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and
**THE CASE of THE
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FASTESt MAN ALIVE!!

BY GARDNER F. FOX AND E. E. HIBBARD

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"I AM SITTING ONE NIGHT IN MY STATE-ROOM, PLAYING CARDS WITH MYSELF, INASMUCH AS I AM CONSIDERED A GREAT CARD-PLAYER, BEING REFERRED TO AS A GAMBLER BY THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW THAT I OFTEN PLAY AN HONEST GAME! —

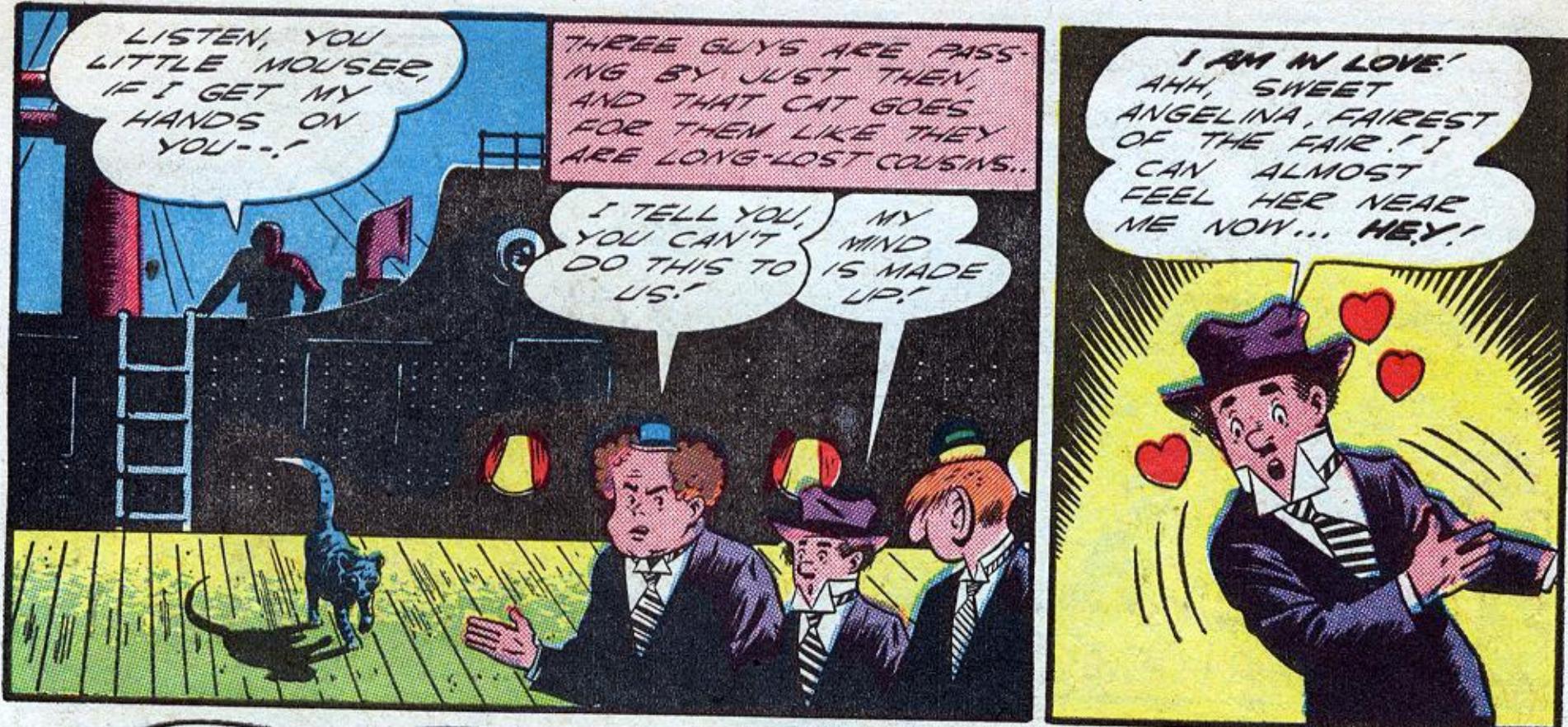
BEHIND ME IS A CAT... NOW ME, I AM NOT ONE WHO CARES A GREAT DEAL FOR CATS... BUT THIS PARTICULAR TABBY IS NOT EXACTLY LIKE OTHER CATS, AS YOU WILL SOON SEE"

CHAPTER
ONE
"THE CAT WALKS!"

"WELL, LIKE I WAS TELLING YOU . . . I AM SITTING THERE PEACEFUL-LIKE, WHEN THIS MOUSE-HOUND OF MINE MAKES A DIVE FOR THE Porthole . . . "

HEY, YOU!
C'MERE!
COME BACK
HERE!



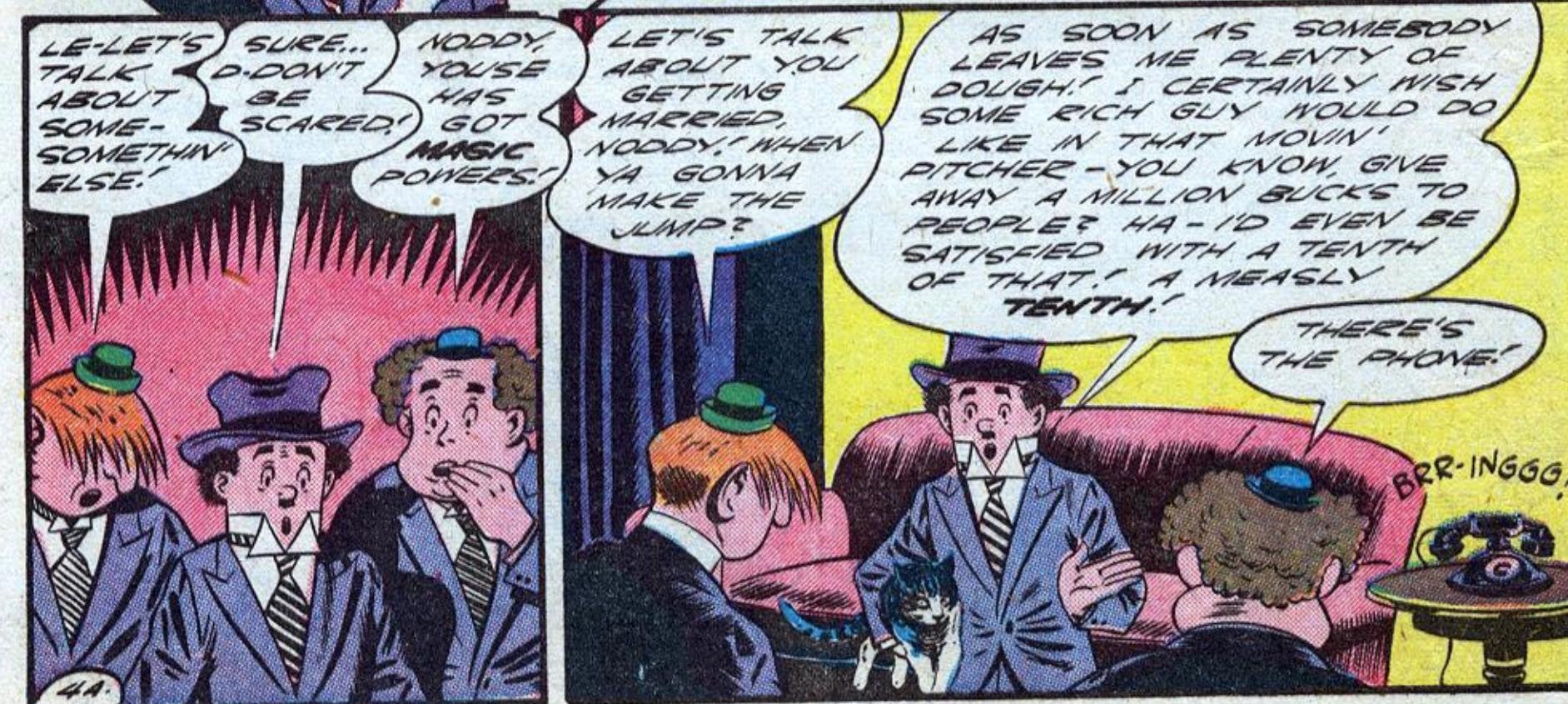
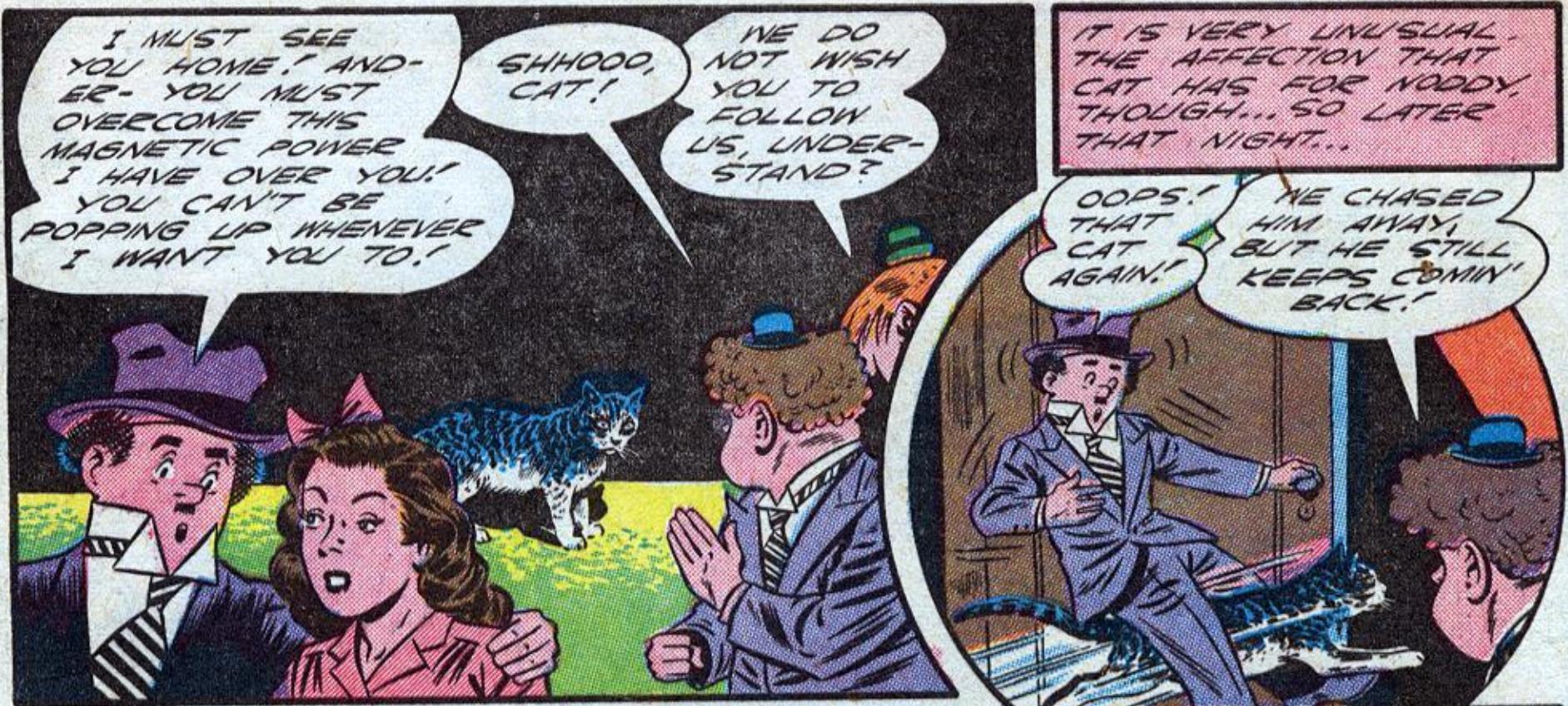


I TELL YOU,
YOU CAN'T
DO THIS TO
US!

MY
MIND
IS MADE
UP!

I AM IN LOVE!
AHH, SWEET
ANGELINA, FAIREST
OF THE FAIR! I
CAN ALMOST
FEEL HER NEAR
ME NOW... HEY!





LIVING IN THE WEALTHY SECTION OF THIS MAN'S TOWN IS OLD MAN GUPHY, WHO IS NOT ONLY A WELL KNOWN WRITER, BUT IS ALSO KNOWN TO BE VERY WELL-HEELED...

IT'S MY THEORY, GARRICK, THAT MONEY IN LARGE AMOUNTS, GIVEN SUDDENLY, WILL RUIN A MAN'S LIFE!

I AGREE WITH YOU!

YOU'VE TREATED IT ALONG THE RIGHT LINES. JUST AS A SMALL BOY IF SUDDENLY GROWN TO SIX FEET IN HEIGHT, WOULD WASTE HIS GREAT STRENGTH BECAUSE HE DIDN'T GET IT GRADUALLY - AND WOULD BE UNUSED TO IT... SO A MAN WITH SUDDEN WEALTH WOULD GO CRAZY TRYING TO LIVE UP TO IT!

AT THAT VERY MINUTE, OLD MAN GUPHY GETS A VERY BAD CASE OF THE WILLIES...

SO-SOMETHING'S HAPPENING TO ME! I FEEL COLD... AND DIZZY!

YOU'VE PROBABLY TAXED YOUR STRENGTH, GETTING THAT BOOK TO PRESS BEFORE THE DEADLINE!

