



VENOM **ATTACKS!**

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

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THE V-MAN'S TARGETS: RICHARD
AND MARY PARKER!



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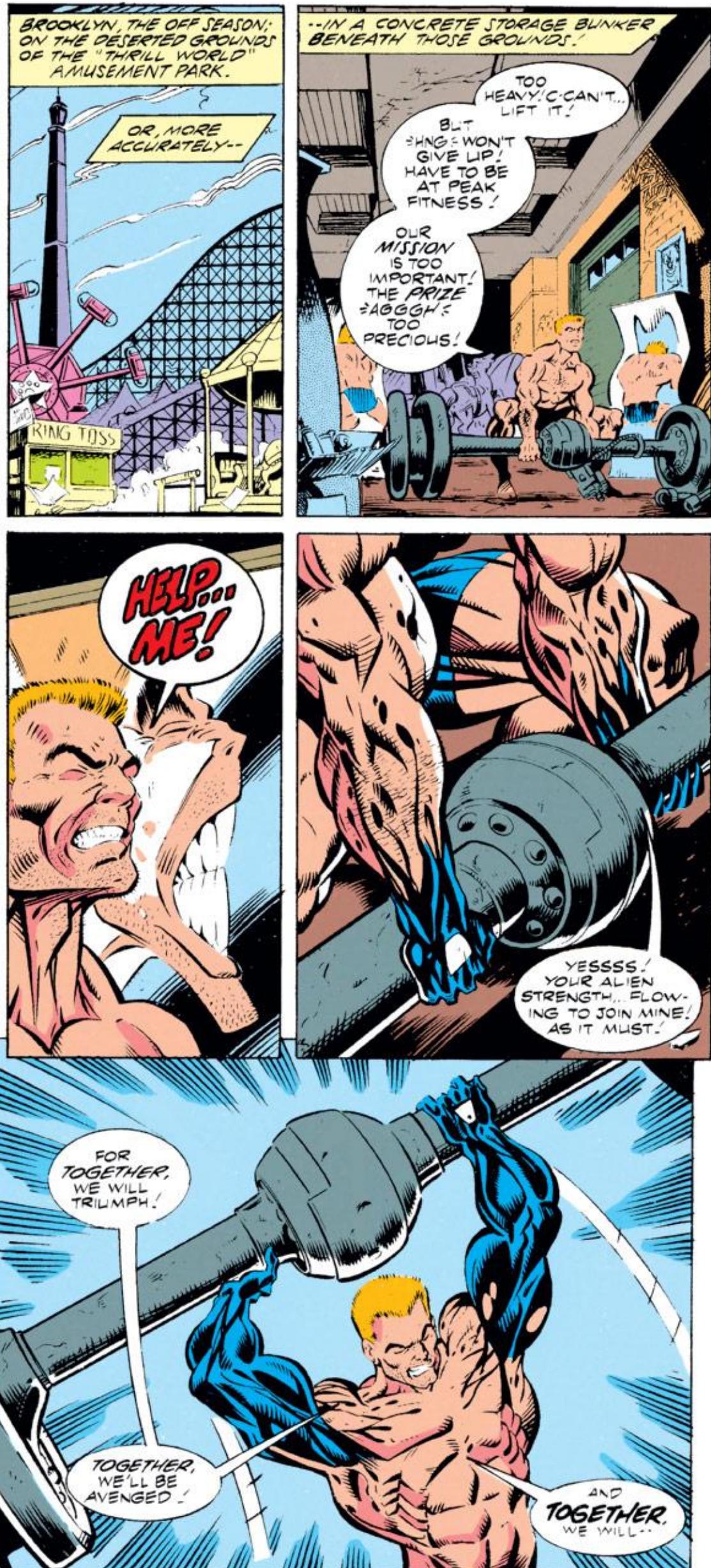
BITTEN BY A RADIATIVE SPIDER, STUDENT PETER PARKER GAINED THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH AND AGILITY OF AN ARACHNIID! ARMED WITH HIS WONDROUS WEB-SHOOTERS, THE RELUCTANT SUPER HERO STRUGGLES WITH SINISTER SUPER-VILLAINS. MAKING ENDS MEET, AND MAINTAINING SOME SEMBLANCE OF A NORMAL LIFE!

STAN LEE PRESENTS . . .

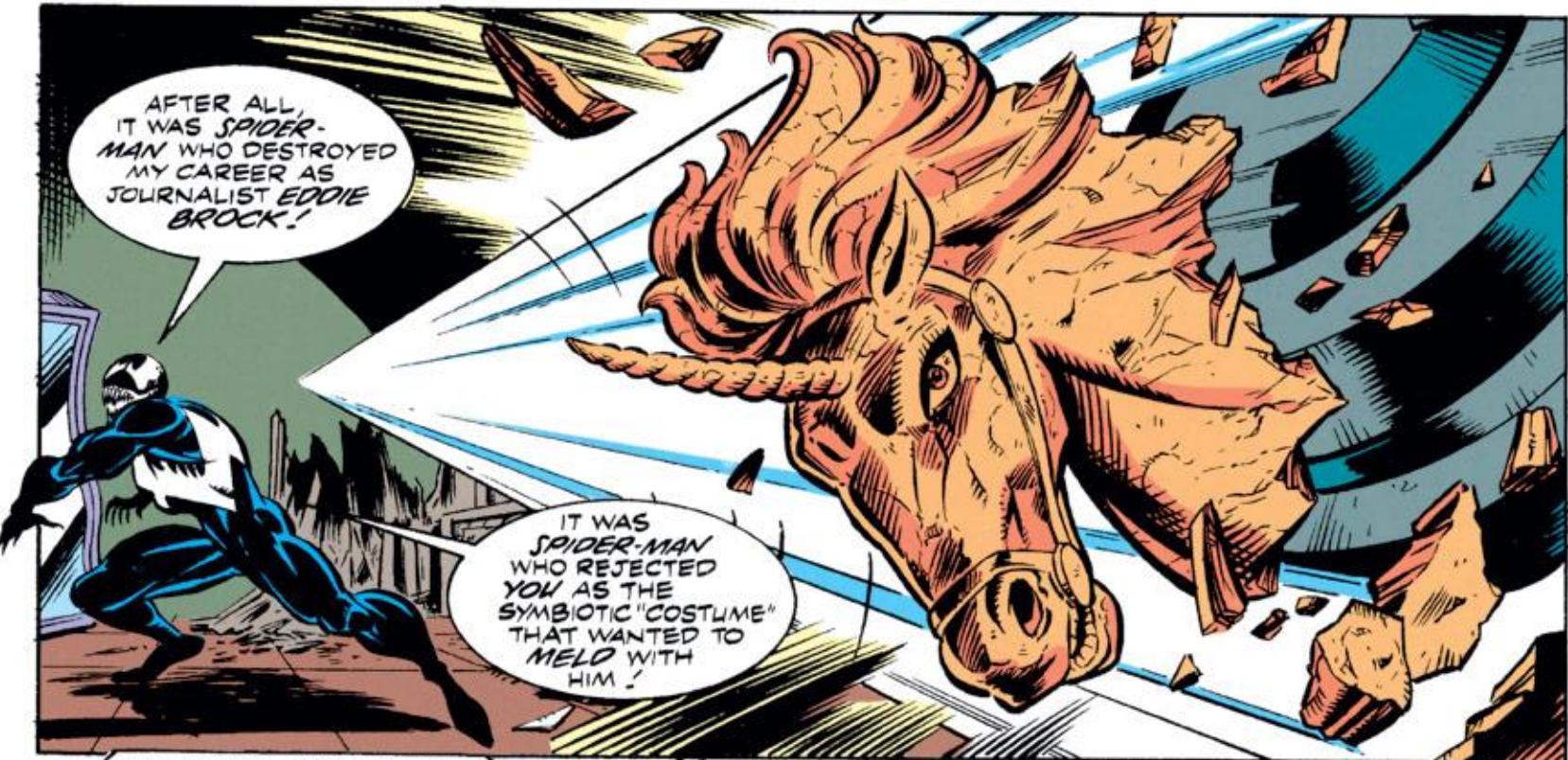
**THE AMAZING
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MURDER ON PARADE

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IT WAS
SPIDER-MAN
WHO REJECTED
YOU AS THE
SYMBIOTIC "COSTUME"
THAT WANTED TO
MELD WITH
HIM!

