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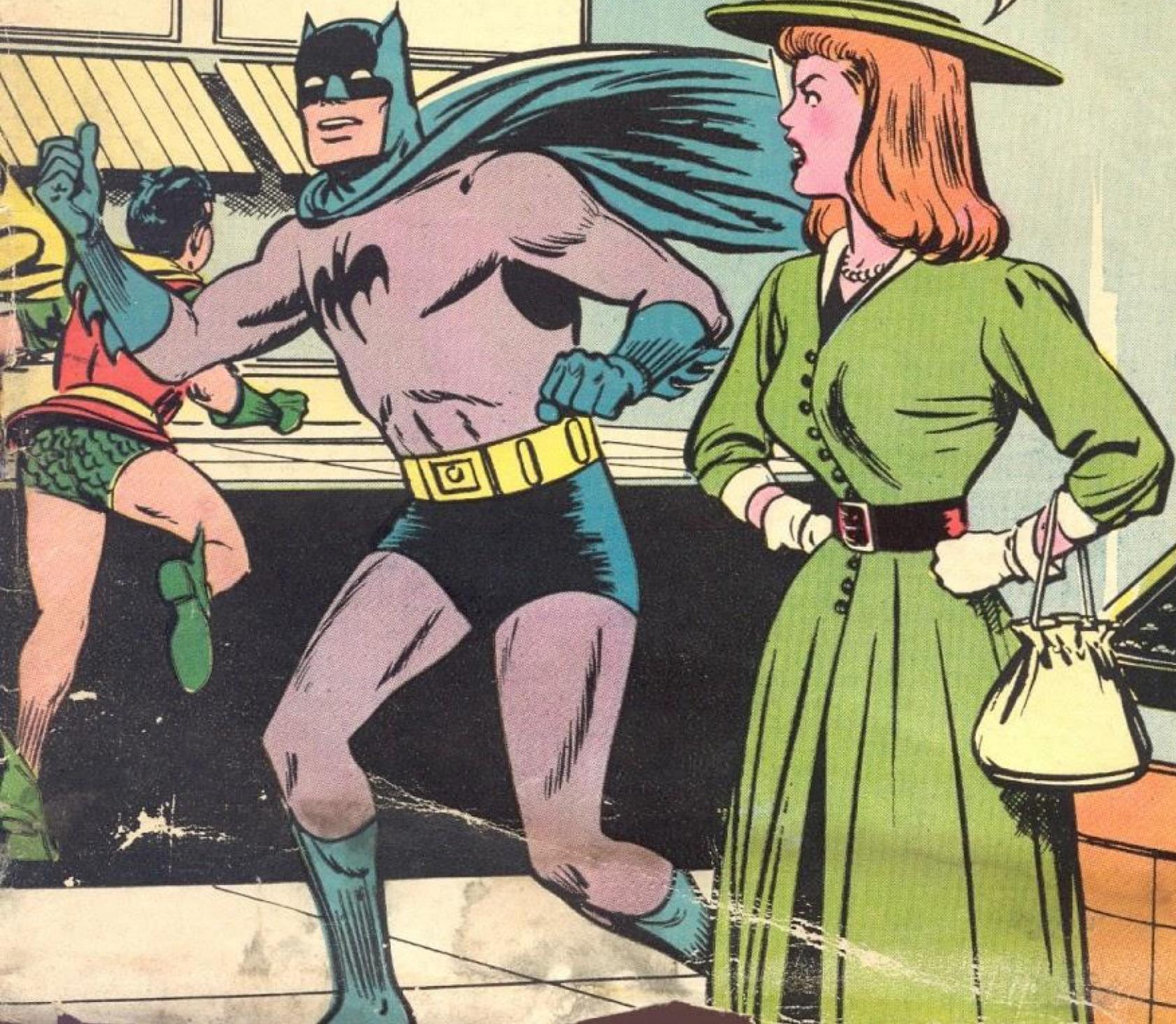
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BATMAN!"

THE  
BAT-SIGNAL!  
I'M WANTED AT  
HEADQUARTERS! WE'LL--  
ER--HAVE TO SELECT  
THAT RING LATER,  
VICKI!

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A TASTE OF WHAT IT'S  
GOING TO BE LIKE  
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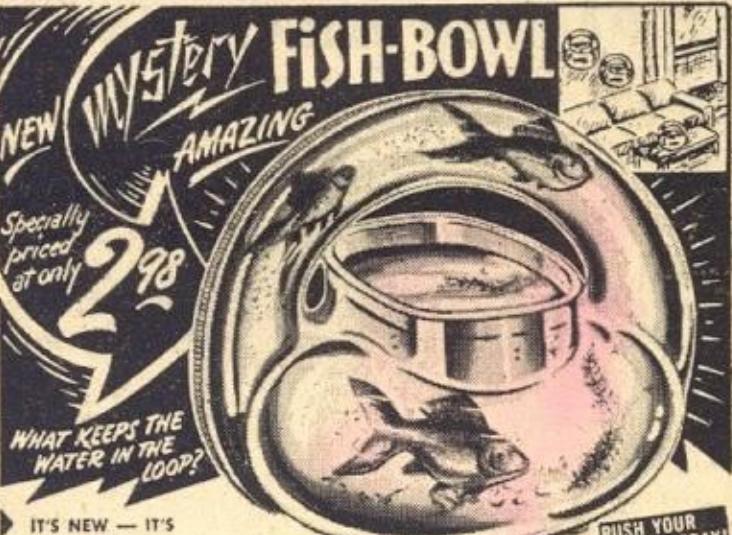
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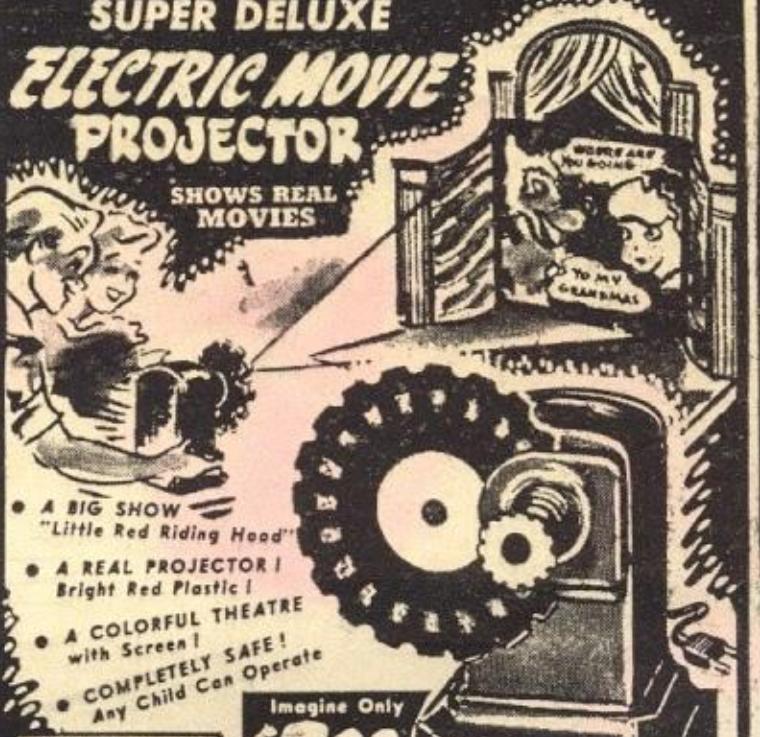


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# BATMAN

With  
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THE BOY WONDER

NOW THAT  
**BATMAN'S** GETTIN'  
MARRIED, THIS TOWN'S  
GONNA BE A SOFT  
TOUCH! HE'LL BE TOO  
BUSY WITH HIS  
HOME LIFE!

YEAH! I  
WONDER WHY  
HE'S DOIN' IT?  
I NEVER THOUGHT  
HE'D FALL FOR  
A GIRL!

GOTHAM CITY IS A BIG TOWN --- CAPABLE OF TAKING THE  
MOST SENSATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS IN STRIDE. BUT  
NOW COMES NEWS THAT ROCKS IT TO ITS CORE.

**BATMAN IS GETTING MARRIED!**

THE GREAT LAWMAN WHO, WITH ROBIN, THE BOY WONDER,  
CARVED A CAREER AS A CRIMEFIGHTER EQUAL TO NONE  
NOW IS TAKING A WIFE! WHY?? HOW DID IT HAPPEN? WHO  
IS THE LUCKY GIRL? THE SURPRISING ANSWERS ARE RIGHT  
HERE... IN THE STORY OF THE...

BOB  
KANE

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ONE EVENING, AS SOCIALITE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, LISTEN TO A RADIO NEWS BROADCAST...

THE SHAH OF NAIROMI, WITH HIS COMPLETE ENTOURAGE, ARRIVES IN GOTHAM CITY TOMORROW... A MOST IMPORTANT VISITOR TO THESE SHORES...

IMPORTANT IS RIGHT! THE SHAH'S COUNTRY CONTAINS THE SINGLE LARGEST SOURCE OF URANIUM IN THE WORLD. HE'S A MAN I'D LIKE TO HAVE ON MY SIDE!

OH-OH! THERE'S THE BAT-SIGNAL CALLING US TO COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS. LET'S GET GOING, BRUCE!

SWIFTLY, BRUCE AND DICK DON THE GARB OF BATMAN AND ROBIN THE BOY WONDER! AND LATER, WHEN THEY REPORT TO THE POLICE COMMISSIONER...

THESE GENTLEMEN FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT, BATMAN, ARE JUST AS ANXIOUS AS I THAT NO UNPLEASANT INCIDENT MARS THE VISIT OF THE SHAH...

YES, WHILE THE SHAH HAS MANY BODYGUARDS, WE'RE HAPPY THAT COMMISSIONER GORDON IS ASSIGNING YOU, BATMAN, TO KEEP A WATCHFUL EYE ON OUR VISITOR!

LATER, AS BATMAN AND ROBIN LEAVE HEADQUARTERS...

VICKI VALE, THE FAMOUS PHOTOGRAPHER! HELLO! HOW ARE YOU?

NEVER BETTER! I'M COVERING THE SHAH'S VISIT FOR MY MAGAZINE---

I UNDERSTAND YOU'RE ASSIGNED TO LOOK OUT FOR HIM! SEE YOU AT THE RECEPTION TOMORROW!

NEXT EVENING, AS GOTHAM CITY SOCIETY TURNS OUT TO WELCOME THE SHAH...

AND WHAT IS YOUR NAME, MY BEAUTIFUL ONE?

VICKI VALE, YOUR HIGHNESS...

LATER, WHEN VICKI MEETS ELOISE LEACH, PHOTOGRAPHER FOR A RIVAL MAGAZINE...

YOU SURE MADE A SPECTACLE OF YOURSELF, DEARIE--- SLOBBERING ALL OVER THAT FAT LITTLE SHAH! WHAT SOME GIRLS WON'T DO TO GET A STORY!

RELAX, ELOISE. THERE IS NOTHING TO BE JEALOUS ABOUT!

THAT GAL DOESN'T LIKE ME--- NEVER DID! SOMETHING TELLS ME I'D BETTER BE ON MY GUARD!

NEXT DAY, IN VICKI'S APARTMENT...

ALL THIS---  
FOR  
ME???

COMPLIMENTS OF THE  
SHAH, MISS VALE! I AM  
**ALI KHEDUN**, HIS  
PERSONAL SECRETARY ---  
BEARING VERY HAPPY  
NEWS FOR YOU!

FOR YEARS, THE  
SHAH HAS COMBED  
THE WORLD SEARCHING  
FOR THE RIGHT WOMAN  
TO BE HIS WIFE!  
THE SEARCH IS  
OVER, MISS  
VALE! HE HAS  
SELECTED  
YOU!

ME???  
**VICKI  
VALE??**

THERE MUST BE  
SOME MISTAKE!

IT'S NO MISTAKE! AND  
NOW I LEAVE YOU TO CONSIDER  
HIS PROPOSAL. I SHALL  
RETURN THIS EVENING FOR  
THE ANSWER --- CONFIDENT,  
OF COURSE, THAT  
YOU WILL NOT ANGER  
THE SHAH BY REFUSING  
HIM...

JEEPERS!  
WHY DID  
THIS  
HAVE TO  
HAPPEN TO  
ME???

STUNNED, VICKI RUSHES TO HER EDITOR  
FOR ADVICE. LATER, WHEN THEY  
ARE JOINED BY STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS...

BUT I  
CAN'T  
MARRY THAT---  
FUNNY LITTLE  
MAN!

MISS VALE, THIS IS A VERY  
DELICATE SITUATION!  
WE CANNOT AFFORD  
TO OFFEND THE SHAH!  
ANYTHING BUT A VERY  
GOOD REASON FOR  
TURNING HIM DOWN...  
WOULD OFFEND HIM!

SUDDENLY A WILD IDEA FORMS IN VICKI'S  
MIND! IN THE NEXT MOMENT,  
SHE BLURTS IT OUT!

I CAN'T  
MARRY HIM...  
BECAUSE I'M  
**ENGAGED!**  
I'M  
**SECRETLY**  
ENGAGED  
TO BE  
MARRIED!

COME, MISS VALE!  
THESE DAYS A WELL-  
KNOWN PERSONALITY  
SUCH AS YOU COULD  
SCARCELY KEEP HER  
ENGAGEMENT A  
SECRET! YOU CAN'T  
ASK THE SHAH TO  
BELIEVE THAT!

YES, I CAN!  
YOU SEE...  
MY  
ENGAGEMENT  
HAS BEEN KEPT  
SECRET BECAUSE  
I'M **ENGAGED**  
TO **BATMAN!**

**BATMAN?**  
WOW!

I KNEW  
YOU  
HAD A  
CRUSH  
ON  
**BATMAN.**  
VICKI --- BUT...  
SAY---IF YOU'RE  
KIDDING, I'LL  
FIRE YOU!