DADDY, DADDY!

HE'S JUST TIRED, I THINK, JOAN!

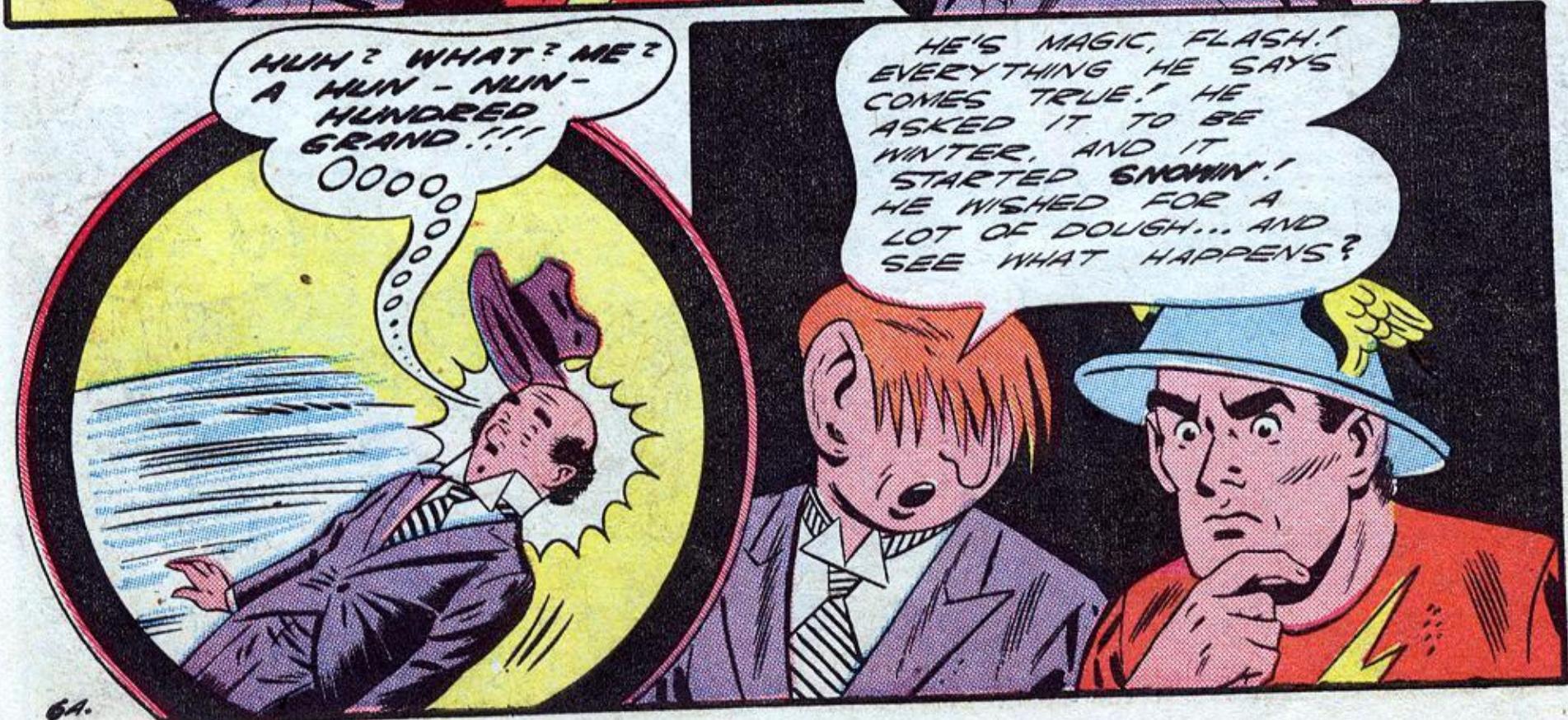
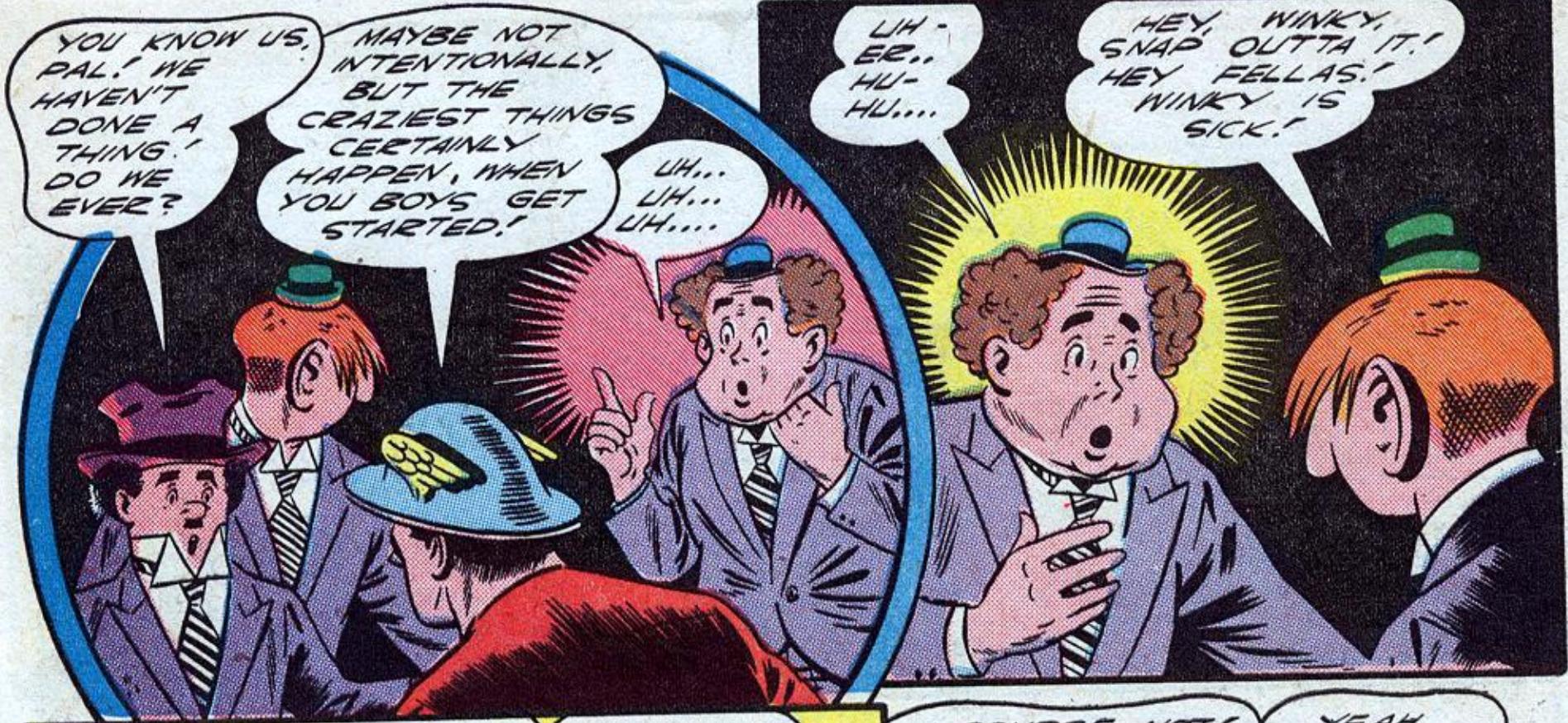
I'M NOT TIRED! I WANT TO GIVE AWAY MONEY! I WANT TO GIVE AWAY A MILLION DOLLARS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE! SAY THAT'S NOT LIKE ME AT ALL - BUT I DO.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S COME OVER ME, BUT THERE'S A MAN NAMED NODDY MOYLAN WHO NEEDS MONEY! HE ONLY WANTS A HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS! NODDY MOYLAN!!

IF THOSE THREE NITWITS HAVE INVENTED SOME NEWFANGLED AFFAIR THAT MAKES PEOPLE DO WHAT THEY WANT THEM TO... I'VE GOT TO LOOK INTO IT!

ALL RIGHT, BOYS... WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, NOW?

OH, HELLO, MR FLASH! YES, MR GUPHY, I'LL TELL HIM! YES, SO TAINLY!



ALONG AROUND THEN, I HAVE LOTS OF TROUBLES WHICH I AM VERY DETERMINED TO FORGET... BY DROWNING THEM...

WHO WANTED AT OL' CAT ANYHOW? THE CAT! I DO NOT SEE HEEM!

FUNNY HOW I GET TINGLY WHEN I'M GONNA TAKE A DRINK! ALMOST LIKE A KNIFE STICKIN' IN ME.

IT EES A KNIFE, MY VERRRY DEAR FRIEN'!

YOU WEEL PLEASE TELL ME WHERE THEE'S SO NICE CAT EES! I MUST HAVE HEEM!

NOW I DO NOT GO IN A VERY BIG WAY FOR SHARP KNIVES STICKIN' IN MY THROAT, WHICH THIS GUY SEES...

HE-HE JUMPED OUTTA THAT PORT HOLE! AND WAS LAST SEEN FOLLOWING THREE GUYS, WHO I HAVE SEEN OFTEN ON BROADWAY-MOYLAN, BOYLAN AN' TOYLAN! THEY'RE FAMOUS PROFESSORS...

AH, SOO?

TAXI, TAXI!
IF THEY STEAL HAVE THAT CAT, WE WEEL GET HEEM!

I AM SITTING THERE, STILL NERVOUS, THINKING ABOUT THAT PIG-STICKER CUTTING INTO MY THROAT, WHEN IN WALK'S WILLIE THE WEED, WHO IS A PERSON I AM NOT SO NUTS ABOUT...

MY UNCLE IN VORBOOTHIA HAS WRITTEN ME A LETTER, SAYING THERE IS A VERY LARGE SCANDAL THERE BECAUSE OF YOU, "DEVICES"! HE MENTIONS SOMETHING ABOUT A CAT... A VERY ODD SORT OF CAT!

HIYA, "DEVICES"! I'VE COME DOWN HERE TO WELCOME YOU HOME, PERSONALLY! NOTHIN'S TOO GOOD FOR "DEVICES" WILDE!

YA THINK SO, HUH? I AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT!



NOW WILLIE THE WEED GETS HIS NAME FROM POPPING UP LIKE A WEED SO MUCH WHERE HE IS NOT WANTED, AND IT IS VERY HARD TO GET RID OF HIM... WITHOUT WINDING UP DEAD, OR SOMETHING EQUIVALLY DISASTROUS-

MY BOYS NEED A LITTLE TARGET PRACTICE, DEUCES! KNOW WHERE I CAN FIND A TARGET? OR THE CAT?

WILLIE THAT CAT RAN AWAY FROM ME. IT STARTED TRAILIN' AFTER MOYLAN, BOYLAN AN' TOYLAN! HONEST, WILLIE!

I WILL TAKE BUTCH AND GO FIND THESE MEN! DO NOT AGGRAVATE AL THE ASSASSIN, AS HE IS OVERLY NERVOUS WITH A GUN!

I WILL BE AS QUIET AS A VERY DEAD MOUSE!

MEANWHILE...

THAT'S RIGHT! THIS GLYPHY WAS TALKING ABOUT HOW SUDDEN WEALTH WOULD RUIN A MAN'S LIFE... AND WHAMMO! HE DECIDES TO SPLIT UP A MILLION DOLLARS AMONG TEN PEOPLE!

WHY DON'T SOMEBODY RUIN MY LIFE LIKE THAT?

GO WAY, CAT! BEAT IT!

FLASH, I MAKE YOU A PRESENT OF THIS MOUSE-HOUND! I DON'T WANT HIM, OR HER AS THE CASE MAY BE!

WELL I CERTAINLY DON'T! WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH A CAT?

IT KEEPS CHASIN' AROLIND AFTER ME! I'M GETTIN' TIRED OF LOOKIN' AT HIM!

I WOULD TRY TO KILL IT, BUT WITH ALL ITS LIVES IT WOULD TIRE ME OUT TOO MUCH!

THE DOOR OPENS VERY SILENTLY, AND WHO SHOULD BE STANDING THERE BUT THIS AMEER GUY, WITH A CANNON LOOKING VERY THREATENING IN HIS HAND...

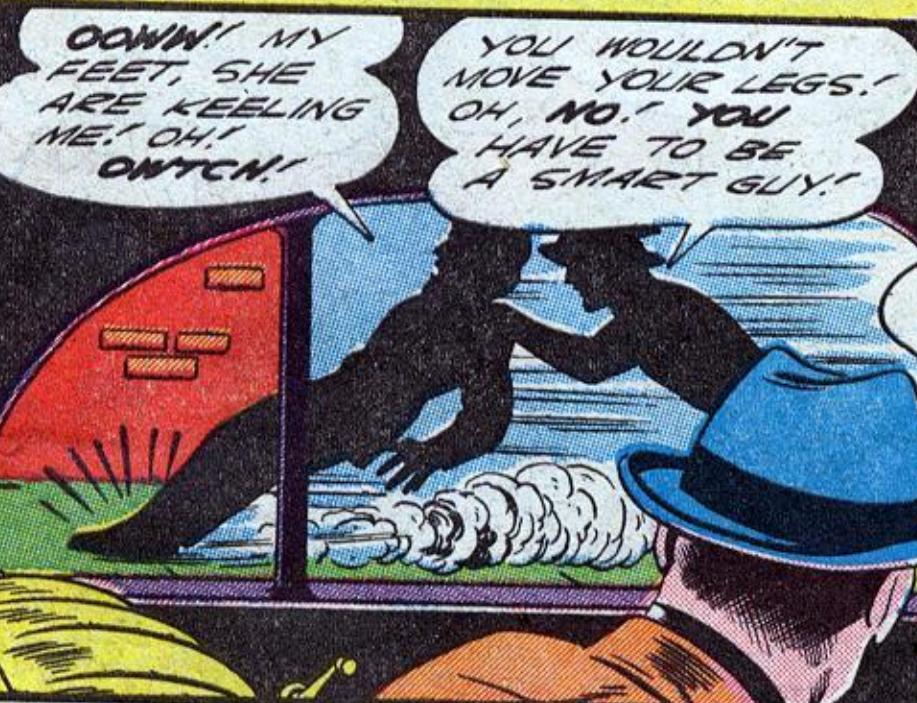
I WEEEL RELIEVE YOU OF THEEES CAT! PLEASE TO TURN HIM OVER TO ME, AT ONCE!

