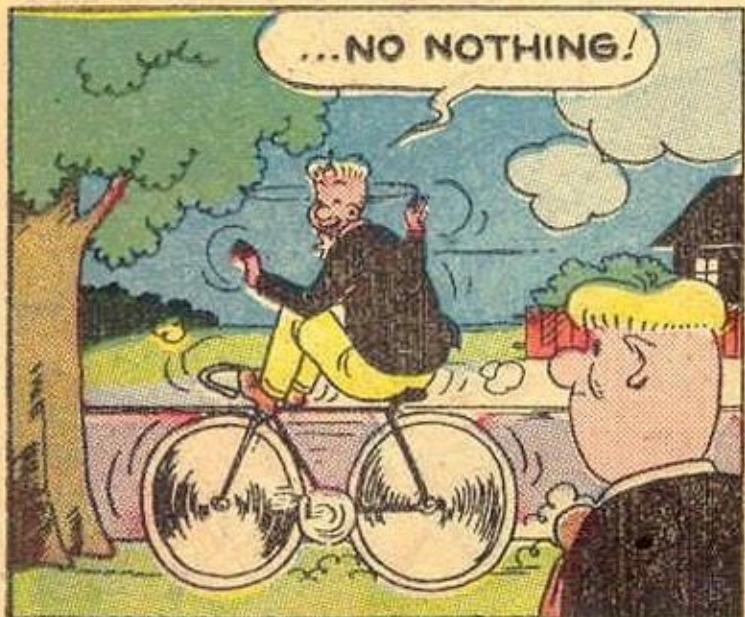
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BEING President of the United States isn't fun. In fact, it's just plain hard work, based on the knowledge that whatever you do, there will always be some people who will say you did the worst thing possible.

But one of the things that makes the job of President lighter are the gifts that arrive at the White House every day.

Occasionally, the presents given to the President are noted in the newspapers. Only recently, President Truman, on his visit to Nebraska, received a pair of beautiful, massive spurs. The people also presented him with beet sugar, peace pipes, and numerous other tokens of their esteem.

At the White House, hundreds of packages streaming in from all over the world, is a daily occurrence. Every item is fluoroscoped for such dangerous contents as poison or bombs, although it is claimed that bombs are out of date, and there is little likelihood of a would-be assassin trying to do away with a President in such a roundabout manner.

Being President is a magnet for presents from rich and poor alike, all over the world.

There are also gifts of state from foreign lands. Their purpose is frankly political and they are usually very expensive, rare, and ornamental.

They include an amazing variety of things. From India come precious stones, silks, skins of wild beasts, and exotic plants. When Teddy Roosevelt was President, for

instance, the King of Abyssinia sent him a number of live animals, including a zebra, an ostrich, and a crate of baboons! These were immediately turned over to the National Zoological Park.

Sending state gifts goes back to the time of George Washington when foreign governments extended greetings to the new nation in this manner. The custom of offering personal gifts came later. This practice was introduced, it is said, by a wig-maker who sent a toupee to President John Quincy Adams, so that he might conceal his bald head.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt probably received more gifts than any other occupant of the White House. People of all countries deluged him with tokens of their affection and esteem. A great stamp collector, he enjoyed the help of a vast number of admirers who sent him stamps, most of them valuable.

When a President has a hobby, the whole world learns about it sooner or later and responds eagerly. Grover Cleveland had the restful hobby of rowing, usually down the Potomac. He received more rowboats than one man could use. Herbert Hoover, because of his interest in engineering, was the recipient of enough engineering instruments to start an engineering college!

Calvin Coolidge rated as the biggest gift-getter until F.D.R. came into office. "Silent Cal" received a huge variety of foods (mostly pickles, which he liked), raccoons, wildcats, and other rather unusual offerings.

Speaking of postal deliveries to the White House, one must also consider the amount of mail which arrives daily. During Coolidge's term, letters averaged 1,000 a day. During Roosevelt's administration, the daily mail was estimated to run between 6,000 and 8,000 pieces.

Because of a world-wide reputation for his fondness of fine foods, people sent him all sorts of delicacies—fresh fish, wild game, jellies, wines, and rare herbs to be planted in his Hyde Park Garden. In addition to these edibles, he received war souvenirs, ship models, cigarette holders by the gross, dogs, and figures of the Democratic donkey, many of which he kept on his desk overflowing with tokens. Most of the gifts now can be seen at the Hyde Park Museum.

Gifts between governments are exchanged as a matter of course. If France sends our President a souvenir, we recip-

rocate with a gift to her President on a suitable occasion. Personal gifts, however, are acknowledged by a note of thanks from the President's secretary, or an autographed picture of the President.

In accepting gifts, the President always exercises caution against trickery. For years now, slick advertising promoters have attempted to pull fast deals; that is, having the President accept a gift in good faith, then blazon out with an advertisement in which he endorsed the product. The President, however, always has been able to penetrate the disguise and upset the scheme by returning the gift with a stinging rebuke.

Since he receives gifts from foreign powers as a representative of this country, the President invariably turns them over to the Smithsonian Institution or other public museums for the enjoyment and interest of the citizens.

