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AMAZING! ASTOUNDING!
DIRECT from the WILDS of GOTHAM!

THE BATMAN



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TWO-FACE Part 2: SCHISMED FACES

AS FORMER DISTRICT ATTORNEY HARVEY DENT, HE LACKED SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROSECUTE CIRCUS OWNER JERMISTON LOCKHART FOR MURDER...



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BATMAN
CREATED BY
BOB KANE

IT WAS HIS COMPELSION WHICH TARGETED LOCKHART.

HE COULD HAVE GONE AFTER ANYONE IN HIS OLD "GHOST FILES," BUT HIS FETISH FOR THE NUMBER TWO BROUGHT HIM HERE-- TO ANOTHER TRAGIC FIGURE WITH TWO FACES, "SCHISM, THE SKINNER TWIN."

LET THE INNOCENT GO, DENT! IT'S LOCKHART YOU WANT-- LOCKHART AND ME.

"DENT"? HE'S HARVEY DENT--THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY?

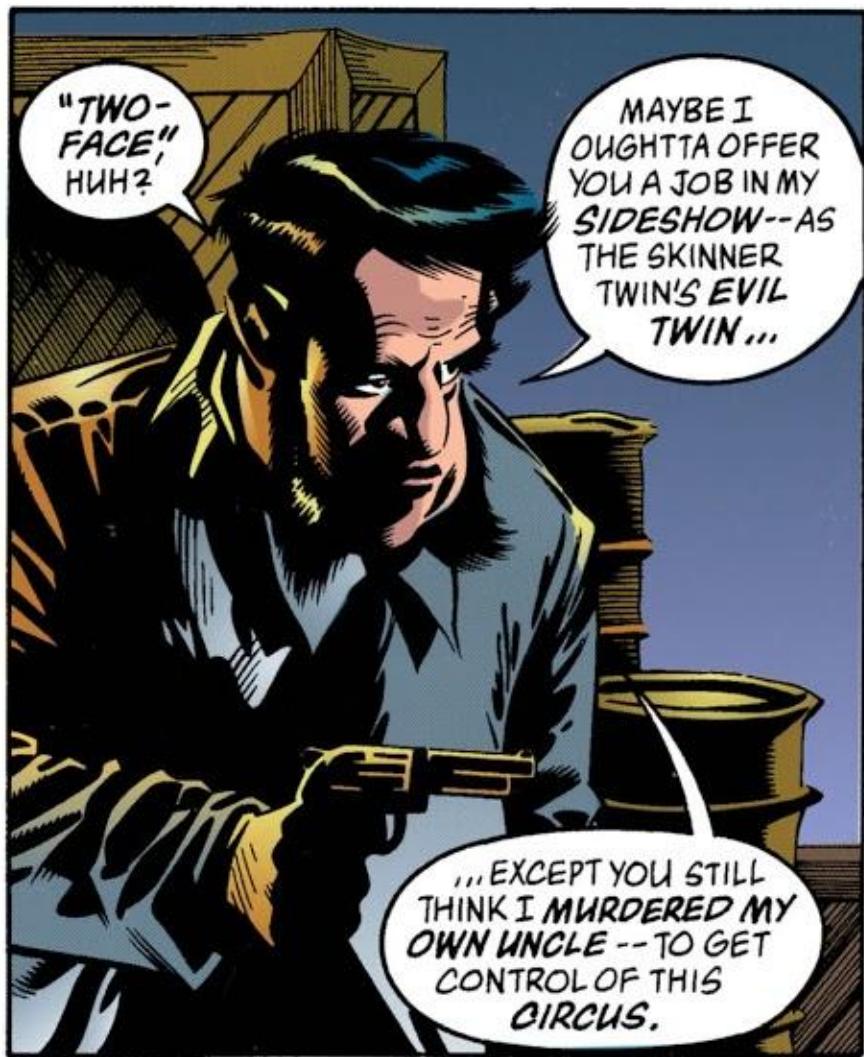
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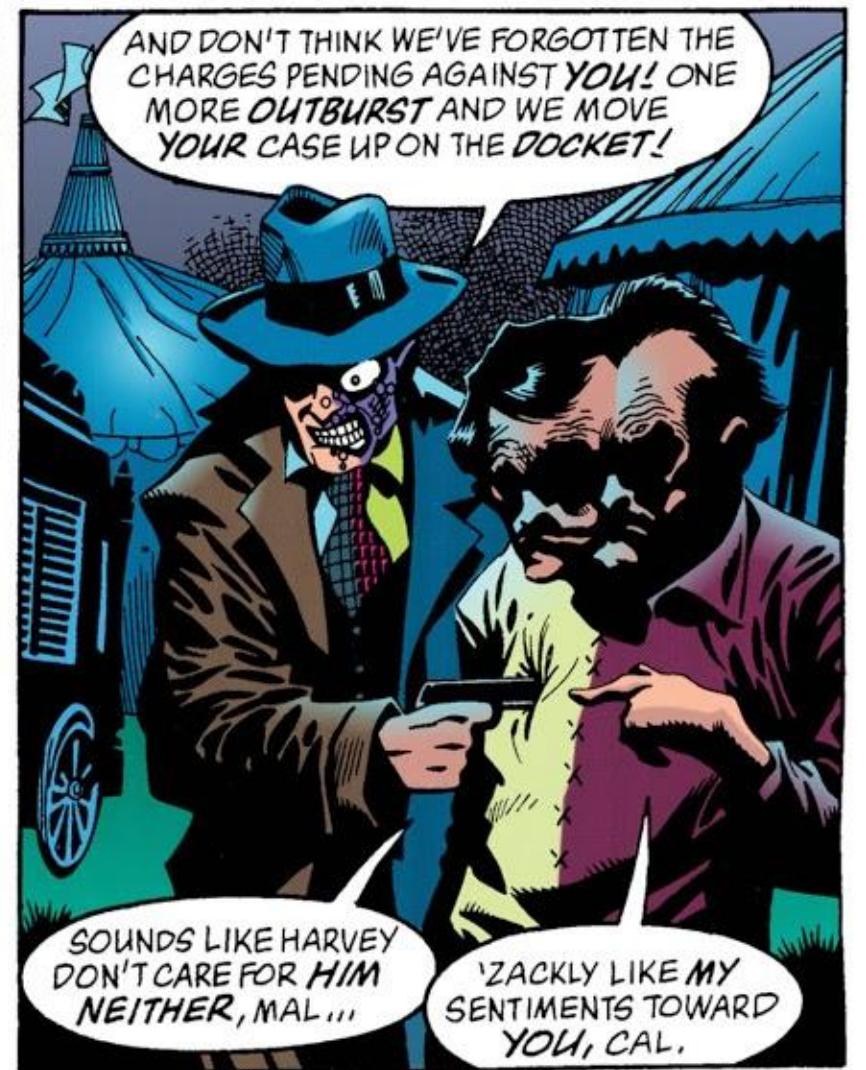
NOW WE ARE MORE.