HE'S ALL YOURS! TAKE HIM, AND WELCOME!

NOW THIS FLASH GUY IS NO FELLOW TO POINT A CANNON AT! FOR SOME REASON, HE HAS A DISTINCT DISLIKE FOR THAT SORT OF THING!"



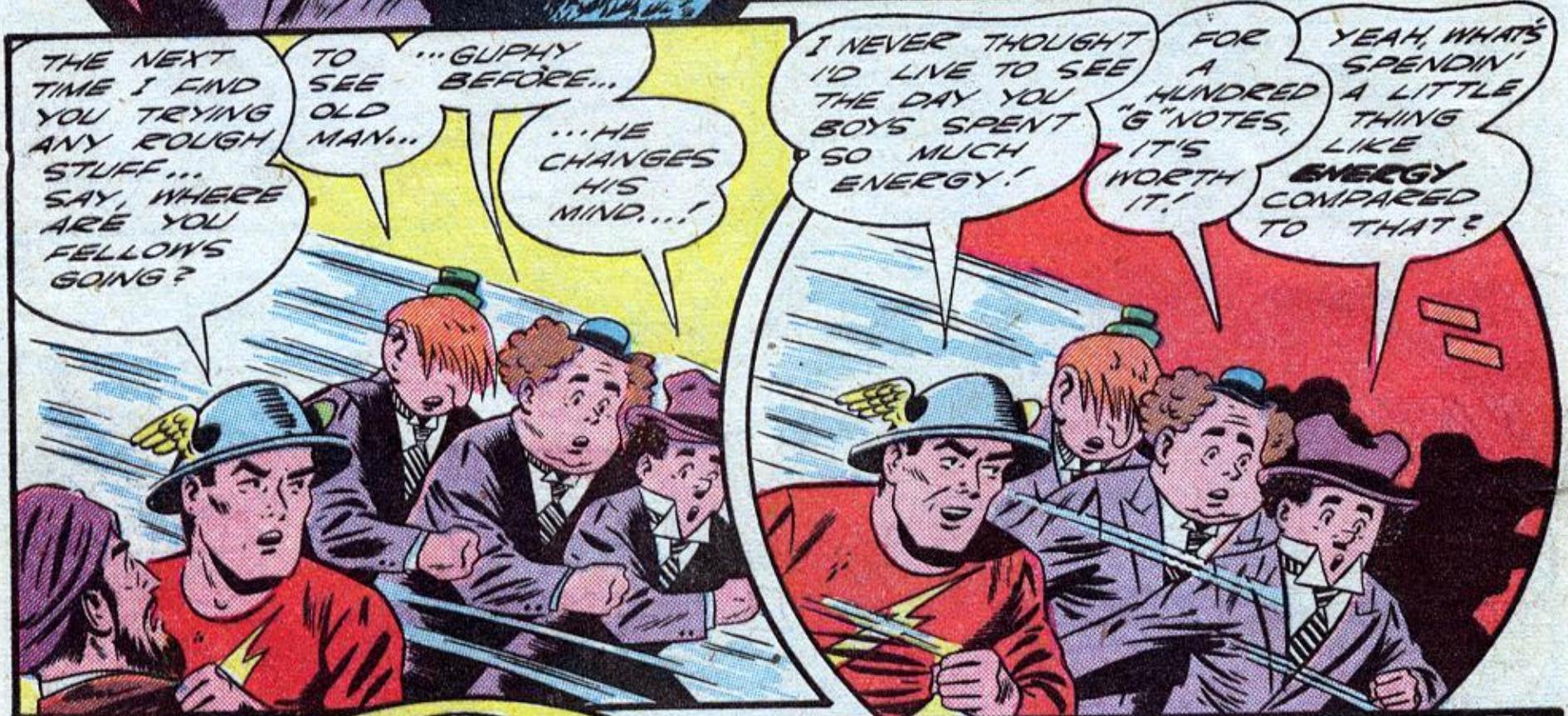
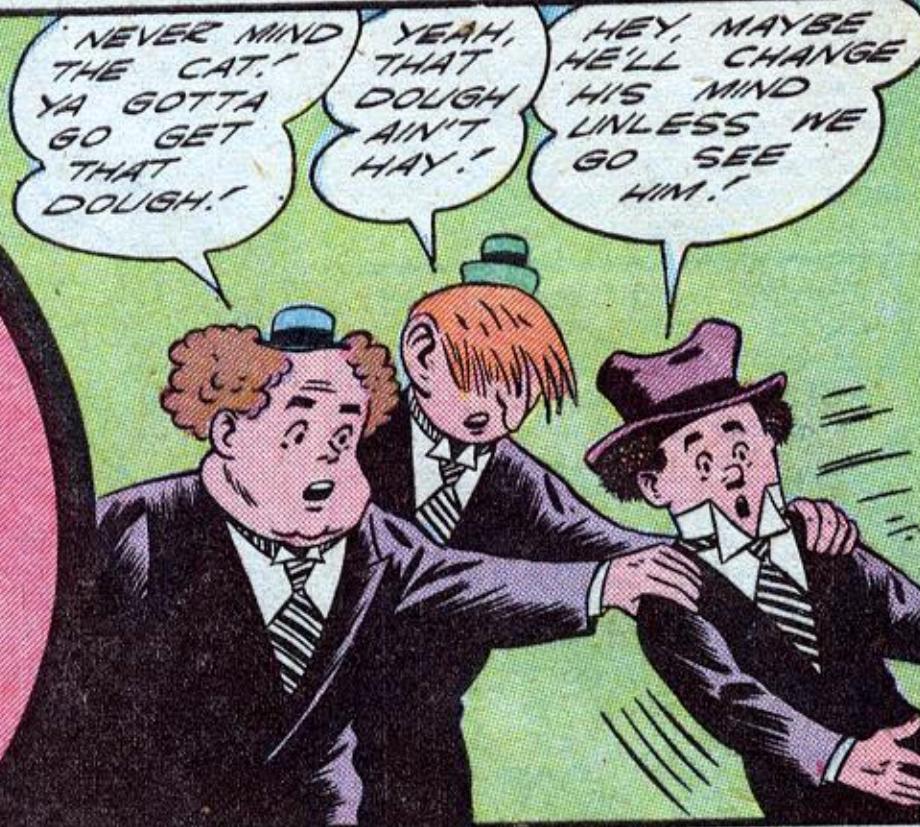
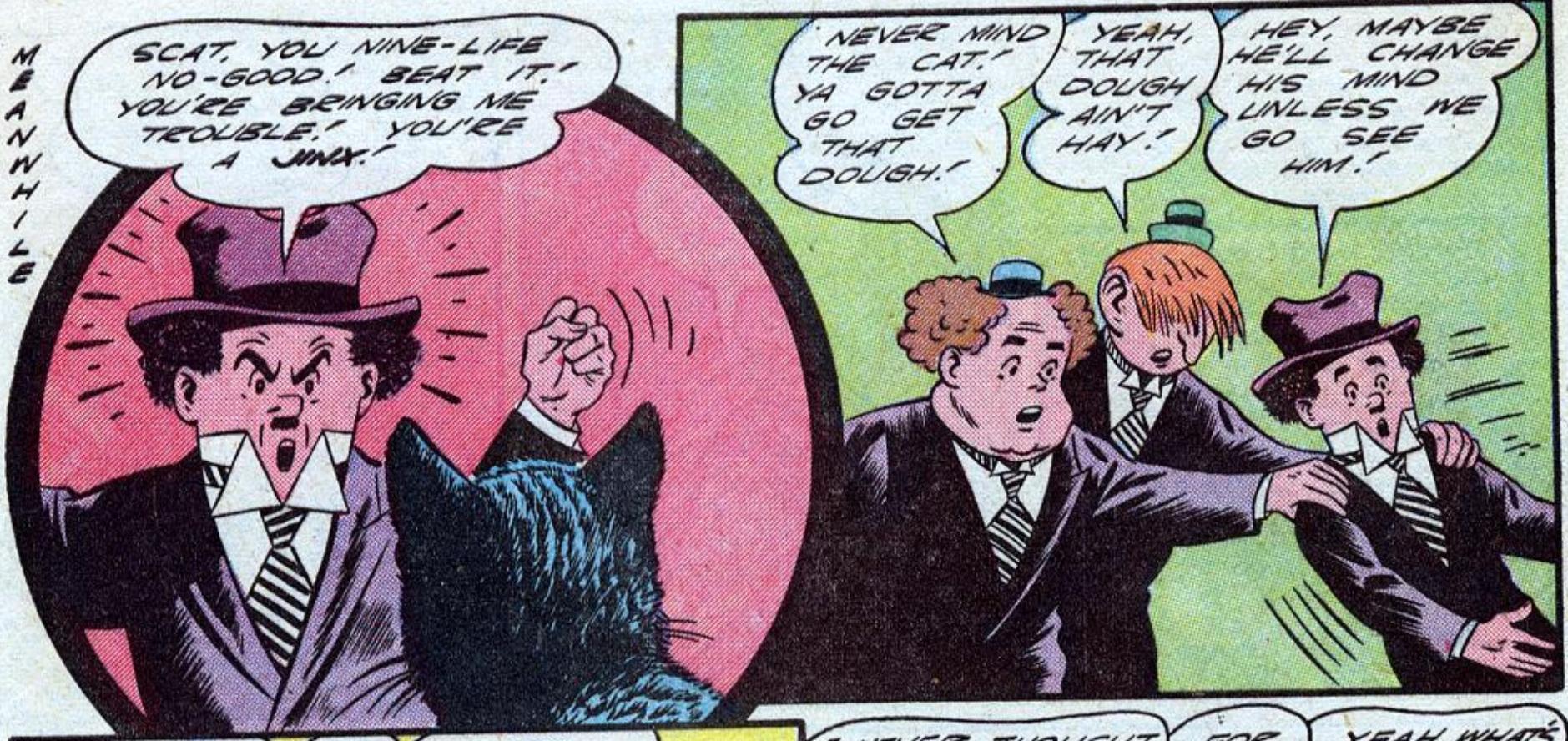
NATURALLY, THINGS GET PLENTY HOT FOR AMEER, HE BEING SO STUBBORN AS NOT TO MOVE HIS LEGS...

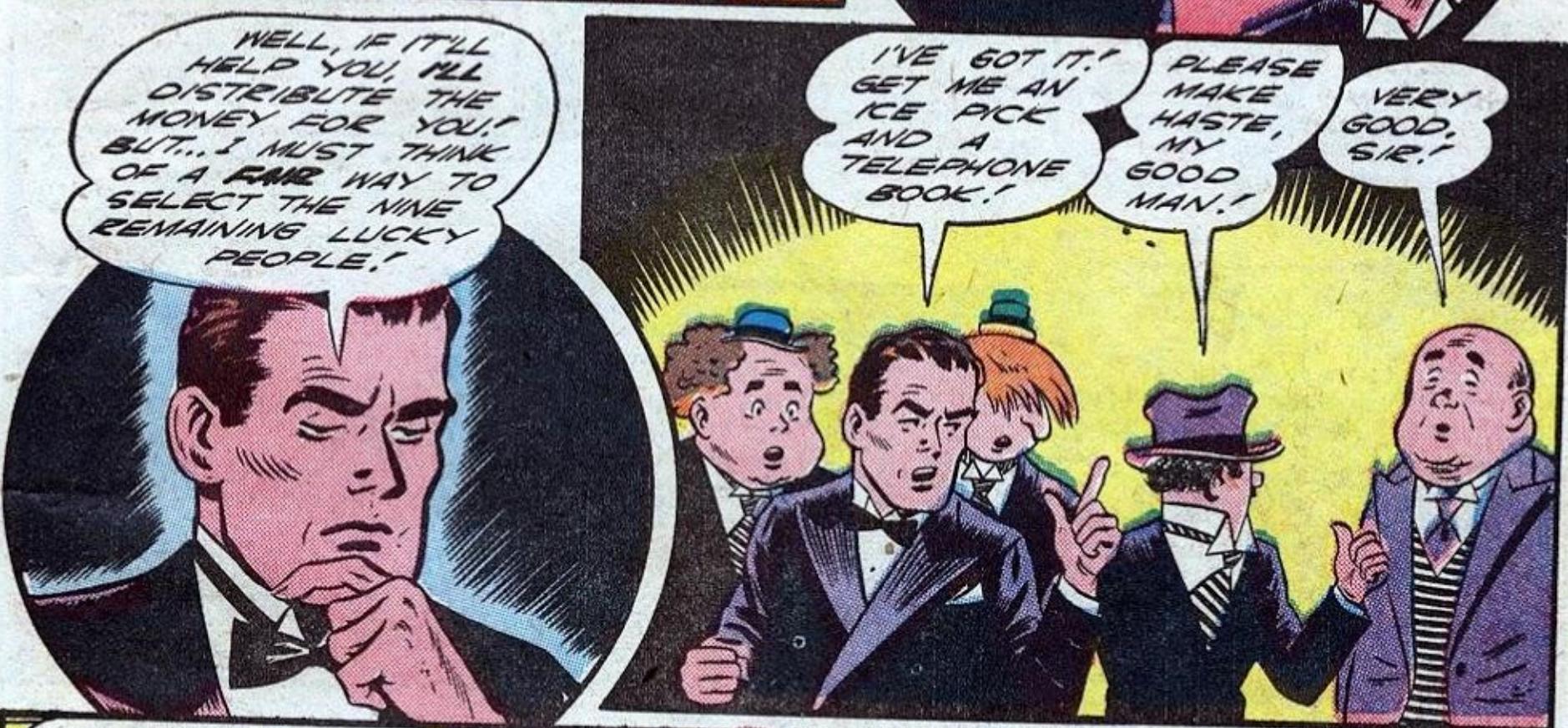


WILLIE THE WEED IS APPROACHING THE OFFICES OF MOYLAN, BOYLAN AND TOYLAN, WHEN HE SEES THE FLASH, AND BEING NO DOPE, HE KEEPS ON APPROACHING UNTIL HE IS WELL PAST THEIR OFFICES...