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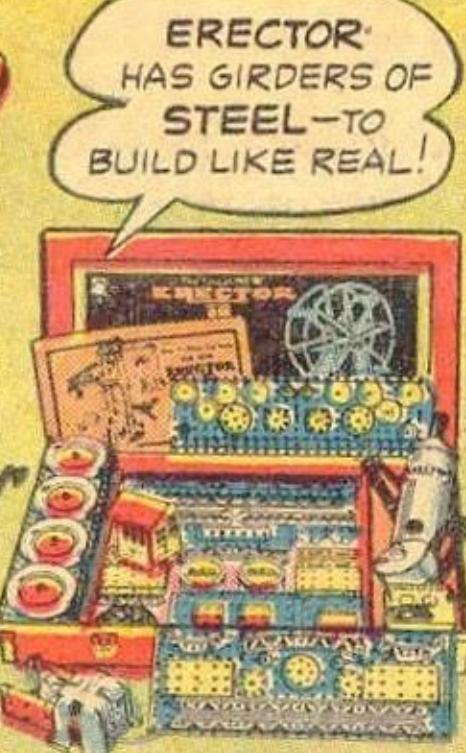
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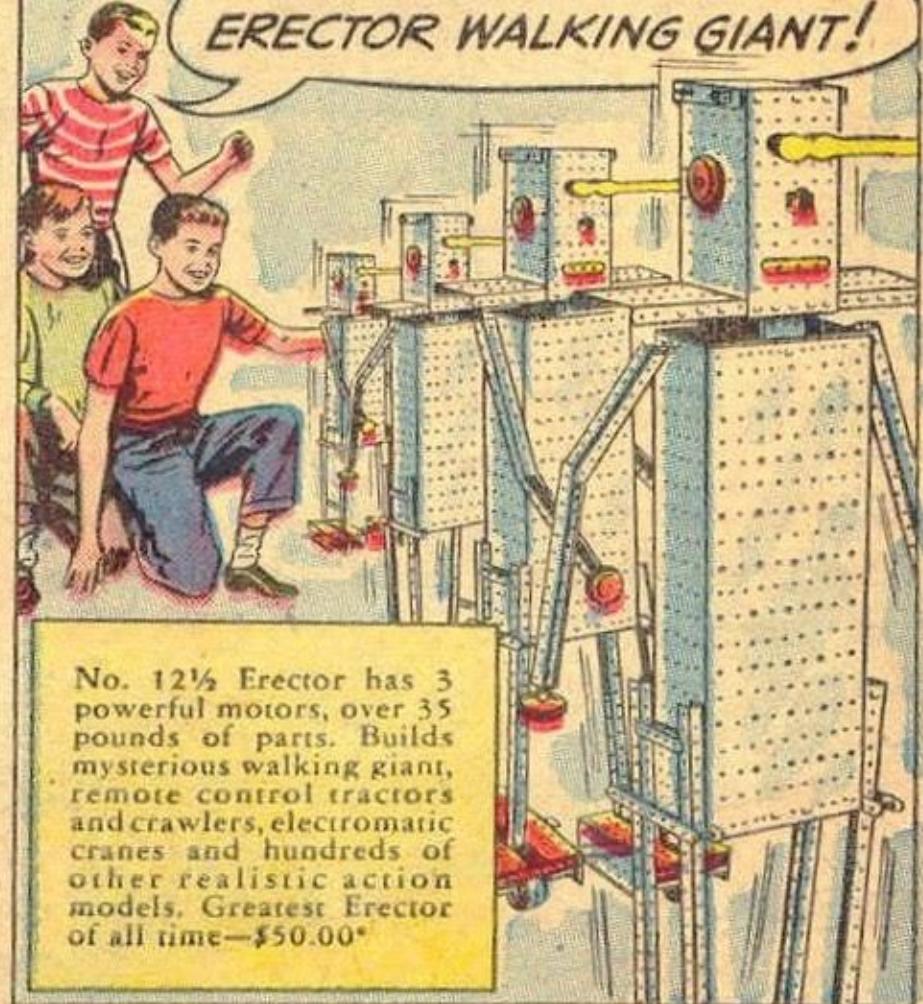
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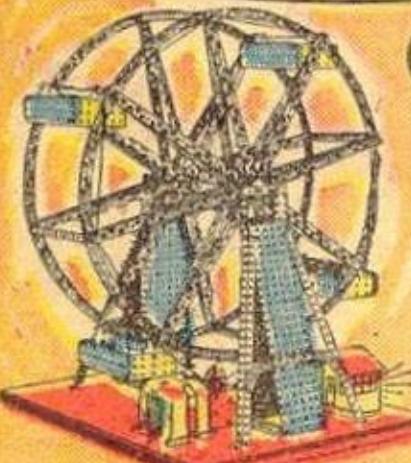
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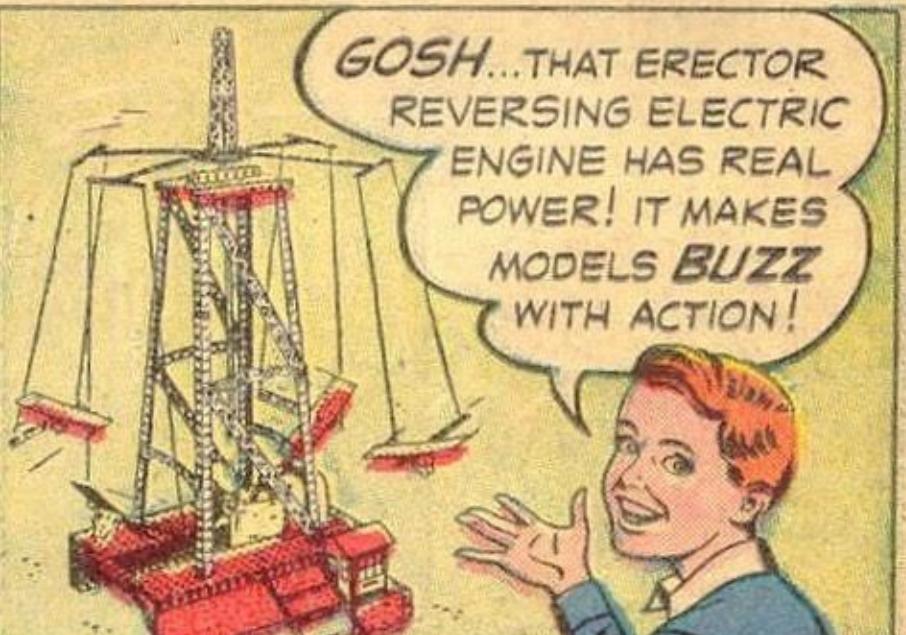
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Wonder!**"





BATMAN



ONE NIGHT IN GOTHAM CITY AS BRUCE WAYNE AND YOUNG DICK GRAYSON RELAX IN THEIR HOME, SUDDENLY...

LOOK! THE BAT SIGNAL! LET'S GO, BRUCE! THAT'S POLICE HEADQUARTERS CALLING BATMAN AND ROBIN!



BUT AS THE BOY WONDER REACHES FOR HIS ROBIN COSTUME...

WHOA, DICK! IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'D RATHER YOU STAYED HOME TONIGHT!

BUT...? OKAY... YOU'RE THE BOSS!



THE NEXT NIGHT, THE SCENE IS REPEATED!

YOU'D BETTER STAY IN TONIGHT AND... AND STUDY YOUR HOMEWORK!



MY SCHOOL GRADES ARE FINE. HE JUST WANTED AN EXCUSE TO KEEP ME HOME! I WONDER WHY?



THE NEXT DAY, AS DICK RETURNS HOME FROM SCHOOL WHICH HAS RECESSED EARLIER THAN USUAL...

THAT'S BRUCE'S VOICE! HE'S TALKING TO SOMEBODY - IN THE BATCAVE!



TO DICK'S ASTONISHMENT, A STRANGE YOUTH STANDS IN THE SECRET UNDERGROUND RETREAT HERETOFORE KNOWN ONLY TO BATMAN AND ROBIN!

THE SMELL OF BITTER ALMONDS! THIS TUBE HOLDS PRUSSIC ACID!

CORRECT AGAIN, JIMMY!