AND IT WAS HATRED FOR
SPIDER-MAN THAT BROUGHT
US TOGETHER AS VENOM!
HOW SHALL WE THANK
THE WEB-SLINGER?

PERHAPS
WE COULD
KISS HIS STILL-
BEATING
HEART--

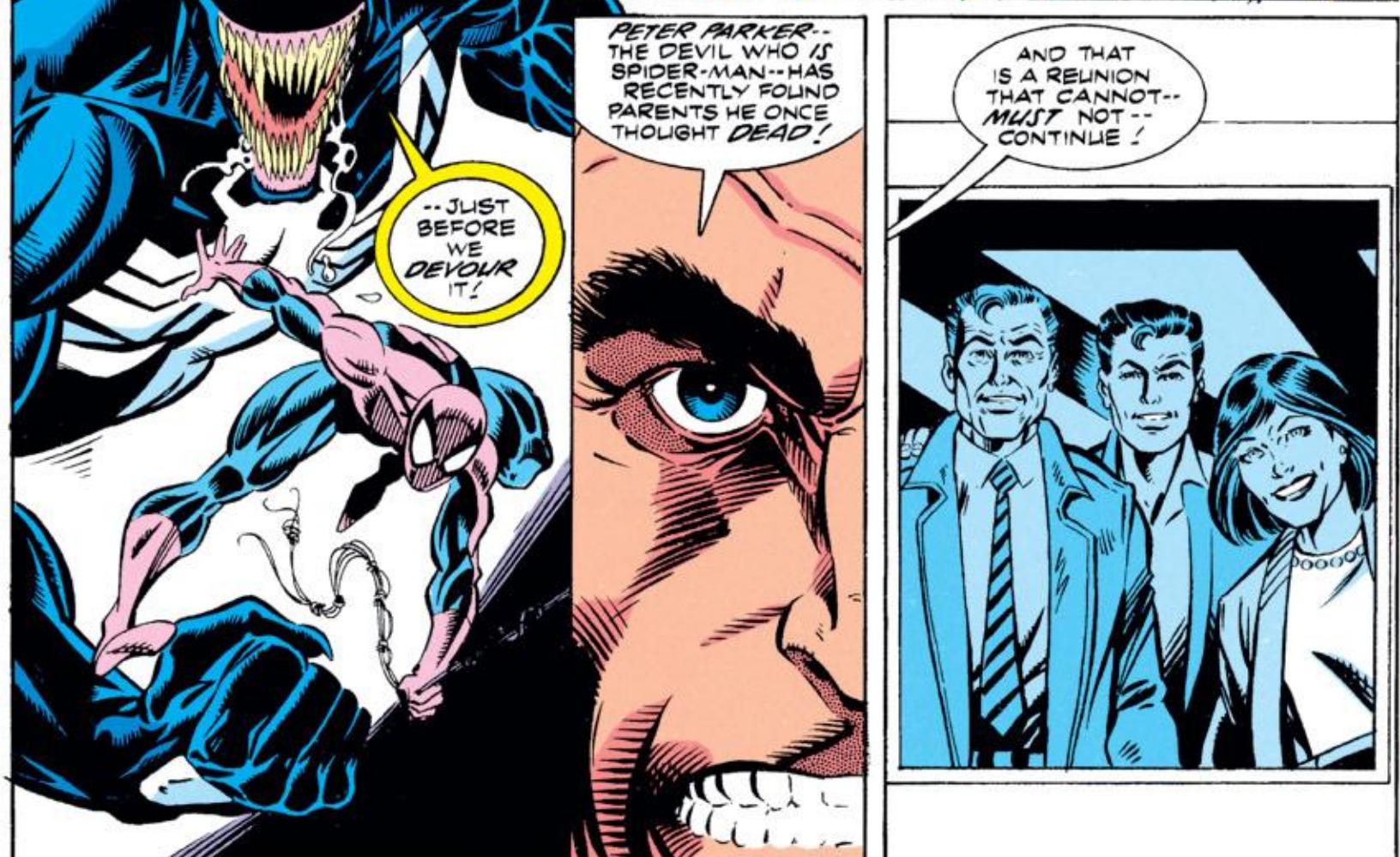
BUT... THERE'S
SOMETHING
ELSE NOW.

THE STARTLING REVELATION
THAT GAVE US CAUSE TO
ESCAPE OUR RECENT
CONFINEMENT! *

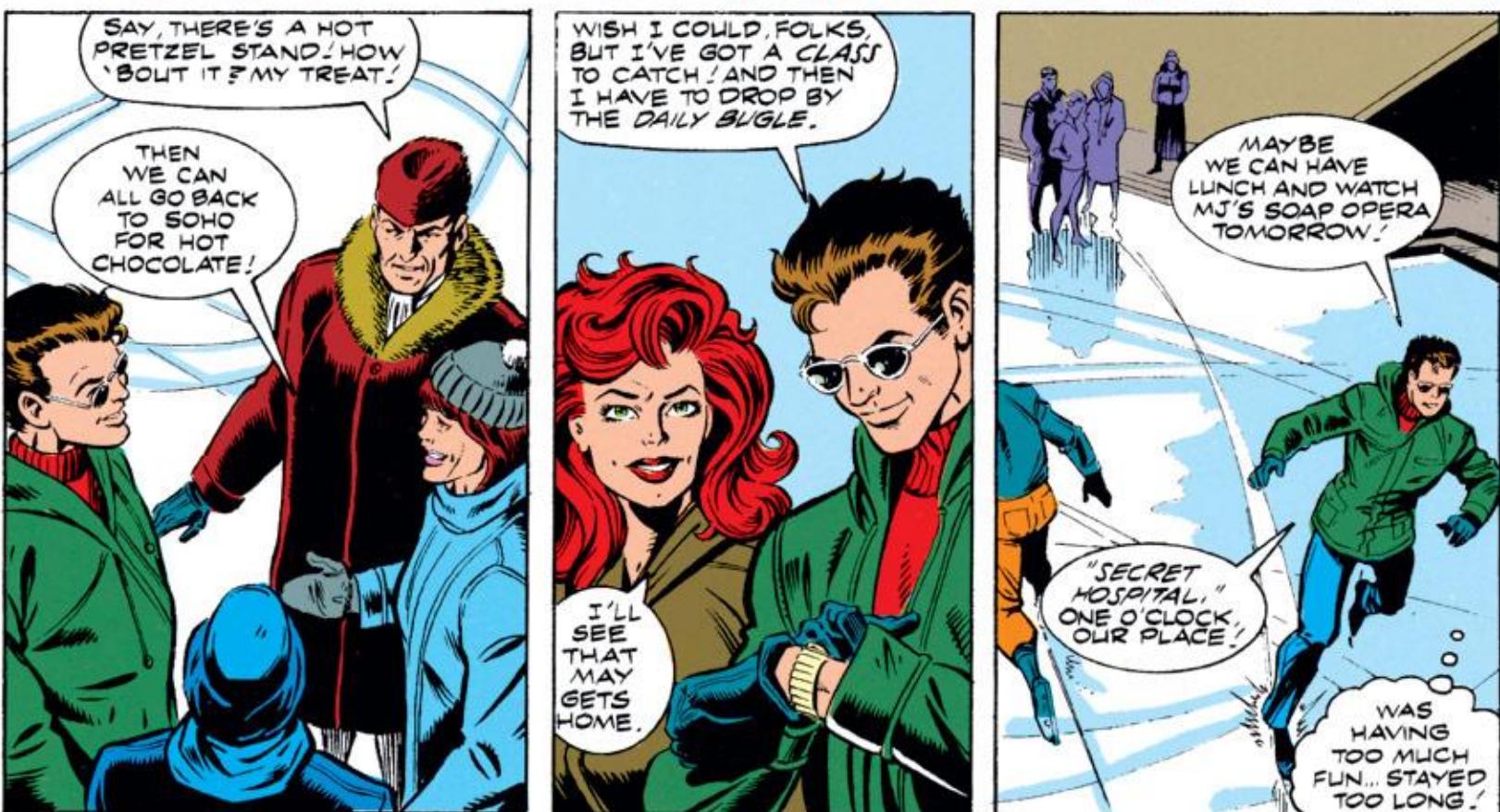


PETER PARKER--
THE DEVIL WHO IS
SPIDER-MAN--HAS
RECENTLY FOUND
PARENTS HE ONCE
THOUGHT DEAD!