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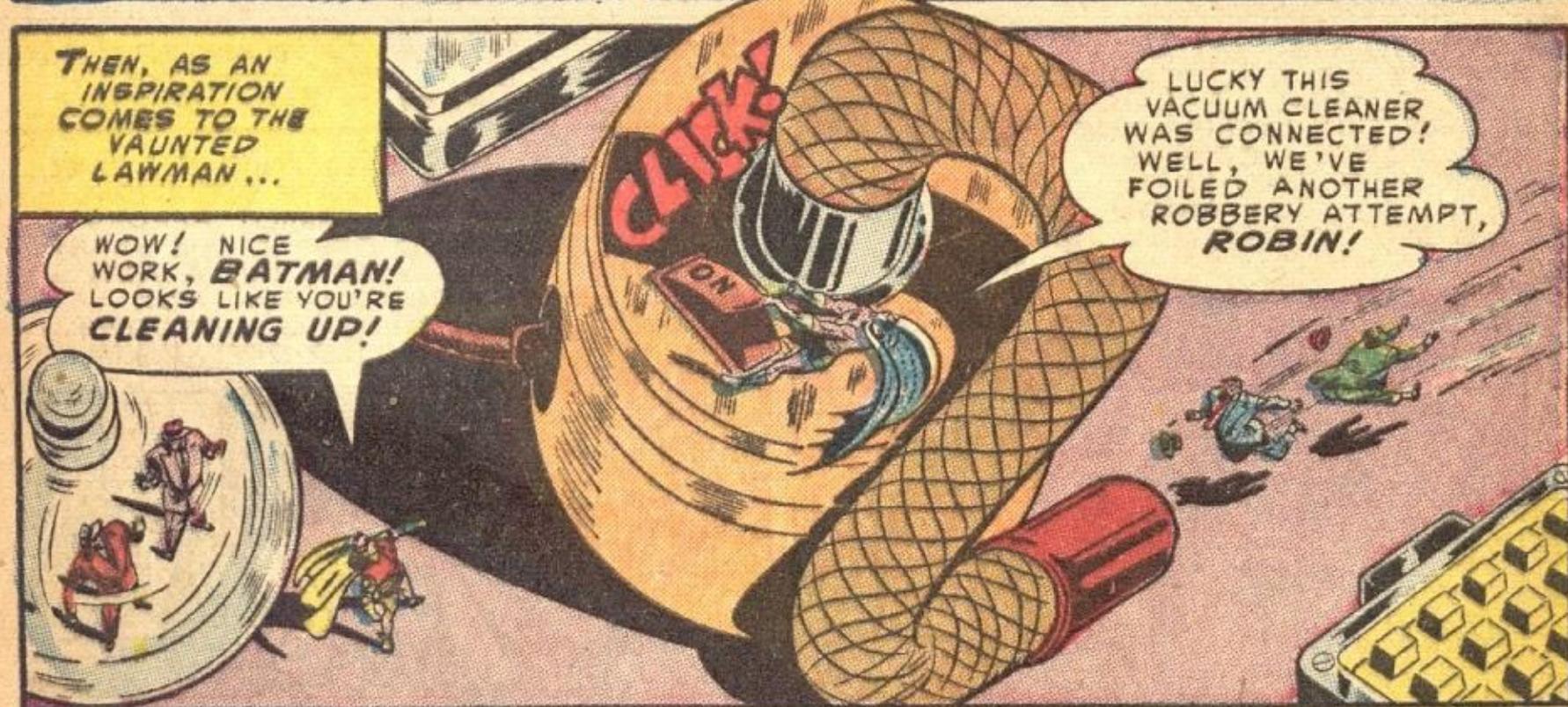
LATER, WHEN VICKI LEAVES HER OFFICE...



AND, IN THE SHOWROOM OF THE ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE COMPANY...



THEN, AS AN INSPIRATION COMES TO THE VAUNTED LAWMAN...



LATER, WHEN VICKI INTERCEPTS BATMAN IN THE STREET AND INFORMS HIM OF HER ACTIONS...

REALIZING THE VALIDITY OF VICKI'S ARGUMENTS, BATMAN RELUCTANTLY AGREES...

ENGAGED?  
VICKI, HOW COULD YOU DO SUCH A THING? I'LL HAVE TO DENY IT!

PLEASE, BATMAN!  
IT'S ONLY FOR A FEW WEEKS, UNTIL THE SHAH LEAVES! IT'S THE ONLY WAY OUT FOR ME... AND IT'S FOR THE GOOD OF OUR COUNTRY, TOO!

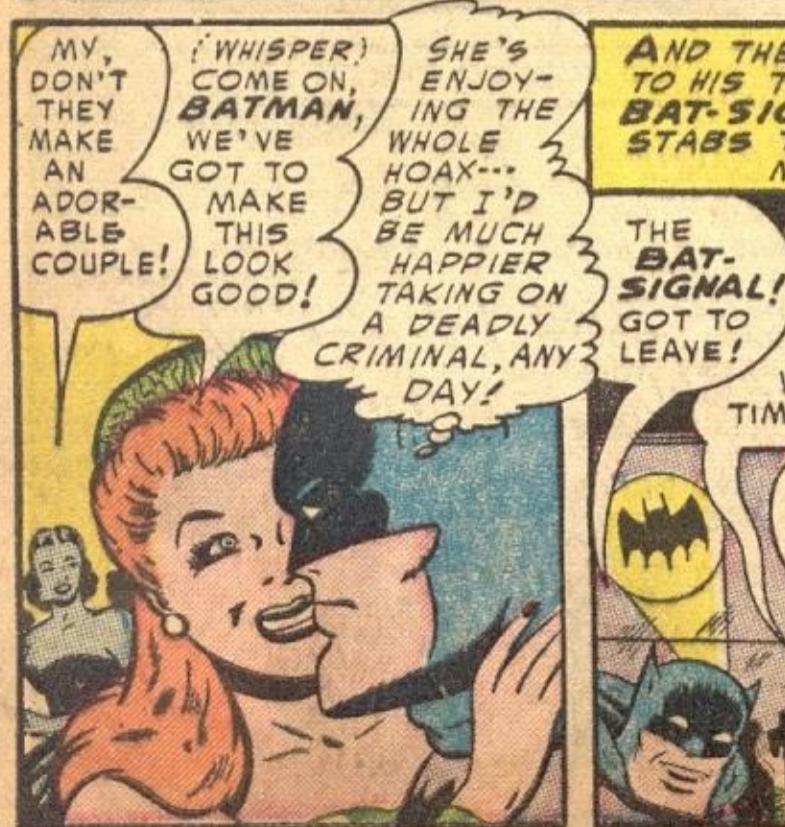
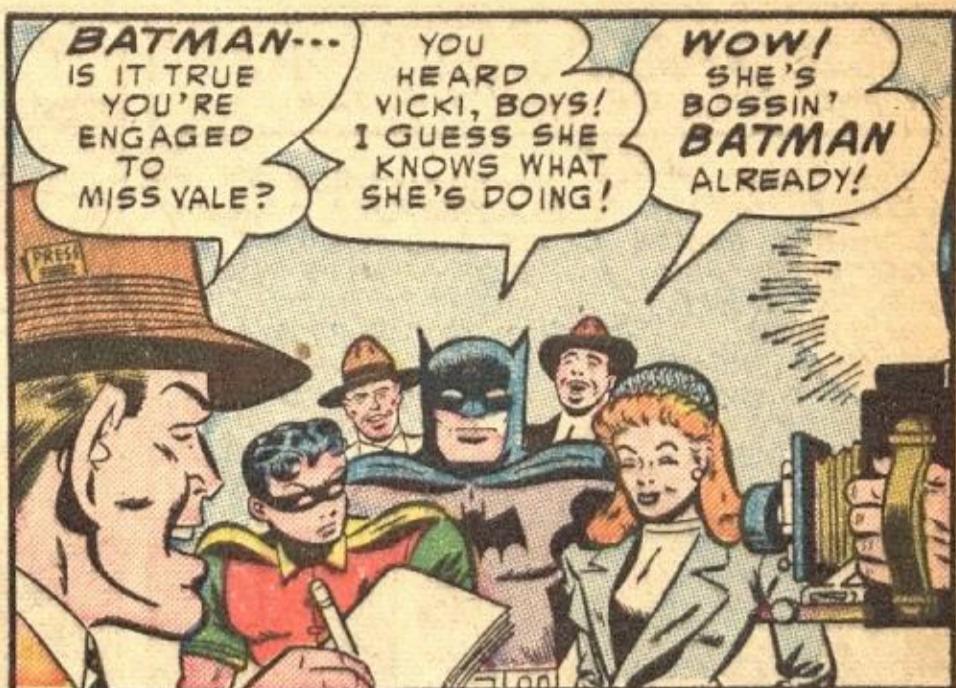
ALL RIGHT, I'LL DO IT... BUT ONLY BECAUSE OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE WORLD SITUATION. BUT REMEMBER... IT'S YOUR HOAX! I'LL LEAVE THE HANDLING OF IT TO YOU!

OH, THANK YOU, BATMAN!





# BATMAN



## BATMAN

AND AS DAYS PASS, BATMAN BECOMES MORE AND MORE UNCOMFORTABLE IN THE ROLE OF VICKI'S SUITOR...

THE SHAH WOULD THROW A DINNER PARTY FOR VICKI AND ME, ROBIN! AND VICKI WOULD INSIST THAT I BRING FLOWERS! I FEEL LIKE A FOOL!

HA-HA---LOOK AT BATMAN! BRINGIN' HIS GAL POSIES! BOY---HE'S REALLY GOT IT BAD! "LOVER" BATMAN, THAT'S WHAT WE OUGHT TO CALL HIM!

SUDDENLY, AS THE LAWMEN PASS THE GOTHAM MASTODON EXHIBIT...

BANG BANG

SHOTS, BATMAN! FROM INSIDE THE EXHIBIT!

LET'S GO!

AND INSIDE...

IVORY THIEVES, BATMAN! THEY'RE AFTER THE TUSKS ON THESE ELEPHANTS!

COME ON, ROBIN! WE'LL CIRCLE AROUND FROM BEHIND. KEEP THEM PINNED DOWN, GUARD. THEN, HOLD YOUR FIRE WHEN ROBIN AND I MOVE IN!

MOMENTS LATER...

BATMAN! BUT YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO BE AT A PARTY WITH YOUR GOIL FRIEND! I READ ABOUT IT IN THE PAPERS!

SORRY! I WAS DELAYED BECAUSE OF A PRIOR ENGAGEMENT --- WITH YOU TWO!

THE CROOKS TURNED OVER TO THE GUARD, ROBIN AND BATMAN REACH THE STREET...

BUT, AT THE DINNER PARTY...

LOOK AT THAT HORSE, BATMAN! THERE GOES VICKI'S BOUQUET!

AND WE HAVEN'T TIME TO STOP FOR ANOTHER... WE'RE LATE ENOUGH AS IT IS! WELL, VICKI WILL JUST HAVE TO DO WITHOUT FLOWERS, THAT'S ALL...

BATMAN, I TOLD YOU TO BRING ME FLOWERS! WAS THAT SO HARD TO DO? NOW I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY! I TOLD EVERYONE YOU ALWAYS BRING ME FLOWERS!

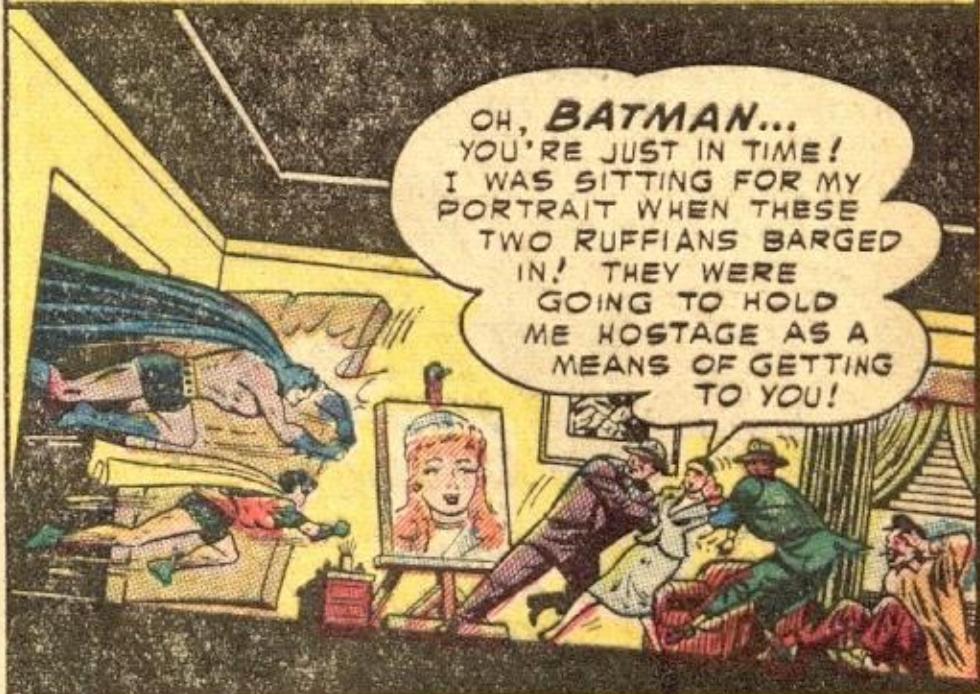
AM I GLAD THIS ENGAGEMENT IS ONLY TEMPORARY! I COULDN'T PUT UP WITH MUCH MORE OF THIS!

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NEXT EVENING, AS BATMAN DROPS ROBIN AT VICKI'S APARTMENT HOUSE, TO TAKE HER TO THE THEATRE...



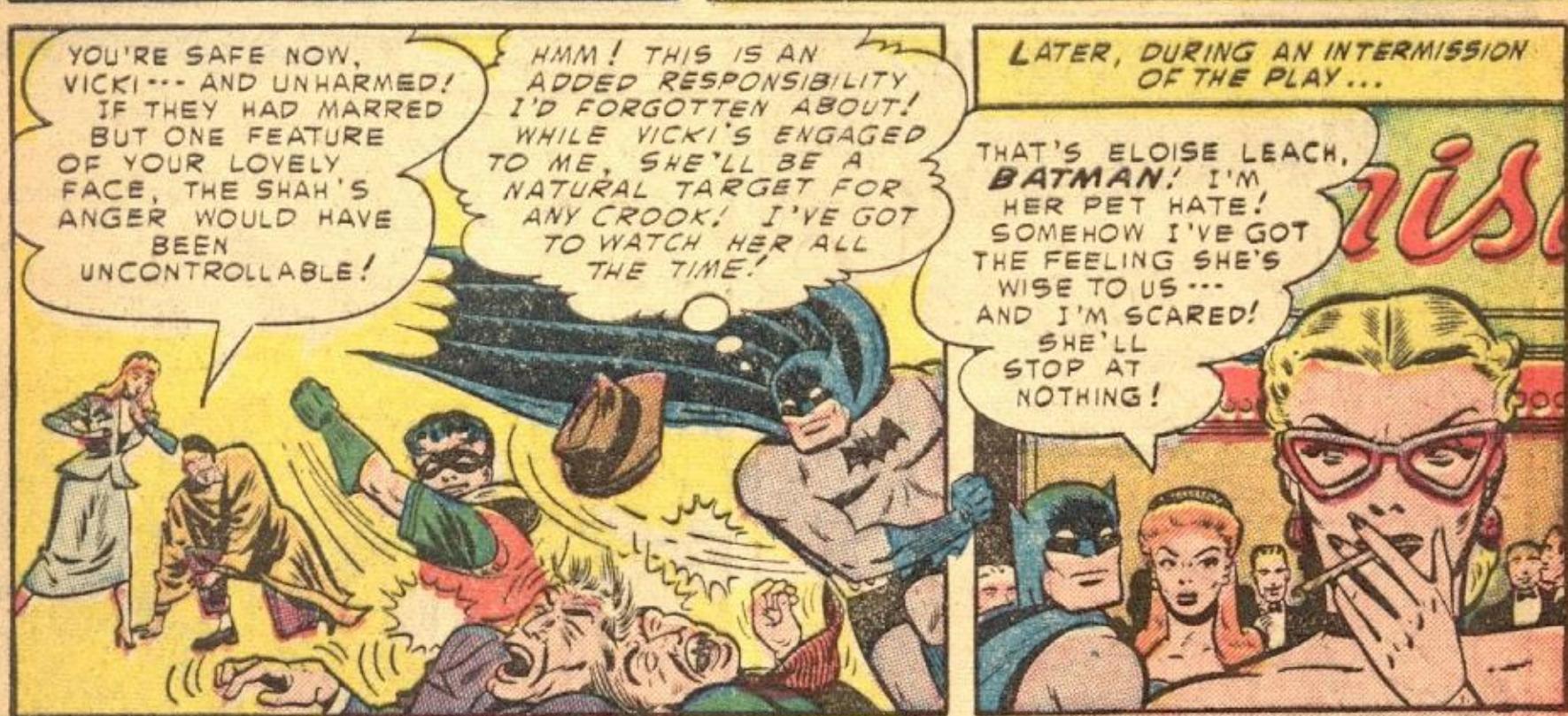
AND MOMENTS LATER, WHEN THE DARING DUO CRASHES INTO HER APARTMENT...