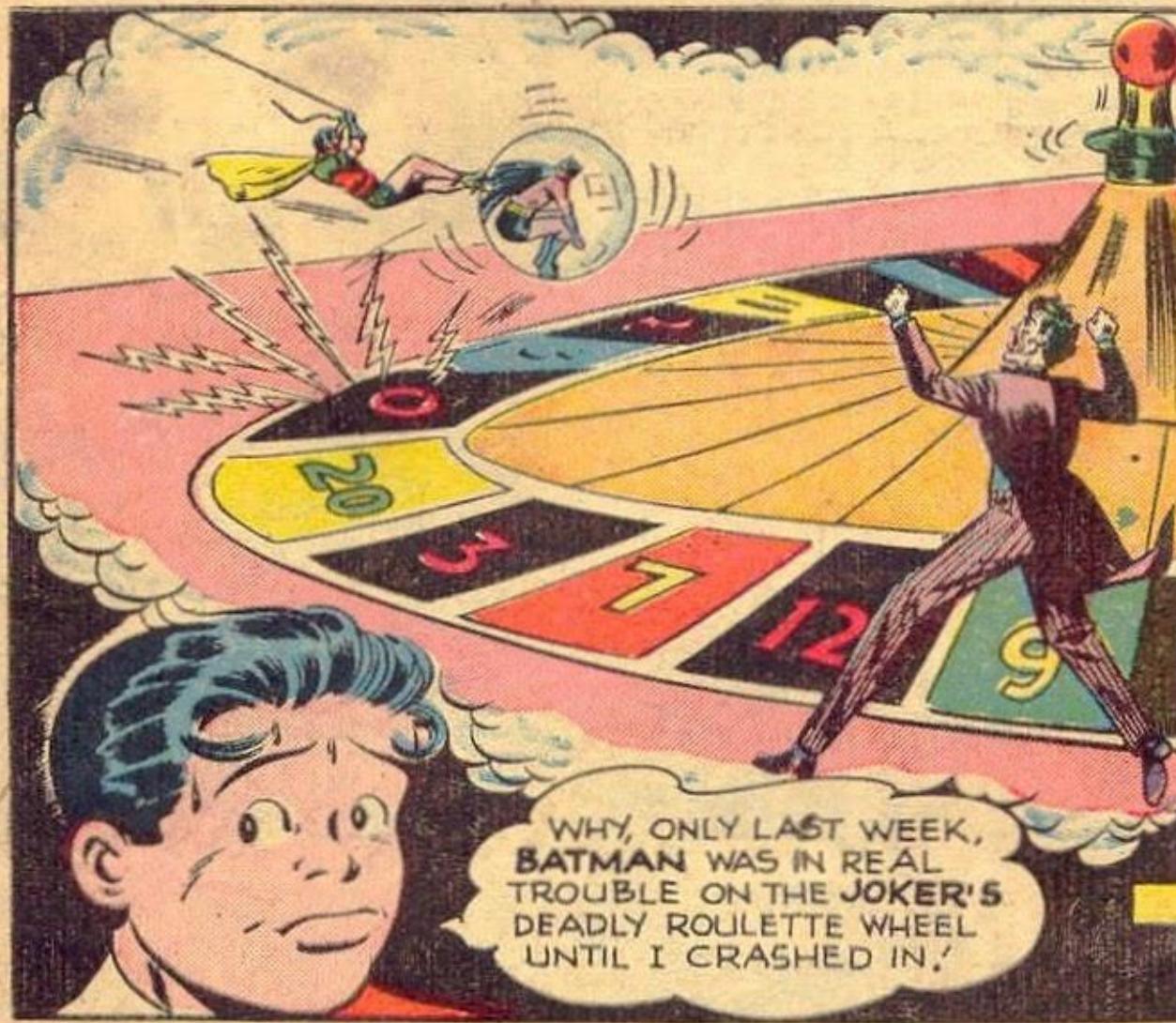




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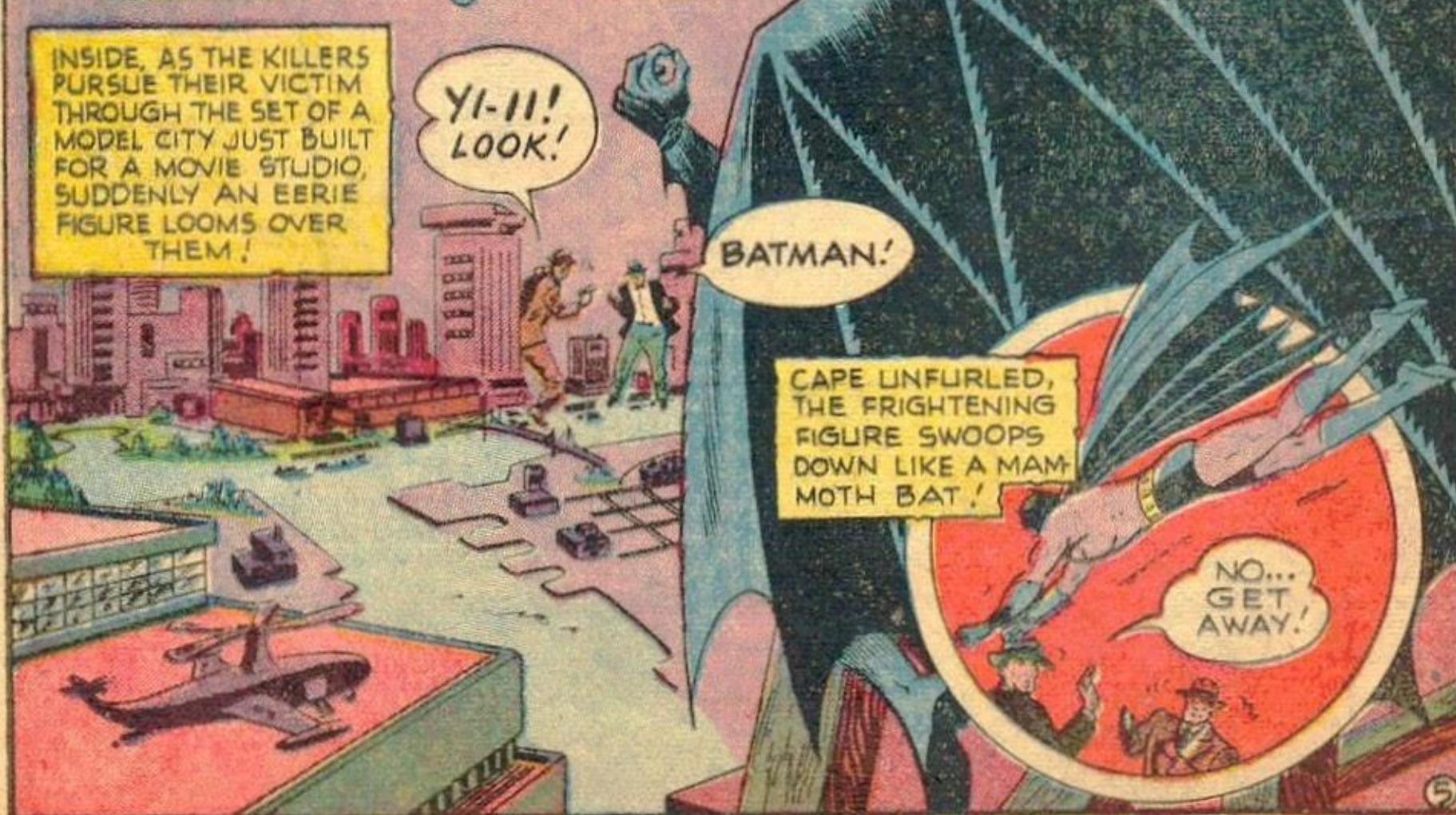
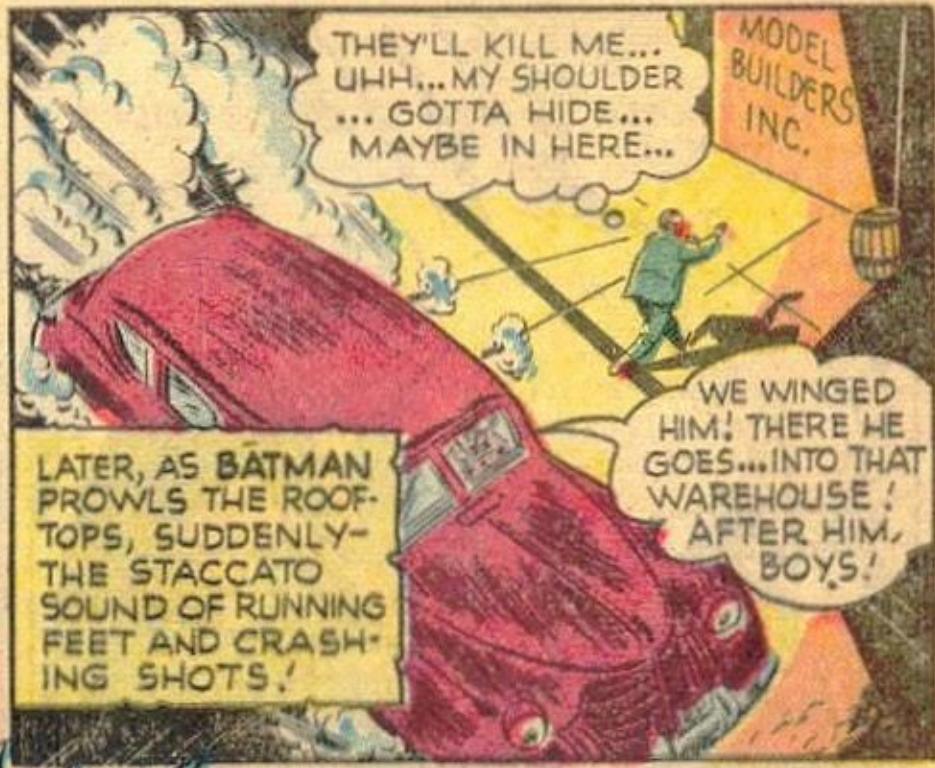