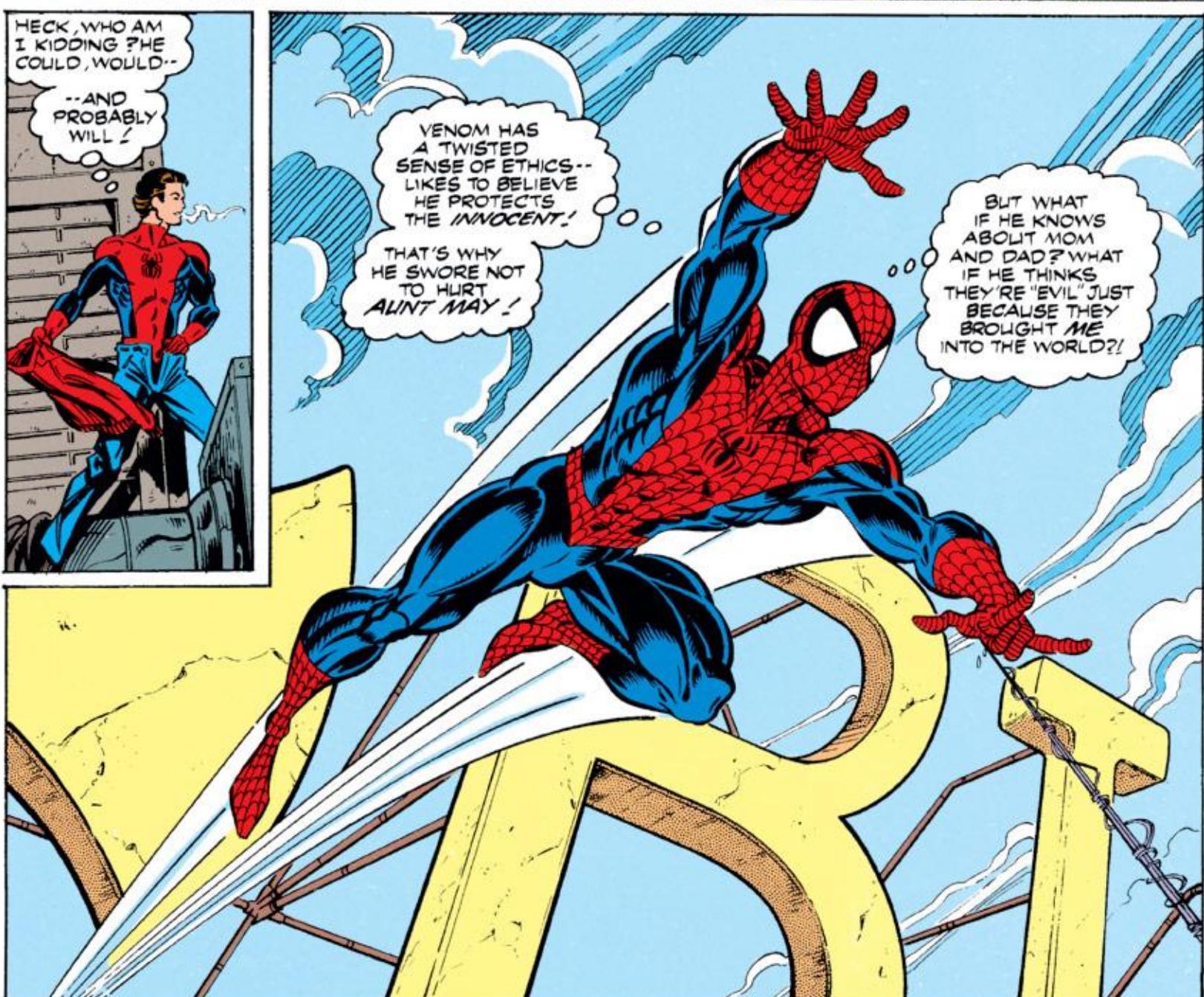
AND THAT
IS A REUNION
THAT CANNOT--
MUST NOT--
CONTINUE!