YOU'RE SAFE NOW, VICKI--- AND UNHARMED! IF THEY HAD MARRED BUT ONE FEATURE OF YOUR LOVELY FACE, THE SHAH'S ANGER WOULD HAVE BEEN UNCONTROLLABLE!

HMM! THIS IS AN ADDED RESPONSIBILITY I'D FORGOTTEN ABOUT! WHILE VICKI'S ENGAGED TO ME, SHE'LL BE A NATURAL TARGET FOR ANY CROOK! I'VE GOT TO WATCH HER ALL THE TIME!

LATER, DURING AN INTERMISSION OF THE PLAY...



ABRUPTLY, ELOISE LEAVES, AND HURRIES TO CONFER WITH HER EDITOR...

I TELL YOU, JOE--- IT'S ALL A FAKE! I CAN'T PROVE IT, BUT I KNOW BATMAN AND THAT WOMAN ARE NOT ENGAGED! I WANT TO DO A STORY THAT WILL BLOW THIS HOAX SKY-HIGH!

WAIT A MINUTE! YOU JUST SAID YOU CAN'T PROVE IT! IT'S YOUR WORD AGAINST THEIRS--- AND WHY SHOULD ANYONE PREFER TO BELIEVE YOU? NO! IF YOU WANT TO GET BACK AT VICKI, YOU'LL HAVE TO TRY SOME OTHER WAY!

THUS, AS ELOISE MAKES HER WAY HOME...

JOE'S RIGHT! I CAN'T EXPOSE THE HOAX! BUT I'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA. I'LL TEACH VICKI AND BATMAN A LESSON... I'LL EMBARRASS THEM INTO ADMITTING THE HOAX... BY FORCING THEM INTO A MARRIAGE NEITHER OF THEM WANTED!



# BATMAN



A FEW DAYS LATER...

HA-HA! AN ANONYMOUS TIP TO THE PAPERS --- PHONY INVITATIONS SENT TO THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN TOWN, INCLUDING THE SHAH... AND PRESTO! --- THE MARRIAGE IS ON! NOW WON'T VICKI SQUIRM!

Gotham Gazette

**BATMAN'S WEDDING DATE ANNOUNCED**  
LAWMAN'S NUPTIALS TO BE HELD IN TWO WEEKS

MEANWHILE...

AH, BATMAN! CONGRATULATIONS! I SEE YOU'VE ANNOUNCED THE WEDDING DATE! THANKS FOR SENDING ME THIS INVITATION!

INVITATION? I SENT YOU? WHAT IS THIS?

ALL AT ONCE...

THOSE TWO MEN FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT....

CONGRATULATIONS, BATMAN! I'VE JUST COME FROM THE SHAH! HE'S PLEASED AS PUNCH TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND YOUR WEDDING!

AND HE'S REALLY TAKING OVER. HE'S GOING TO RUN THIS WEDDING! WAIT TILL YOU SEE!

SUDDENLY, A COMMOTION DRAWS EVERYONE TO THE WINDOWS...

WHY, IT'S A CIRCUS PARADE! BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND! THE CIRCUS WAS HERE LAST MONTH, AND THEN LEFT, AS IT ALWAYS DOES...

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD? THE SHAH BOUGHT THE ENTIRE BAKER BROTHERS' CIRCUS, JUST SO IT COULD ENTERTAIN AT BATMAN'S WEDDING!

VICKI HAS GONE TOO FAR, ROBIN! I'VE GOT TO SEE HER RIGHT AWAY!

YOU'RE GETTING IN DEEPER AND DEEPER! I SURE HOPE YOU CAN PULL YOURSELF OUT!

MEANWHILE, IN VICKI'S APARTMENT...

WELL, MY PET, I'VE DONE MY LITTLE DIRTY WORK. WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO COME OUT NOW AND ADMIT THIS WHOLE ENGAGEMENT IS A HOAX???

YOU'RE RIGHT, ELOISE--- IT WAS A HOAX! BUT YOU KNOW SOMETHING? WITHOUT MEANING TO, YOU'VE DONE ME A TREMENDOUS FAVOR!

BEING BATMAN'S FIANCÉE WAS QUITE SOMETHING! I LIKED IT! AND I LIKE THE IDEA OF MARRYING HIM! NOW THAT YOU'VE PUT IT IN THE WORKS, I'M GOING AHEAD WITH IT! GOODBYE NOW!

OH, NO! MY WHOLE PLAN HAS BACKFIRED! HOW COULD I HAVE BEEN SUCH A FOOL?



AND LATER, WHEN BATMAN AND ROBIN ARRIVE...

I DIDN'T SEND OUT THOSE INVITATIONS AND ANNOUNCE OUR WEDDING DATE TO THE PRESS! ELOISE DID, HOPING TO EMBARRASS US INTO ADMITTING THE HOAX! BUT I'LL TELL YOU THE TRUTH--- NOW THAT IT'S GONE THIS FAR AND CAN'T BE STOPPED, I'M GLAD! I WANT TO BE MRS. BATMAN!

ALL AT ONCE...

AH, BATMAN... I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE, TOO! SEE WHAT THE SHAH BESTOWS ON YOU! THE PRICELESS MATINOOR DIAMOND... THE PICK OF HIS CROWN JEWELS --- IT SHALL BE CUT INTO THE STONES FOR THE WEDDING BAND!

KNOW, TOO, THAT THE SHAH IS FLYING HERE A STAFF OF SPECIAL CHEFS TO PREPARE THE WEDDING FEAST!



AND THEN, AS IF THIS WERE NOT ENOUGH...

BATMAN,  
GREAT NEWS!  
WE'VE JUST HEARD  
FROM A WHITE  
HOUSE SPOKESMAN!  
THE PRESIDENT  
HIMSELF IS  
ARRANGING HIS  
SCHEDULE SO THAT  
HE CAN BE PRESENT  
AT THE WEDDING!

YOUR  
WEDDING  
IS A  
DIPLOMATIC  
COUP,  
BATMAN!  
IT HAS WON  
THE SHAH  
OVER TO OUR  
SIDE FOR  
ALL  
TIME!

AND LATE THAT NIGHT, AS TWO DESPERATE FIGURES SEEK AN ANSWER IN THE GLOOM OF THE BATCAVE...

IT LOOKS LIKE  
WE'RE SUNK,  
BATMAN! AND  
THAT MEANS  
EVERYTHING  
CHANGES! YOU WON'T  
HAVE MUCH TIME TO  
PAL AROUND WITH  
ME--- NOT WITH A  
WIFE AROUND...

DON'T  
TALK LIKE  
THAT, ROBIN!  
YOU KNOW THAT  
NOBODY CAN  
EVER  
SEPARATE  
US!



## BATMAN

NEXT DAY, AT THE GOTHAM NEWS, AS BATMAN AND VICKI POSE FOR PICTURES...

I DEMAND THAT THIS WEDDING BE STOPPED! I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT VICKI VALE'S BEAUTY WILL BE LOST FOREVER TO THE WORLD, IF SHE MARRIES BATMAN! I WILL NOT ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN!

YES, THE GIRL WHO WED'S BATMAN MUST UNDERGO FACIAL SURGERY TO CHANGE HER APPEARANCE COMPLETELY! SHE MUST HAVE A NEW IDENTITY TO PROTECT HER HUSBAND'S VITAL SECRETS! REMEMBER, HE IS THE FAMOUS BATMAN!

HE'S RIGHT! I HADN'T THOUGHT ABOUT THAT...! OH, BATMAN, YOU WOULDN'T ASK ME TO...

I'M AFRAID I MUST FOR SAFETY'S SAKE!

THERE'S NO USE IN CROSSING THE SHAH. VICKI WILL CANCEL THE WEDDING!

WELL, IF VICKI CAN'T MARRY BATMAN, THAT MEANS WE'RE BACK WHERE WE STARTED...

WHAT I WANT TO KNOW, THEN, IS VICKI GOING TO MARRY THE SHAH?

NO, THAT IS NOW IMPOSSIBLE! THE SHAH'S ANCIENT ROYAL CODE PROHIBITS HIM FROM MARRYING A WOMAN ONCE BETROTHED! NEITHER BATMAN NOR THE SHAH WILL MARRY VICKI!

AND THAT NIGHT, IN THE BATCAVE...

WOW... THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL! I'M SURE GLAD YOU TOLD ELOISE LEACH ABOUT THE PLASTIC SURGERY BATMAN'S WIFE WOULD HAVE TO UNDERGO!

YES! I CALLED ON HER AS BRUCE WAYNE, GAVE HER A SCOOP! I KNEW SHE'D RUN RIGHT TO THE SHAH--- AND I FIGURED HE'D TAKE THE STEPS HE DID WHEN HE LEARNED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE VICKI HE SO CHERISHED!

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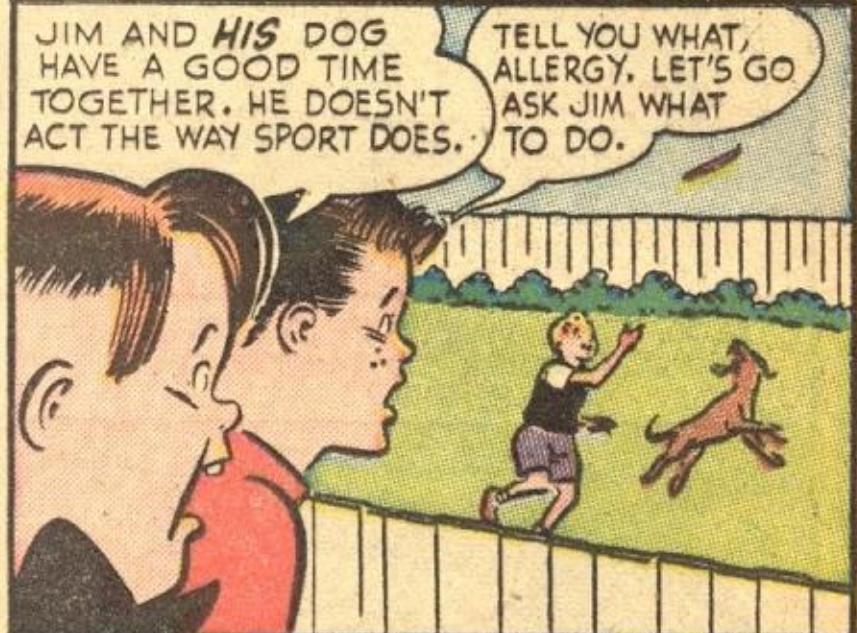
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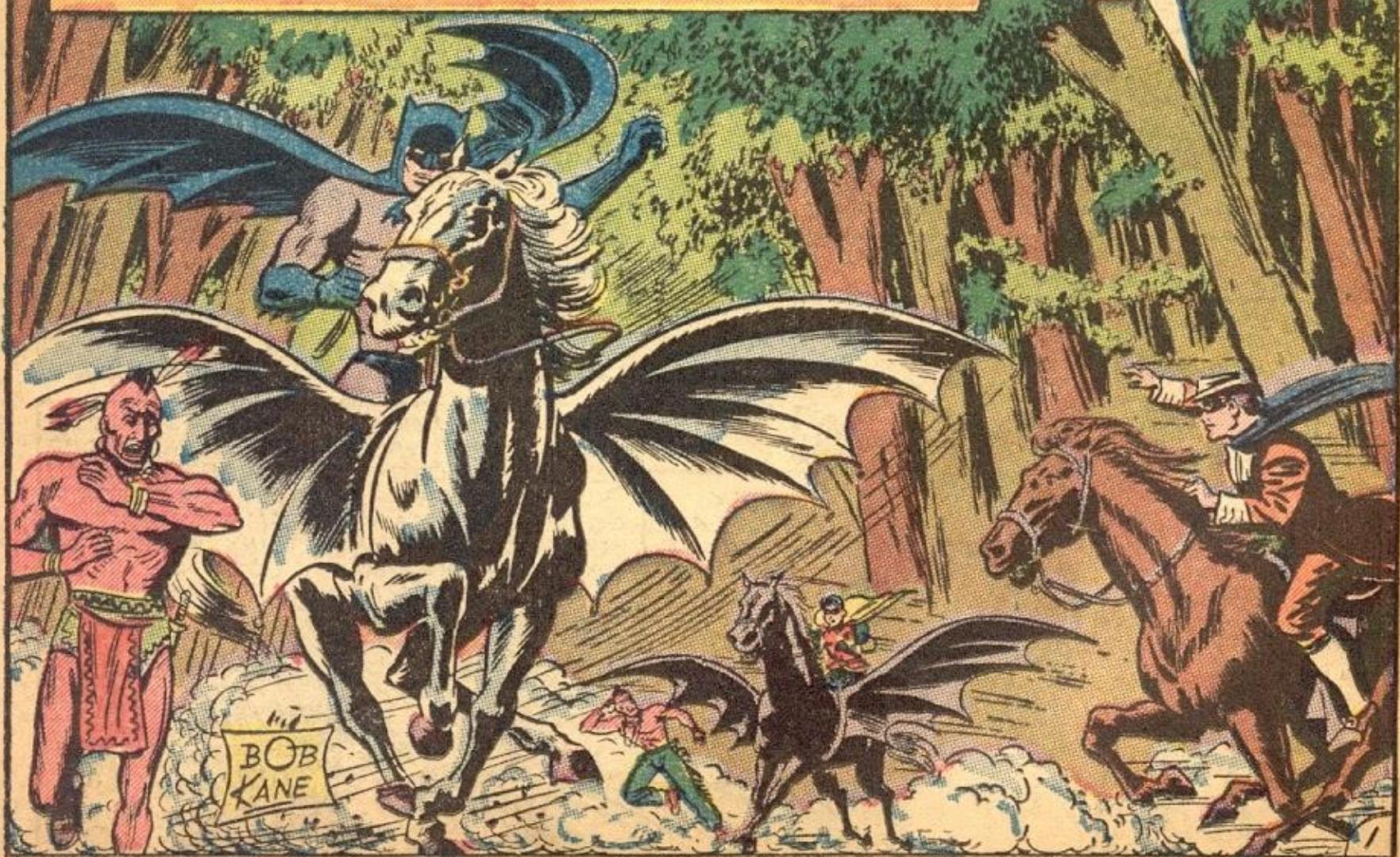
# BATMAN

With  
**ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER

BACK THROUGH THE MISTS OF TIME GO **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**, WHEN THEY ARE CONFRONTED BY A PRESENT-DAY MYSTERY WHOSE SOLUTION MUST BE FOUND TWO CENTURIES AGO! BACK TO THE DAYS WHEN GOTHAM CITY WAS A SMALL TOWN ON THE EDGE OF THE GREAT INDIAN-PEOPLED FOREST! AND WHEN THE DYNAMIC DUO FACE A SINISTER MENACE OF THE PAST, THEY FIND AN ALLY IN A CRYPTIC CHAMPION WHO IS, IN EVERYTHING BUT NAME...

"The **BATMAN** of  
**YESTERDAY!**"

'TIS YOUR  
**BAT-STEEDS**  
HAVE FRIGHTENED  
THE RASCALS.  
**BATMAN!**



THE STRANGEST DETECTIVE-QUEST OF BATMAN AND ROBIN HAS ITS ORIGIN IN ONE OF THE MOST RUTHLESS CRIMES OF MODERN HISTORY! AS A GREAT TRAIN ROARS TOWARD GOTHAM CITY...

LOOK OUT... THERE'S SOMETHING ON THE TRACK!