NOW WE ARE TWO-FACE.

GOT TO STALL-- PLAY IT JUST RIGHT.

THE KNIFE-THROWER AND THE STRONG-MAN ARE STILL DOWN, BUT THERE'S A SECOND GUN BEHIND ME-- IN LOCKHART'S HAND.









LOCKHART.

AND IN THE
MOMENT IT TAKES
TO SAVE HIM...
HE'S GONE.

EVERYONE'S
GONE...

...LOCKHART AND "DAGGER"
SCARED OFF BY THE LION...

...TWO-FACE NO DOUBT IN
PURSUIT OF LOCKHART--
AND DRAGGING SCHISM
ALONG FOR THE
DEMENTED RIDE.

CHUFT

OUHRRRR

EVEN THE
STRONGMAN
IS GONE.

JUST ME
NOW...

RAW
WI

...AND
THE BEAST.





THE CIRCUS CAN'T COMPETE WITH TV... VIDEO GAMES... THRILL RIDES. HARDLY ANY CIRCUSES LEFT, EVEN BACK THEN. I'M A CLOWN AND CLOWNS DON'T MAKE MUCH.

I HAD NO SAVINGS AND FEWER JOB SKILLS.

I'D SEEN THE OLD OWNER GET CROAKED BY THE GUY WHO'D BE THE NEW OWNER. TALKIN' WOULD'A PUT MY BOSS AWAY... MAYBE THE CIRCUS OUTTA BUSINESS.

WHAT WOULD A CLOWN LIKE ME DO THEN?

HOLD YOUR HEAD UP AS YOU LOOKED AT YOURSELF IN THE MIRROR-- EVEN WITHOUT ALL THAT GREASEPAINT.

YEAH... YEAH, I AM.

WHEN I SAW THAT GUN PRESSED TO POOR CAL AND MAL SKINNER'S HEAD, I DECIDED IT WAS TIME TO STOP KIDDIN' MYSELF...

...STOP CLOWNIN' AROUND-- AND DO SOMETHING, LIKE FREEIN' OLE GRUFFY TO--

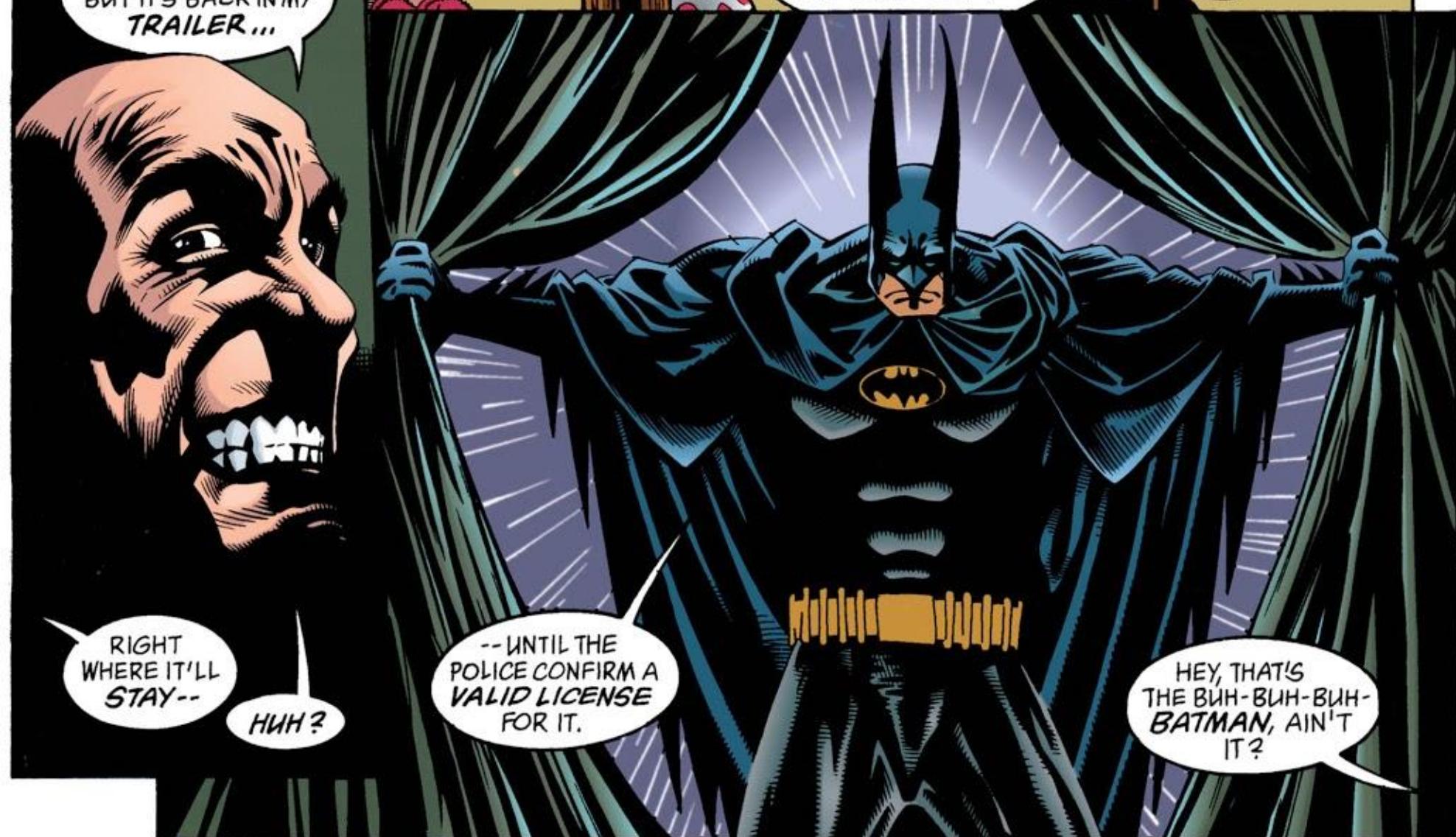
WHAT'S THAT LONG TENT?