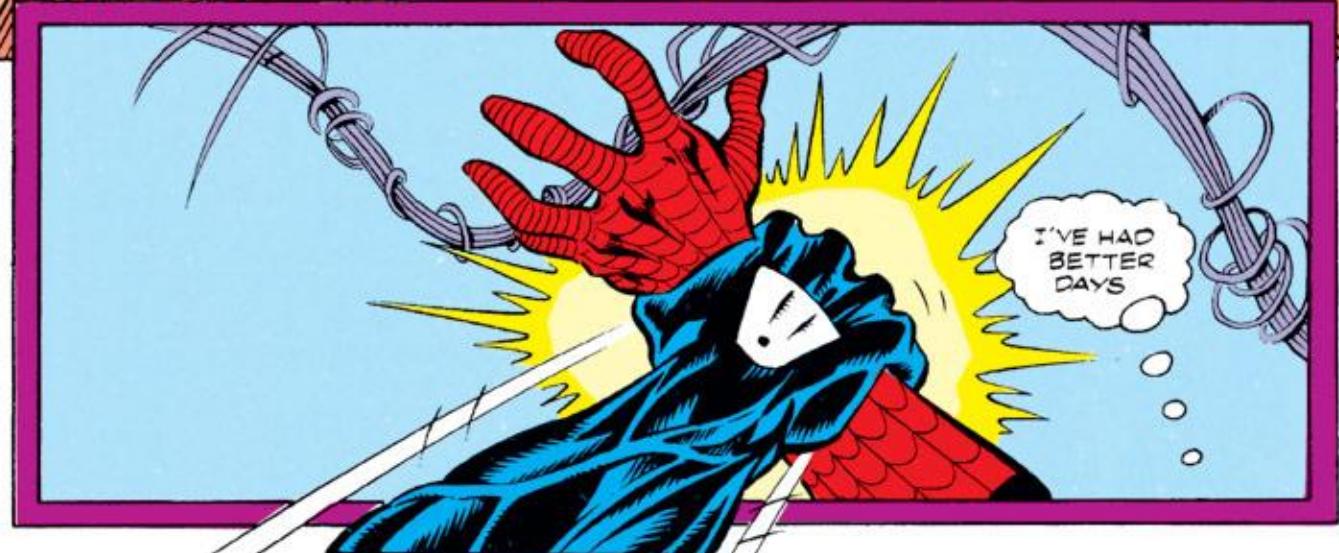


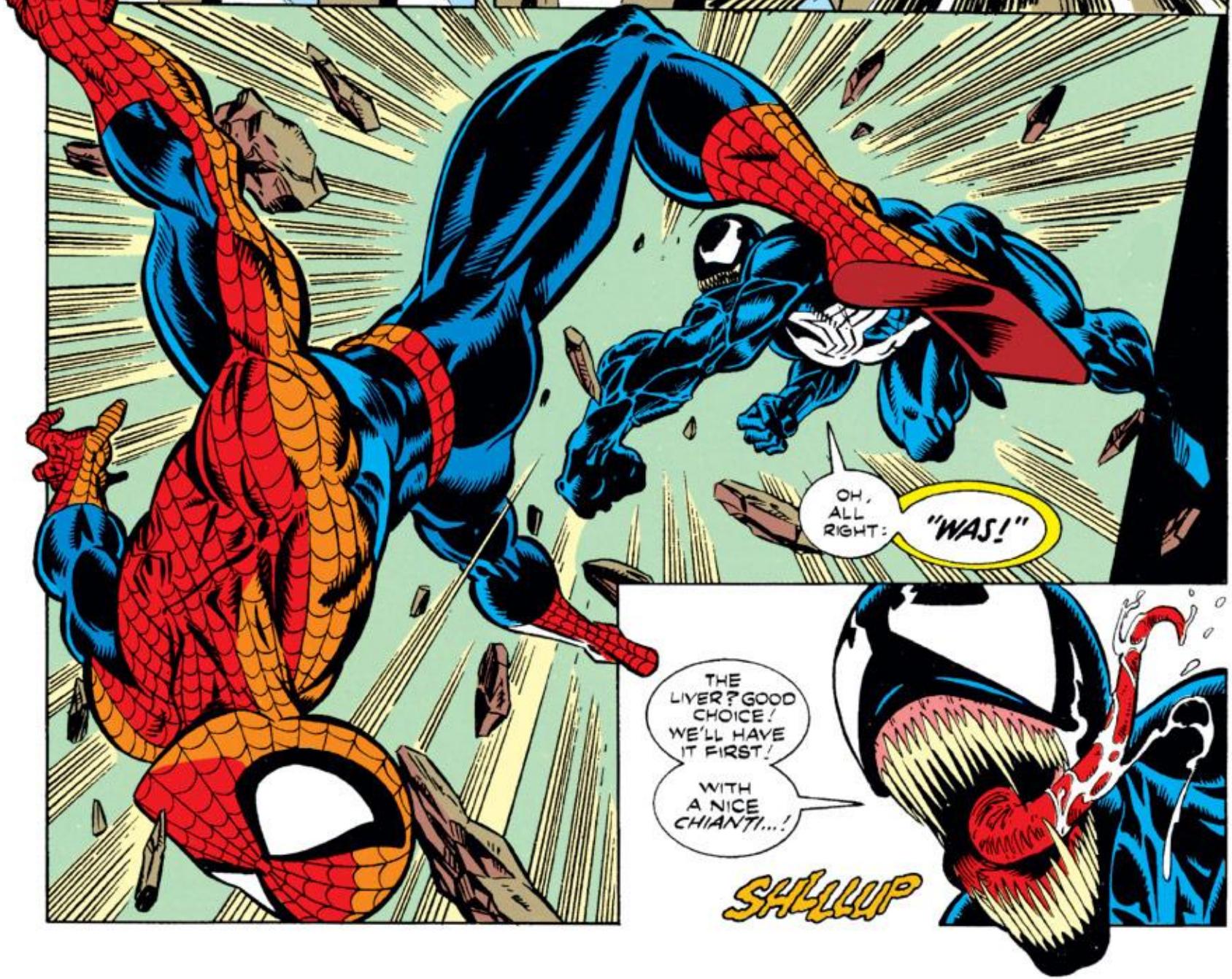
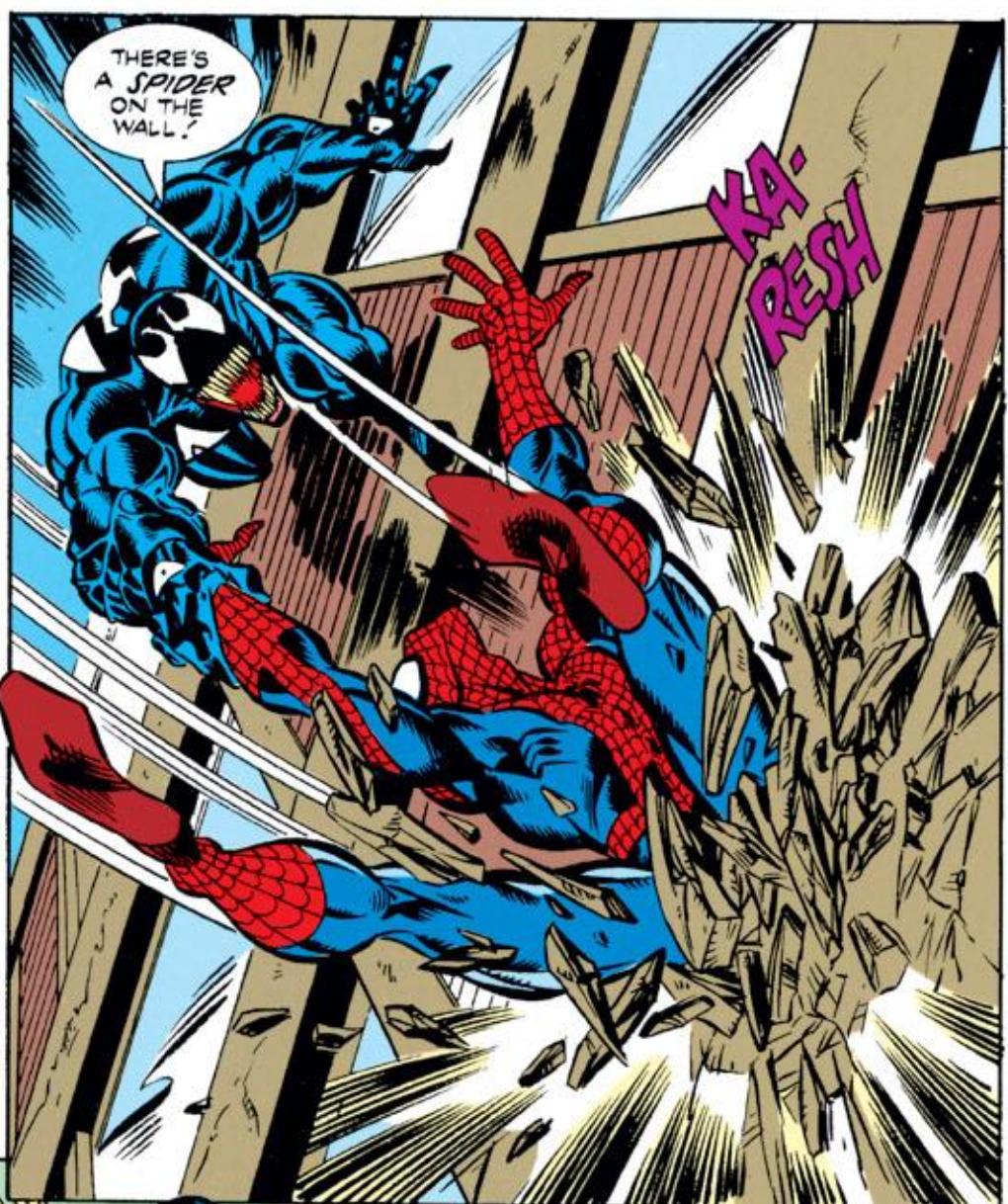