TOO LATE... WE'RE GOING OFF!

**CRASH**

AND BEFORE THE NOISE OF THE CRASH HAS DIED AWAY, HUMAN SCAVENGERS, LYING IN WAIT, ATTACK A SEALED EXPRESS CAR...

THAT LOG WE PUT ON THE TRACK SURE DID THE TRICK, BOSS!

YES... AND NOW TO GET THIS GOLD SHIPMENT OUT FAST BEFORE SOME BODY COMES!

IN GOTHAM CITY, FAR FROM THE ISOLATED STRETCH OF TRACK WHERE THE WRECKED TRAIN LIES, AN URGENT ALARM REACHES THE EARS OF THOSE CAPE-CRIME-CRUSHERS, BATMAN AND ROBIN!

DISPATCHER AT MOUNTAIN JUNCTION REPORTS WRECK OF GOLD-TRAIN IN VALLEY BELOW, TWO MILES WEST! INVESTIGATE!

A GOLD TRAIN--- THAT WRECK MAY BE DELIBERATE SABOTAGE!

WE'D BETTER GET THERE, FAST!

THE POWERFUL BATMOBILE MAKES MINUTES OUT OF MILES! AND SOON...

LOOK, BATMAN... IT MUST HAVE BEEN DELIBERATE! THAT SEALED EXPRESS CAR HAS BEEN OPENED, AND THE GOLD STOLEN!

NO TIME TO GO AFTER THEM NOW! THE TRAIN'S CREW IS PINNED IN THAT WRECK-AGE---WE'VE GOT TO GET THEM OUT!

AFTER THE CREW HAS BEEN RESCUED, AND MORE HELP HAS ARRIVED...

A RUTHLESS AND WELL-PLANNED ROBBERY, BATMAN! BUT WHY WOULD THEY STEAL A SHIPMENT OF GOLD --- ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FENCE?

THEY MAY PLAN TO SMUGGLE IT ABROAD --- WE'LL KEEP CLOSE WATCH!

A WEEK LATER, A SENSATIONAL NEWSPAPER STORY STIRS THE SUSPICIONS OF THE DYNAMIC DUO!

IT SAYS THAT WALTER FRALEY, OF FOREST VALLEY, FOUND THE LONG-HUNTED BURIED GOLD OF CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT, THE FAMOUS HIGHWAYMAN OF 200 YEARS AGO!

WALTER FRALEY HAS BEEN ON OUR "SUSPECTED CRIMINALS" LIST FOR SOME TIME! I THINK WE'LL GO LOOK AT THAT TREASURE!

GOTHAM NEWS  
CITIZEN FINDS LONG-LOST GOLD TREASURE OF FAMOUS COLONIAL HIGHWAYMAN





# BATMAN



IN FOREST VALLEY, NEAR GOTHAM CITY, THE "LUCKY TREASURE-HUNTER" SHOWS HIS FIND!

IT WAS ALWAYS RUMORED THAT CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT, THE FAMOUS HIGHWAYMAN, BURIED HIS GOLD IN THIS VALLEY! I SEARCHED TILL I FOUND IT!

VERY INTERESTING!

RIGHT!  
BUT WE CAN'T DISPROVE HIS STORY, UNLESS WE FIND THE REAL TREASURE OF CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT!

HE COULD HAVE MELTED DOWN THE STOLEN GOLD, INJECTED IMPURITIES AND RECAST IT INTO THOSE INGOTS FROM DIFFERENT MOLDS, SO IT WOULDN'T BE TRACED. FINDING "CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT'S TREASURE" WOULD MAKE IT EASY TO ACCOUNT FOR THE GOLD!

BUT IT'S BEEN LOST 200 YEARS --- WE COULD DIG IN THIS VALLEY FOR YEARS WITHOUT FINDING IT!

YES--- BUT IF WE WENT BACK 200 YEARS IN THE PAST, WE COULD SEE WHERE CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT BURIED IT! IN THIS EMERGENCY, WE'RE GOING TO CALL ON PROFESSOR NICHOLS --- AS BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON!

PROFESSOR CARTER NICHOLS, SCIENTIFIC MASTER OF AN HYPNOSIS TIME-TRAVEL TECHNIQUE, ACCEDES TO THE WISH OF HIS TWO GOOD FRIENDS TO SEE THE PAST AGAIN --- THIS TIME GOTHAM CITY'S PAST!

BACK----- BACK ALONG THE TIME-TRACK---  
BACK TO GOTHAM CITY IN THE YEAR 1753---



WHEW!  
THOSE TRIPS ACROSS TIME ALWAYS MAKE ME DIZZY!

NOW THAT WE'RE HERE, HOW DO WE FIND THIS CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT? THAT WON'T BE EASY!

AND AS THOUGH WAKING FROM A STRANGE SLEEP, BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON OF THE 20TH CENTURY FIND THEMSELVES IN THE UNFAMILIAR GOTHAM CITY OF BEFORE THE REVOLUTION...

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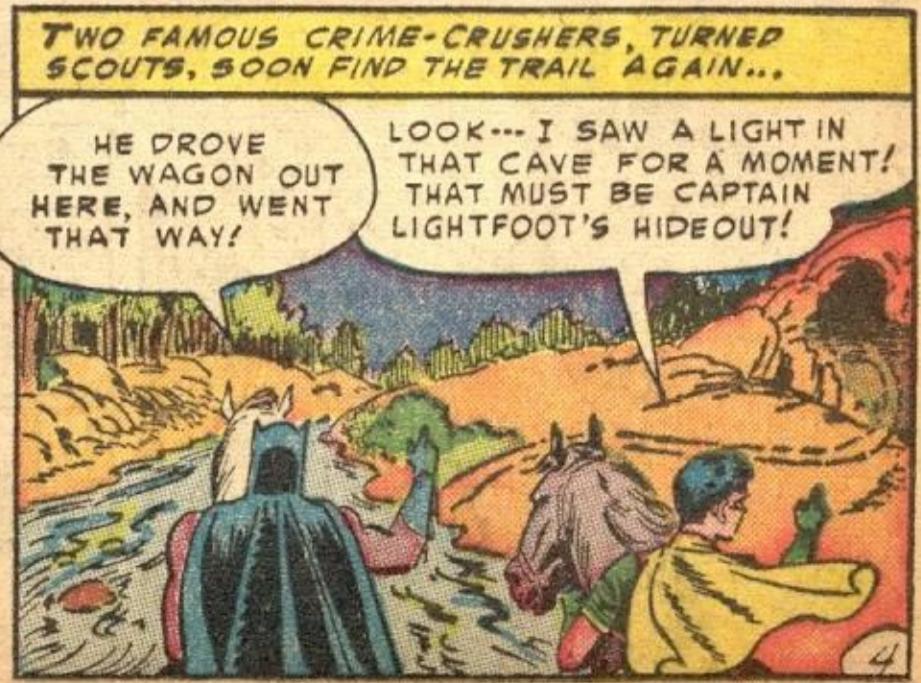
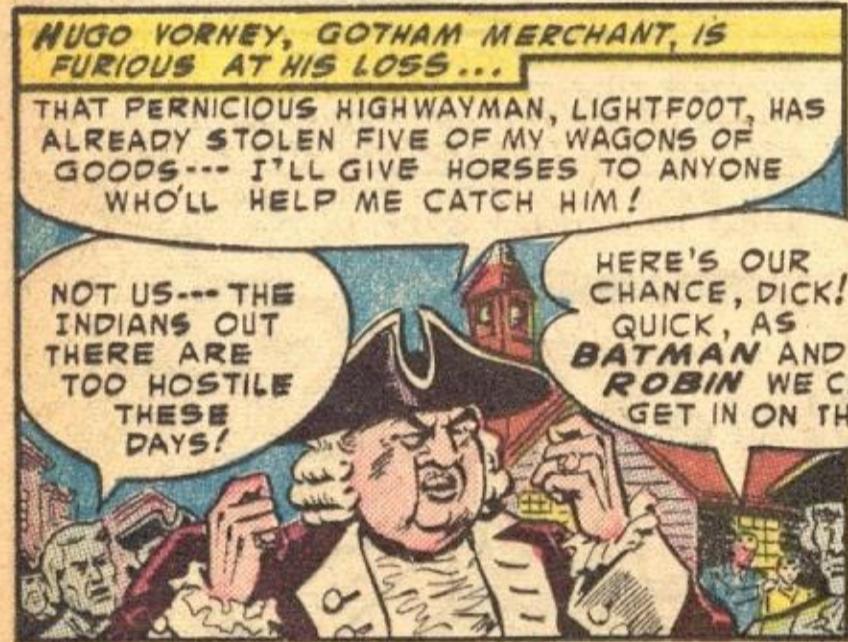
WHY IS THAT CHARACTER RINGING THE BELL SO URGENTLY?

THAT'S AN OLD COLONIAL ALARM-BELL! THERE'S TROUBLE AFOOT

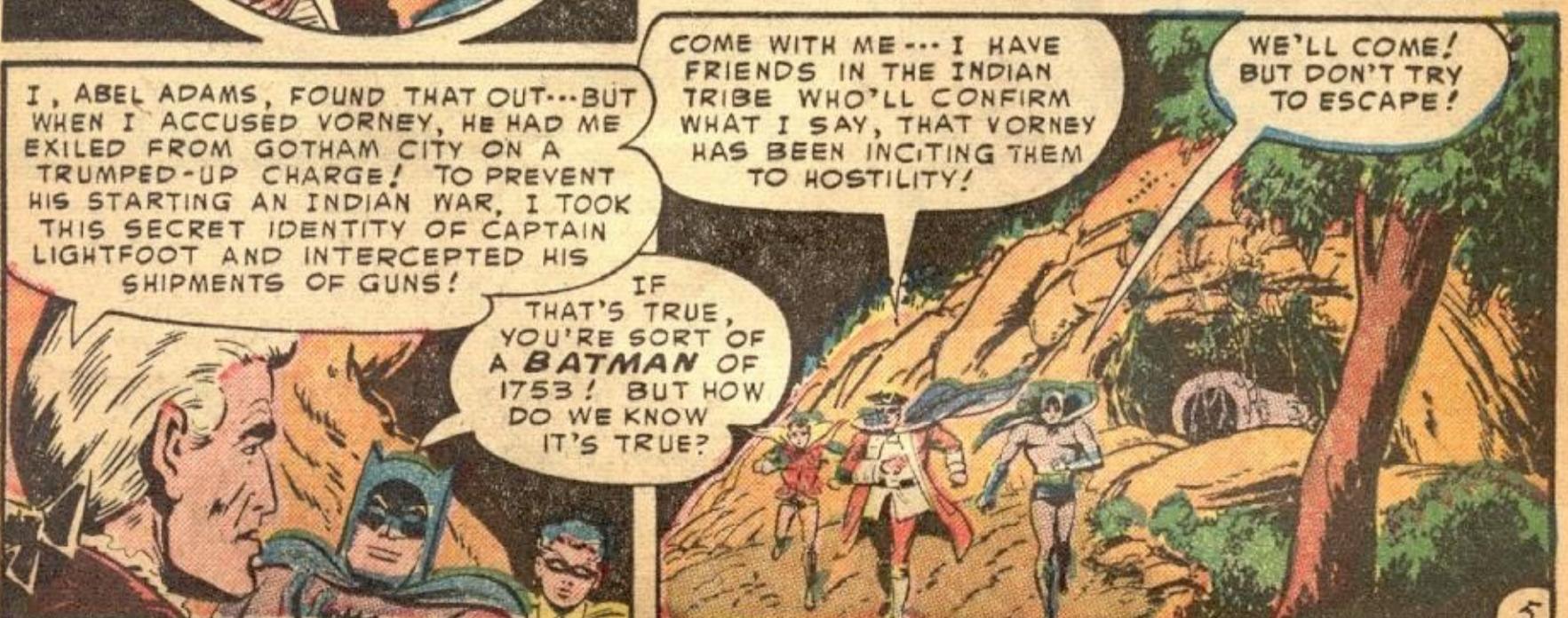




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AFTER A RIDE THROUGH MOONLIT FOREST, THREE STRANGE FIGURES LEAVE THEIR HORSES AND APPROACH THE INDIAN VILLAGE...

THE PEOPLE OF GOTHAM PLAN TO ATTACK YOU--- I'LL GET MORE GUNS TO TRADE TO YOU, SO YOU CAN PROTECT YOURSELVES!

YOU HEAR THAT? VORNEY WOULD START WAR JUST TO PROFIT BY TRADING!

THE WARNING IS TOO LATE, FOR KEEN INDIAN EARS HAVE ALREADY HEARD!

PALE FACES--- SPYING ON US!

KILL THEM, THEY MEAN YOU HARM!

THEY'LL CATCH US UNLESS WE SCARE THEM BACK---QUICK, ROBIN, NOOSE YOUR ROPE OVER THAT SAPLING AND HELP ME PULL IT DOWN!

SSH, NOT SO LOUD...



AS RED MEN MADE SUSPICIOUS BY AN EVIL PLOTTER'S INCITEMENTS COME CLOSER...

AN IMPROVISED CATAPULT IS SPRUNG... AND THE AWESOME FIGURE OF THE BOY WONDER HURTLES THROUGH THE SKY ABOVE THE HEADS OF AWE-STRICKEN INDIANS...

WHOOOOO!

WON'T DO ANY HARM TO ADD A FEW SOUND-EFFECTS!

IT'S A GIANT DEVIL-BIRD--- BACK TO THE VILLAGE BEFORE IT SEIZES US!

I'LL LET GO NOW --- BE CAREFUL TO EASE YOUR SHOCK BY GRABBING ANOTHER TREE-TOP, ROBIN!

THIS IS AN EASY ONE COMPARED TO MY OLD CIRCUS DAYS!

WHAT MARVELOUS ACROBATICS--- INDEED HE SEEMED TO FLY LIKE A BIRD!

IT'S TEMPORARILY SCARED THE INDIANS BACK--- WE'LL GET OUT OF HERE NOW!

AAAHHH



LIGHTFOOT'S STORY IS TRUE, BATMAN! BUT IF HE ISN'T A REAL HIGH-WAYMAN, WHAT ABOUT ALL THE LEGENDS OF HIS BURIED TREASURE? HOW CAN WE FIND THE PROOF WE CAME BACK TO THE PAST TO FIND?

IT HAS ME PUZZLED! BUT ONE THING SURE, WE'VE GOT TO HELP HIM STOP VORNEY FROM STARTING AN INDIAN WAR!



## BATMAN

AND NEXT DAY...

VORNEY SAID HE WOULD  
BRING MORE GUNS TO  
TRADE TO THE INDIANS...  
I'LL SCOUT OUTSIDE  
GOTHAM CITY AND  
WATCH FOR  
HIM!

I'M STAYING HERE  
TO FIX UP SOME-  
THING THAT MAY  
HELP US AGAINST  
THOSE GUN-  
SMUGGLERS!  
WE'LL JOIN  
YOU SOON!

HOURS LATER, AS HUGO VORNEY'S TEAM-  
STERS DRIVE ANOTHER BIG WAGON OUT  
OF GOTHAM CITY INTO THE FOREST...

LOOK, ARE THEY  
MEN OR DEMONS?  
THEIR HORSES  
HAVE BAT WINGS...  
AND THEY'RE COMING  
TOWARD US!

I'M  
GETTING OUT  
OF HERE ---THEY  
CAN HAVE THE  
WAGON!



