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# BATMAN®



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MISSING BANKER  
FOUND NEAR-DEAD!

Gotham banker ROBERT BUICK, 2 missing for a week, was found alive this morning. His naked body, showing clear signs of torture, had been tied gagged and dumped in a trash can at City's docks area.

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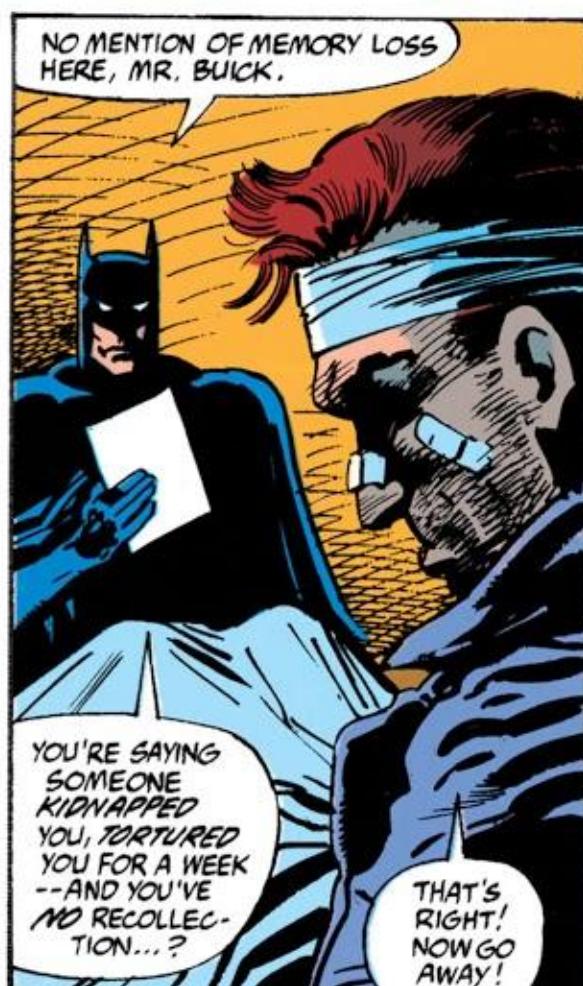
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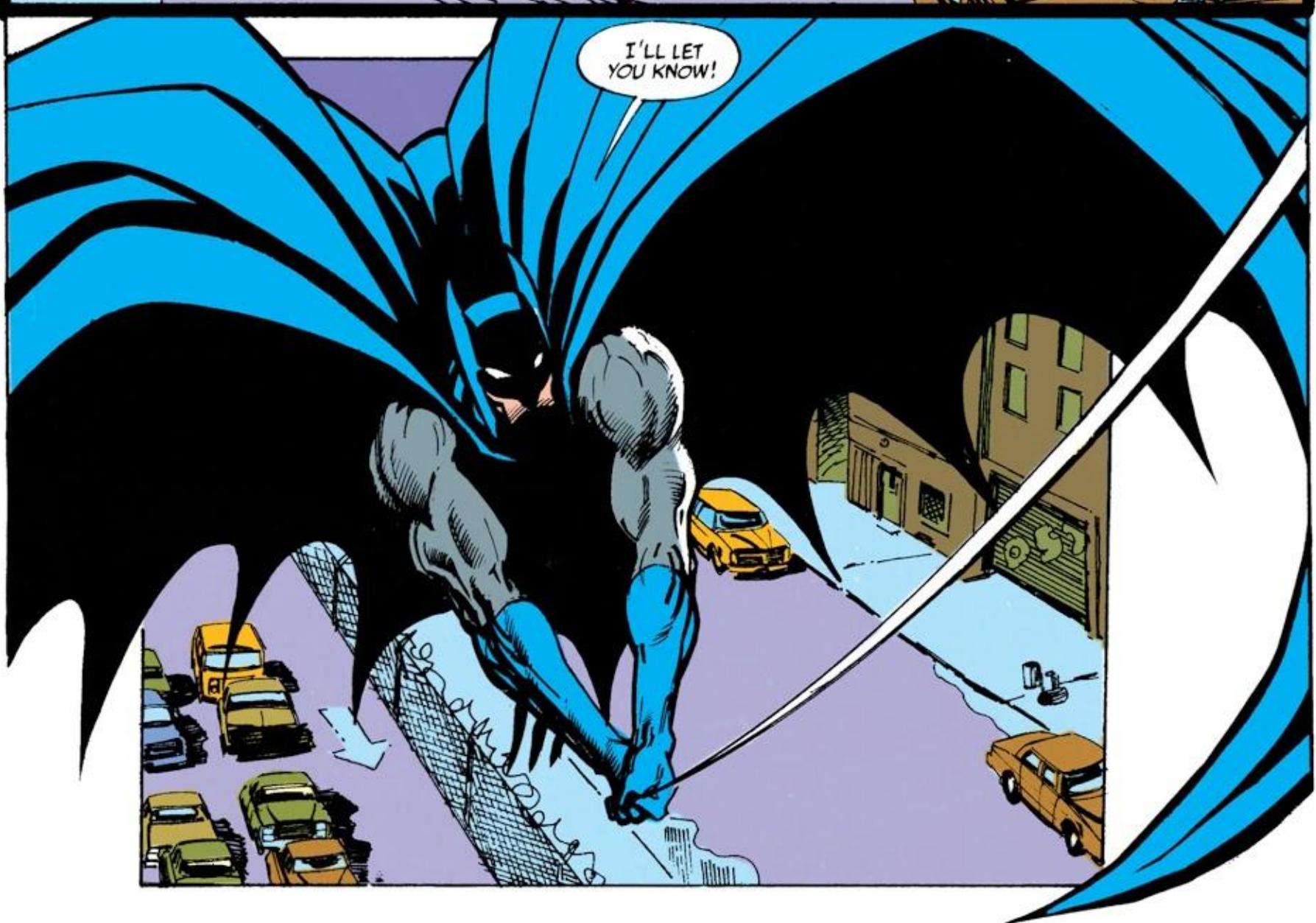
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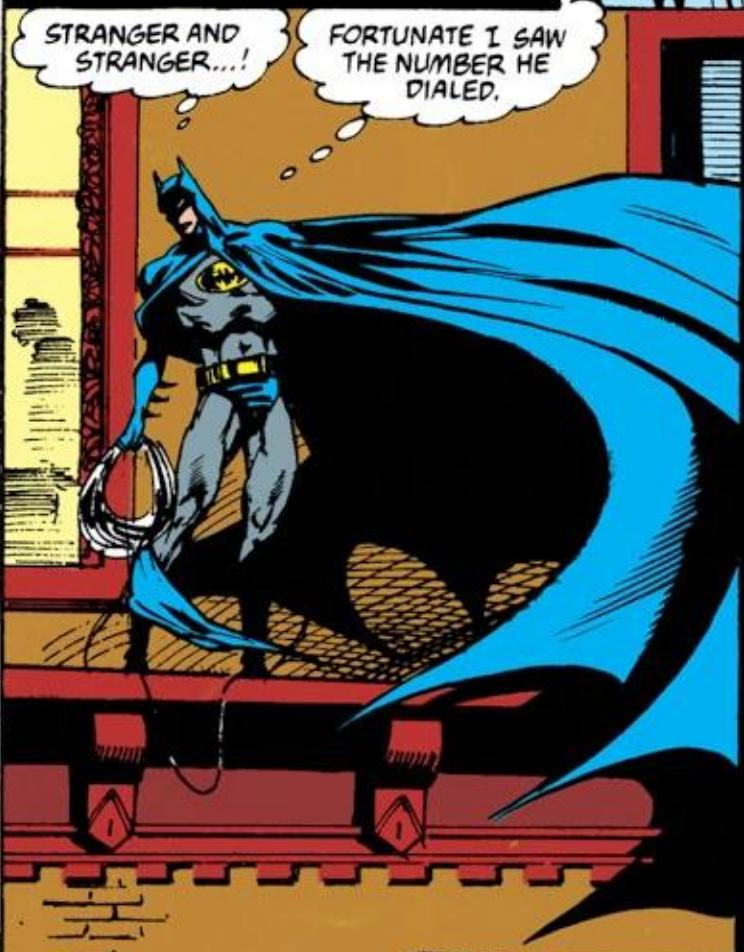