MEANWHILE







AHZIM, THE CAT, IS TAKING NO CHANCES OF GETTING LOST BY NODDY. HE FOLLOWS HIM TO THE GUPHY HIGHWAY, AND MAKES HIMSELF AT HOME...

THERE'S THAT CAT AGAIN! WHY'NT HE GO SOMEPLACE ELSE?

I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE WHO LIKE THAT ANIMAL, NODDY! I WONDER WHY?

I DON'T KNOW, AND I CAN'T SAY I CARE!

WOULD YA MIND STICKIN' TO ONE THING AT A TIME?

WE STILL GOT HALF A MILLION BUCKS TO GIVE AWAY!

KEEP 'EM' FLYIN'! I AINT GOT WRITER'S CRAMP YET!

NEXT LUCKY WINNER IS... ANGELINA O'HOLLIHAN!

YOU DON'T SAY! MY... MY... HEY! SHE'S MY GIRL!

HOWD'YA LIKE THAT? NOT ONLY HIM, BUT HIS FUTURE WIFE WINS, TOO!

WELL, HERE ARE OH-OH! IF THE WINNERS! THEY'RE HMM... TO KEEP GOING TO MR. GARRICK OUTA TROUBLE, I'D BETTER BECOME I THINK BLINKY, WINKY AN' ME BETTER HELP HIM GIVE AGAIN, AND OUT THE MONEY!

THE FLASH AGAIN, AND KEEP THEM OUT OF TROUBLE!

I AM WONDERING WHAT THESE LUCKY STIFFS WILL DO DO WITH ALL THE MOOLA THEY ARE ABOUT TO HAVE HANDED TO THEM, AND AS I AM SURE YOU ARE DOING SOME WONDERING ON YOUR OWN, LET'S GET ON WITH THE STORY... DON'T FORGET THAT CAT, FOR IT IS A VERY STRANGE ANIMAL, INDEED!...