BUT PANICKY  
RUNNERS CAN'T  
ESCAPE THE  
WEIRD TRIO  
WHO  
THUNDER  
DOWN  
THE  
FOREST  
TRAIL  
AFTER  
THEM!

THE  
ARTIFICIAL  
BAT-WINGS I  
PUT ON OUR  
HORSES ARE  
HAVING THEIR  
EFFECT!

TRULY, AN INGENIOUS IDEA...  
IT'S AFFRIGHTED THEM!  
I'LL TAKE THE ONE  
ON THE RIGHT,  
**BATMAN!**



THEN IT'S A BLIND TO  
DIVERT US---VORNEY  
IS SMARTER THAN  
I THOUGHT!

BATMAN,  
THIS  
WAGON IS  
EMPTY!

HOW IS VORNEY TAKING  
THE GUNS TO THE  
INDIANS? WHAT  
TRAIL DID HE  
TAKE?

I'LL TELL... I CAN'T FIGHT  
DEMONS! VORNEY HAS TAKEN  
THE GUNS AND POWDER IN HIS  
SMALL SHIP, UP TO NORTH BAY...  
HE'LL UNLOAD THEM THERE  
AND TRADE TO THE  
REDSKINS FOR FURS!

THEY'LL KEEP TILL WE GET BACK!  
WE'VE GOT TO GET TO NORTH BAY  
BEFORE THOSE GUNS AND POWDER  
ARE TURNED OVER TO THE  
TRIBE!



I KNOW THE  
SHORTEST WAY  
THROUGH THE  
FOREST!



# BATMAN



SOON, FROM THE WOODED SHORES OF NORTH BAY, THREE ALLIES OF DIFFERENT TIMES SEE A SINISTER SHIP APPROACHING!

THERE COMES VORNEY'S SHIP---BUT HOW CAN WE STOP THEM FROM TRADING THE POWDER AND GUNS TO THE INDIANS?

WE'VE GOT TO GET ON THAT SHIP AND TAKE THEM BY SURPRISE---AND THESE HOLLOW CANES WILL HELP!

WE CAN BREATHE THROUGH THE CANES, AND THE BRANCH TIED TO EACH WILL KEEP THEM FROM BEING SEEN! IT'LL JUST LOOK LIKE FLOATING DRIFT-BRANCHES!

I GET IT---AS 18<sup>th</sup> CENTURY FROG-MEN, WE CAN GET ONTO THAT SHIP!

SWIMMING STRONGLY, THREE UNSEEN FIGURES FORGE TOWARD THE SHIP OF MENACE AS IT DROPS ANCHOR!

WE CAN GET UP THAT ANCHOR CABLE AND TAKE THEM BY SURPRISE!

SURPRISE IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT FOR THE HORROR OF MEN WHO FACE THREE WEIRD, DRIPPING FIGURES FROM THE SEA!

JUST TO BE DIFFERENT, I'LL HOIST THE SAILOR INSTEAD OF THE SAIL!

NOT SO MUCH PUN, AND MORE PUNCH!

THEY'RE MER-MEN... THEY CAME UP OUT OF THE SEA!

IT'S THAT DEVIL LIGHT-FOOT... AND THOSE TWO STRANGERS, HELPING HIM! DON'T LET THEM PANIC YOU---

I'LL STOP THIS...

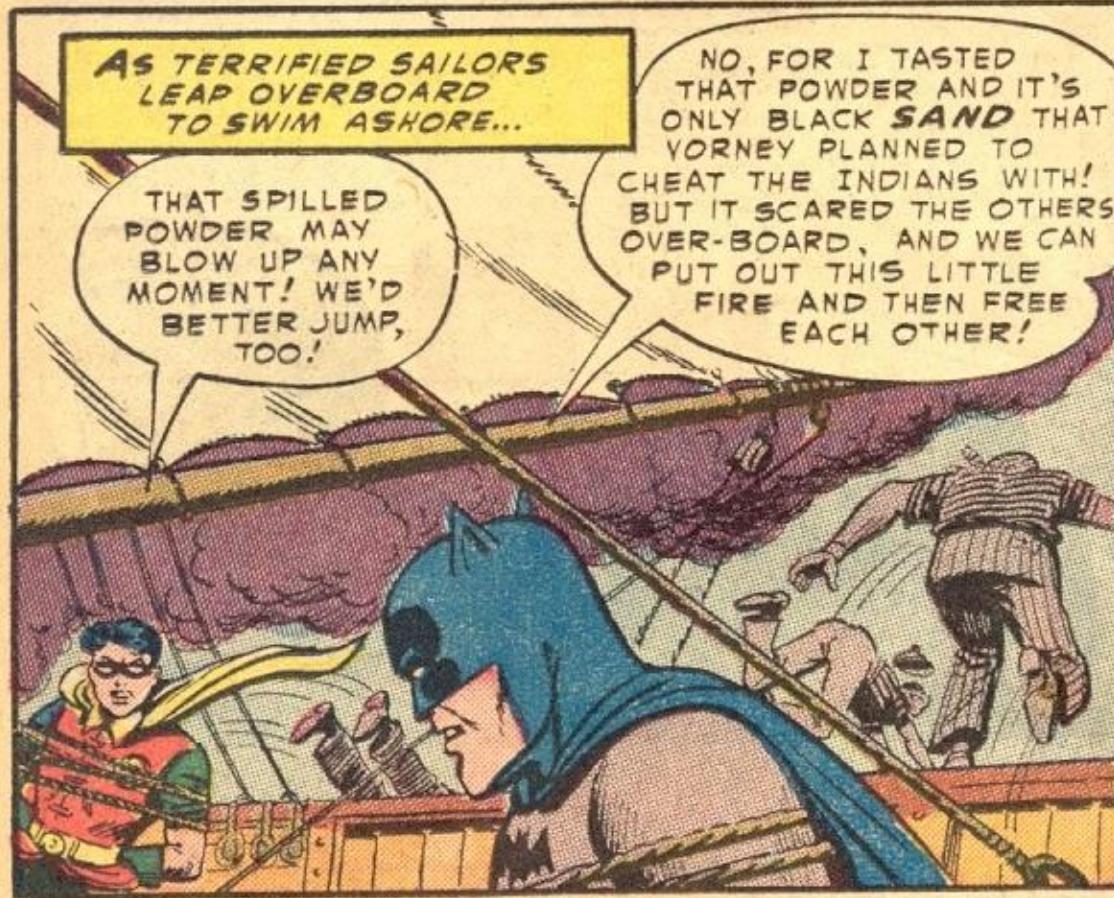
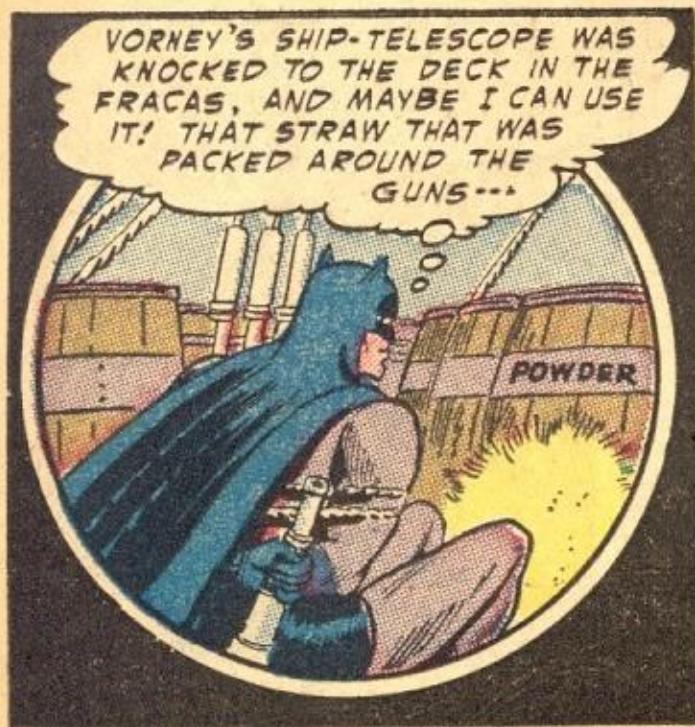
SURRENDER, YOU THREE, OR I'LL DASH MY TORCH INTO THIS GUNPOWDER! I'LL BLOW US ALL UP BEFORE I GO TO PRISON!

HE MAY BE BLUFFING, BUT I CAN'T TAKE THE CHANCE WITH THE OTHERS' LIVES AT STAKE!

ALL RIGHT, VORNEY, YOU'VE GOT US---WE CAN'T RISK IT, BOYS!

THE INDIANS ARE WAITING--- I'LL TAKE THE FIRST BOATLOAD OF GUNS TO THEM AND BRING BACK THEIR FURS! WATCH THESE THREE AND WE'LL DROP THEM OVERBOARD WHEN WE GET OUT TO DEEP WATER!

THIS GUNPOWDER... I THOUGHT VORNEY WAS BLUFFING!



I'LL BURY THIS DOCUMENT IN MY SECRET HIDEOUT... FOR IT'S NOW MY GREATEST TREASURE!

BATMAN, HEAR THAT... THAT DOCUMENT WAS CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT'S LEGENDARY TREASURE!

BACK INTO THIS CARGO-SHED, ROBIN... WE'VE GOT TO CHANGE IDENTITY FAST FOR WE'RE BEING DRAWN BACK TO 1953!

AGAIN, GREAT FORCES SEEM TO WHIRL BRUCE AND DICK AS THEY ARE DRAWN BACK ALONG THE TIME-TRACK! THEN...

DID YOU REALLY GET BACK TO GOTHAM CITY IN 1753?

WE DID---AND WE LEARNED THE WHEREABOUTS OF A CERTAIN DOCUMENT THAT'S GOING TO INTEREST SOME PEOPLE A LOT!

IT DOES NOT TAKE LONG TO FIND THE HIDDEN, FORGOTTEN CAVE OF CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT...

CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT'S "TREASURE", THE PROOF THAT HE WAS NO HIGHWAYMAN! HE BURIED IT HERE---SO IT WOULDN'T BE FOUND IN HIS EFFECTS AS ABEL ADAMS, AND GIVE HIM AWAY!

IT'S GOING TO BE AN UNPLEASANT SURPRISE FOR WALTER FRALEY AND HIS PAL!

AND IT IS, LATER, IN COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE?

THIS AUTHENTICATED CERTIFICATE PROVES CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT NEVER BURIED ANY GOLD, SINCE HE NEVER WAS A HIGHWAYMAN! NOW, EXPLAIN WHERE YOU TWO GOT THAT GOLD YOU "FOUND"!

THEY GOT US, FRALEY! AND YOU SAID YOUR "TREASURE" GAG WAS FOOLPROOF, WHEN YOU TALKED ME INTO THIS! I'M GOING TO CONFESS AND GET A LIGHTER SENTENCE!

YOU FOOL, NOW YOU'VE CINCHED IT FOR THEM!

BEFORE BATMAN LEAVES, HE MAKES AN ODD REQUEST...

WHY, OF COURSE, BATMAN, YOU CAN HAVE THIS DOCUMENT OF CAPTAIN LIGHTFOOT'S AFTER IT'S USED FOR EVIDENCE---BUT WHY DO YOU WANT IT?

I WANT IT FOR OUR TROPHY ROOM---A MEMENTO OF A BRAVE MAN WHO WAS THE BATMAN OF 200 YEARS AGO!

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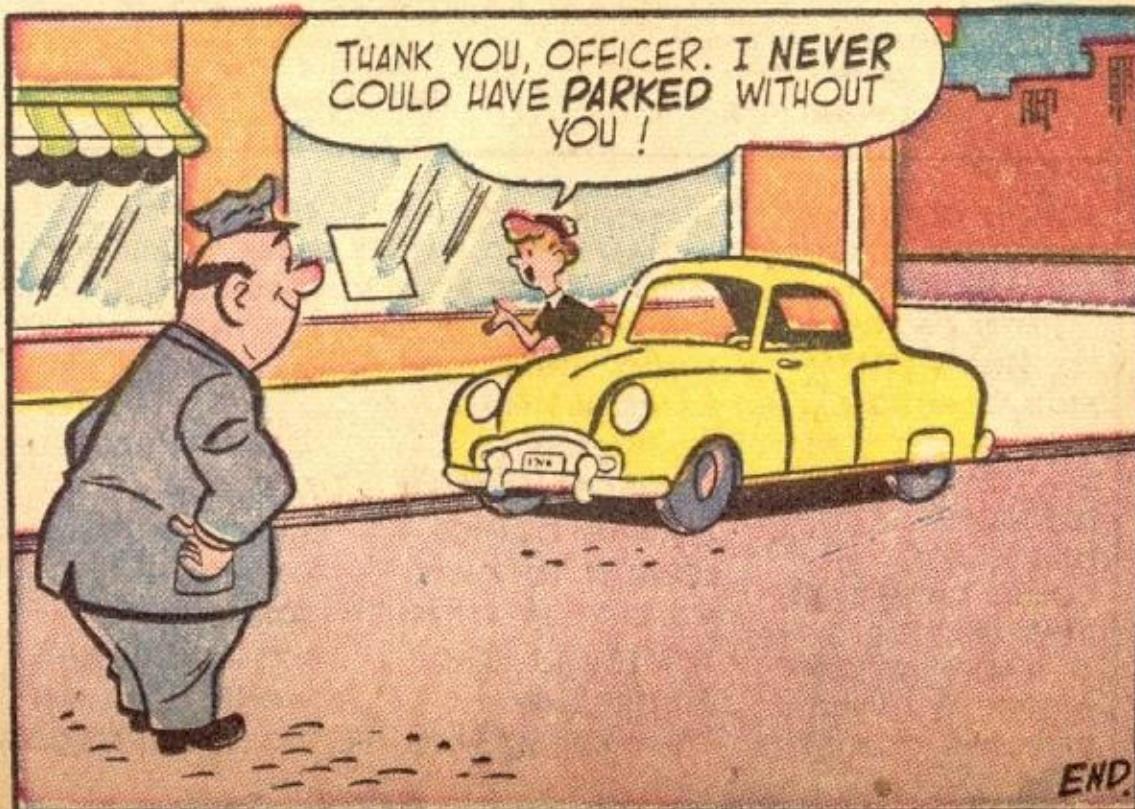
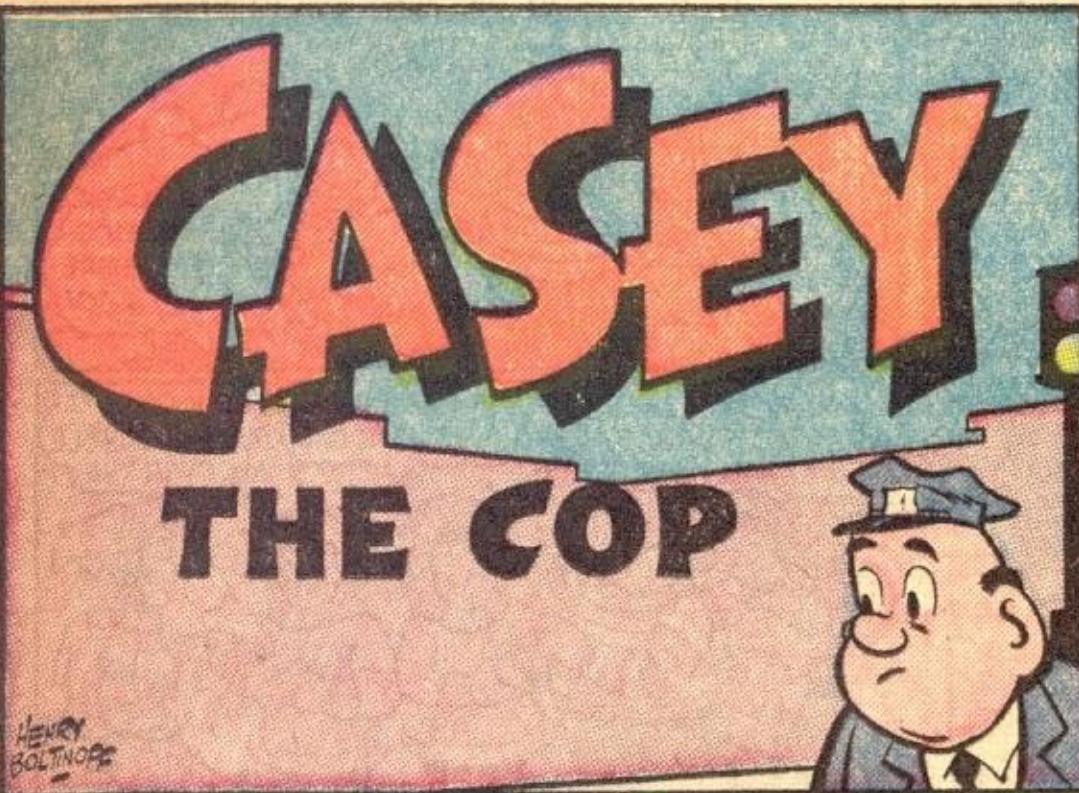
is not ready for 1953. But  
there is hope for the future.