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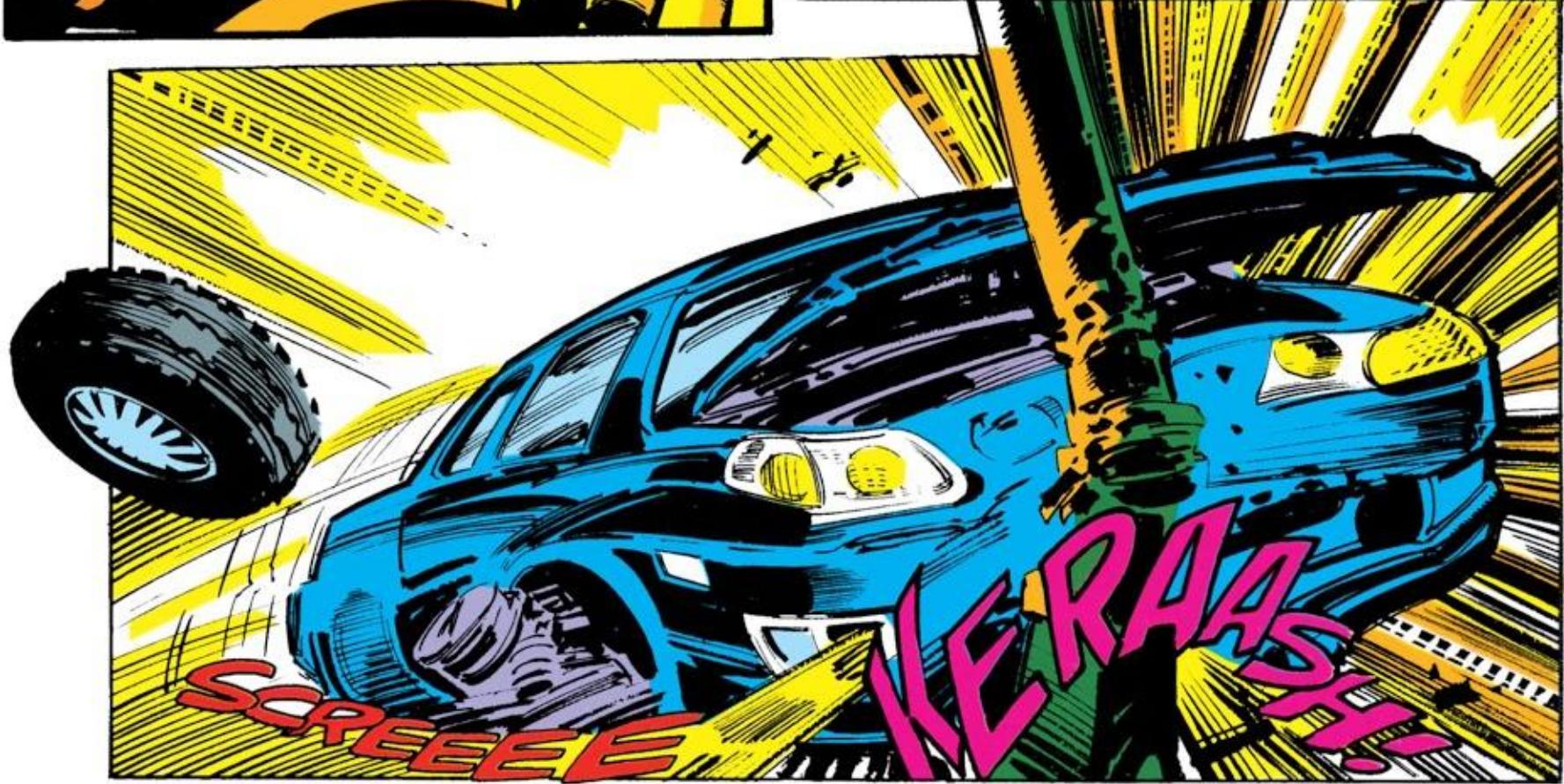
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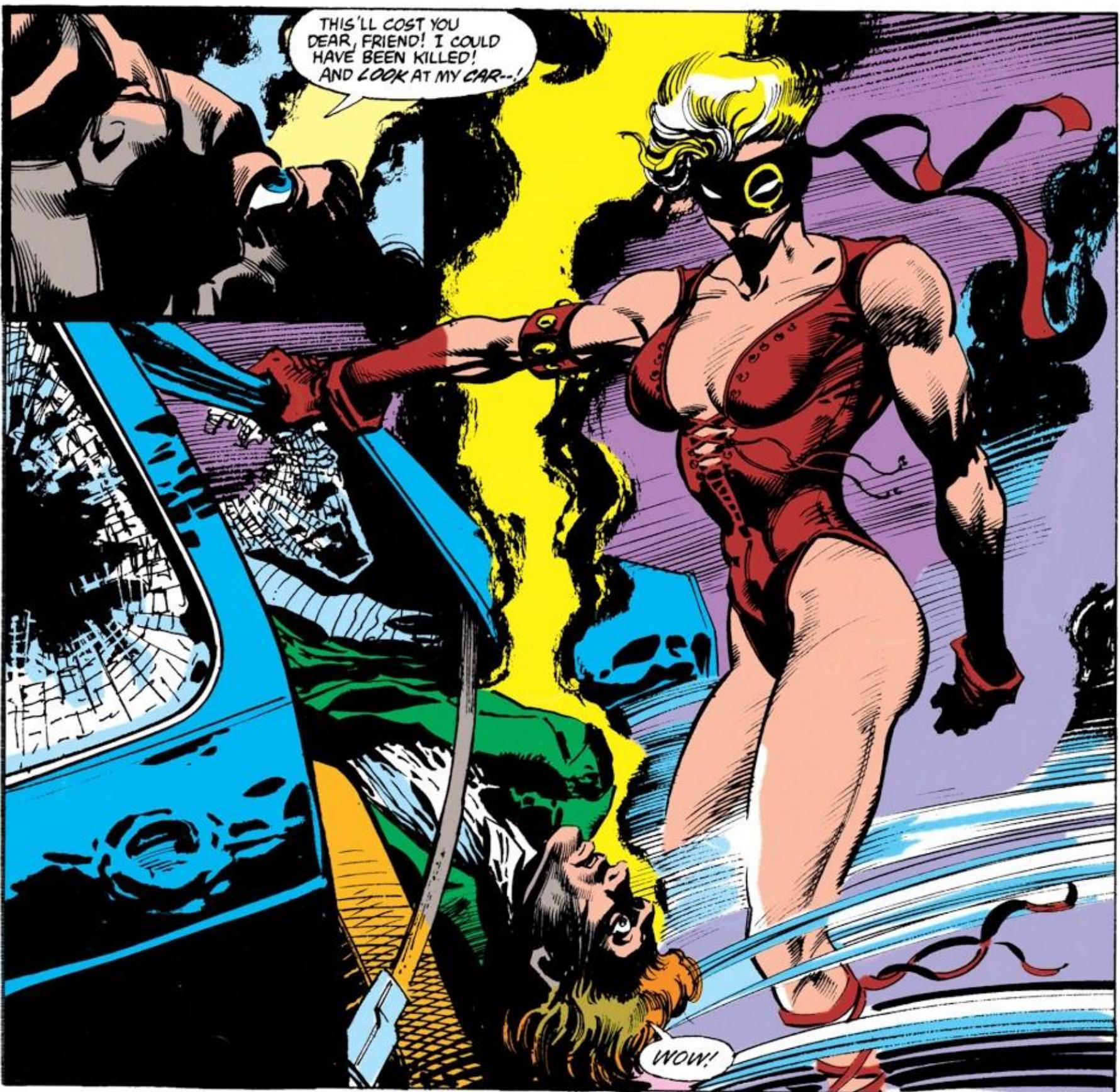
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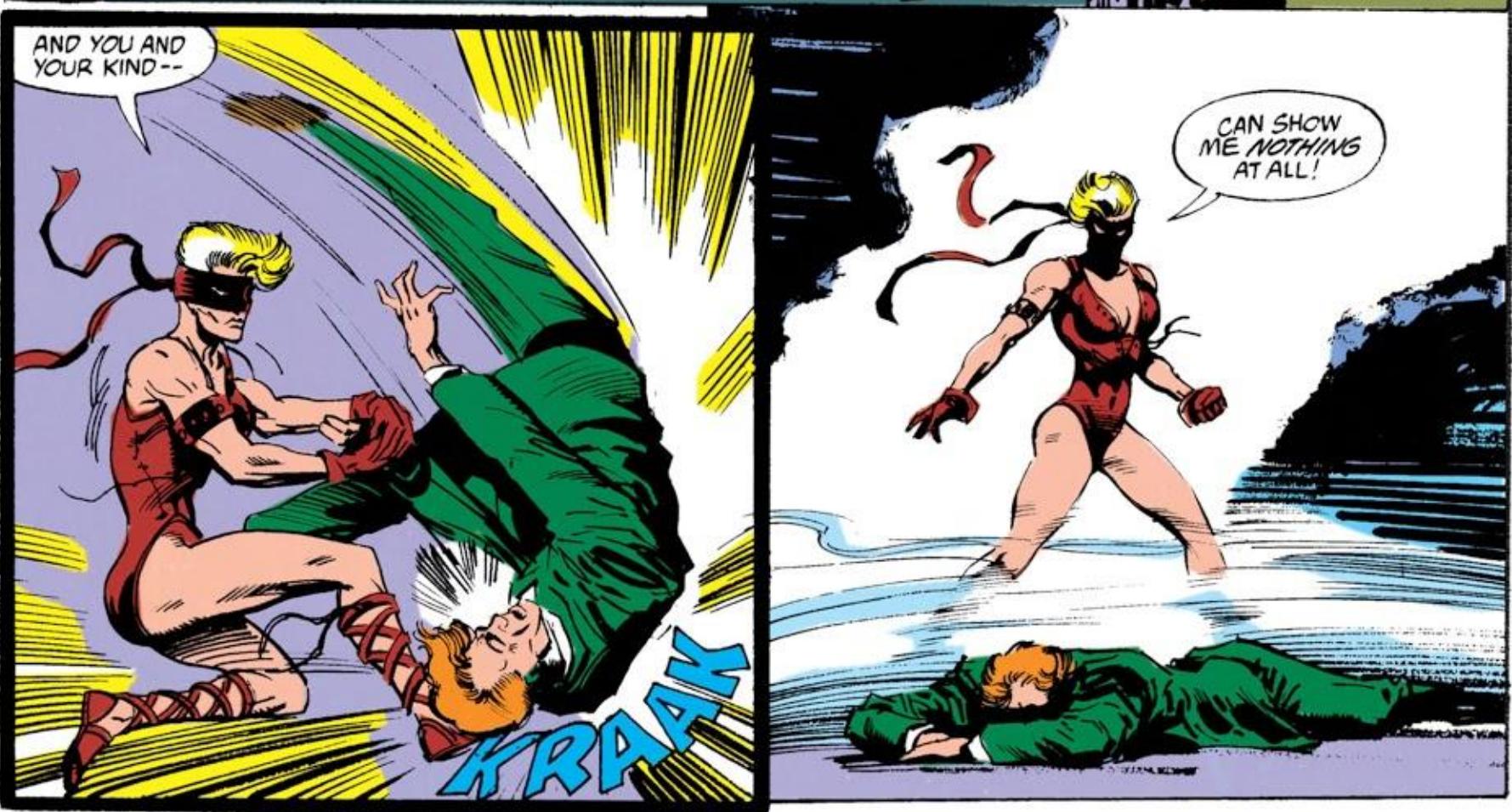