THE MESS-- WHERE WE EAT, PLAY CARDS AND SUCH-LIKE.

WHY?

SOMEONE JUST WENT INTO IT.

SOMEONE LARGE...





ONE DOWN.

THREE
STILL AT
LARGE.

...AND TWO-
FACE.

WE FREED YOU TO EXECUTE
LOCKHART--AND YOU'RE GOING
TO DO IT...

LOCKHART, DAGGER...

ACTUALLY, HARVEY, IF'N YOU WAS T'DO THAT,
WOULDN'T YOU BE THE ONE KILLIN' MR. LOCKHART?

OH, BROTHER--TALK ABOUT YOUR
USELESS THIRD EYES.

I'M SERIOUS, MAL!
IF'N HARVEY HERE FORCED
US T'SQUEEZE THE TRIG--

NO WONDER MAMA
ALLUS SAID YOU WAS DUMB
AS ROCK.

SHE ONLY SAID THAT
CUZ SHE ALLUS LOVED
YOU BEST!

AND CUZ SHE NEVER COULD
FIGURE HOW T'LOVE A DUMB
ROCK SCABBIN' THE RIGHT SIDE
OF HER HANDSOME SON.

ONLY BY SMACKIN' ME
WHENEVER MY SIDE WAS
CLOSE TO HAND.

MY SIDE TOO,
BROTHER--SO MAYBE
WE SHOULD SQUEEZE
THAT TRIGGER.

WHAT
THE--?

BUT MAL, THAT'D BE MUR--

SHUT
UP AND
MOVE!

WE'VE GOT
PUNISHMENT
TO METE!

THE LION CAGE
SHOULD SECURE
MEGA-MAX.

STRONGMAN OR NOT,
HE'S HARDLY UP TO
BENDING THESE
BARS.

AND OF THE REMAINING
THREE, MY FIRST
PRIORITY IS OBVIOUS.

LOCKHART AND DAGGER ARE
PREDICTABLE -- BENTON
KILLING TWO-FACE AND ME.

BUT NOT TELLING WHAT
TWO-FACE MIGHT DO...

...AND I CAN'T ALLOW LIVES
TO HINGE ON THE TOSS OF
A COIN.