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# BATMAN



# GRAND JURY



## Its Vital Function Is Guarding Our Liberties as Expressed in the Constitution

YOU don't read much about the proceedings of a grand jury in session. There are two reasons why its proceedings are kept secret. Firstly, if the charges against a man are dismissed, the case is unreported, and the man's reputation does not suffer. Secondly, if the grand jury returns an indictment against someone not in custody, it reduces the chances of his escaping before he can be arrested.

The "grand" in the grand jury, by the way, does not refer to the importance of this institution, although it does happen to be a vitally important part of our legal system. The name is derived from the old Norman French terminology, signifying its size. The other is the "petit" or little jury.

The number of jurors serving varies according to the different states. In New York State, for example, there are 23 persons on the grand jury, and at least 16 members must be present before any action can legally be taken.

At various times, the grand jury system has been attacked as a needless

expense and duplication, but you will soon see that these criticisms are groundless.

Let's consider the case of a man suspected of murder. He appears before the grand jury after the prosecution has presented the entire case against him. He cannot be forced to appear before this body, and can only do so after first signing an agreement that his testimony can be used against him.

If the defendant is innocent, or wishes to make it appear that he is, he willingly signs this paper, called a waiver of immunity. The jurors, who have heard the case against this man, now question him carefully on the various points.

The entire procedure usually takes about an hour. If the evidence presented convinces the Grand Jury of the defendant's guilt, then a formal charge, known as an indictment, is filed with the court, and the man is held for trial.

But if the Grand Jury is convinced of the man's innocence, then the charge is dismissed, and the defendant is re-

leased as quickly as the proper papers can be signed.

In a court of law, this trial might have run into weeks, and in many cases, months, at a cost of many thousands of dollars. And in the instance of the defendant's innocence, almost every penny of the thousands of dollars would be saved.

Of course, a great deal more than money has been saved in terms of the anxiety spared the defendant, and the loss of reputation which he would suffer in a public trial.

Since the proceedings of a grand jury are always secret, visitors are never permitted in the grand jury room. If you could be present at the first session of a new grand jury, this is what you would see.

The first action to be taken is the selection of a foreman from among the jurors, an assistant foreman to assist the foreman and act in his place whenever necessary, and a secretary to keep the records.

The jury is seated formally facing the table where the witnesses will be seated. These witnesses, here to give their testimony in the various scheduled cases, wait in an adjoining room with the prosecutor or district attorney.

The district attorney calls his witnesses before the grand jury. In much the same manner as he hopes later to present the case in criminal court if he wins an indictment here, the district attorney calls to the witness table one witness after another, even presenting

into evidence such articles as the murder weapons, etc., to be marked as Exhibits.

Throughout the questioning, the jurors make notes, confer among themselves, and, if they choose, take over the questioning of the witness when the district attorney is finished. The jurors, it must be remembered, are not here as an adjunct of the police, or the district attorney's office.

If the jury can be said to represent anyone, then it represents the defendant. The jurors, more than anything, want to learn the truth. The big question mark throughout the entire proceedings is: Is there sufficient evidence against this man to warrant placing him on trial for his life? You can be sure that the D.A. will have to present an air-tight case before an indictment will be returned.

The Grand Jury has one more power: It can, if it concludes as a result of its investigation, that hoodlums are not being prosecuted with sufficient zeal, demand that the district attorney appoint a SPECIAL PROSECUTOR to investigate these hoodlums.

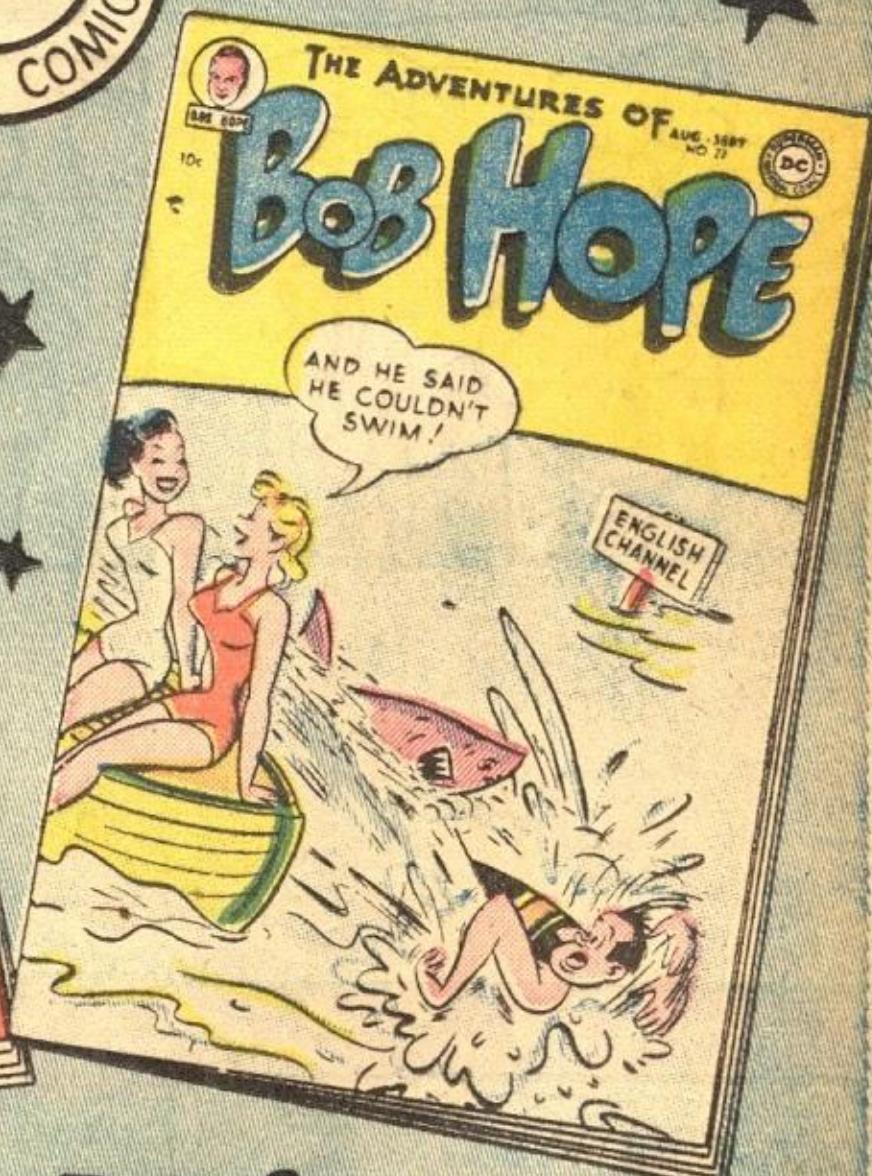
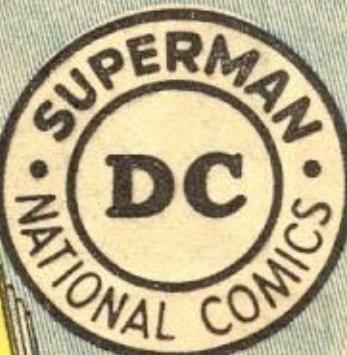
Thus, as you can see, the Grand Jury performs a vital function as a guardian of our liberties, living up to the ideals expressed in the Constitution of the United States, that:

"No person shall be held to answer for a capital or other infamous crime unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury."

—Jack E. Miller

# THE LINE OF STARS

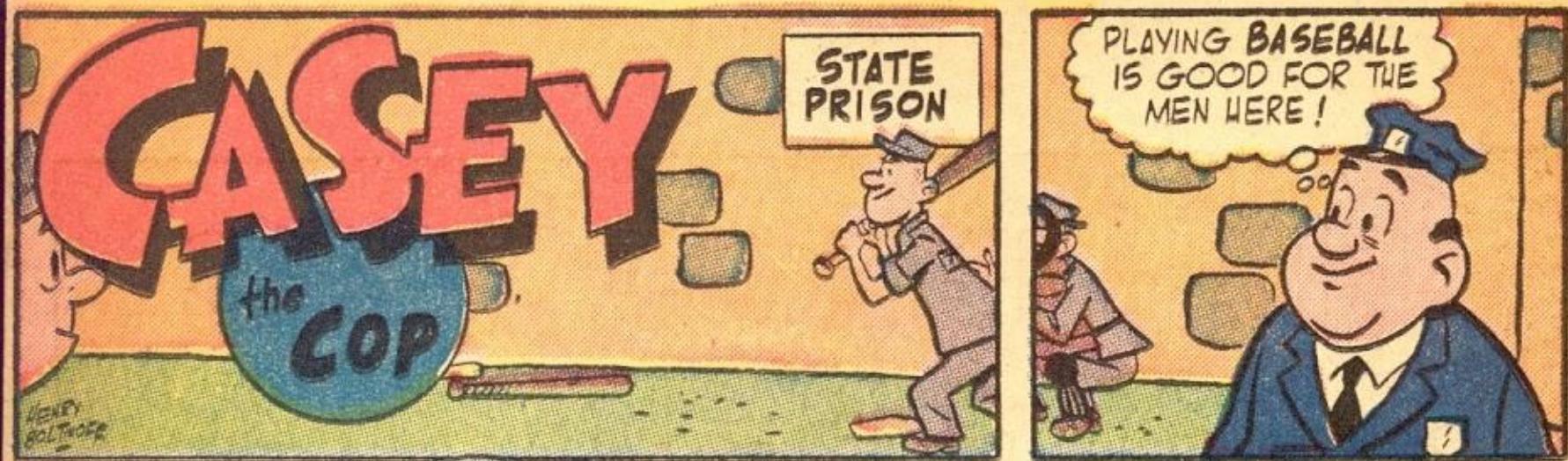
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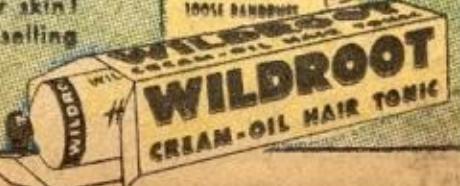
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# BATMAN

With  
**ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER

HEY, LEFTY!  
I HEAR  
MUGGER MATSON  
NEEDS A  
NEW TRIGGER-  
MAN FOR  
HIS MOB!  
WHY DON'T  
YOU HIT  
HIM FOR THE  
JOB?

ARE YOU  
CRAZY?  
I'M WORKIN'  
FOR  
**BATMAN!**  
HE'S RUNNIN'  
THE HOTTEST  
MOB IN  
TOWN!

A KILLER IS AT LARGE! WHO  
PROTECTS HIM? **BATMAN!**  
AN ARSONIST STARTS A BLAZE!  
WHO ORDERED IT? **BATMAN!**  
A GANG OF SEVEN CRIMINALS  
WORKS SMOOTHLY THROUGH THE  
NIGHT! WHO'S THE BOSS?  
**BATMAN!**

HERE'S ONE OF THE STRANGEST  
AND MOST EXCITING ADVENTURES  
IN THE LONG HISTORY OF  
**BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER...  
THE SURPRISE-LOADED  
STORY CALLED...

**BATMAN...**  
**GANG**  
**BOSS!**

BOB  
KANE

ONE NIGHT IN GOTHAM CITY, AS MILLIONAIRE BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, MINGLE WITH THE THRONGS AT A BASEBALL GAME...

HE'S GOING TO MAKE IT! ATTABOY, JOHNSON! SOME GAME, EH, BRUCE?

YES... BUT I'M AFRAID WE CAN'T STAY FOR THE FINISH! THERE'S THE BAT-SIGNAL, DICK!



SWIFTLY, BRUCE AND DICK LEAVE THE STADIUM. A MOMENT LATER, IN A NEARBY ALLEY, THEY COMPLETE THE SPEEDY TRANSFORMATION TO **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN THE BOY WONDER!**

I WONDER WHAT COMMISSIONER GORDON HAS PLANNED FOR US NOW?

WE'LL KNOW IN A FEW MINUTES!



SOON AFTER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

ISN'T THAT THE SITE OF THE HARKNESS PENITENTIARY... THE OLD PRISON THAT HAS BEEN CONDEMNED AND IS BEING TORN DOWN? I UNDERSTAND THE CONVICTS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO OTHER PRISONS.

PRECISELY! AND THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE. I WANT YOU TO SAFEGUARD THE TRANSFER OF SEVEN OF THE MOST NOTORIOUS CRIMINALS NOW IN CUSTODY. IT MAY PROVE TO BE A VERY DIFFICULT JOB!



THESE MEN ARE TICKETED FOR CONEIDA PRISON. AND THEY'VE ALREADY BOASTED OF AN ESCAPE-PLAN TO BE USED WHILE EN ROUTE! I WANT YOU TO HANDLE THIS PERSONALLY,

**BATMAN!**

RIGHT, COMMISSIONER! **ROBIN** AND I WILL BE HAPPY TO CONDUCT THESE GENTLEMEN TO THEIR NEW HOME... BEHIND BARS!



TWO DAYS LATER, AT AN ISOLATED AIRFIELD ALONG THE GULF OF MEXICO...

TOO BAD WE COULDN'T USE THE **BATPLANE**! BUT COMMISSIONER GORDON DIDN'T WANT TO ATTRACT ANY ATTENTION OR PUBLICITY TO THIS TRANSFER...

YES, **ROBIN**... AN ORDINARY PLANE AT AN OUT-OF-THE-WAY AIRPORT. IT'S PART OF THE SECRECY OF THE PLAN. WELL, OUR PASSENGERS ARE HERE! LET'S GET READY!



THEY'RE ALL YOURS, **BATMAN!**

ALL RIGHT, INTO THE PLANE ALL OF YOU GO!

DON'T BE TOO HAPPY, **BATMAN!** YOU AIN'T GOT US TO CONEIDA YET!



# BATMAN



SOME TIME LATER, AS THE PLANE ROARS NORTH ALONG THE ATLANTIC SEABOARD...

A BAD WEATHER REPORT IS COMING IN, ROBIN! A FREAK HURRICANE HAS SUDDENLY SPRUNG UP! I'M GOING TO HEAD OUT TO SEA... IT'S THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID IT!