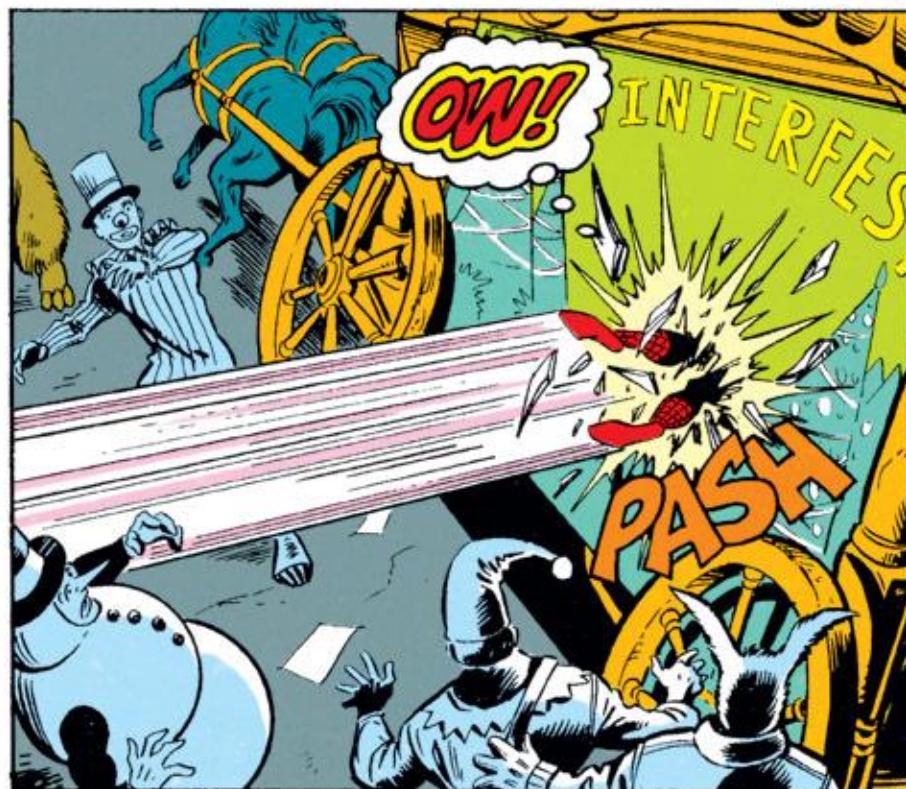
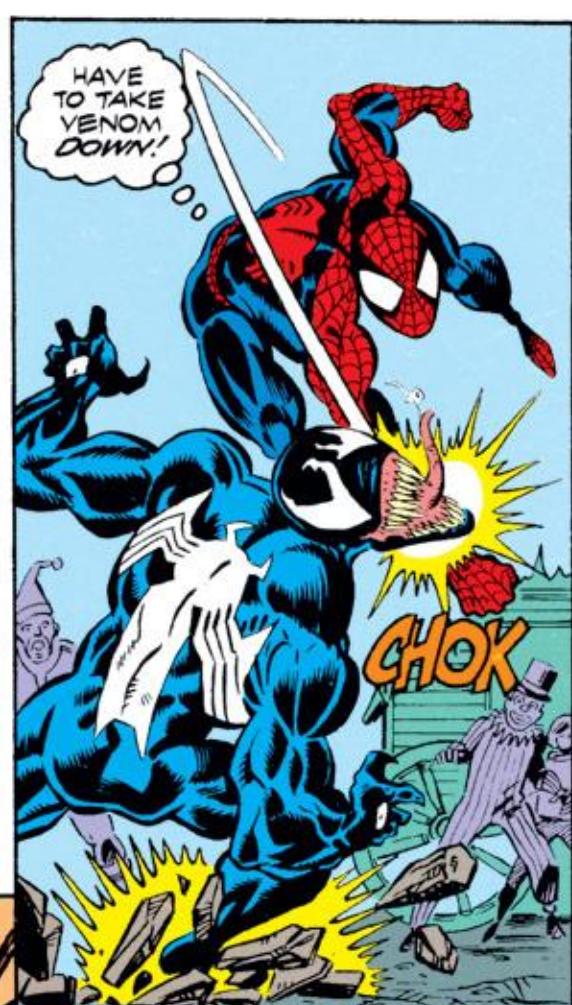
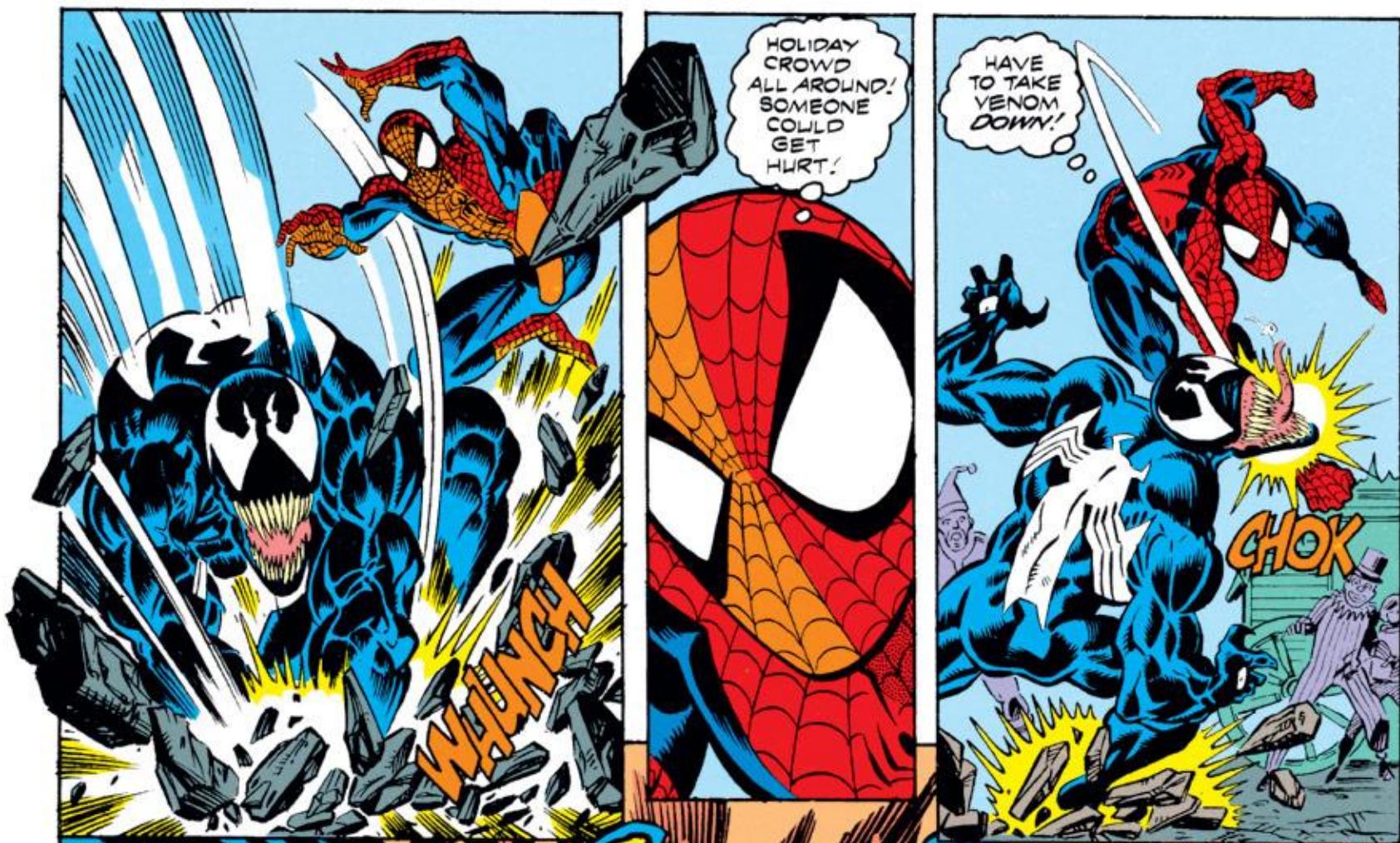