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Bomp and Girin,

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RECEPTION YOU GAVE
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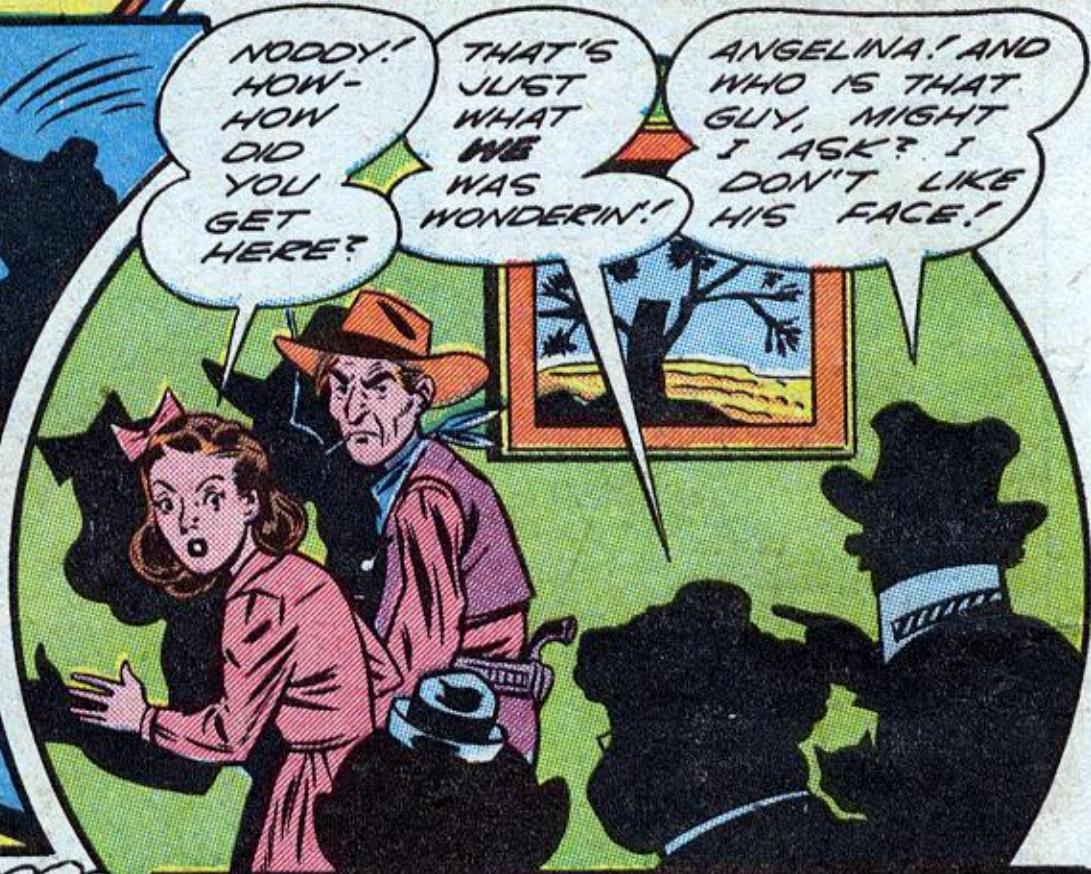
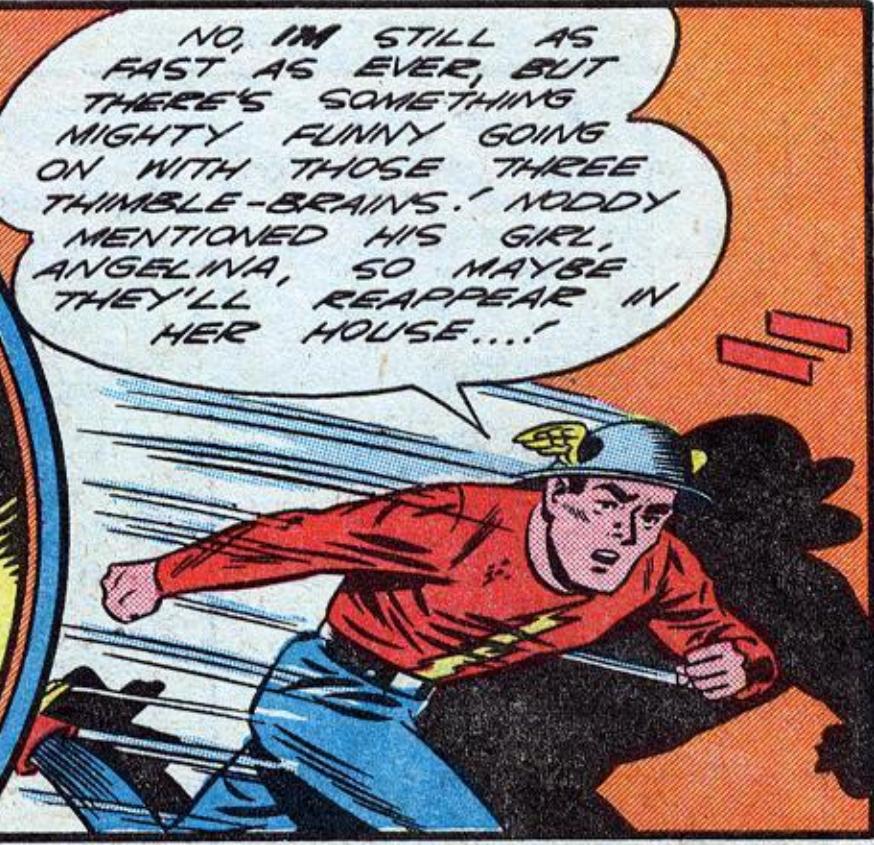
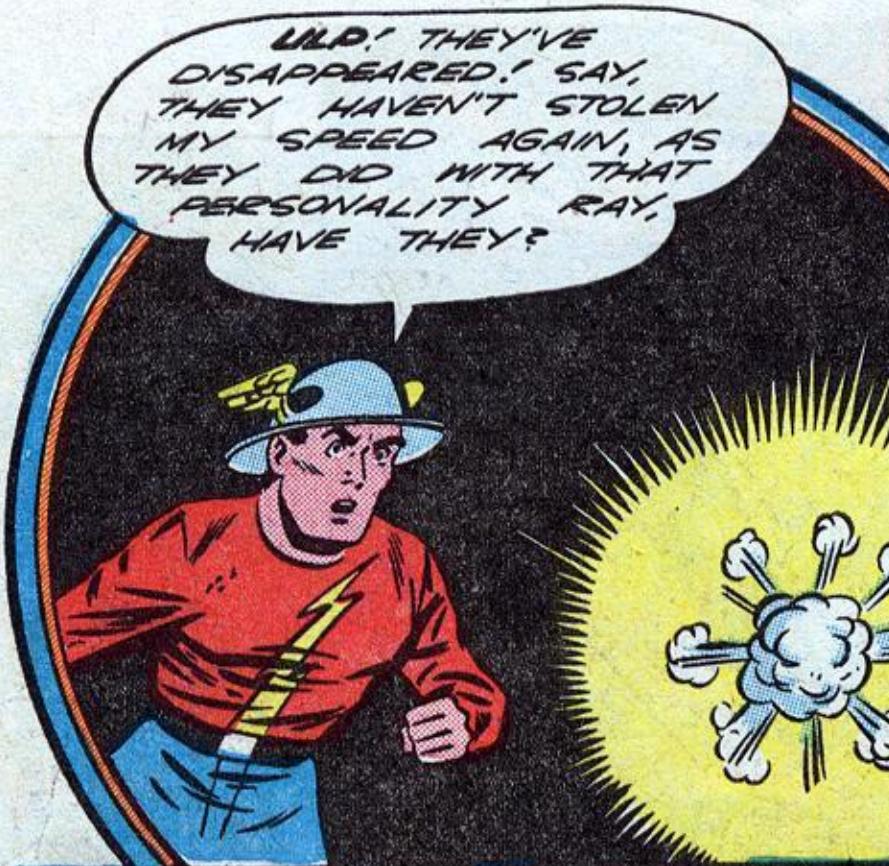
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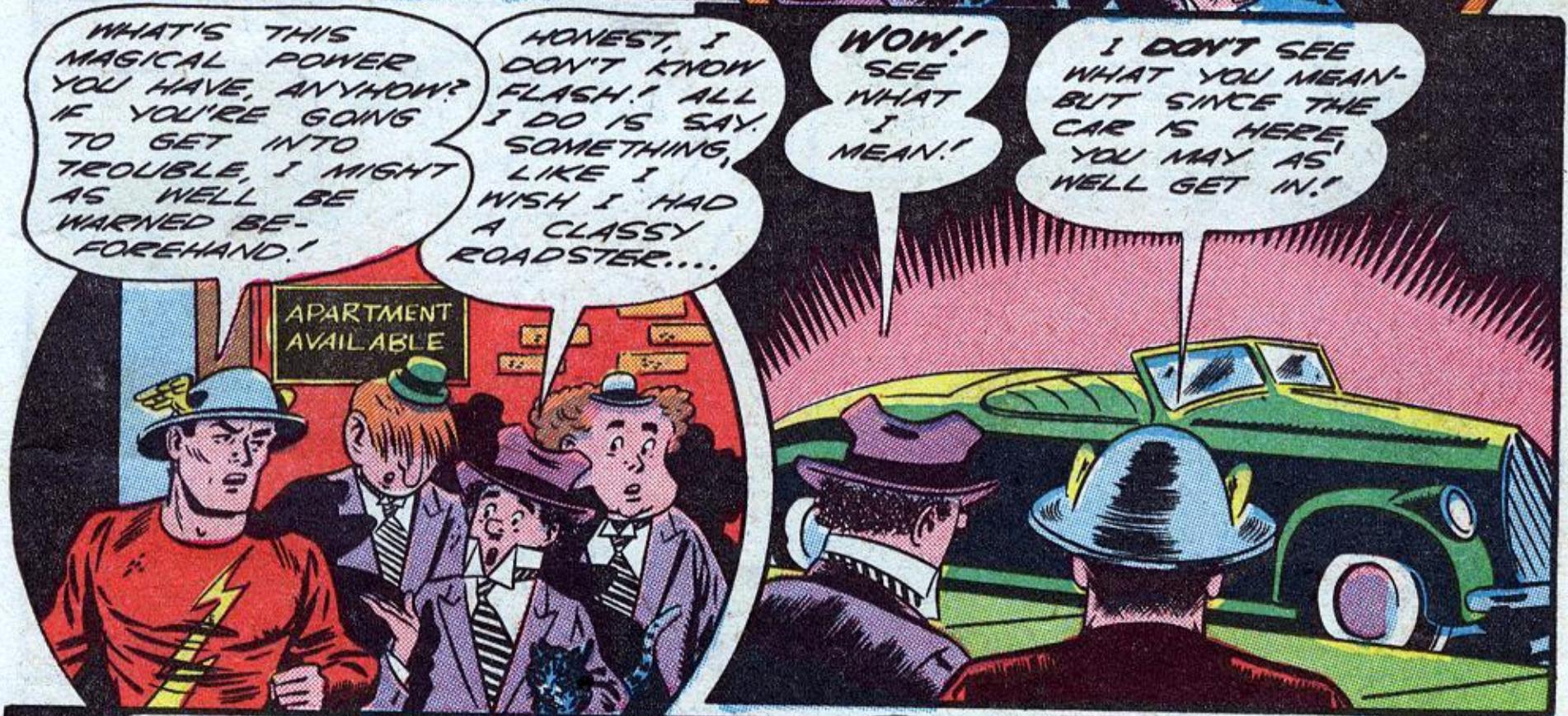
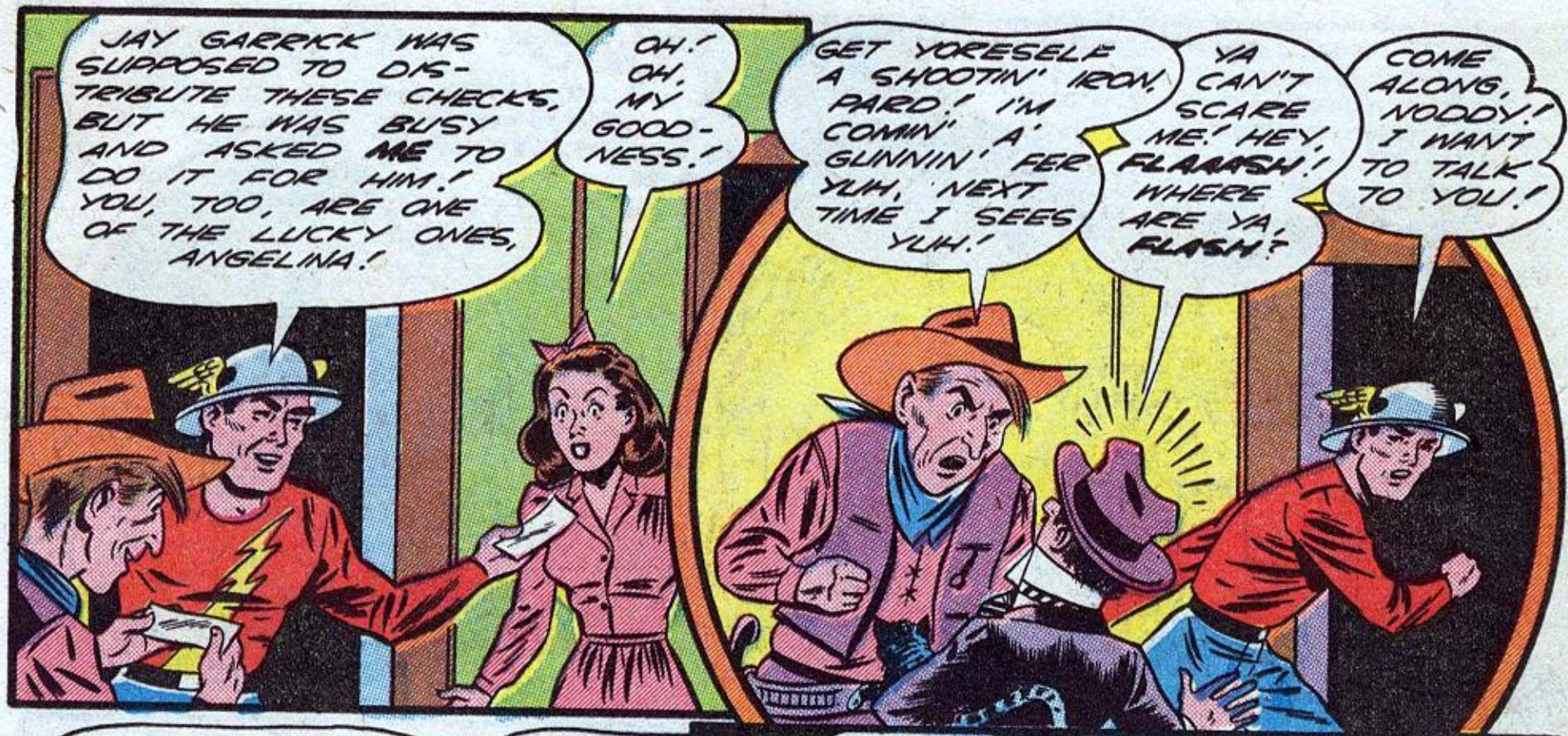
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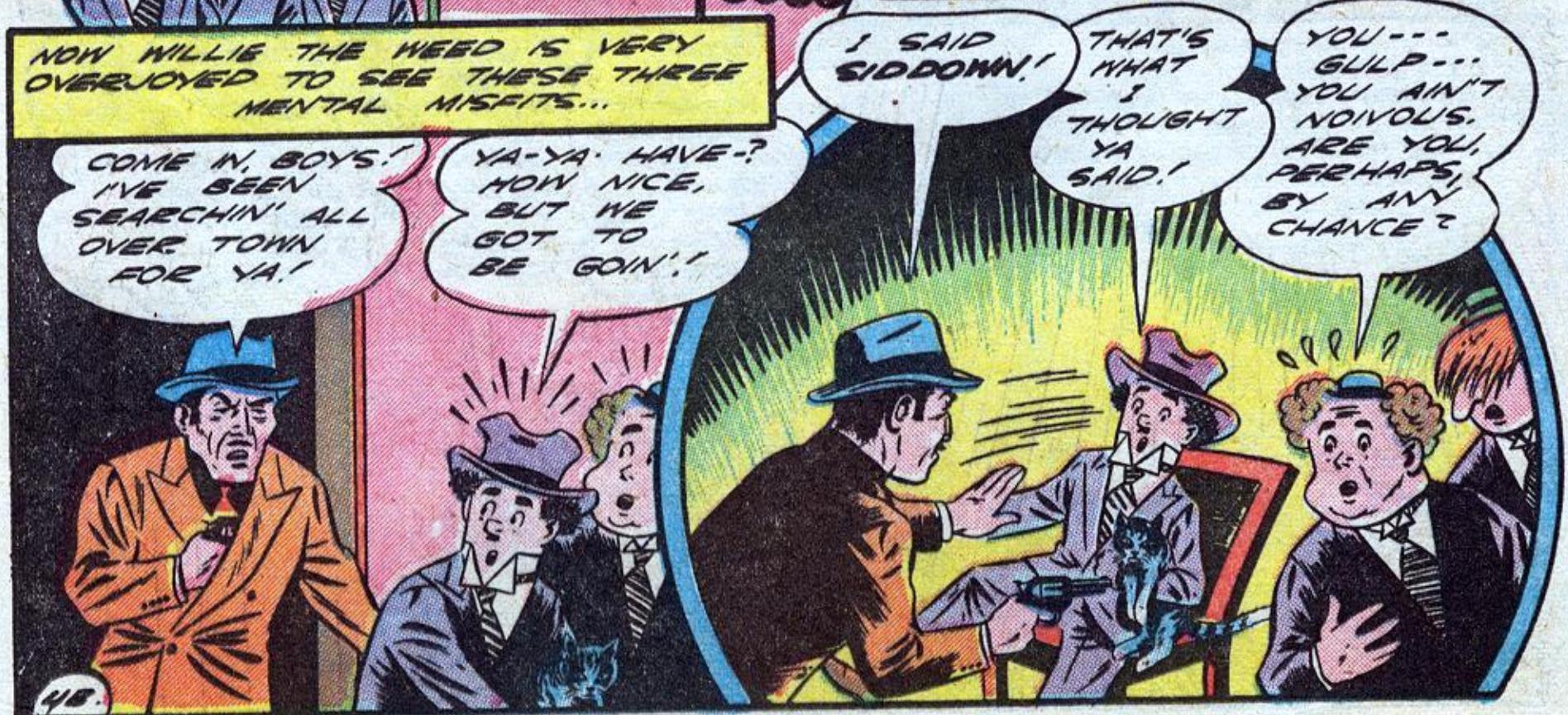
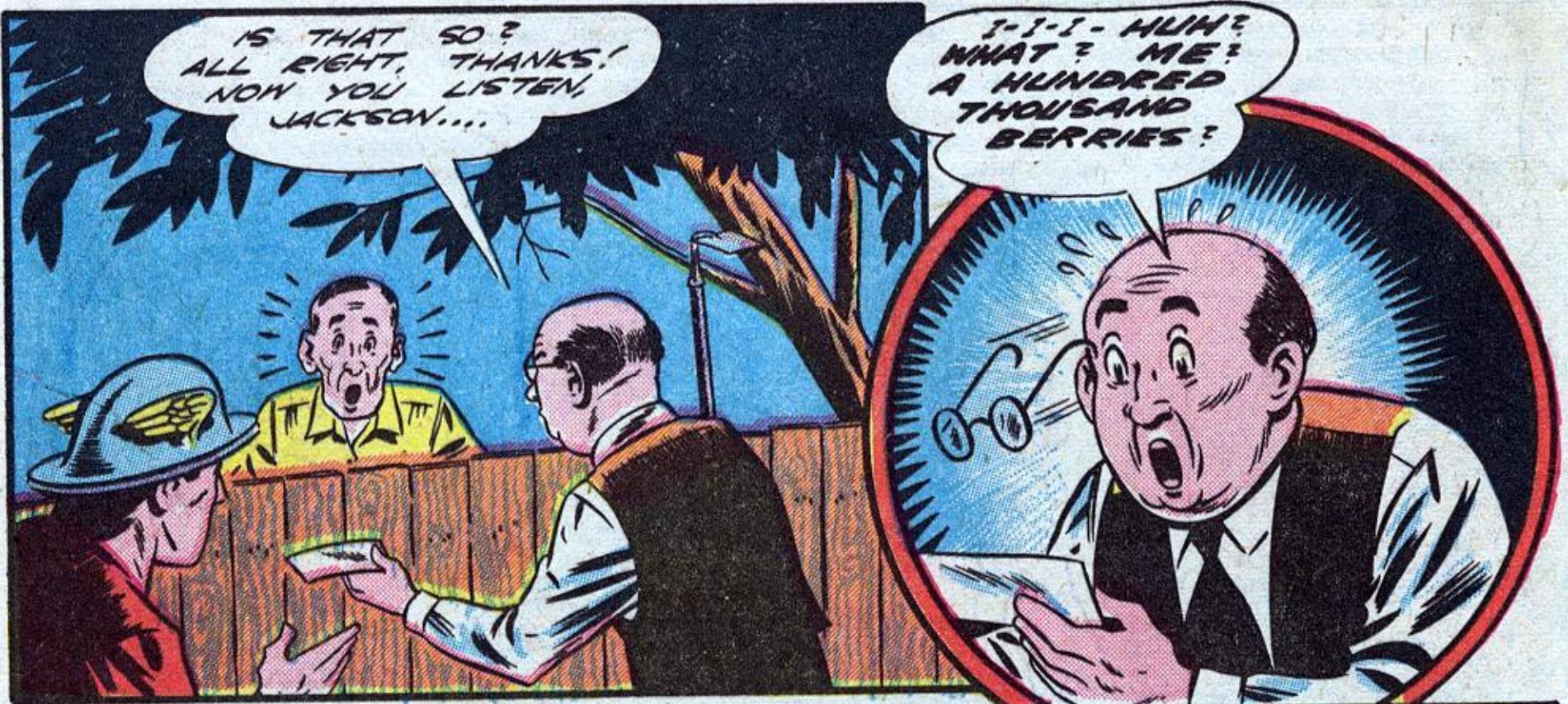
"THE SECRET
OF THE
CAT!"

WHILE I AM BEING "PERSUADED" TO GO OVER TO WILLIE THE WEED'S GAMBLING JOINT, WHICH IS KNOWN AS THE "PUT AND TAKE", MOYLAN, BOYLAN AND TOYLAN ARE CHECKING UP ON THE LUCKY WINNERS OF OLD MAN GUPHY'S MILLION-BUCK BRAINSTORM! THE LUCKY PEOPLE COME FROM EVERY WALK OF LIFE, AND THE MONEY LOOKS MIGHTY GOOD TO THEM! TO ME, TOO, BEING AS I AM ONE OF THE WINNERS ALSO! BUT WILLIE THE WEED IS STILL ON THE PROWL FOR THAT CAT.... OLD MAN GUPHY'S SPOILED BRAT, CLARENCE, IS PLENTY STEAMED UP AT HIS EVER LOVIN' PAPA, AND THE FLASH IS BUSIER THAN A ONE-ARMED PAPER HANGER WITH A BUSTED SUSPENDER BUTTON, TRYING TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE AND AT THE SAME TIME UNRIDDLE THE MYSTERY OF NODDY'S "MAGIC"!