BUT EVEN BATMAN'S RESOURCEFUL PILOTING IS NO MATCH FOR NATURE'S SAVAGE FURY! IN ALL ITS VIOLENCE, THE HURRICANE STRIKES!

TROUBLE, ROBIN! THIS PLANE IS NO MATCH FOR THIS STORM! WE'RE BEING FORCED DOWN!



ALL AT ONCE, AS THE GALE-TOSSED PLANE SLIPS THROUGH A BANK OF LOW-HANGING CLOUDS...

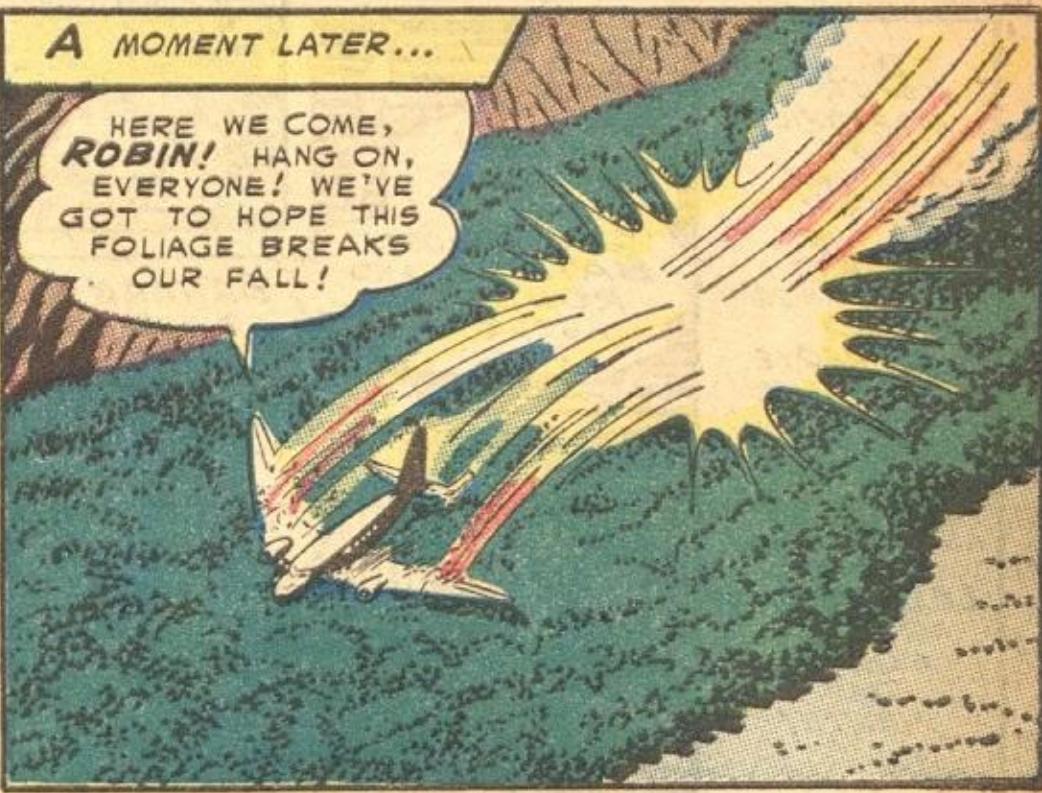
BATMAN, LOOK! AN ISLAND... DEAD AHEAD! WE CAN LAND THERE!

CRASH-LAND, YOU MEAN! THESE CONTROLS ARE PRACTICALLY USELESS NOW! BUT WE'RE LUCKY AT THAT! IT'S MUCH BETTER THAN SETTING DOWN AT SEA!



A MOMENT LATER...

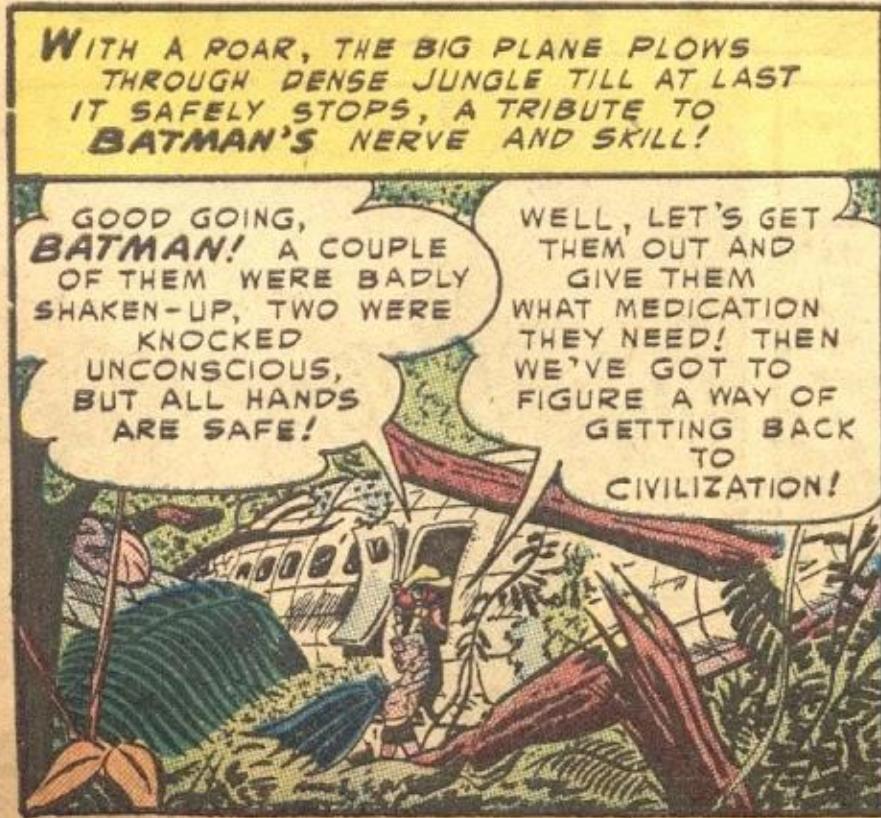
HERE WE COME, ROBIN! HANG ON, EVERYONE! WE'VE GOT TO HOPE THIS FOLIAGE BREAKS OUR FALL!



WITH A ROAR, THE BIG PLANE PLOWS THROUGH DENSE JUNGLE TILL AT LAST IT SAFELY STOPS, A TRIBUTE TO BATMAN'S NERVE AND SKILL!

GOOD GOING, BATMAN! A COUPLE OF THEM WERE BADLY SHAKEN-UP, TWO WERE KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS, BUT ALL HANDS ARE SAFE!

WELL, LET'S GET THEM OUT AND GIVE THEM WHAT MEDICATION THEY NEED! THEN WE'VE GOT TO FIGURE A WAY OF GETTING BACK TO CIVILIZATION!



SOON AFTER...

THE RADIO'S SMASHED, BATMAN, BEYOND REPAIR! AND FROM WHAT I CAN SEE ON THE MAPS, THIS IS A DESERTED ISLAND!

HMM... THAT MEANS WE MAY BE HERE FOR A SPELL. WE'VE GOT TO MAKE SOME KIND OF CAMP, ROBIN... LUCKILY THE PLANE IS WELL-STOCKED WITH EMERGENCY PROVISIONS!





# BATMAN

LATER...

I TELL YA, THIS IS OUR BREAK! WE JUST WAIT OUR CHANCE... AND JUMP BATMAN!

AND THEN WHERE ARE YOU? ON AN ISLAND IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE! NO! WE LEAVE BATMAN ALONE. LET HIM FIGURE A WAY OF GETTIN' US OUTTA HERE! THEN WE CAN PLAN ON KNOCKIN' HIM OFF!

FINCH EVER'S PLAN IS ACCEPTED BY HIS CRONIES. SOON AFTER, AS THEY FOLLOW BATMAN AND ROBIN ON THE HUNT FOR A CAMP SITE...

LOOK, ROBIN! THE RUINS OF AN ANCIENT INDIAN CIVILIZATION! WE SHOULD FIND THE SHELTER WE NEED HERE!

YES! AND THEN WE CAN START ERECTING WHAT WE NEED IN THE WAY OF SIGNALS TO ATTRACT PLANES PASSING OVER, OR SHIPS AT SEA?

BUT, MEANWHILE, ON ANOTHER PART OF THE ISLAND, A STRANGE AND FEARSOME INDIVIDUAL HAS OTHER PLANS FOR BATMAN AND ROBIN! MEET LARS VEKING, NOTORIOUS MODERN-DAY PIRATE!



VEKING! THAT PLANE THAT CRASH-LANDED! BATMAN AND ROBIN WERE ABOARD IT!

BATMAN AND ROBIN! SO THEY'VE COME AFTER ME AGAIN, EH? WELL--- THIS TIME THEY'VE BLUNDERED! ON THIS ISLAND I'M KING! ROUND UP MY MEN, RILEY!

I'LL NOT HAVE ANYONE INTERFERING WITH MY PLANS! PREYING ON SHIPS WITH MY SUBMARINE IS THE SWEETEST RACKET A MAN EVER HAD... AND I AIM TO KEEP IT!



WHILE HIS MEN HASTILY ARM AND AWAIT FURTHER ORDERS, LARS VEKING SLIPS OFF TO A SECRET POOL HIDDEN IN THE JUNGLE NEARBY...

IN CASE ANYONE STUMBLES ON THIS POOL, I'LL SUBMERGE MY SUB WITH THESE RADIO-CONTROLS. EVEN MY OWN MEN DON'T KNOW I KEEP MY SUB HERE BETWEEN JOBS!

ONLY I KNOW OF THE UNDERGROUND CANAL THAT CONNECTS THIS POOL WITH THE SEA! THAT'S MY ACE IN THE HOLE!



## BATMAN

SHORTLY AFTERWARDS, VEKING LEADS HIS MEN ACROSS THE ISLAND ON AN ATTACK AGAINST BATMAN!

THEY'RE FIRING ON US! BATMAN! IT'S LARS VEKING, THE PIRATE! I THOUGHT HE DIED!

WE WERE MISTAKEN --- IT'S VEKING, ALL RIGHT! AND THOSE ARE REAL BULLETS! QUICKLY, EVERYONE! INTO THE PYRAMID!

HEY, THIS IS, BAD! BEING ON BATMAN'S SIDE MEANS TROUBLE!

BANG POW!

GET THIS, BATMAN! I'M GOING TO KILL ALL OF YOU! YOUR HANDCUFFED FRIENDS LOOK LIKE CRIMINALS, BUT THAT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE! I DON'T WANT ANYONE HORNING IN ON MY RACKET! YOU ALL DIE!

WE'RE OUTNUMBERED, AND THEY HAVE GUNS! A STRATEGIC RETREAT IS CALLED FOR! I NOTICED A STAIRWAY WHEN WE RAN IN HERE, ROBIN! MY GUESS IS IT LEADS TO CATACOMBS! WE MAY BE ABLE TO LOSE THEM THERE!

AND LATER, IN ONE OF MANY WEIRD CORRIDORS OF THE CATACOMBS ...

WE'VE LOST THEM FOR NOW!

YOU MAY HAVE TO DEFEND YOURSELVES, SO I'M REMOVING YOUR HANDCUFFS. BUT I ADVISE YOU NOT TO TRY TO ESCAPE. I MAY BE ABLE TO SAVE US ALL!

AND AS BATMAN MOVES OFF...

WHAT I SAID BEFORE STILL GOES! WE NEED BATMAN NOW... HE'S A SMART OPERATOR, HE KIN HELP US! WE KIN KILL HIM, WHEN HE GETS US OUTTA HERE! WHADDYA SAY, SCAR? YOU'RE THE ONLY DISSENTER!

NO! THAT VEKING IS A CROOK... HE WON'T KILL ANOTHER CROOK WHO'S JUST AS ANXIOUS TO KNOCK OFF BATMAN AS HE IS! I AIN'T LINING UP WITH BATMAN--- I'M JOINING VEKING!

SUDDENLY, SCAR DUDLEY DASHES DOWN THE CORRIDOR, AND DISAPPEARS INTO THE CATACOMBS!

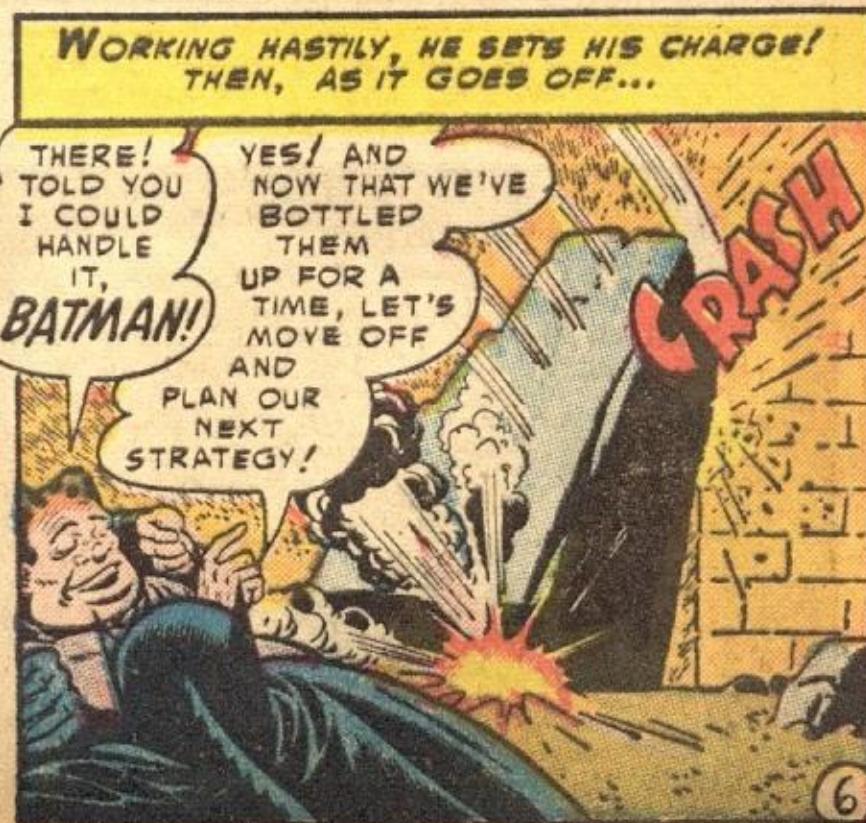
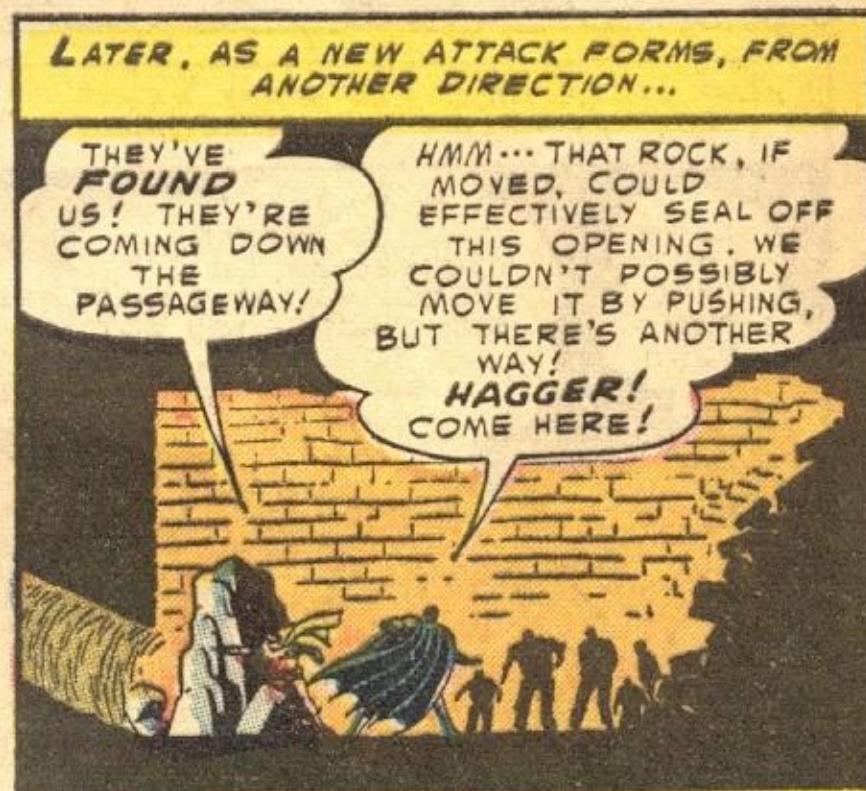
NO USE! HE'S GONE!