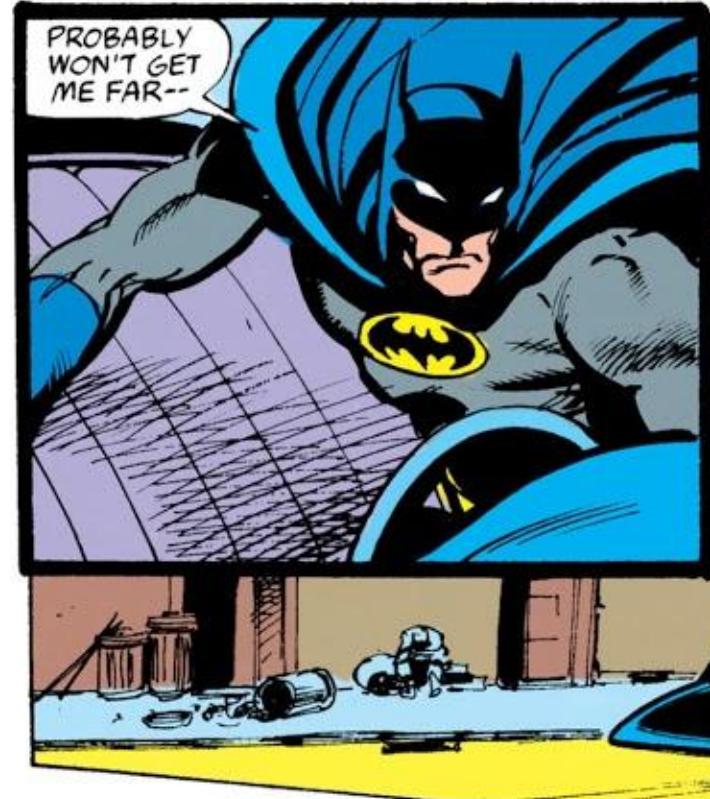


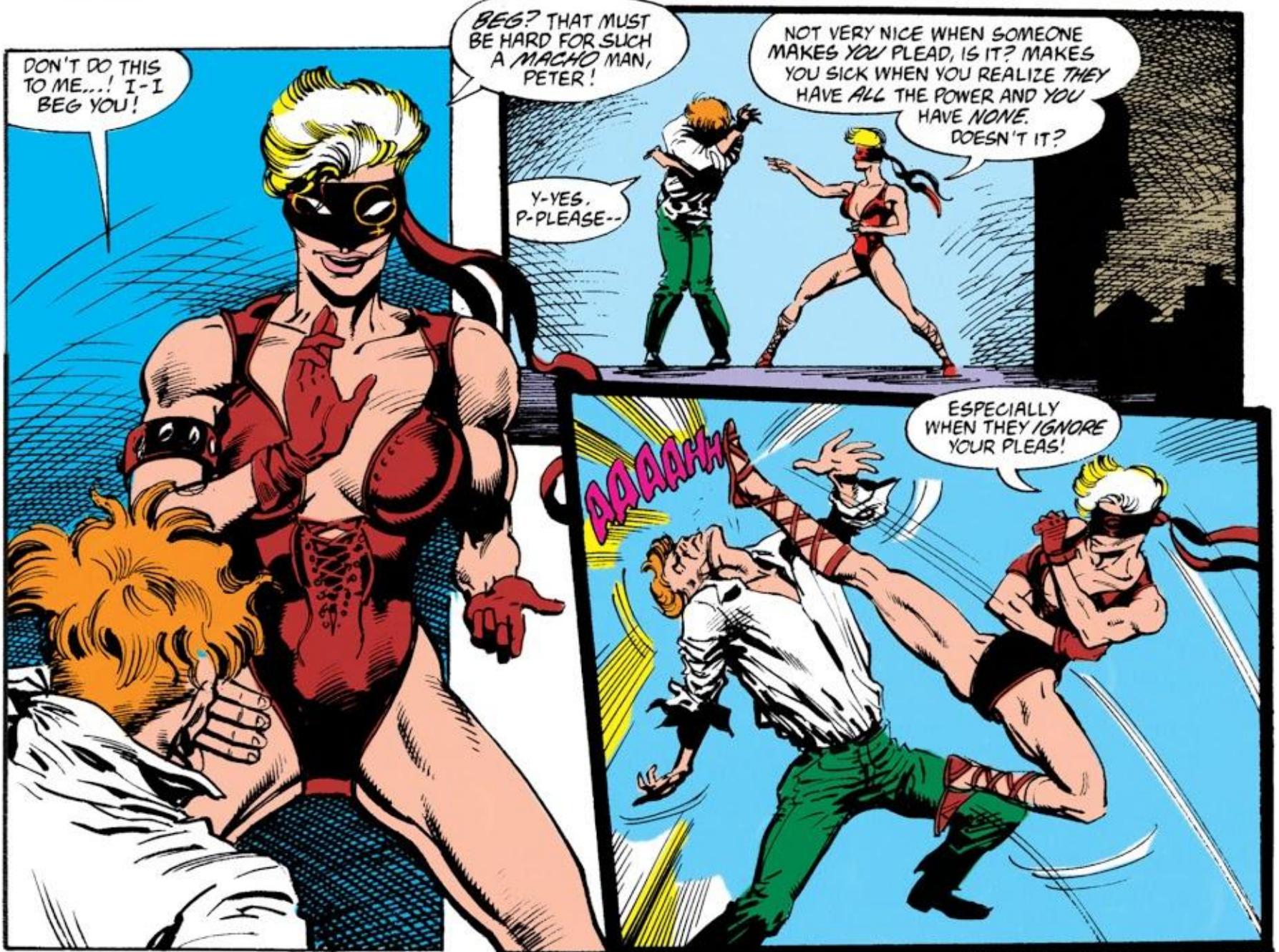


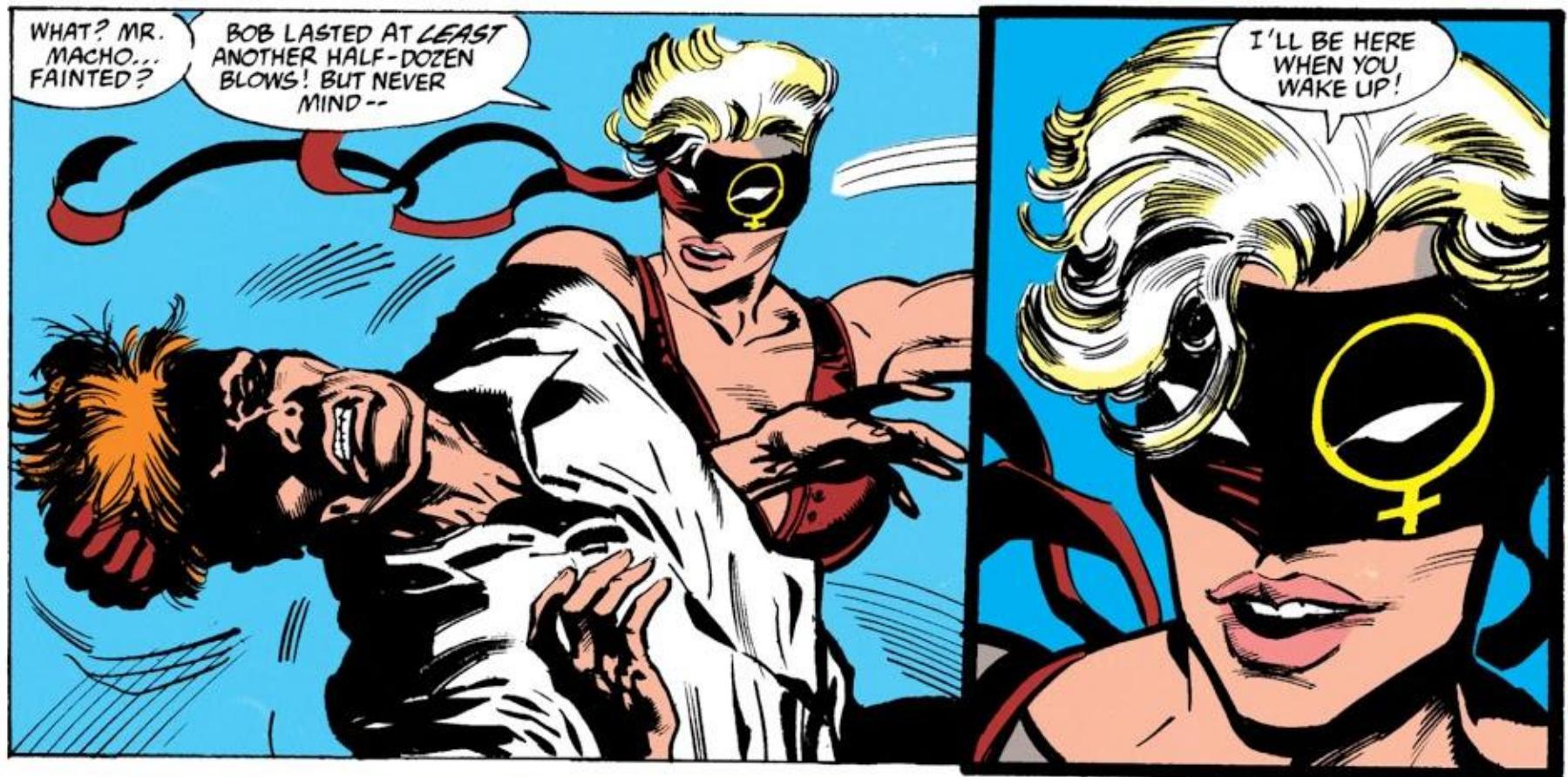












WELCOME BACK,  
PETER. NO--IT  