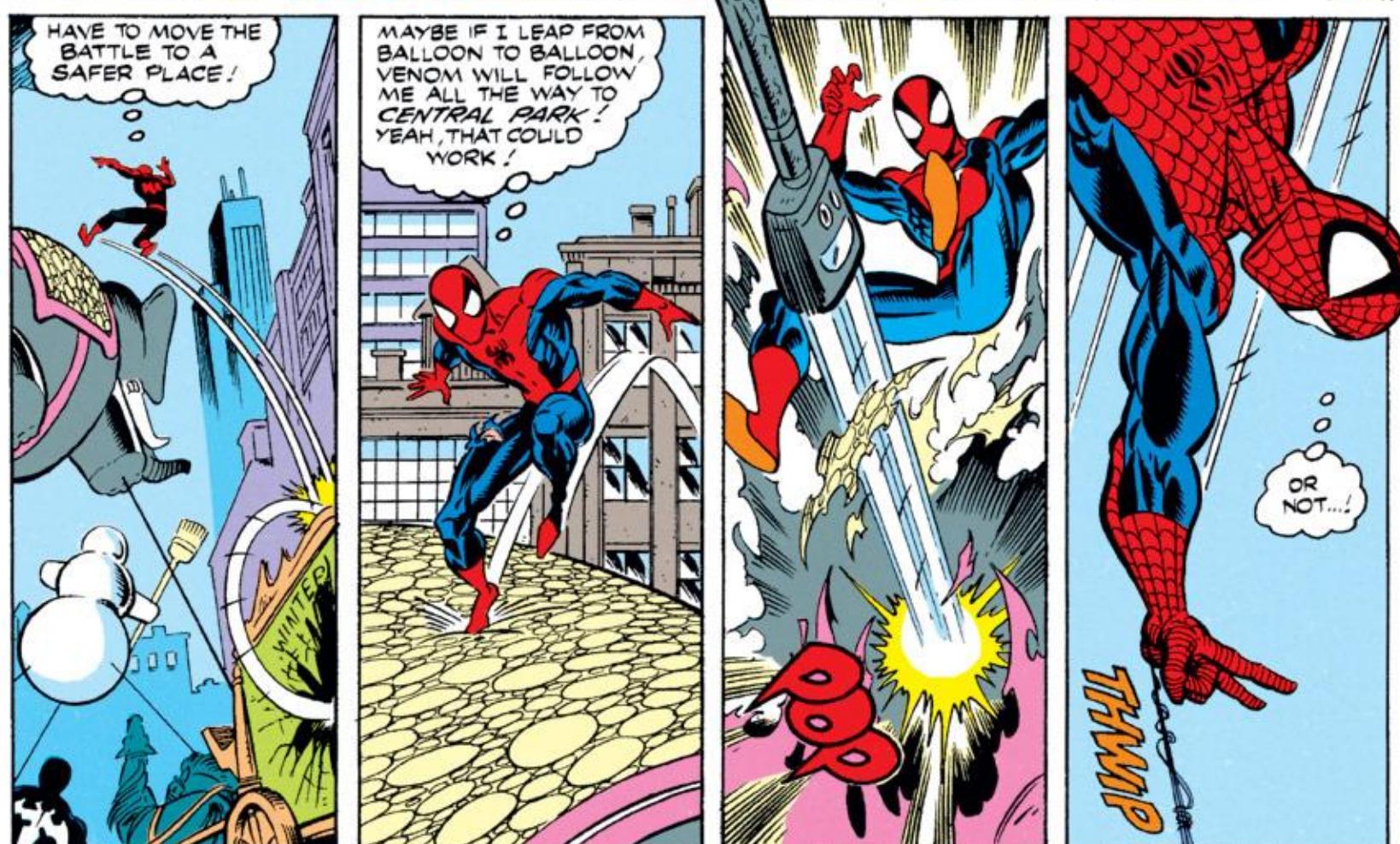
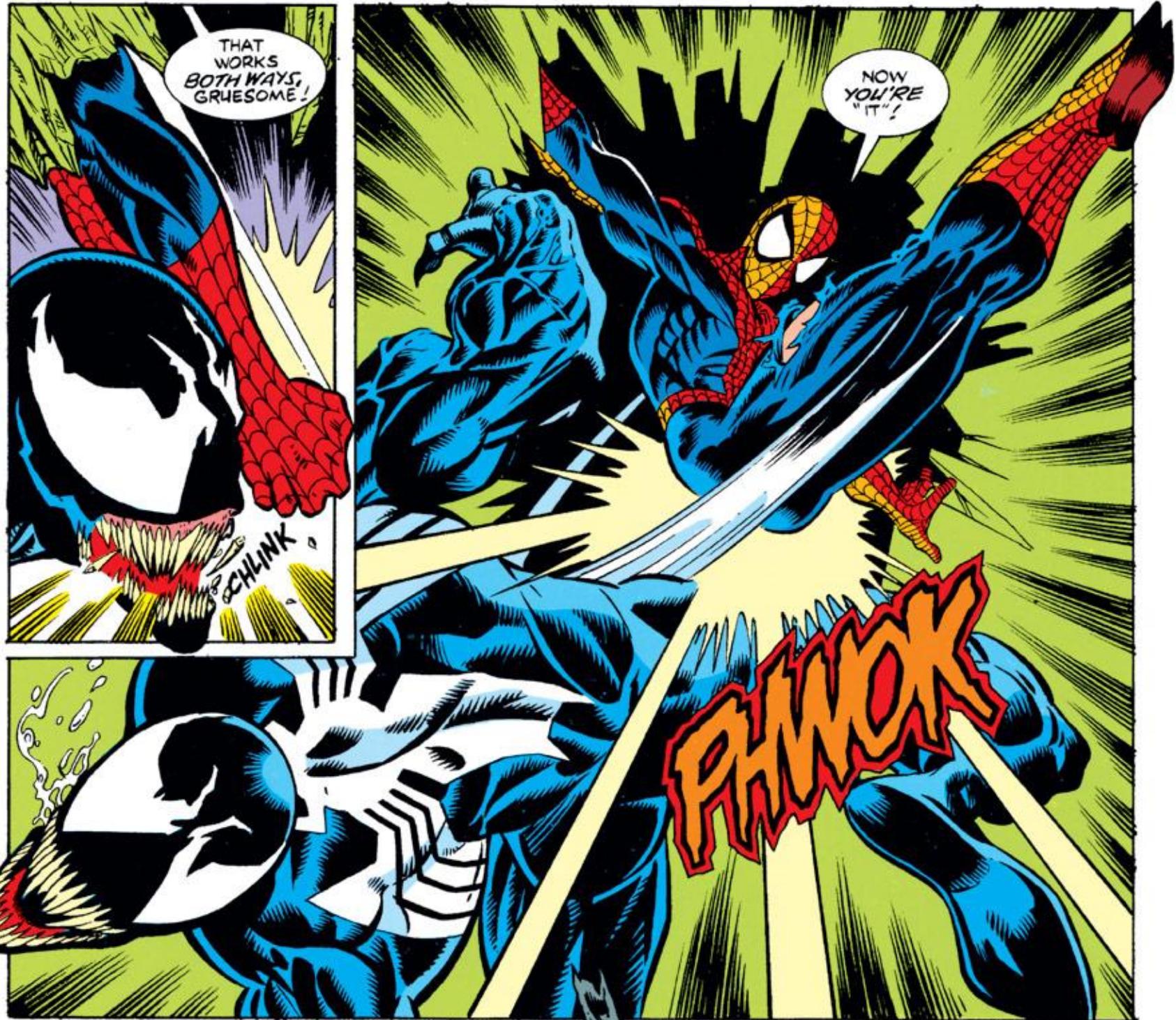