I OVERHEARD HIM SAY HE WAS GOING TO JOIN VEKING! I'M AFRAID HE'S IN FOR A SURPRISE! COME ON, ROBIN... WE'D BETTER GO TO THE OTHERS!

NEXT MORNING...

I WASN'T KIDDING. BATMAN! HERE'S YOUR FRIEND DEAD!

I TOLD HIM! GUESS THERE'S NO QUESTION NOW WHAT'S BEST FOR US, EH, MEN?



LATE THAT NIGHT...

THE ODDS ARE AGAINST US BECAUSE VEKING AND HIS MEN ARE HEAVILY ARMED! WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT!

RIGHT! AND THAT'S WHY I'VE BROUGHT HARRY GREEN --- THE CAT-BURGLAR WHO CAN MOVE IN AND OUT OF PLACES WITHOUT EVER BEING HEARD! TONIGHT HIS LIGHT FEET ARE GOING TO LOCATE VEKING'S ARSENAL FOR US WHILE YOU AND I COVER HIM!



SOON AFTER...

HMM! I COULD BLOW IT UP, BUT SOMEONE MIGHT BE KILLED IN THE EXPLOSION! WAIT--- I'VE A BETTER IDEA! LET'S GO BACK!

THERE IT IS, BATMAN--- THAT SHACK AT THE END! IT'S A REGULAR AMMUNITION DUMP! HA-HA... THEY NEVER EVEN HEARD ME... I SLIPPED PAST THEIR GUARDS!

SHORTLY, AFTERWARD...

VEKING... THEY'VE SET FIRE TO OUR SUPPLY SHACK! LOOK!

WHAT---? I'LL HANDLE THIS PERSONALITY!



MEANWHILE...

THIS IS A SNAP! I HAVEN'T HAD AS EASY A JOB SINCE THE NIGHT I KNOCKED OVER A GAS STATION ON OLD ROUTE 20 OUT OF L.A.!

IT'S JUST AS WELL WE GET THESE GUNS AND AMMO AWAY! I WANT TO STAY ALIVE... SO AS I CAN BE IN ON THE KILL OF BATMAN WHEN THE RIGHT TIME COMES!



AND LATER...

DON'T WORRY, ROBIN I SEARCHED OUR FRIENDS HERE THOROUGHLY... THEY'VE KEPT NONE OF THESE GUNS! AND THIS ANCIENT WELL SEEMS BOTTOMLESS... THESE WEAPONS WON'T BE USED BY ANYONE ANYMORE!

WHATTA WASTE! SUCH NICE GUNS! OH, WELL!



## BATMAN

NEXT DAY...

SMART IDEA, VEKING... TO DIVERT THIS UNDER-GROUND RIVER INTO THE CATACOMBS! NOW LET'S SEE BATMAN AND ROBIN TRY TO ESCAPE!

THEY TOOK AWAY OUR GUNS, SO WE'LL KILL THEM WITH OUR BARE HANDS! THIS OUGHT TO FLUSH THEM OUT INTO THE OPEN... IF THEY DON'T WANT TO DROWN!

AND, SOON AFTER...

VEKING AND HIS MEN--- THEY'RE COMING!

BATMAN!  
THE CATACOMBS ARE FLOODED! WE CAN'T HIDE THERE ANY MORE!

THEN THIS IS THE SHOW-DOWN I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! WITHOUT THEIR GUNS, IT SHOULD BE A MORE EVEN FIGHT! GET READY, MEN! FOLLOW MY LEAD!

MINUTES LATER, THE LONG-DEAD CITY RESOUNDS WITH THE SOUNDS OF BATTLE AS THE FORCES OF VEKING AND BATMAN CLASH...

WHAT'S THE MATTER, VEKING? WITHOUT GUNS, YOU DON'T SEEM SO TOUGH!

ENRAGED, VEKING GROPES FOR A WEAPON AND PULLS A ROCK OUT OF A NEARBY WALL! SUDDENLY...

BATMAN!  
BY PULLING OUT THAT ROCK, HE'S LOOSENERED THAT GARGOYLE! HE'LL BE CRUSHED!

VEKING!  
LOOK OUT!

STUNNED BY THE LOSS OF THEIR LEADER, VEKING'S MEN ARE QUICKLY SUBDUED. THEN...

BUT, A MOMENT LATER...

I DON'T THINK WE CAN HELP HIM, ROBIN! IT LOOKS LIKE VEKING IS DONE FOR!

CRUSHED BY THE GARGOYLE TUPULCAN... THE ANCIENT GOD OF REVENGE! AN IRONIC TWIST!

I'M (GASP) A GONER, BATMAN--- BUT YOU HAVEN'T WON! YOU'LL NEVER GET OFF THIS ISLAND, BECAUSE YOU'LL NEVER FIND MY SUBMARINE!

(GASP) HE'S RIGHT! NOBODY BUT HIM KNEW WHERE HE HID IT! MANY TIMES WE SEARCHED FOR IT--- WITH NO LUCK! IT WAS HIS SECRET... AND HE KEPT IT, EVEN TO HIS DEATH!

## BATMAN

LATER...

NOW THAT VIKING IS DEAD AND THE FIGHT IS OVER, YOU ARE ALL MY PRISONERS. YOU'LL BE LOCKED UP WHILE ROBIN AND I HUNT FOR VIKING'S SUBMARINE ...

WHISPER: WE HAD TO PLAY ALONG ... WE CAN'T GO NOWHERE WITHOUT THAT SUB! BUT ONCE BATMAN FINDS IT, IT'S EVERY MAN FOR HIMSELF, AGAINST BATMAN!

FOR HOURS, THE CAPE PAIR CAREFULLY SEARCH THE ISLAND. THEN, LATE IN THE AFTERNOON ...

NOTHING! WE'VE COMBED THE WHOLE SHORELINE, LAGOONS, INLETS, EVERYTHING! AND NOTHING BUT WATER AND CORAL REEFS! CORAL EVERYWHERE... EVEN IN THIS POOL!

CORAL!  
ROBIN...  
YOU'VE  
HIT ON  
SOMETHING!



DON'T YOU SEE! CORAL ORGANISMS GROW ONLY IN SALT WATER! NORMALLY, AN INLAND POOL IS SWEET WATER! THIS POOL MUST CONNECT WITH THE SEA! AND LOOK! A WATER-LINE OF LIMESTONE LEFT ON THAT ROCK BY CORAL DECAY --- WHY IS IT THREE INCHES SUBMERGED?

THE POOL IS THREE INCHES HIGHER THAN USUAL --- MAYBE BECAUSE SOMETHING IS INSIDE! LET'S DIVE IN AND LOOK!



## BATMAN

SOON AFTER...

I SEARCHED THE SUB FROM STEM TO STERN! **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** AREN'T ABOARD. THEY MUST HAVE SPOTTED US AND TAKEN OFF!

THEN THEY'VE FALLEN INTO OUR TRAP! THEY DON'T KNOW WE FOUND **Poisonous Gas Bombs** WHICH WE SET TO GO OFF IN TEN MINUTES AND WILL BLANKET THE ISLAND WITH **DEATH**! COME ON... WE'LL LEAVE THOSE TWO BEHIND!

AND WITH ONE OF VIKING'S EXPERIENCED PILOTS AT THE CONTROLS, THE SUB HEADS OUT FOR OPEN SEA!

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW, BOYS! PILOT SAYS IT'S JUST A TWO DAYS' RUN TO THE MAINLAND!

THEN, TWO DAYS LATER...

WE'RE HERE, MATES! NOW ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS WAIT FOR DARKNESS! THEN WE CAN SURFACE AND MAKE FOR SHORE! AND WHAT ADDS TO MY HAPPINESS IS, I REMEMBER **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**... ARE DEAD!

BUT LATER, WHEN THE CRIMINALS SWIM FOR SHORE, THEY RECEIVE A SUDDEN SHOCK!

THOSE LIGHTS! WHAT HAPPENED? IT'S **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**! BUT HOW!?? WE LEFT YOU FOR DEAD!

YOU THOUGHT YOU DID!

"WHEN WE SAW YOU COMING, WE DASHED DOWN INTO THE SUB AND HID WITHIN THE TORPEDO-TUBES!"

**BATMAN** TO **ROBIN**!  
IT'S CRAMPED QUARTERS... BUT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO HOLD OUT FOR A FEW DAYS!

"WE KNEW THE TORPEDO TUBES COULD BE SET OFF BY RADIO CONTROL! WHEN THE SUB STOPPED, **ROBIN** AND I TUNED OUR BELT RADIOS TO THE RIGHT FREQUENCY AND TOUCHED OFF THE TORPEDO-TUBE MECHANISM..."

A FEW DAYS LATER...

I'M GLAD IT'S OVER! I NEVER DID LIKE HAVING CRIMINALS FOR ALLIES! NEITHER DID I! I'LL SETTLE FOR YOU, COMMISSIONER... ANY DAY!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!  
I'M SMALLER THAN YOU... GOT LOTS MORE ROOM!

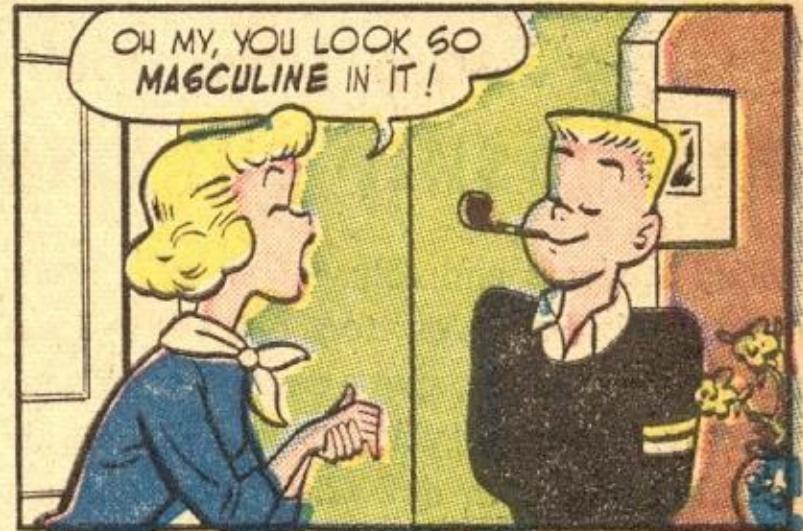
THEY'LL THINK THE JOLT OF THE TORPEDO-TRIGGER WAS A SHIFT IN TIDE, OR SOMETHING!

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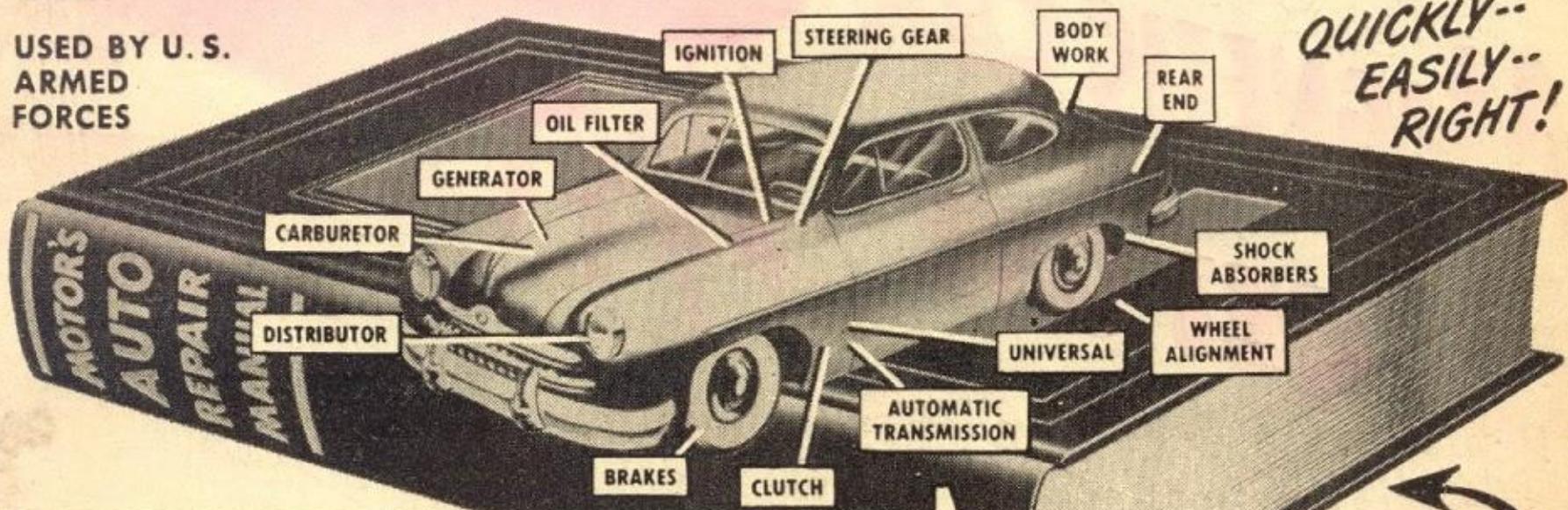
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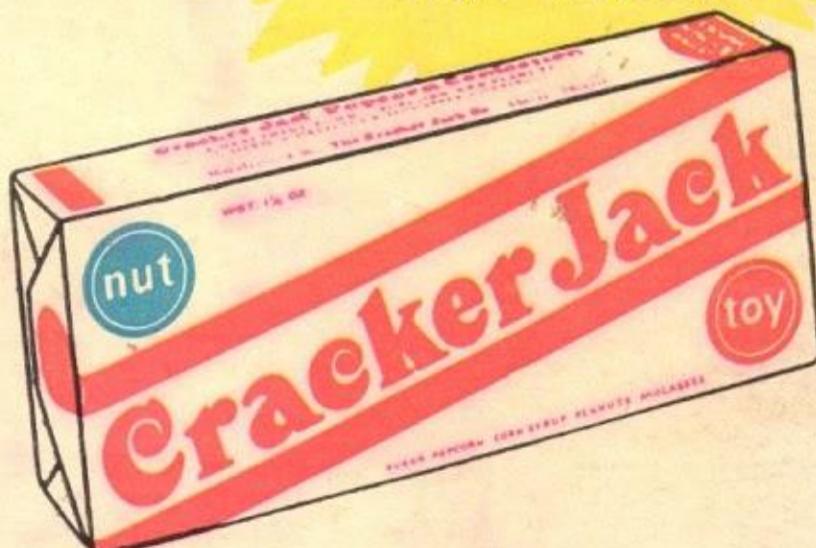
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