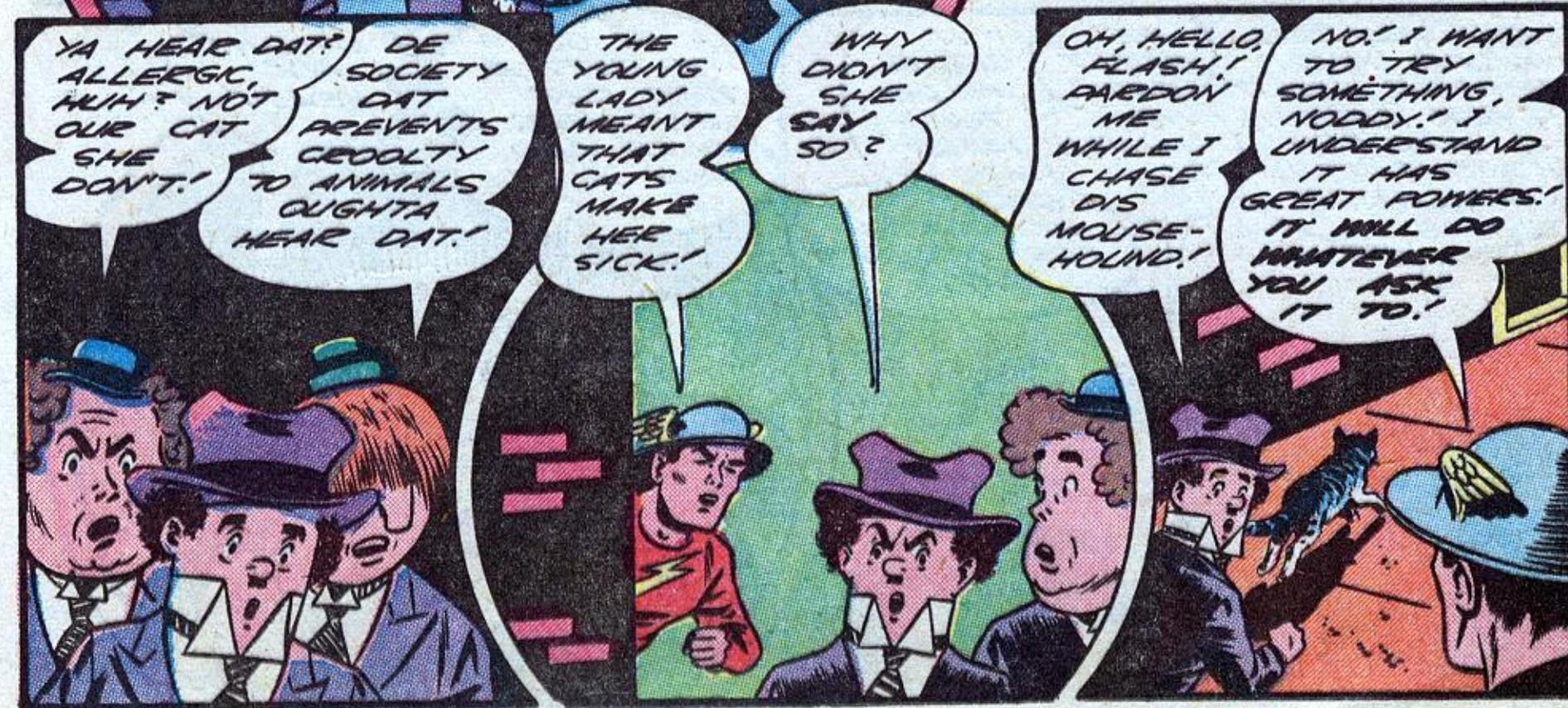
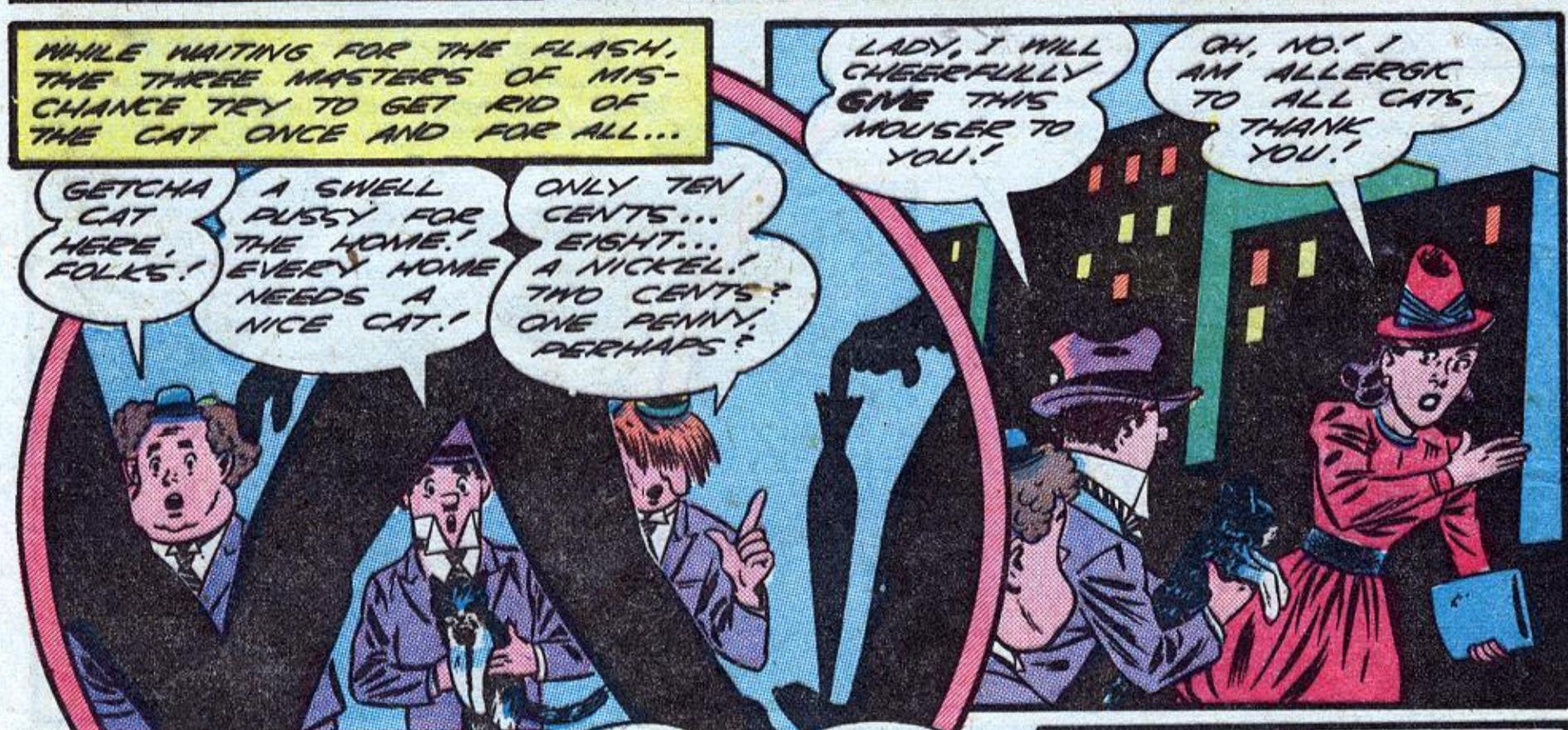
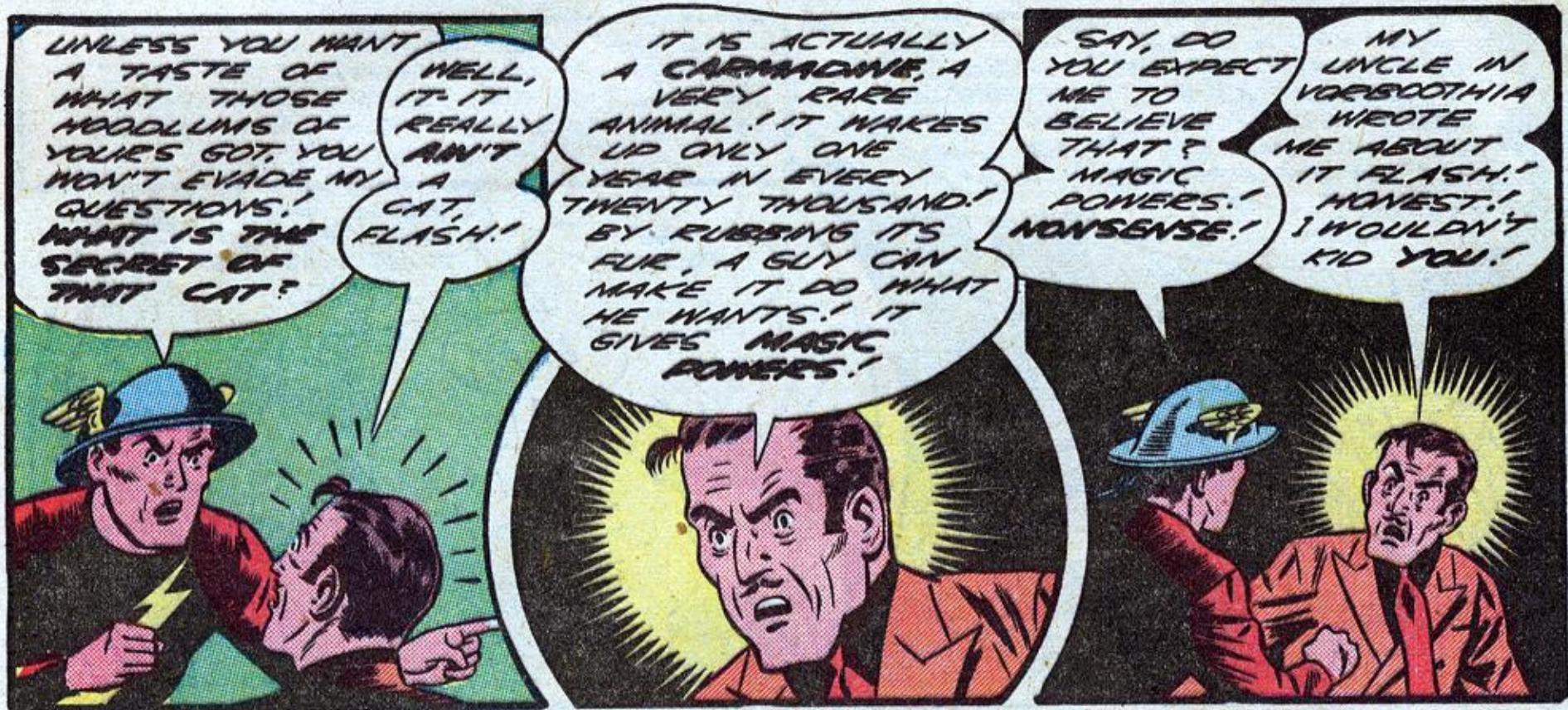