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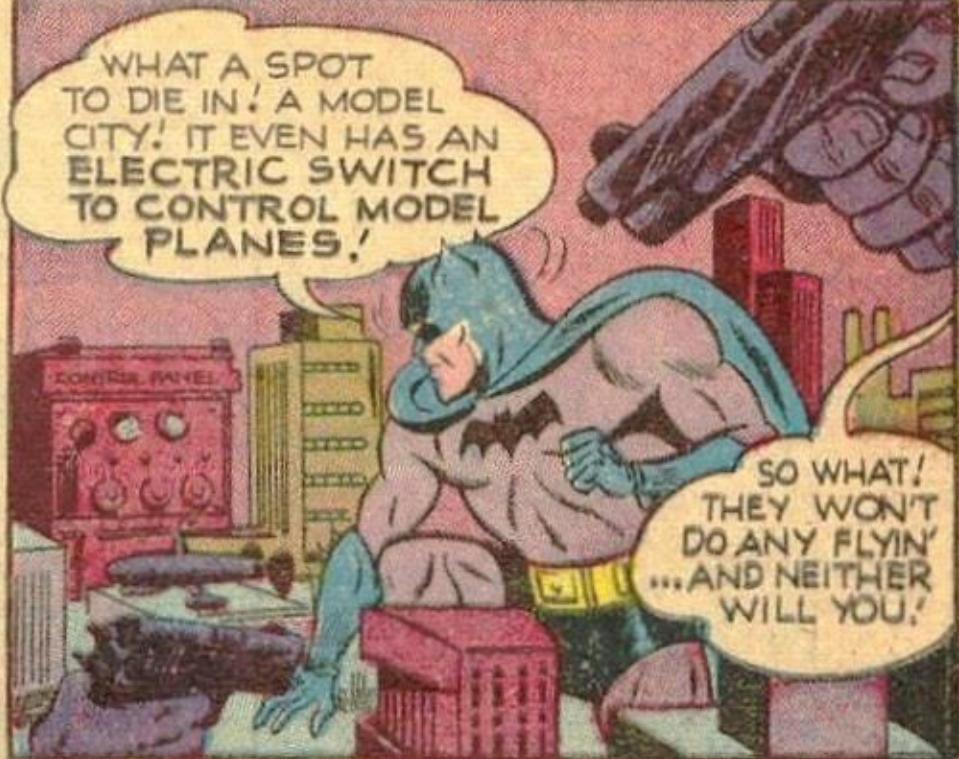