WASN'T A  
NIGHTMARE.

YOU'RE HERE TO BE  
PUNISHED. TO LEARN  
WHAT IT'S LIKE--

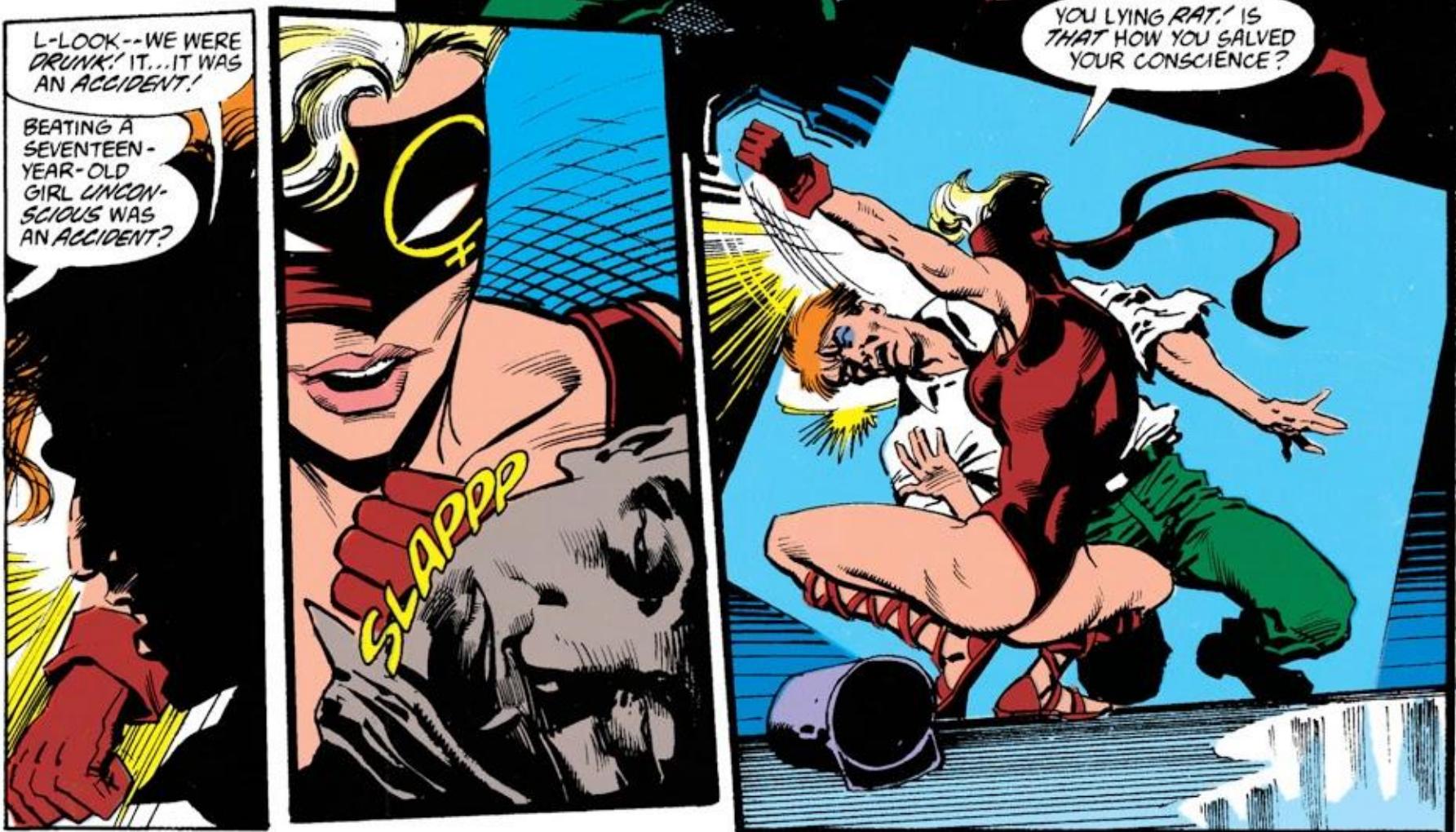
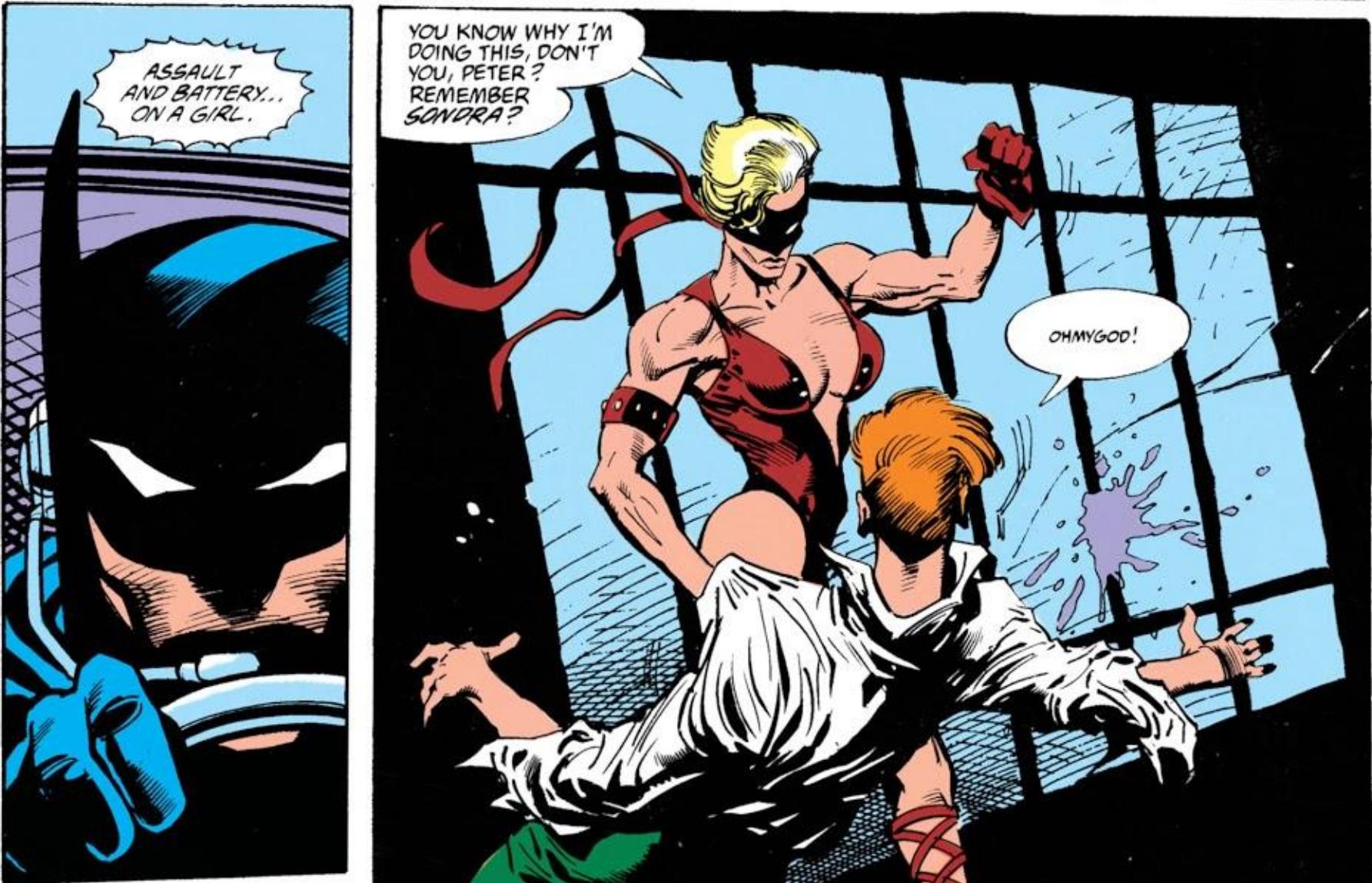