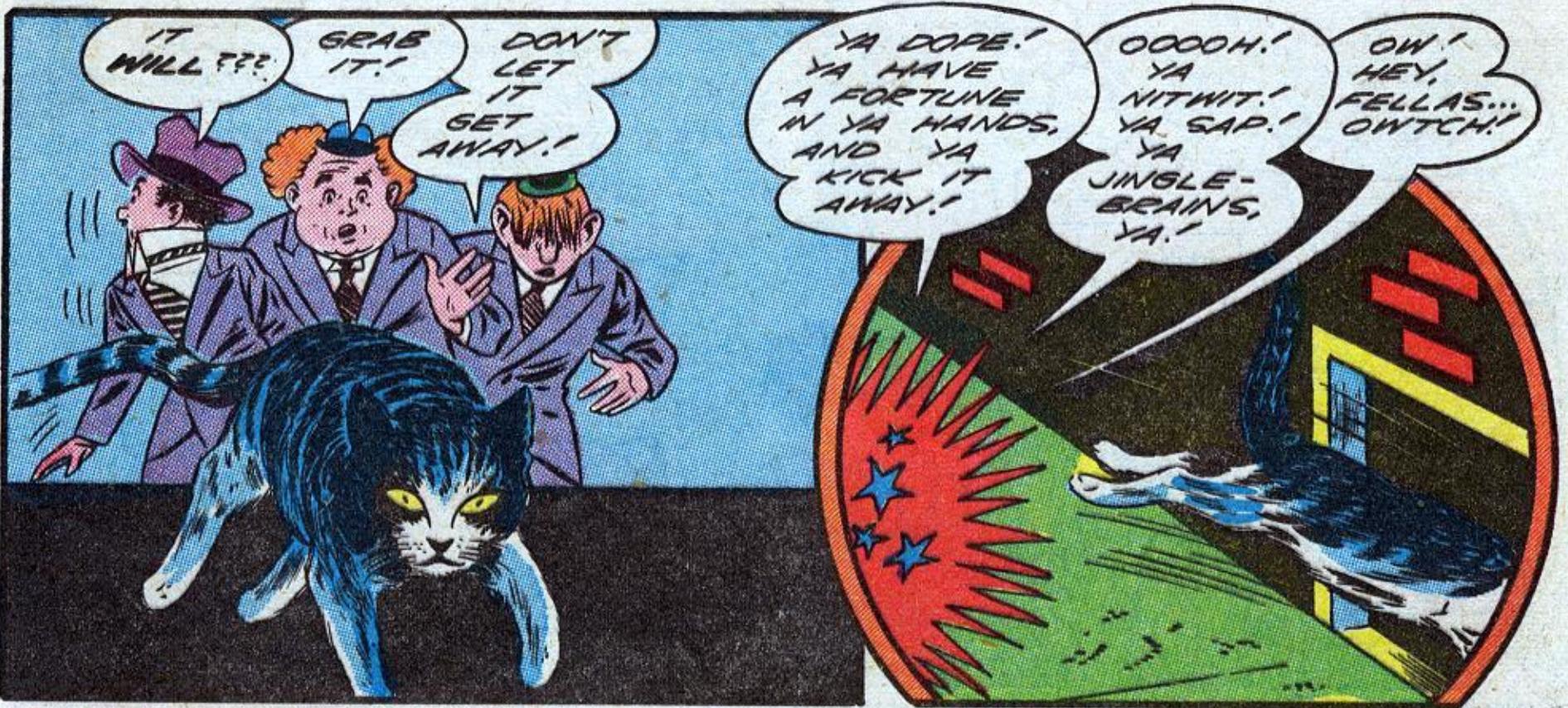


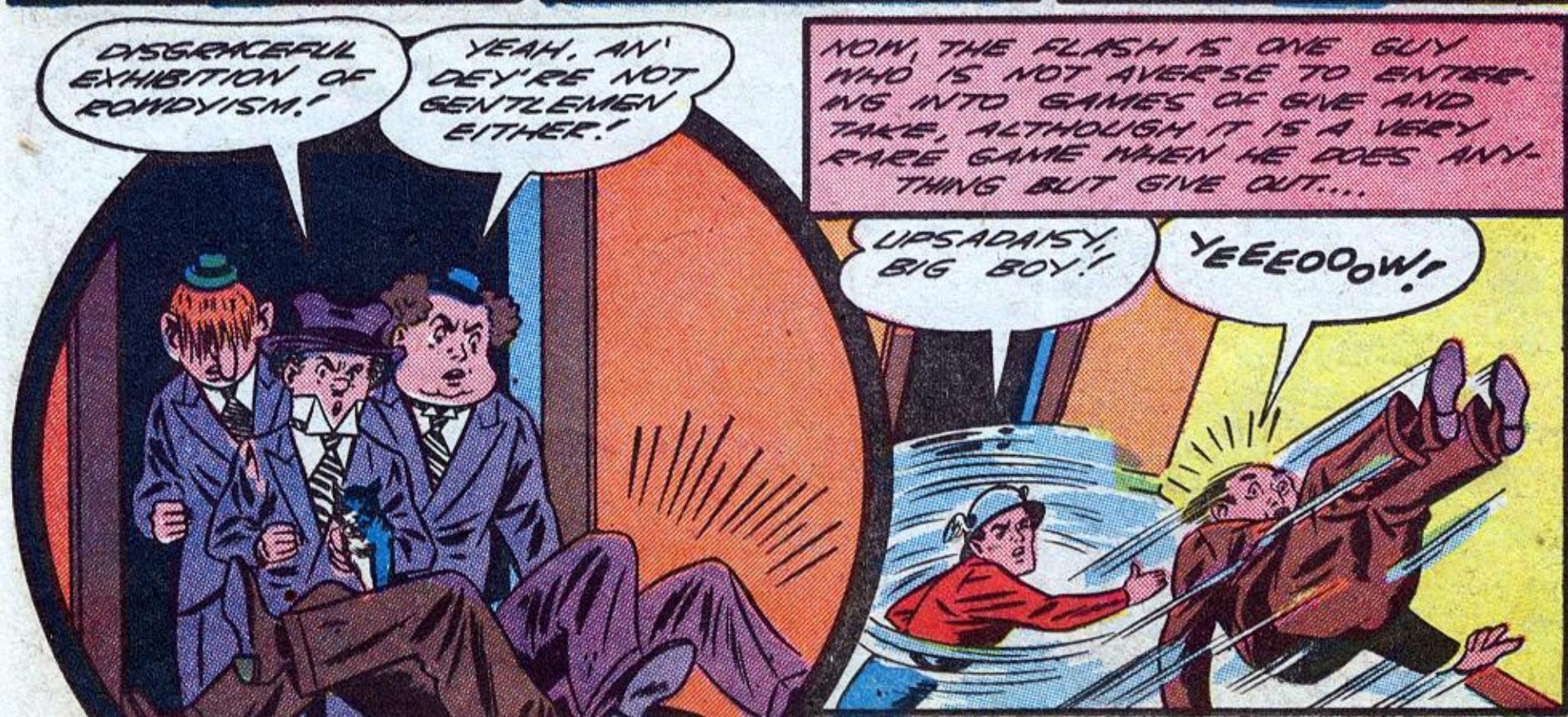
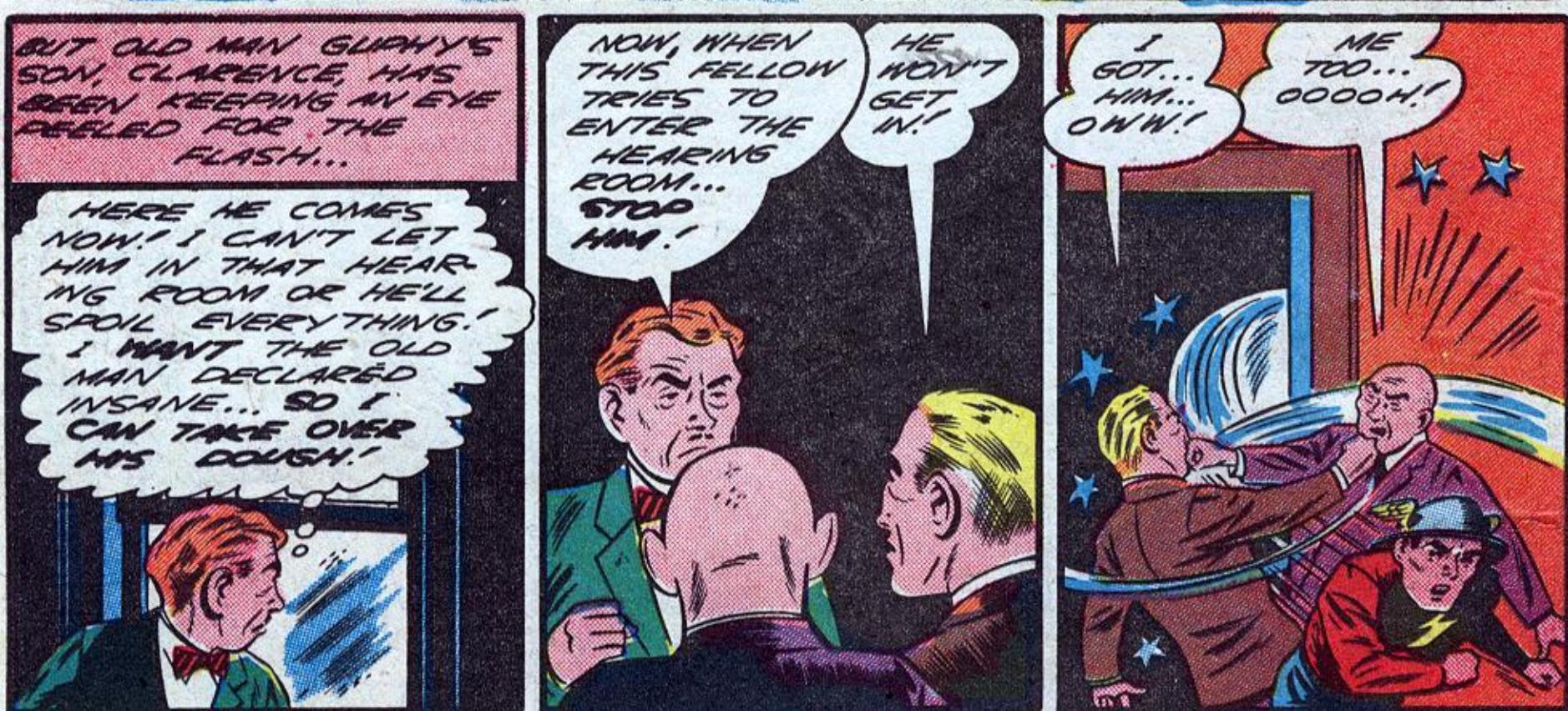
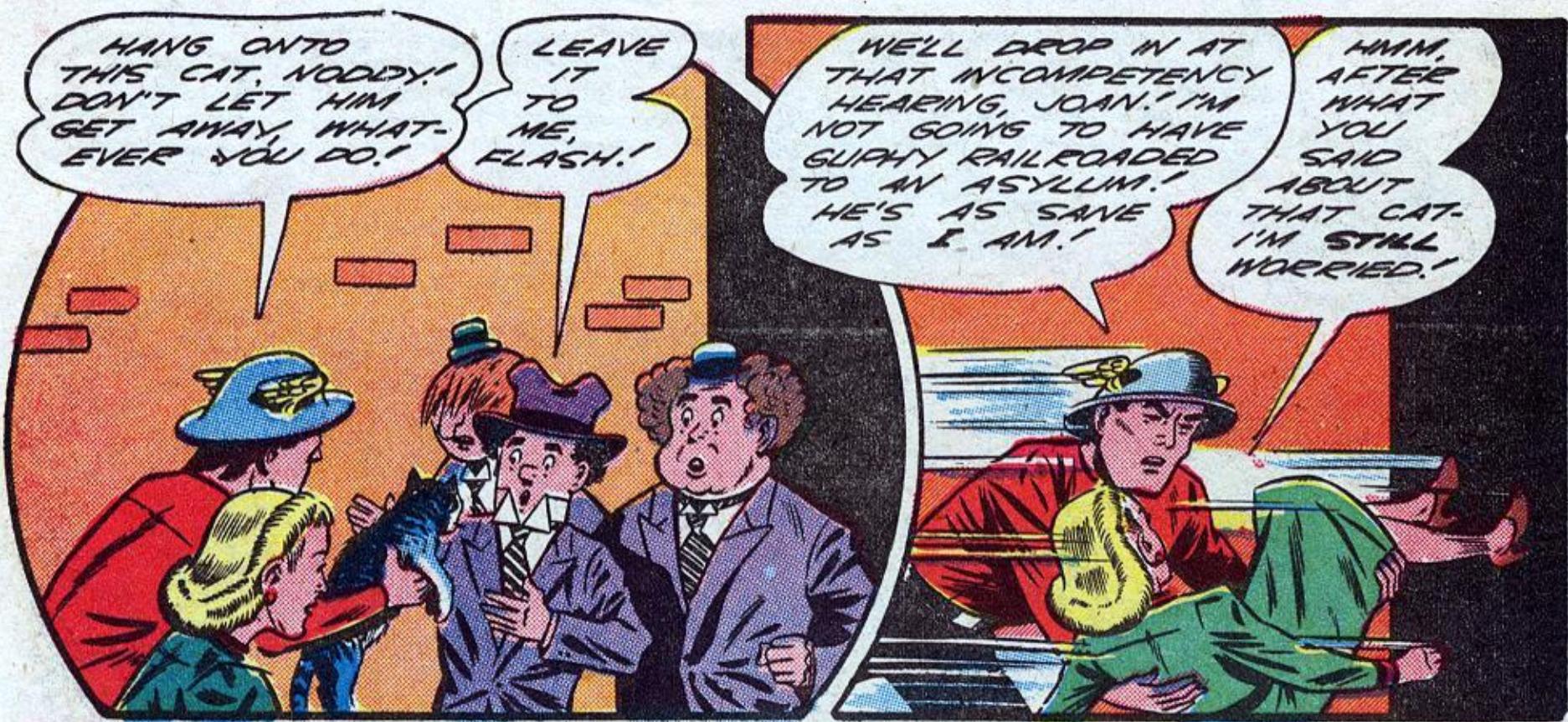