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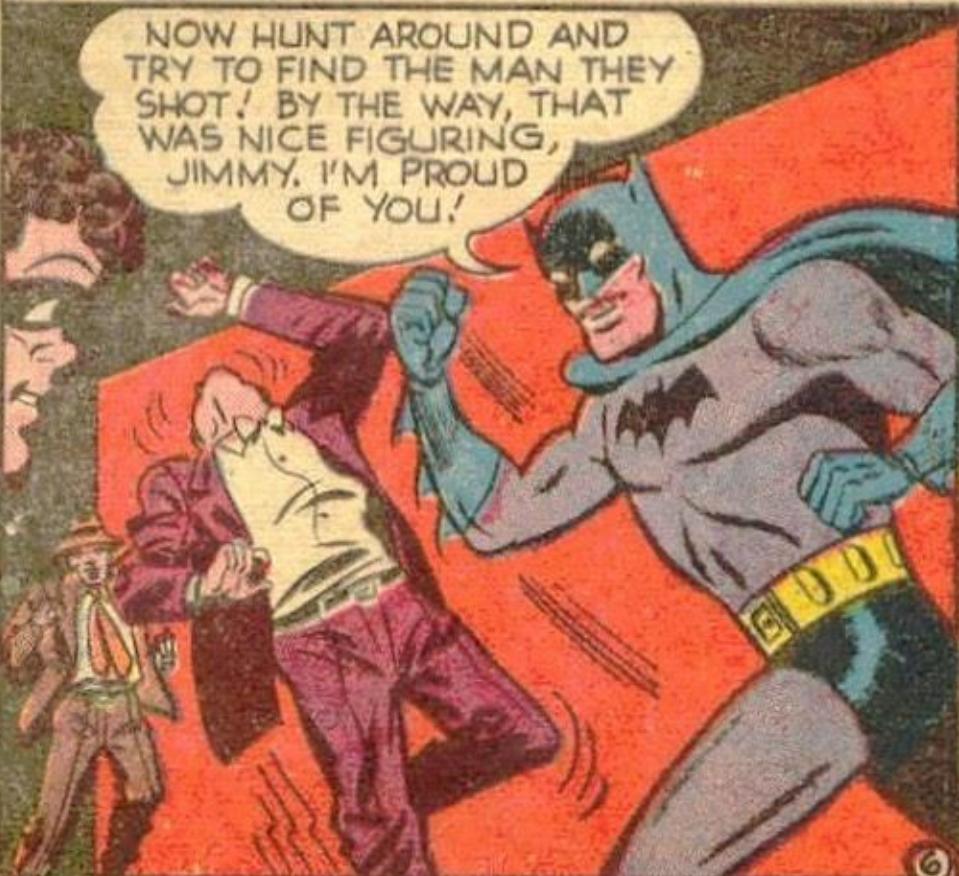
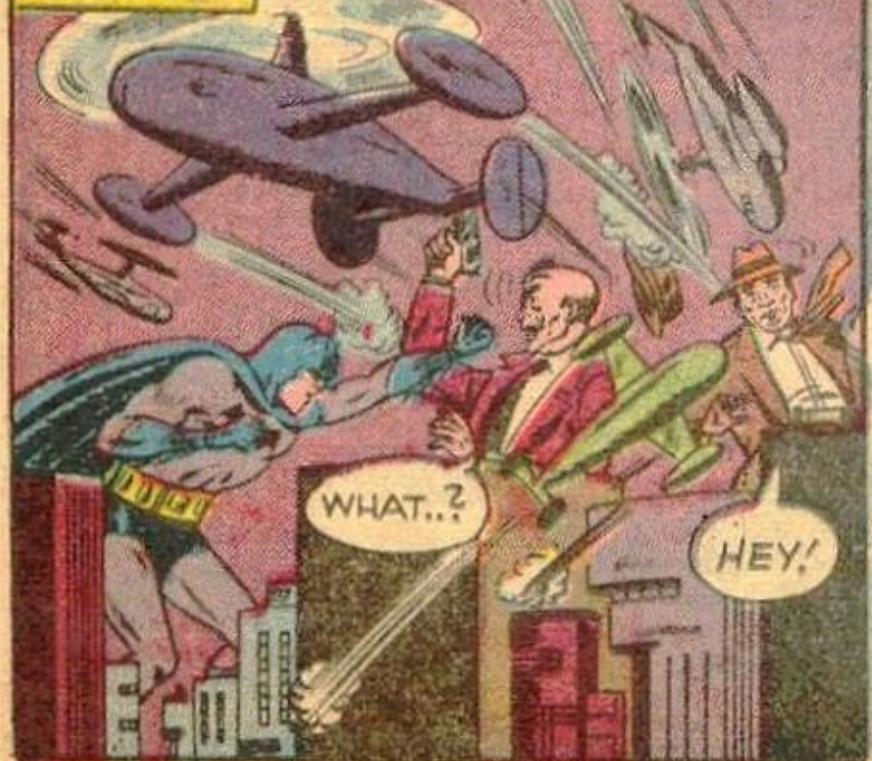
THEN, UNEXPECTEDLY, BATMAN STUMBLES OVER THE MODEL BRIDGE IN THE DARKNESS..



AS SUDEN DEATH MENACES BATMAN, DICK LOYALLY STARTS FROM HIDING ...



ABRUPTLY, MODEL PLANES WING HIGH, THEIR ELECTRIC MOTORS WORKED BY REMOTE CONTROL!





BATMAN



"I'M PROUD OF YOU!" - WITH THOSE WORDS FOR ANOTHER LAD RINGING IN HIS EARS, DICK SHUFFLES AWAY!

I'M GLAD JIMMY'S BRAINS SAVED BATMAN'S LIFE... I GUESS, I'M THROUGH!



MEANWHILE, THE DRIVER OF THE GANG CAR HAS OVERTAKEN THE WOUNDED MAN ELSEWHERE IN THE WAREHOUSE...

GLOVES... DON'T...



THE GLOVED HAND CONTRACTS... THE TRIGGER FINGER TIGHTENS... JUST AS JIMMY COMES INTO VIEW!

BLAM

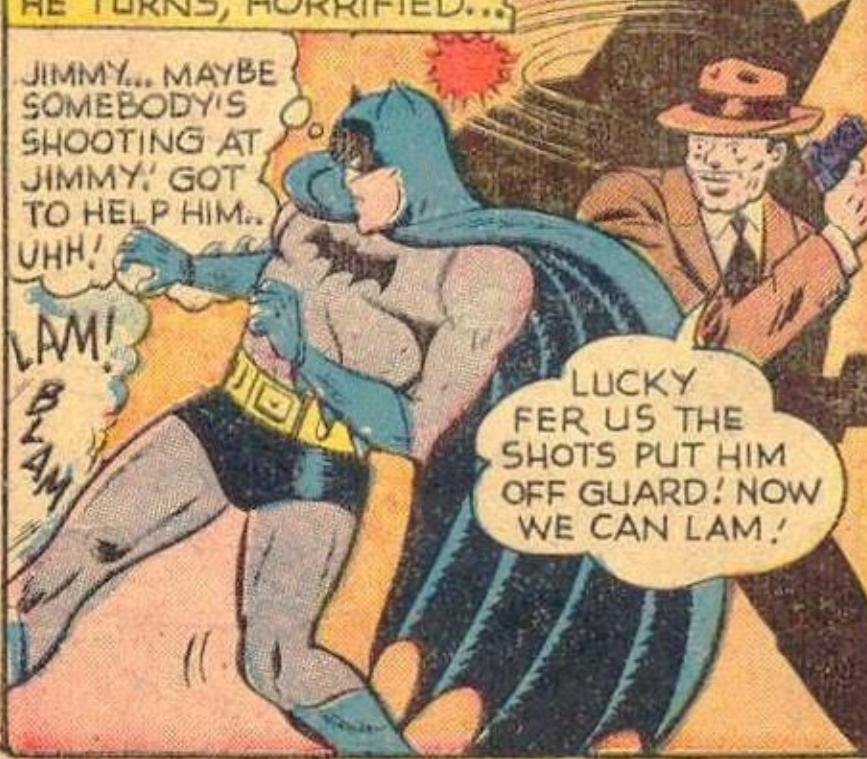
BATMAN MUST BE RIGHT BEHIND HIM! THIS IS NO PLACE FOR ME!