FLIPT

TUP

PLUT

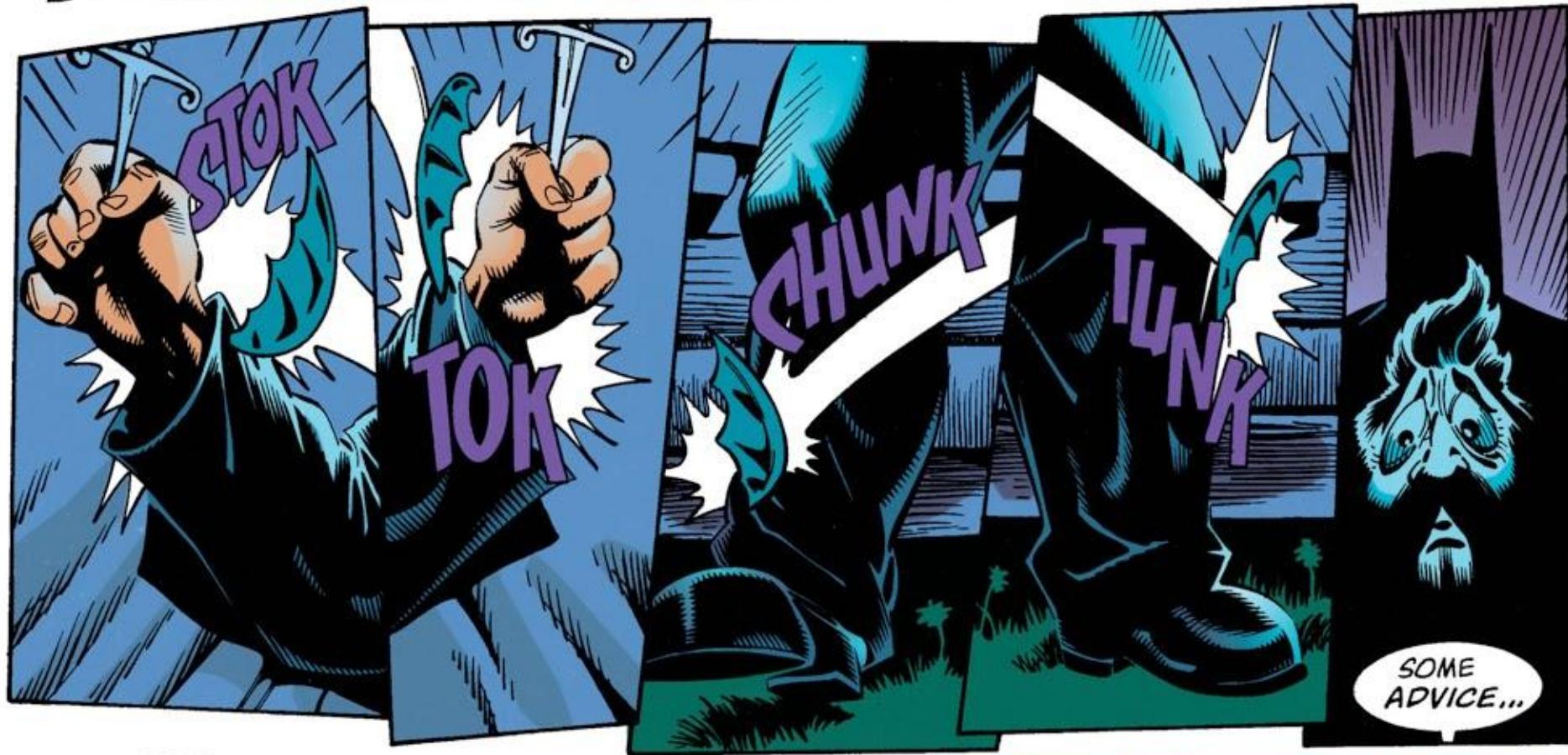