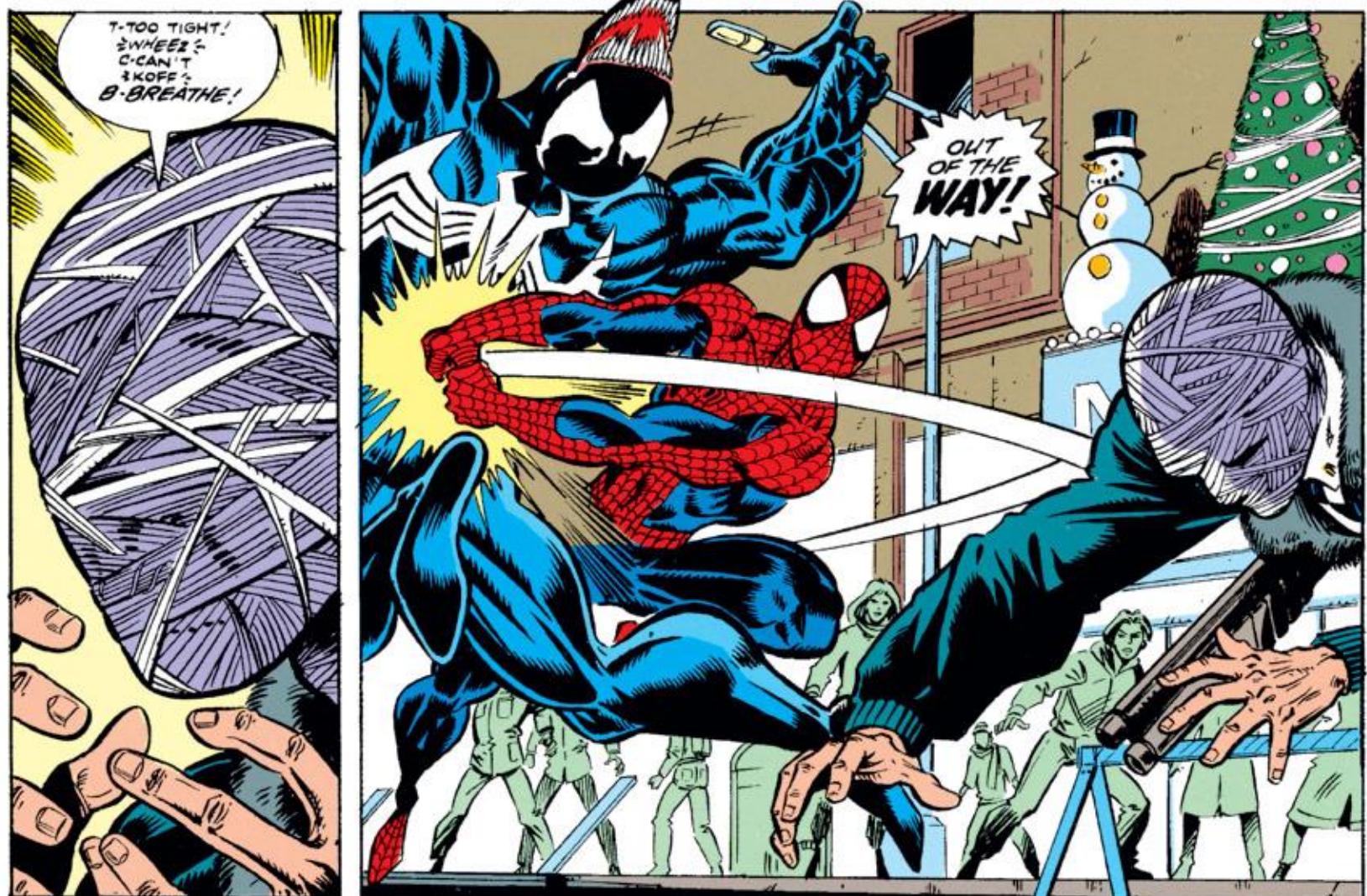
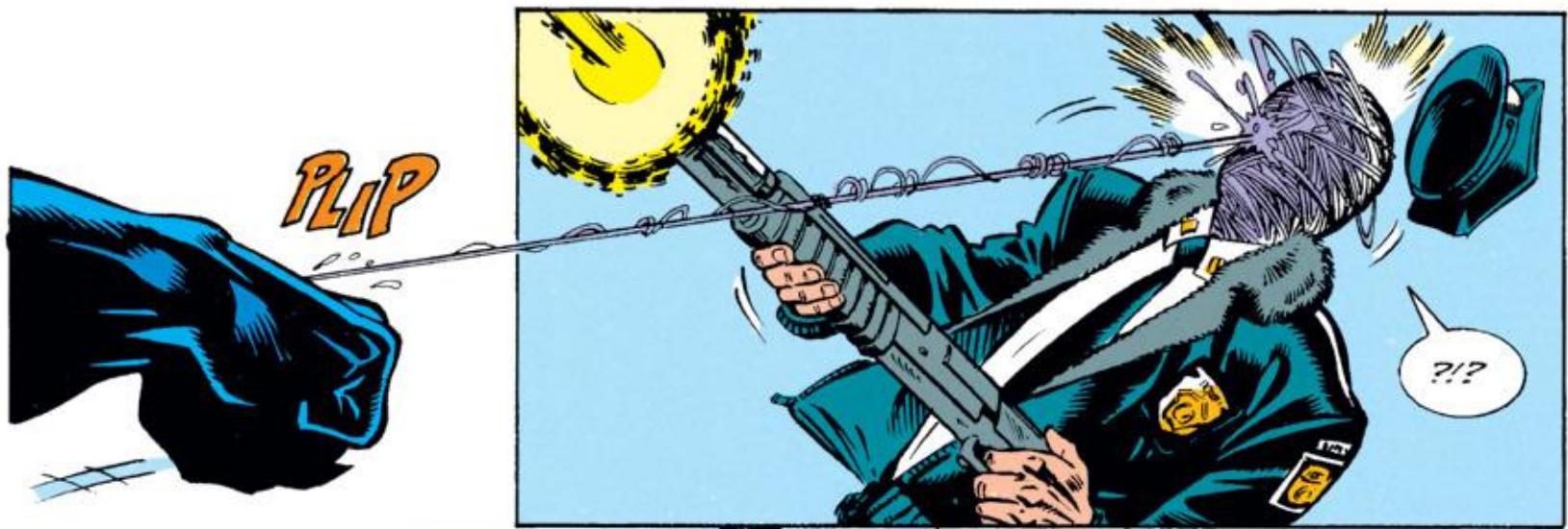