A MASKED KID! IT MUST BE BATMAN'S PAL, ROBIN... BUT THE BRAT DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO PUT ON HIS WHOLE COSTUME!

MEANWHILE, AS BATMAN HEARS THE SHOTS, HE TURNS, HORRIFIED...

JIMMY... MAYBE SOMEBODY'S SHOOTING AT JIMMY! GOT TO HELP HIM... UHH!

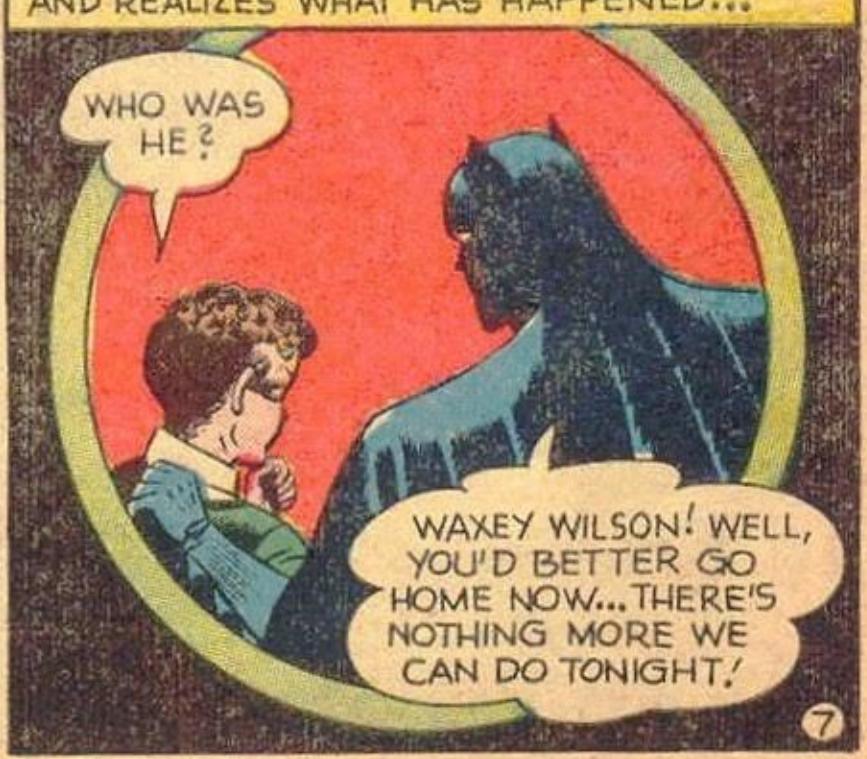
LUCKY FER US THE SHOTS PUT HIM OFF GUARD! NOW WE CAN LAM!



LATER, BATMAN REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS AND REALIZES WHAT HAS HAPPENED...

WHO WAS HE?

WAXEY WILSON! WELL, YOU'D BETTER GO HOME NOW... THERE'S NOTHING MORE WE CAN DO TONIGHT!



BATMAN



BATMAN





BATMAN



EDITOR'S NOTE:

A LIE DETECTOR IS A MACHINE USED BY LAW AGENCIES TO QUESTION SUSPECTS. IT WORKS ON THE PRINCIPLE THAT WHEN PEOPLE TRY TO CONCEAL THE TRUTH, THEIR BLOOD PRESSURE AND PULSE GIVE THEM AWAY!

NOW KNOWING ROBIN IS AT GOTHAM CITY'S EAST SIDE, GLOVES NARROWS THE FIELD DOWN WITH A CITY MAP.

WHICH SECTION ON THE EAST SIDE? THE GREENWICH SECTION? THE CHELSEA SECTION?



THOUGH BATMAN'S FACE REMAINS INSCRUTABLE, THE QUIVERING NEEDLE OF THE DETECTOR RECORDS A SHARP RISE ON THE GRAPH AT THE WORD, "CHELSEA"!

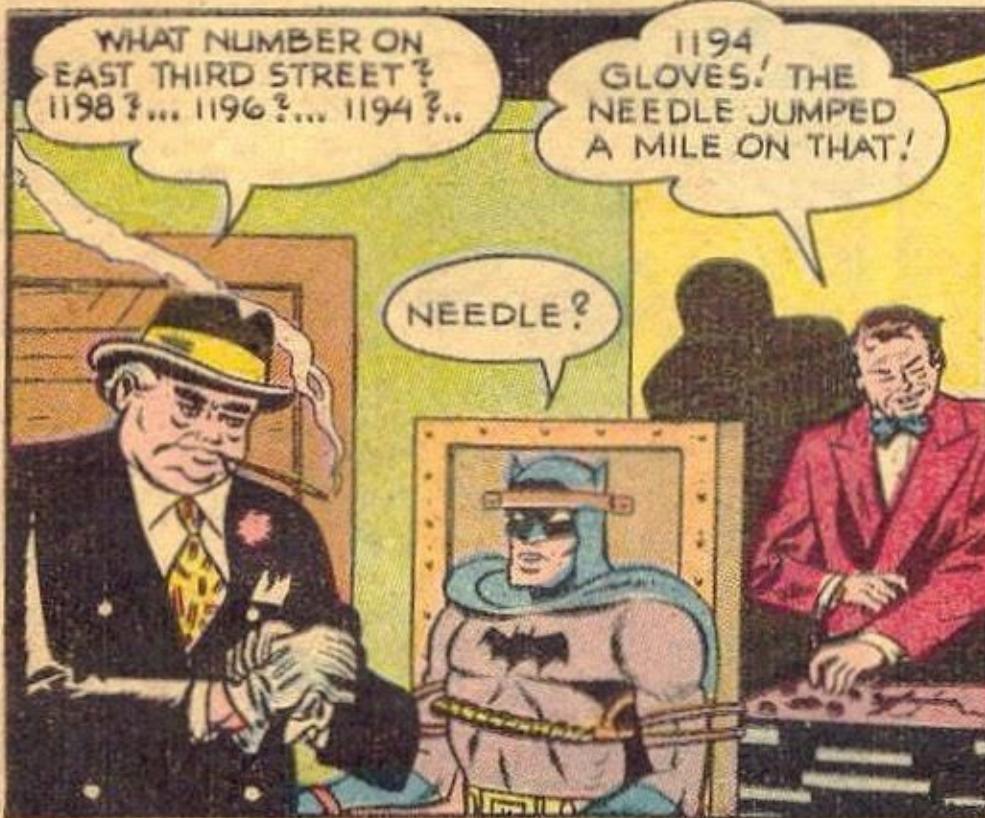
HMM! WHERE IN THE CHELSEA SECTION? FIRST STREET? SECOND STREET? THIRD STREET?



WHAT NUMBER ON EAST THIRD STREET? 1198?... 1196?... 1194?..

1194
GLOVES! THE NEEDLE JUMPED A MILE ON THAT!

NEEDLE?