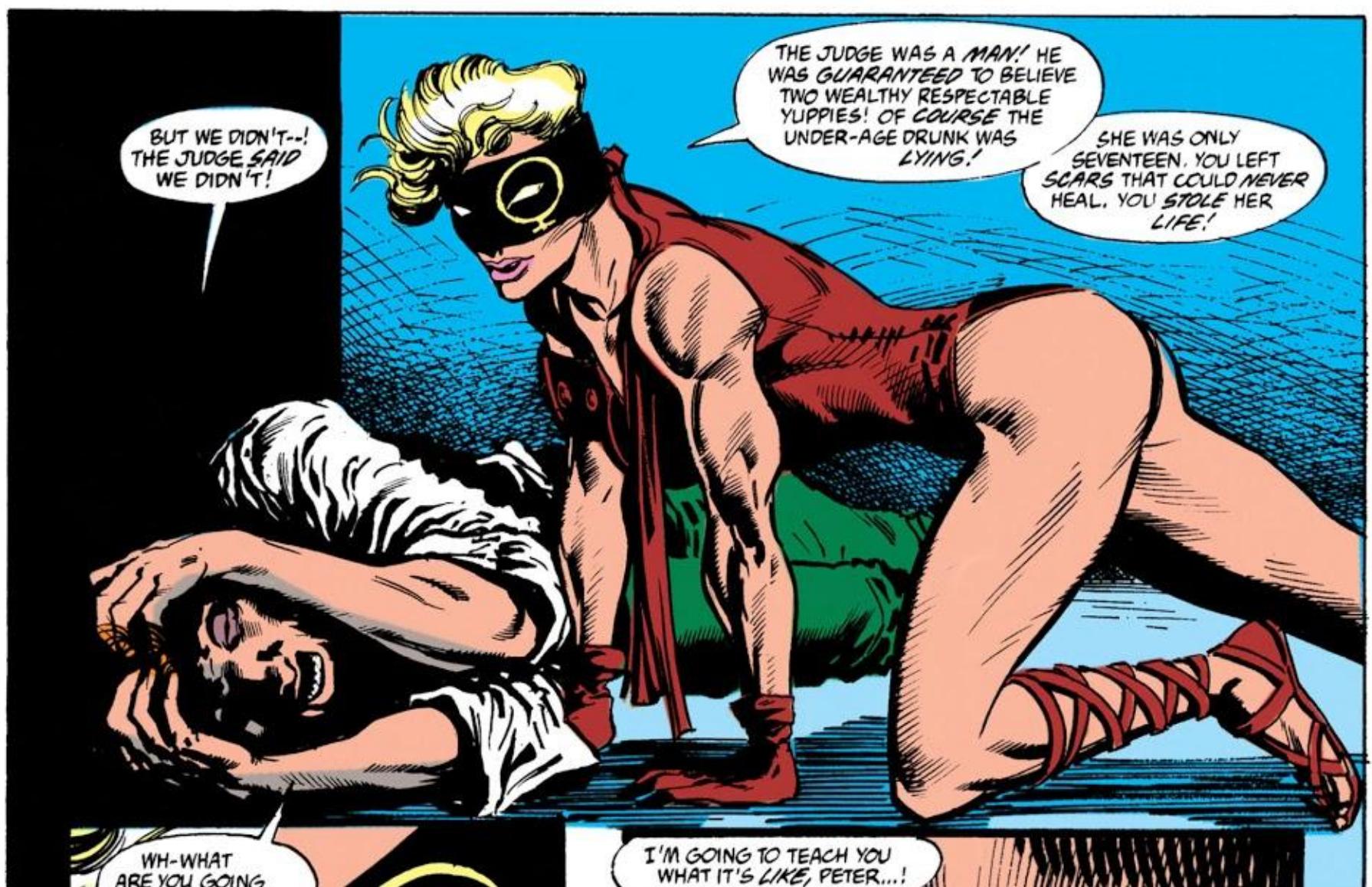
SORRY,  
BATMAN. I JUST  
CHECKED WITH  
THE HOSPITAL.