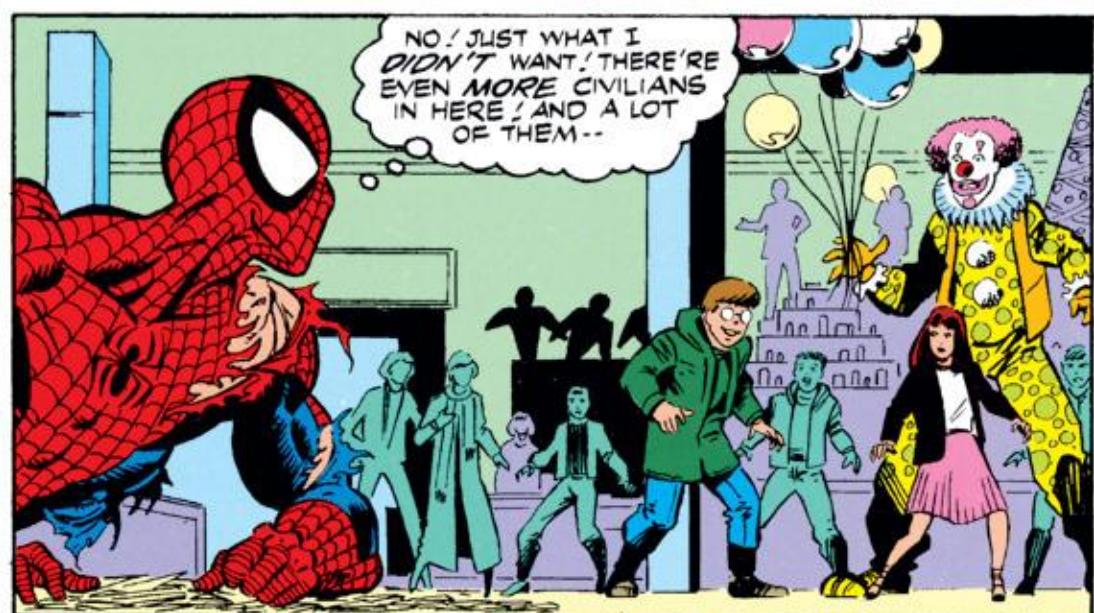




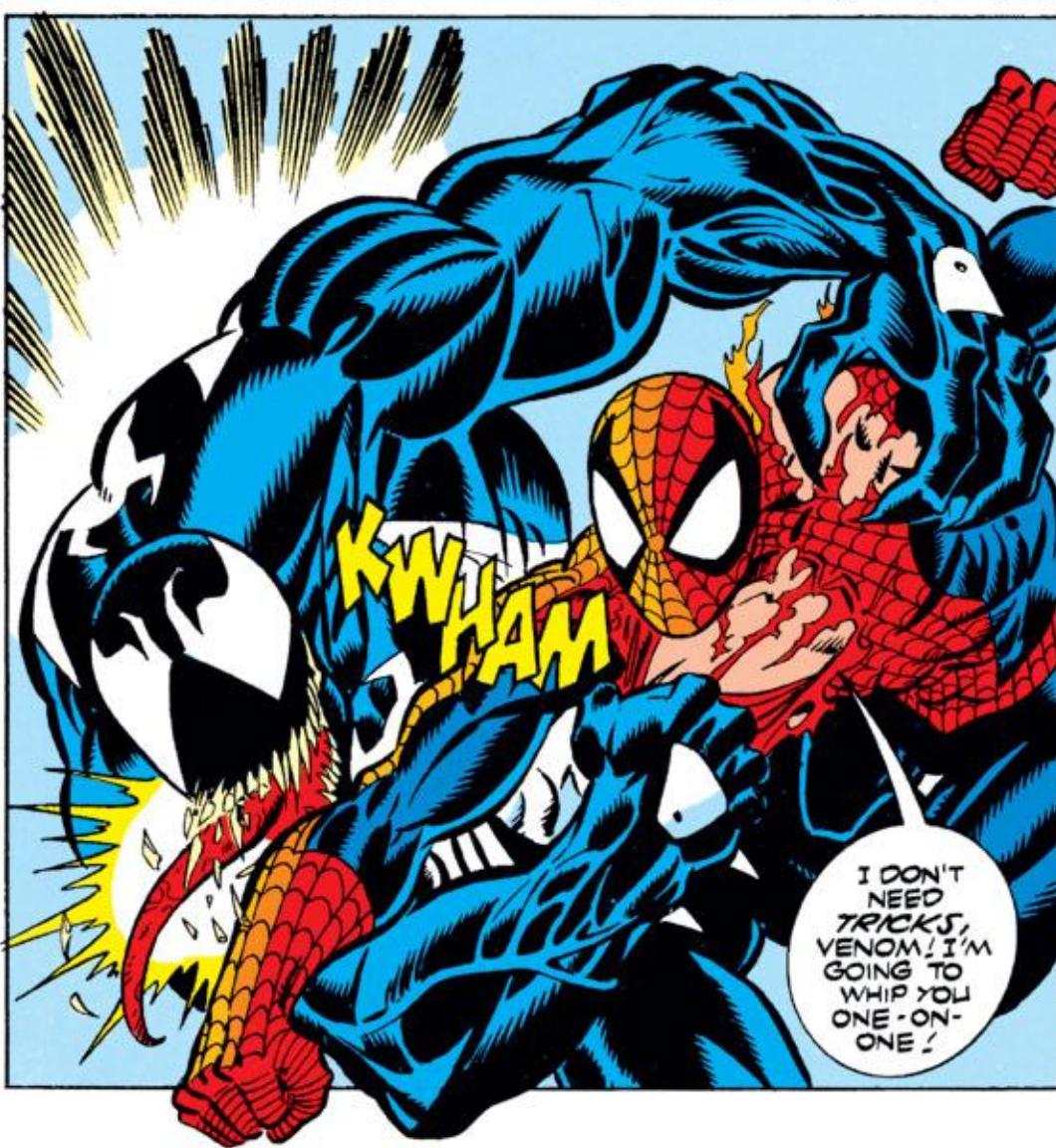


















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VENOM REVEALS
WHAT HE REALLY
WANTS--AND IT'S
NOT WHAT YOU
THINK! DON'T
MISS THE SPECIAL
GIANT-SIZED
CONCLUSION
(PLUS SPECIAL
FEATURES AND
A VERY SPECIAL
COVER) ON SALE
IN THIRTY DAYS!

THE SPIDER'S WEB

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Attention correspondents: All letters considered for publication must include your name and address, though we will withhold that information upon request.

Dear Editor of the Spider-Books,

I thought issue #366 was particularly interesting because the reappearance of Peter's parents caused more problems than it solved. It's exciting that serious problems are arising between Pete and MJ. I think it would be doing faithful readers a disservice by giving them a perfect, no-problem marriage. Of course, you can't divorce them. After all, they're the couple of the century!

On another note, I have a suggestion. I think the Spider-Books should have fewer team-ups. Since MARVEL TEAM-UP ended, team-ups have spread into Spidey's other books and now it's almost a given, especially in the bi-weeklies and annuals. It's not that I dislike team-ups, but since Spidey is generally a solo hero, team-ups in his book should be kept to a minimum. To satisfy other readers' desires to see Spidey paired off with their favorite heroes, maybe you could make him an active Avenger or something.

But no matter what, Spidey will always be my favorite character. Long live Spidey, and long live Marvel! Peace.

Chris Currie
(Address withheld by request)

Well, Chris, we've gone the route of Spider-Man in the Avengers before, but it never seems to pan out. As you mentioned, Spidey is not much of a team player. The reason we canceled MARVEL TEAM-UP was because we didn't want to force Spider-Man into team-ups every month. Maybe it was the wrong decision. What do the rest of you folks think?

Dear Spider-Crew,

I recently got my copy of ASM #366. As usual, I loved it. Ever since issue #363, I've been waiting to see Peter's reaction to his parents.

I'm glad you brought in Solo instead of the Punisher or someone else. We don't see enough of Solo. I also want to congratulate David, Jerry and Randy on a great issue. The anniversary issue was great too!

Finally, I'd like to say I've been collecting comics for about two years now and Spidey's been my favorite all that time.

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Thanks, Jonathan. Spidey's been our favorite for a while, too.

Dear Mr. Michelinie,

I'm writing to you in regards to issue #366. I like to see comics dealing with real things like meeting parents you've never met before. I'm 18 years old now and in the last year and a half I have only begun to know my father who I had not known for most of my life.

Peter's reaction is very believable, especially on page 14. I felt the same way. I just hope Peter realized that you get only one set of parents and to make the best of it. I think Mr. Michelinie is the best Spider-Writer and with stuff like this you prove your greatness even more! So until Aunt May opens for Metallica, make mine Marvel!

David Clark
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Sound piece of advice, David. Let's hope Peter learns it before it's too late!

Dear Amazing Marvel Men,

One question about the cover to ASM #366: Which half is the Red Skull? They both look like him, though the left looks like the Thing blushing. And what the heck is Taskmaster doing on the scene? And about Peter's parents — I'll wager they are cellular regenerations, like Gwen Stacy was in AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #144-149. Well, until the Red Skull gets some skin on his face, make mine Marvel.

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Ah, you obviously haven't been paying attention to events in CAPTAIN AMERICA, Brandon. If so, then you'd have realized that the Taskmaster has hooked up with the Red Skull for the time being. And, hey, Tasky was in the story. Also, the left side of the cover to ASM #366 represents the Red Skull as he looked at the time of the supposed "death" of Peter's parents — when he wore a mask. The right half represents the Skull as he looks today — the red face is actually his own skin!

Dear Amazing Friends,

I read AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #366 and I like the idea of Peter's parents being back in his life. If they are impostors, that would be too shattering for Peter and Aunt May and your readers, such as me. The fingerprints seemed to confirm their identities — and changing fingerprints is going too far where science is concerned, like it was with those clones of Gwen Stacy, Professor Miles Warren, and his assistant. That clone idea was corrected a few years back.

What about information on Peter's mother? What was her maiden name? How did she and Richard meet? Didn't she have any relatives?

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Bonnie, we're going to explore Peter's relationship with his parents to the fullest, so don't miss a single upcoming issue!

Dear ASM,

So, another anniversary has come and gone with a bang, eh? One problem — how can the next anniversary top this?

Having said that, issues #366-367 were a little below standard. There seemed to be too much action crammed in, leaving little room for plot development. The assassination attempt was pointless and confusing, and Solo had no reason to be in the story either. Also, Spidey never fought or even met the Red Skull, despite some heavy hints.

The story wasn't a total waste. The (partial) truth about Pete's parents was surprising — I thought they would turn out to be clones created by the Skull. I'm glad that the mystery was not completely cleared up in two issues, as that would have dissolved the suspense.

Taskmaster's three stooges look promising. Spidey must have cornered the market in "evil versions" of himself, with Venom, Carnage, Miles Warren's clone, the Infinity War

doppelganger and now Blood Spider.

Mary Jane's characterization seems to be growing in recent stories, which is good. Keep it up, Mr. Michelinie.

Hopefully, the upcoming bi-weeklies will slow the pace slightly, allowing plenty of action without overriding the storyline. "Invasion of the Spider-Slayers" sounds good.

A few questions, then I'm outta here.

- 1) Will Spidey ever meet Spider-Man 2099 in a time-travel story?
- 2) What ever happened to the false clone of Gwen Stacy?
- 3) Will Peter be publishing WEBS Vol. 2?
- 4) When will the Enforcers be making a comeback?
- 5) Is Mark Bagley the same person who won the contest in the OFFICIAL MARVEL COMICS TRY-OUT BOOK?

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The answers to your questions, John:

- 1) It's not planned for the immediate future — or is that immediate past — but you never know!
- 2) Hopefully, she's gone back to continue her studies, which were so rudely interrupted.
- 3) Not until WEBS Vol. 1 comes out in paperback.
- 4) Check out upcoming issues of WEB OF SPIDER-MAN for the all-new Enforcers!
- 5) You bet!

NEXT: Another biggie: The giant-sized Thirtieth Anniversary issue of AMAZING. That's right. ASM #365 celebrated thirty years since Spidey's debut in AMAZING FANTASY #15. #375 celebrates thirty years since Spidey got his own series! The final showdown with Venom's in its pages — as well as some terrific back-ups and a holographic metal cover! Do not miss this one! (And don't miss VENOM #1, on sale in two weeks! It's by Michelinie, Bagley and DeLaRosa!)