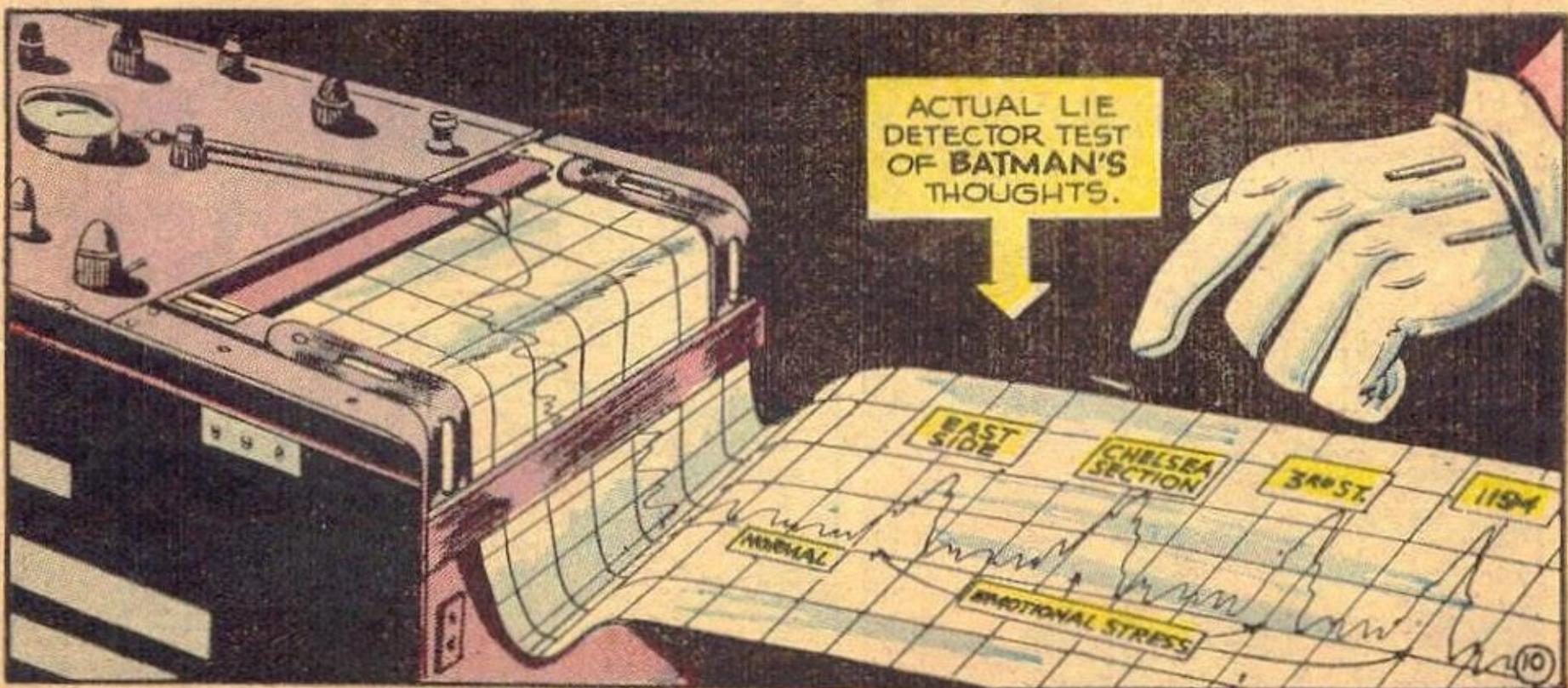


YES... YOU'VE BEEN HOOKED UP TO A LIE DETECTOR! IT'S A LITTLE GADGET I USE ON MY MEN... TO TEST THEIR LOYALTY TO ME!

YOU SCHEMING RAT! YOU'VE MADE ME BETRAY ROBIN! IF I COULD ONLY GET FREE...



ACTUAL LIE DETECTOR TEST OF BATMAN'S THOUGHTS.





BATMAN



MEANWHILE, AT JIMMY'S HOME, ROBIN INTRODUCES HIMSELF TO THE ASTONISHED BOY...

ROBIN? HERE? THEN BATMAN TOLD YOU MY SECRET!

NO! I OVERHEARD EVERYTHING! HERE'S ONE OF MY SPARE COSTUMES! HURRY! BATMAN'S WAITING AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS!

AS JIMMY RETIRES TO DRESS IN HIS BEDROOM...

HMM! STRANGE...

THIS GLOBE OF THE WORLD HAS RAISED RELIEF AND GRID LINES! OHH... I REMEMBER NOW! THIS IS A BRAILLE GLOBE-MADE FOR A BLIND PERSON TO FEEL WITH HIS FINGERTIPS!

NOW THAT I THINK BACK, EVERYTHING JIMMY DID WAS AT BATMAN'S DIRECTIONS AND CALLED FOR JIMMY'S SENSES OF SMELL AND TOUCH! NO WONDER HE MOVED SO EASILY THROUGH THE DARK! JIMMY IS BLIND!

SLEEP TIGHT, LITTLE MAN!

DAZED, ROBIN SINKS TO THE FLOOR...

NOW HE'S GONNA JOIN BATMAN AT OUR HIDEOUT IN THE OLD WOMAN'S SHOE!

WITH ONE LAST-DITCH EFFORT, THE GROGGY BOY PICKS UP A PEN AND...

YOW! HE TRIED TO STAB ME!



BATMAN



THEN, EVEN AS HE GOES UNDER, ROBIN MANAGES TO CRASH HARD AGAINST THE GLOBE AND TOPPLE IT.

ROBIN! WHAT'S WRONG?

LET'S GET HIM OUTA HERE BEFORE SOMEBODY ELSE COMES IN!

CRASH!

MOMENTS LATER, JIMMY TRIPS OVER THE FALLEN GLOBE, AND INSTINCTIVELY RUNS HIS SENSITIVE FINGERTIPS OVER IT...

SOMEBODY GRABBED ROBIN! OH... THIS PEN... STUCK IN THE ITALIAN "BOOT"! ROBIN MUST'VE LEFT IT AS A CLUE! A BOOT IS A SHOE! I WONDER...?

SOON AFTER, JIMMY REACHES A ONE-TIME ROADSIDE RESTAURANT OF A UNIQUE DESIGN..

BATMAN AND ROBIN TOGETHER! VERY COZY!

THEN THIS IS THE PLACE! I REMEMBER A FRIEND DESCRIBING IT! I THINK I KNOW WHAT TO DO NOW!

A FEW MINUTES LATER, INSIDE THE SHOE...

(COUGH) SMOKE! (COUGH) SOMETHIN' WRONG WITH THE CHIMNEY!

LET'S LAM! (COUGH) WE WON'T HAVE TO SHOOT BATMAN AND ROBIN! (COUGH) WE'LL LET THEM SUFFOCATE TO DEATH!

AS THE GANGSTERS DEPART...