ONLY GUY BUICK'S  
TALKING TO TILL  
MORNING IS THE  
SANDMAN. HE'S  
UNDER SEDATION!

AND NOW YOU SAY  
THIS PETER  
LANGAN'S BEEN  
KIDNAPPED...?







I'M SORRY, MRS. MERCER. I  
DON'T MEAN TO OPEN UP  
OLD WOUNDS...

THEY NEVER  
HEALED! THOSE BRUTES  
RUINED OUR DAUGHTER--  
OUR WHOLE FAMILY!

THEY WALKED OFF  
SCOT-FREE--BUT WE'VE  
HAD TO LIVE WITH IT EVER  
SINCE! ALL OF US!

DO YOU KNOW--AFTERWARDS,  
SHE COULDN'T EVEN STAND TO  
BE NEAR ARTHUR--

HER OWN  
FATHER....!

IT'S... IMPORTANT  
THAT I FIND SONDRA.  
DO YOU KNOW WHERE...?

IS THIS  
SOME KIND  
OF BAD  
JOKE?

SONDRA  
COMMITTED SUICIDE  
A WEEK AFTER  
THE TRIAL!





HORRIBLE, ISN'T IT,  
PETER, BEING COMPLETELY  
POWERLESS? ESPECIALLY  
WHEN YOU KNOW HOW  
MUCH IT'S GOING TO  
HURT--

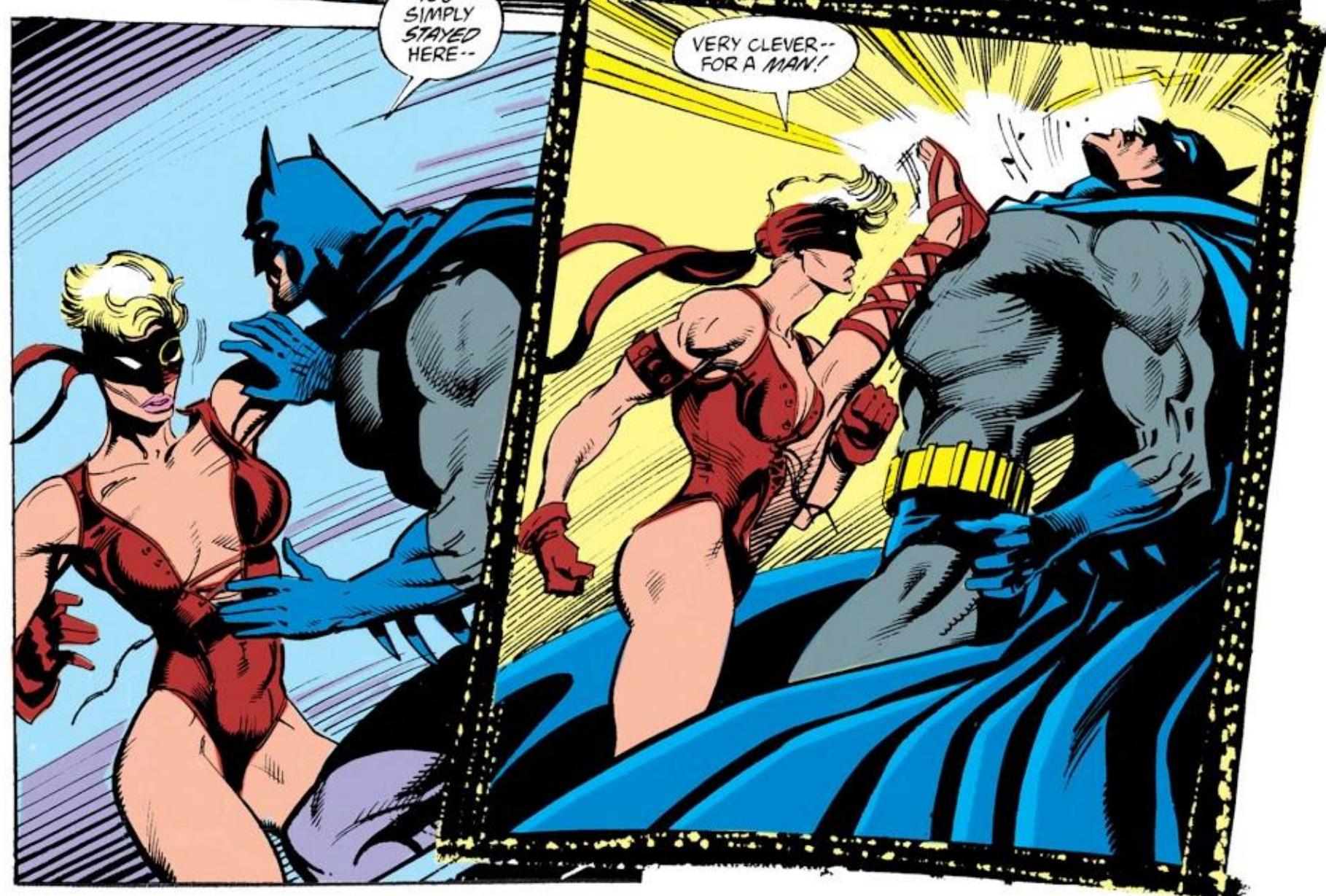
WHAT--?

THAT'S  
ENOUGH!