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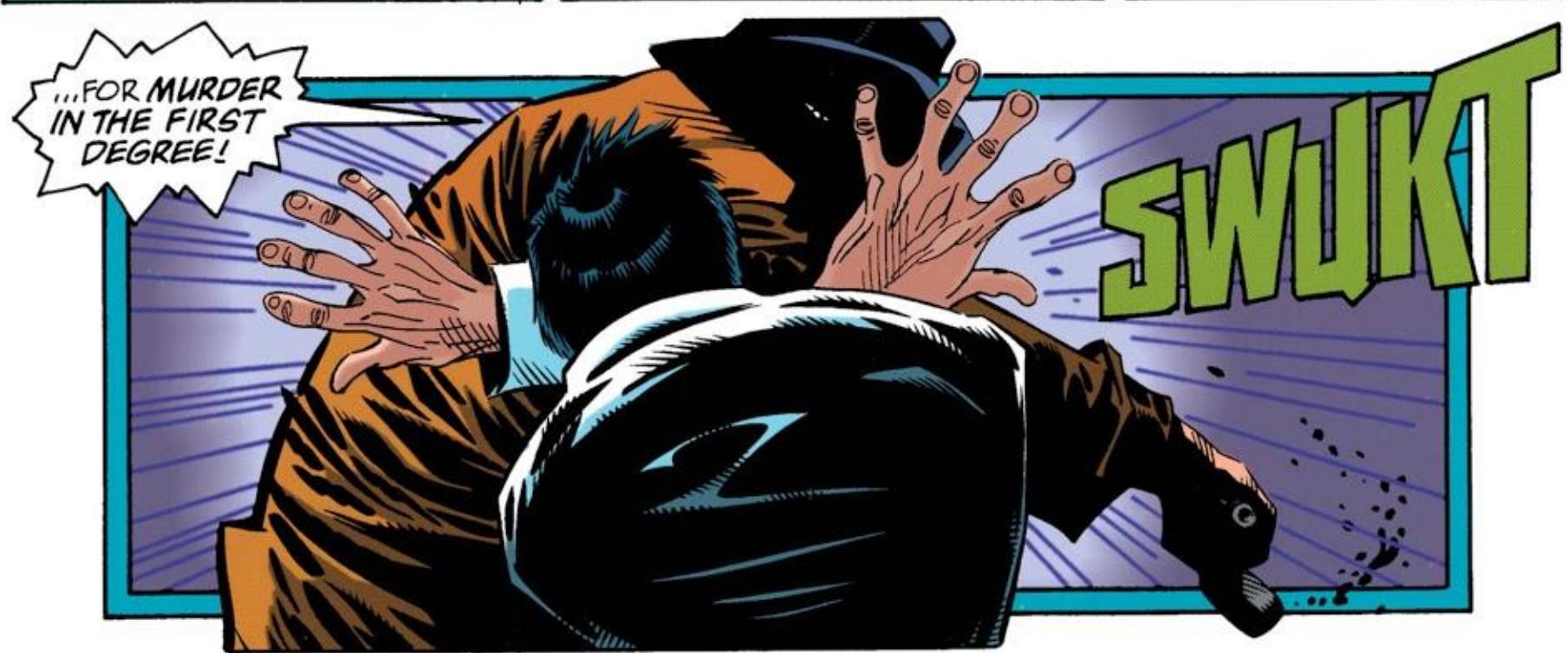
...YOU
LOSE.