IT WAS A CLEVER STUNT, ROBIN! THE ONLY CLEVER THING I COULD DO TO MATCH IT WAS TO STUFF YOUR CAPE IN THE CHIMNEY!

JIMMY! YOU GOT MY MESSAGE!

BATMAN



MEANWHILE, BLINDED BY THE SMOKE, THE THUGS DO NOT SEE THAT THE LADDER HAS BEEN REMOVED AND...

HEY...

YII-II!

MY EYES
MUST BE GOING
BACK ON ME.
I SEE TWO
ROBINS.

THUS, A BLIND BOY HAS
DEFEATED GLOVES' MOB BY
MAKING THEM "BLIND"!

I'M
FINISHED.
GOT TO RUN-
OOF!

THANKS FOR
TALKING! NOW I CAN
"SEE" YOU BY
TOUCHING YOU!

LATER...

GLOVES,
YOU DIDN'T TRICK
ME INTO REVEALING
ROBIN'S HOME
ADDRESS! THE
REAL ROBIN
WAS VISITING
THIS BOY!

BATMAN!
HOW CAN JIMMY
REPLACE ME
NOW THAT
YOU'VE
UNMASKED
HIS SECRET
IDENTITY?

YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND! I HOPE
TO BE A CRIMINOLOGIST
SOME DAY, SO BATMAN'S
BEEN GIVING ME SPECIAL
TRAINING! WE KEPT EVERY-
THING SECRET FROM YOU
BECAUSE MY FINAL TEST
WAS TO TACKLE A CASE
WITH YOU!

I HOPED THAT IN SPITE
OF MY BLINDNESS, I'D PROVE
MY ABILITY! IF I COULD DO
THAT WITHOUT REVEALING
MY BLINDNESS TO YOUR
SHARP EYES, THEN I'D
KNOW MY CAREER AS A
CRIMINOLOGIST IS
ASSURED.

BUT AS
FOR ME
REPLACING
YOU AS
BATMAN'S
PARTNER,
NOBODY
COULD DO
THAT!

JIMMY'S RIGHT,
ROBIN... THERE'S
ONLY ONE BOY
WONDER...
AND HE'S
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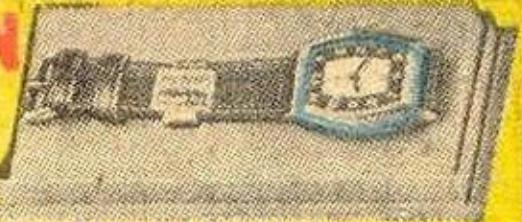
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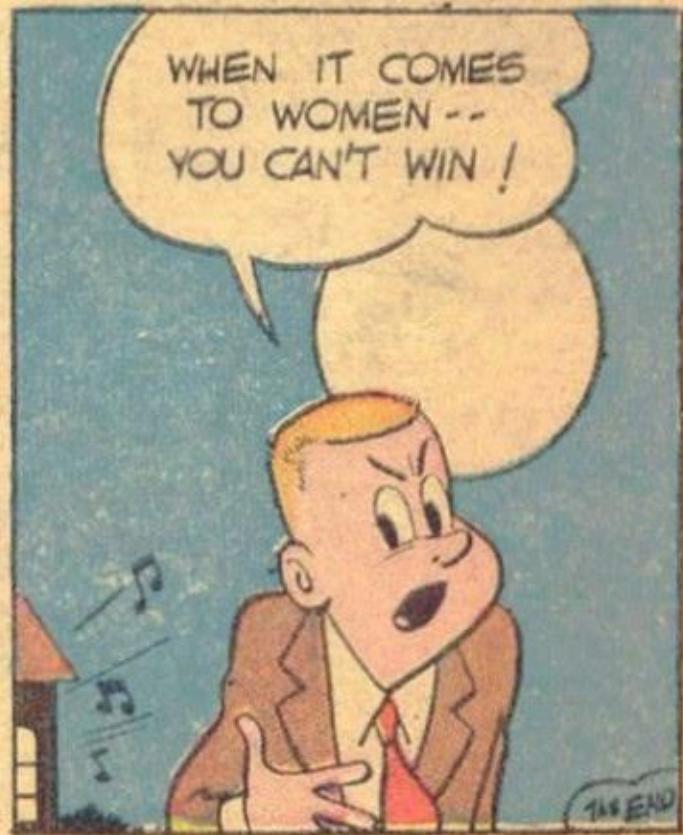
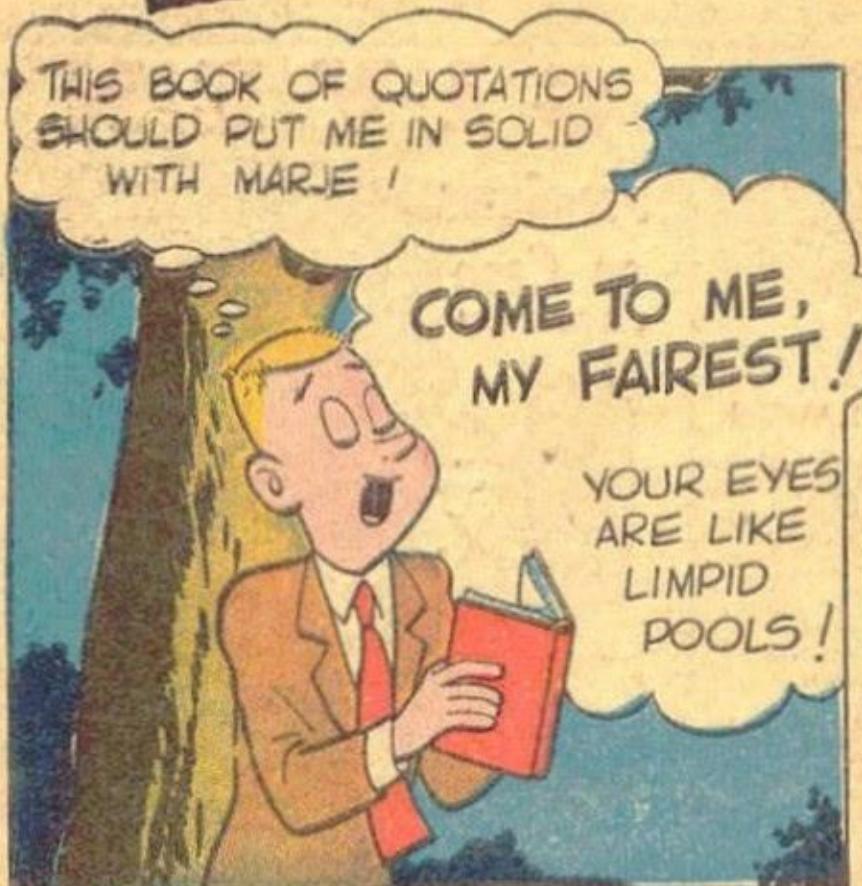
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