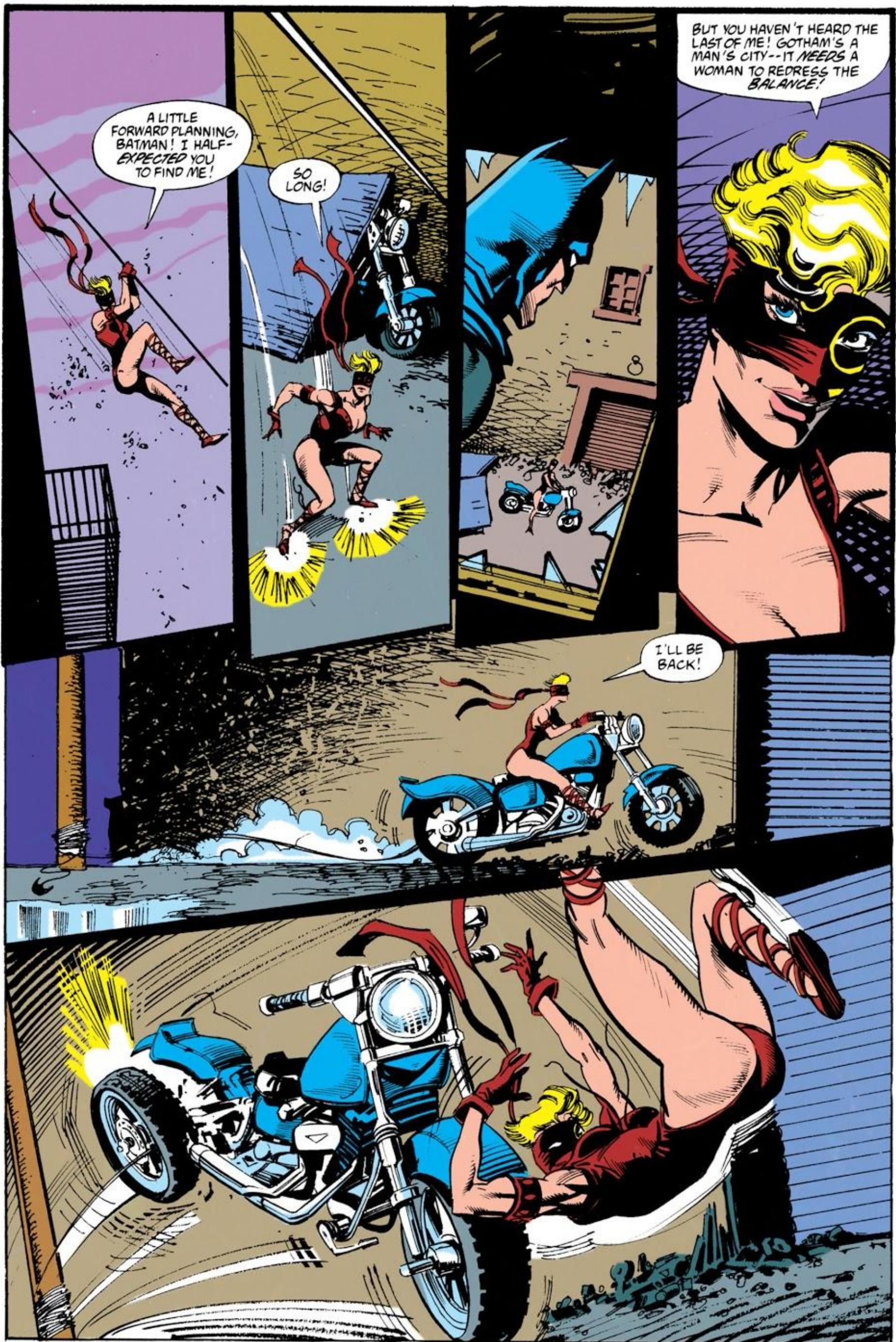
STAY WHERE YOU  
ARE! I'M WARNING  
YOU--I'LL KILL  
HIM!

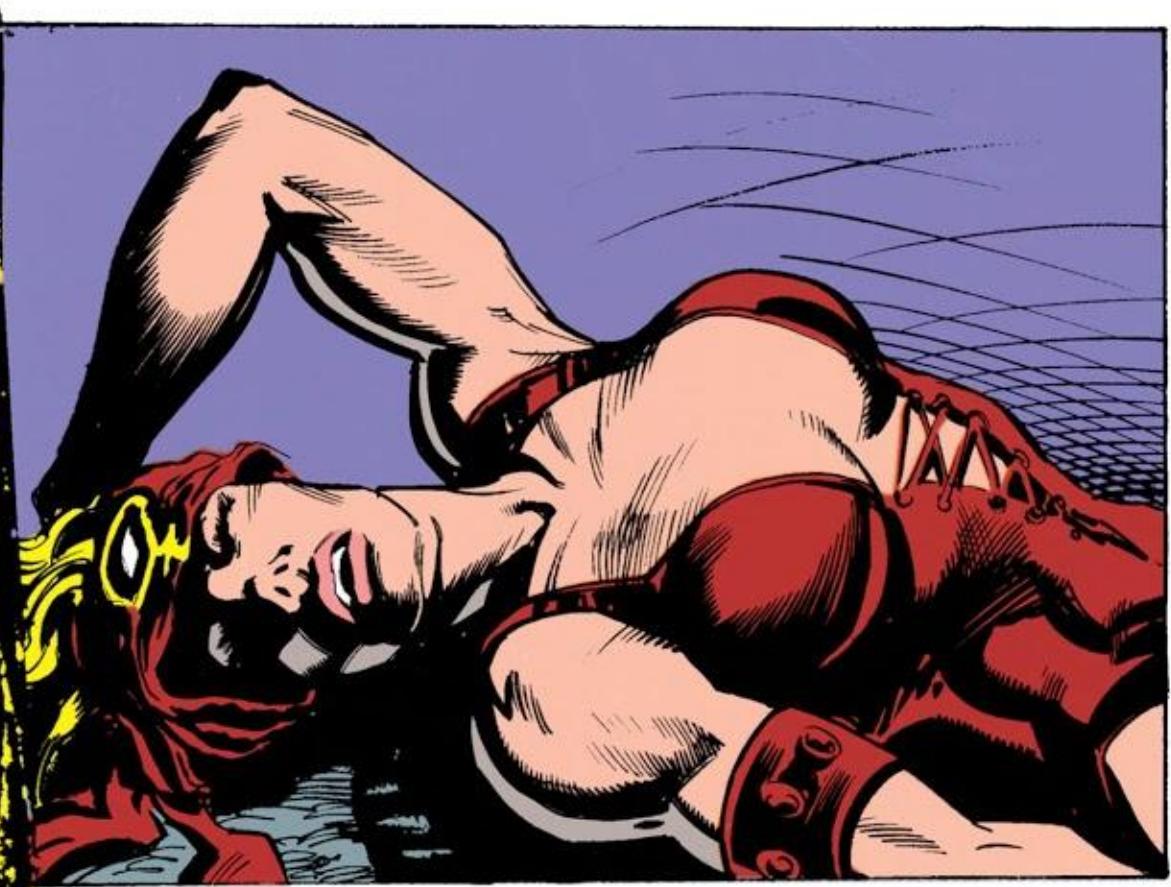
I DON'T  
THINK SO.

I KNOW HOW!  
I SPENT A LONG  
TIME TEACHING  
MYSELF! PRACTICING  
COMBAT MOVES--











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