HEADS...

EH?

IS THAT
YOU,
BATM--





...AND WITH YOUR
EXECUTIONER NOW
SECURELY IN PLACE, IT
CAN WAIT A LITTLE
LONGER--

--LONG ENOUGH
TO ELIMINATE THE FINAL
OBSTRUCTION TO
JUSTICE...

...THE
BATMAN.

SINCE I SURE
DON'T FEEL LIKE NO
EXECUTIONER, MAL,
I SURE DO HOPE
THE BATMAN STOPS
HARVEY...

YOU
WOULD, CAL,
YOU WUSS.

IF TWO-FACE HAS REVERTED TO
A WARPED VERSION OF HIS FORMER
IDENTITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
HE'LL PROBABLY FEEL IMPELLED
TO STAGE A "TRIAL" BEFORE
LOCKHART'S EXECUTION.

AND THE ONLY SUITABLE
"PUBLIC COURTHOUSE"
HERE ON THE CIRCUS
GROUNDS...

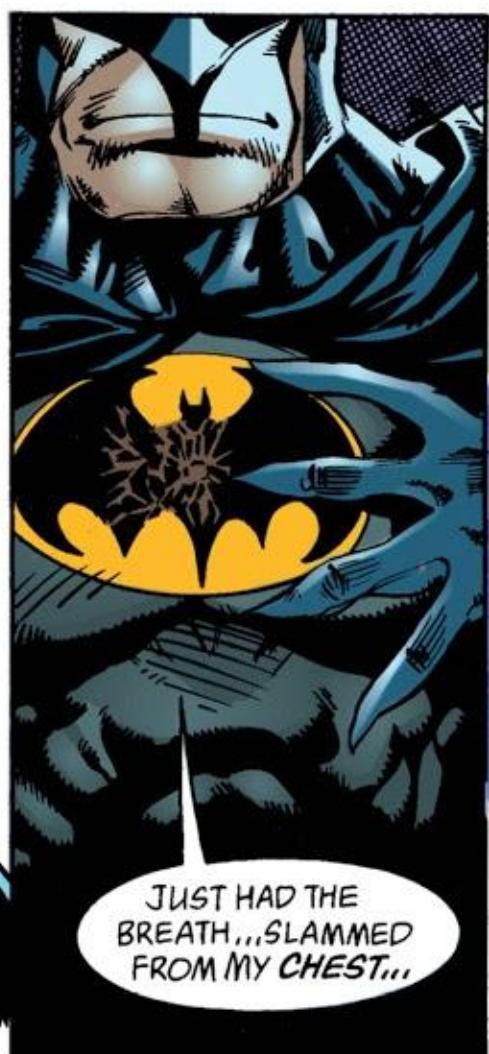
LIGHT
FROM THE
BIGTOP.

HE MUST BE--

YES.

THE CLOWN--WANTING
TO TELL ME SOMETHING--
SO MAYBE TWO-FACE
HASN'T CAPTURED
LOCKHART YET...







NO TIME
TO ARGUE,
TWO-FACE!

NUNCH

GRUFFY THE
LION'S MAULIN' MR.
LOCKHART, MAL!

RUARR

REPT

SHWFFT

...WITH LOCKHART
STILL ALIVE.

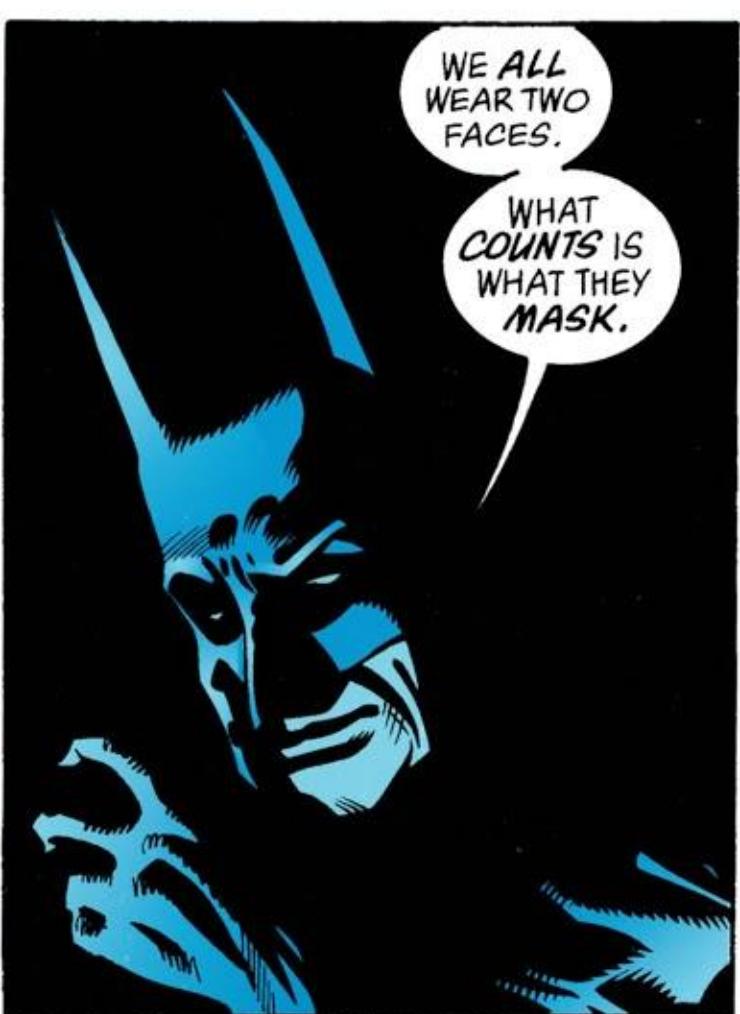
JUST LIKE
TAWNY THE TIGER
MAULED HIS
UNCLE, CAL.

THE LION'S
BAGGED...

TWO-FACE FAILED TO
GET HIS EXECUTION,
BUT LONG AFTER
THE FACT...

...WITH THE CLOWN NOW
WILLING TO TESTIFY...

...HARVEY DENT WILL FINALLY
OBTAIN A CONVICTION.





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