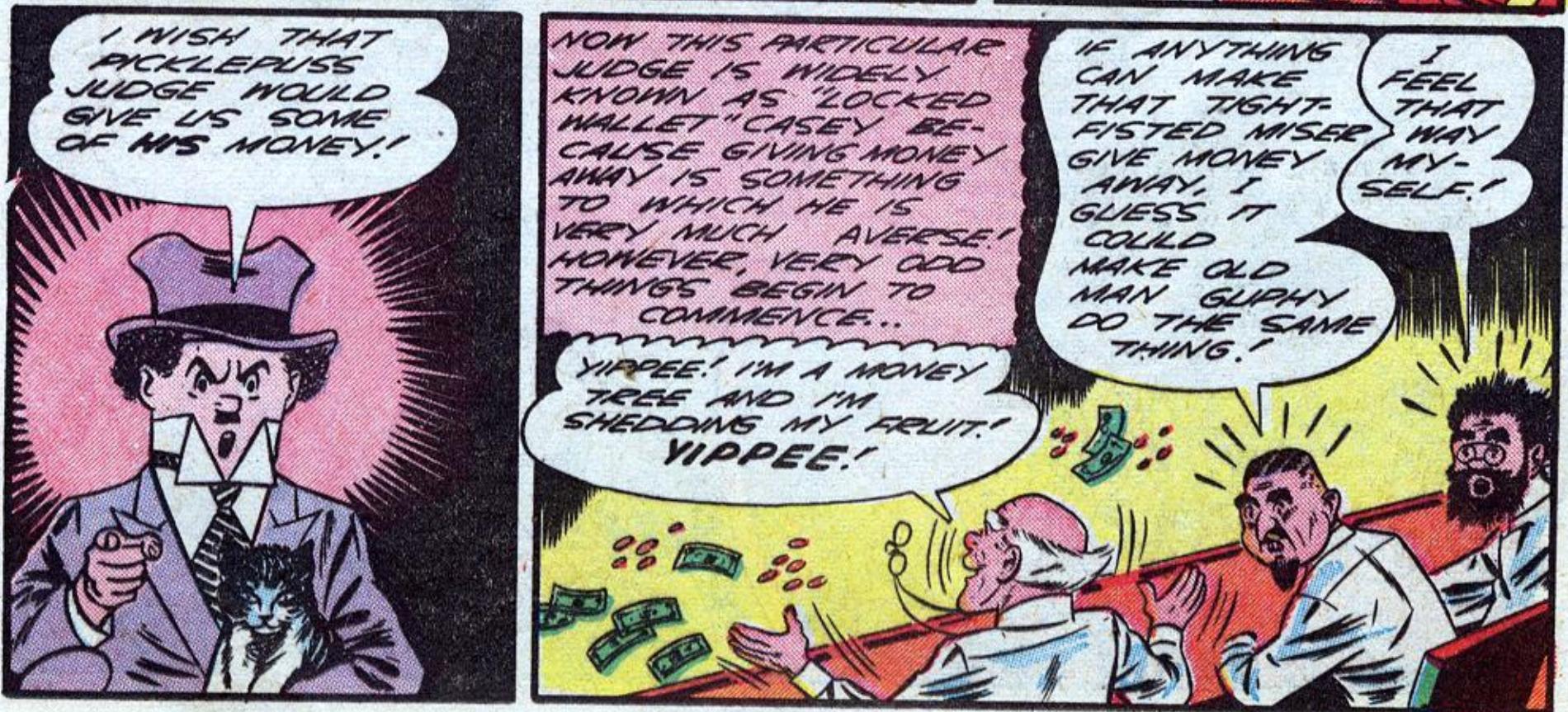
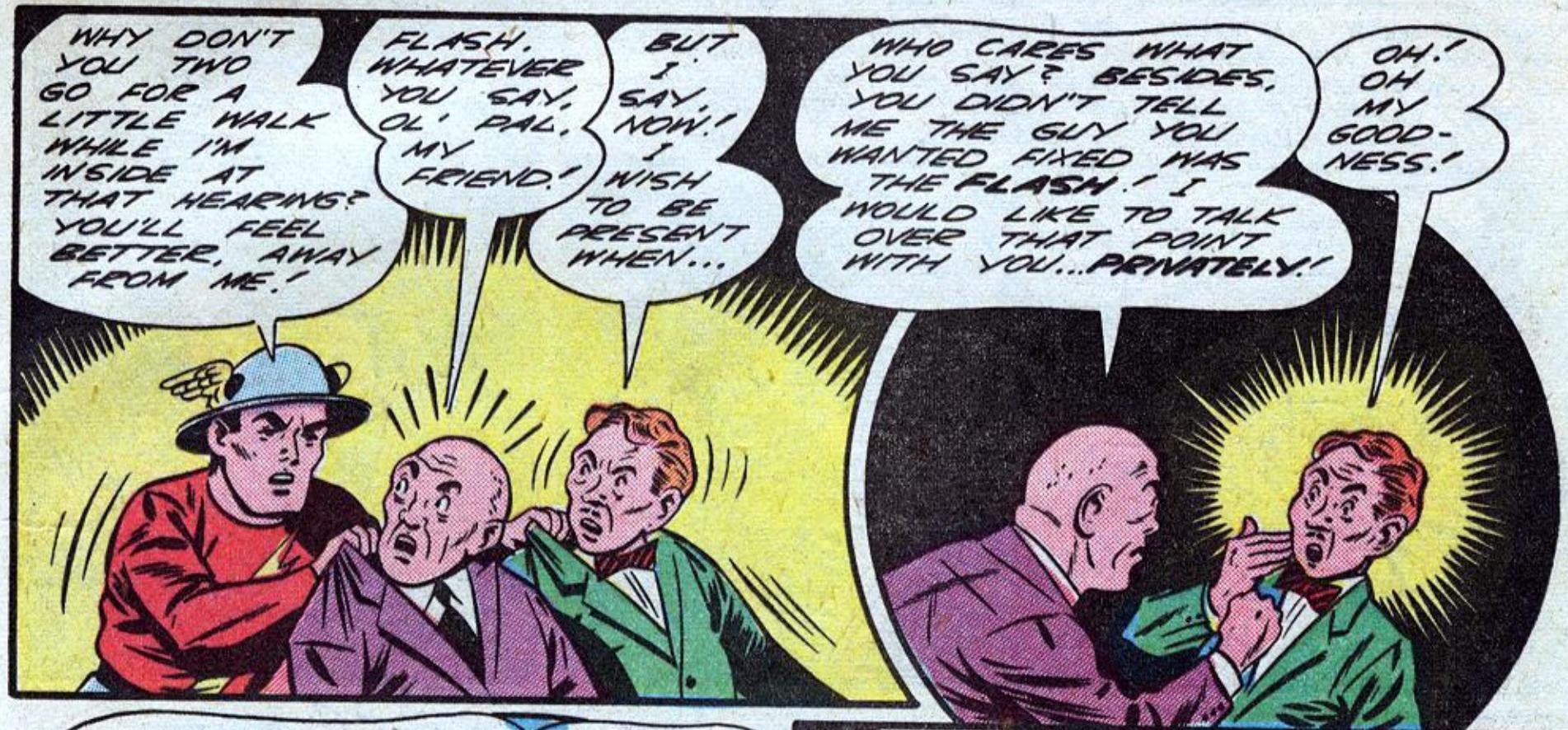




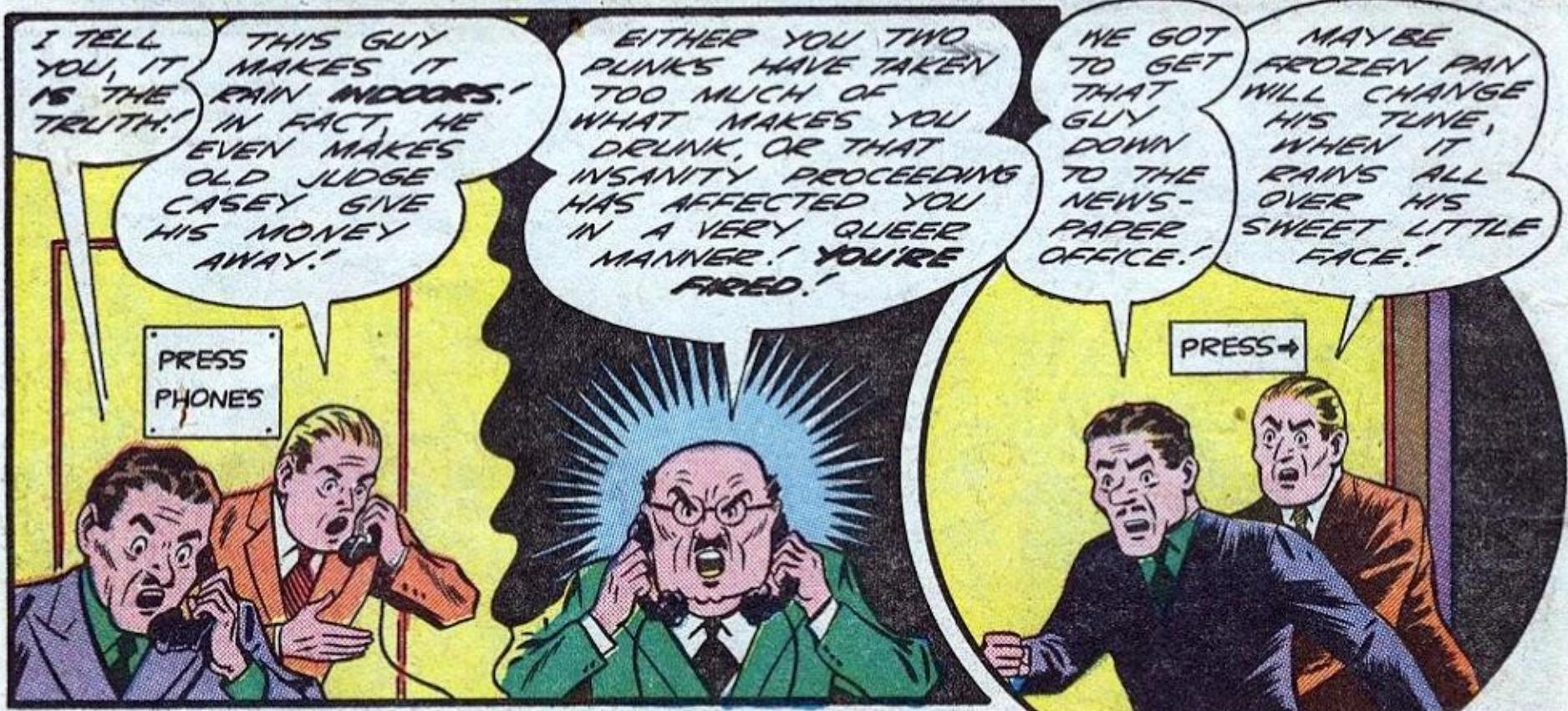








THERE ARE A COUPLE OF NEWSPAPER SCRIBES PRESENT AT THIS HEARING, AND ALTHOUGH IT IS UNUSUAL FOR THEM TO BE EXCITED ABOUT ANYTHING, THIS GETS THEM VERY EXCITED, INDEED...





AT THAT MOMENT, THE FLASH IS HANDING A BUNDLE OF SCRATCH TO A CHARACTER BY THE NAME OF WILLIAM WARREN WHO IS KNOWN TO READ BOOKS...

A HUNDRED THOUSAND? EUREKA! AT LAST I CAN LEAVE THIS TOWN AND GO LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE!

SOMETHING TELLS ME YOU DON'T LOOK IN THE RIGHT PLACES, IN THIS TOWN! I'VE FOUND A LOT OF IT!

IF THIS IS A TRICK, BEGORY, I'LL BOUNCE A PICKAXE OFF YOUR HEAD, AS SURE AS ME NAME IS TERENCE O'SHEA!

NO TRICK AT ALL! IT'S REALLY YOURS.



THE TWO FOREIGNERS FROM VORBOOTHIA ARE STILL VERY MUCH IN THE RUNNING... AND THEIR THOUGHTS ARE DARKER THAN AN UNDERTAKER'S TIE...

WE WILL FIND SOME REFERENCE TO IT, SOME DAY! AND WHEN WE DO...

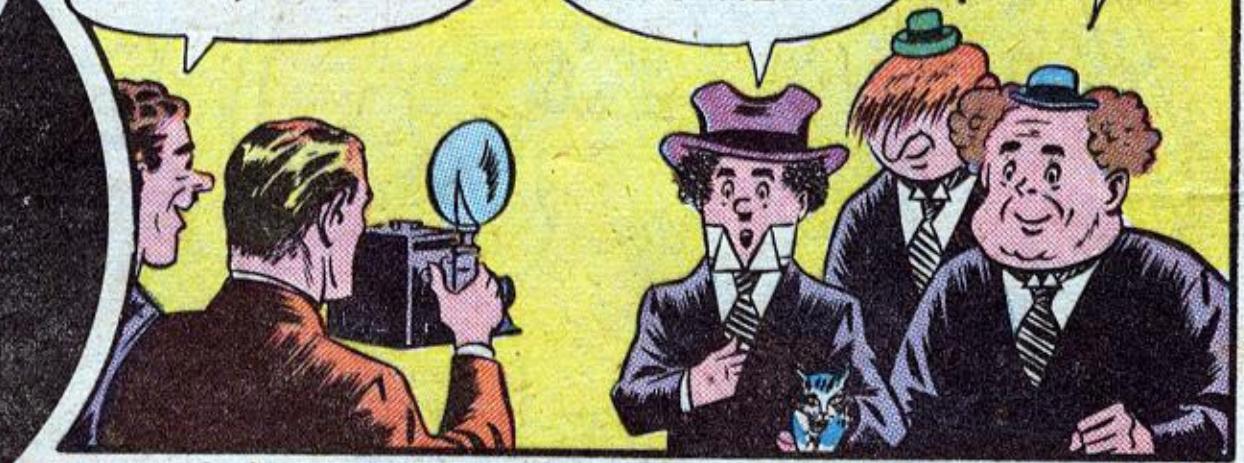
WHEN WE DO, THEE CAT SHE WEELE BE OURS, AMEER!

MOYLAN, BOYLAN AND TOYLAN ARE GETTING MORE PUBLICITY THAN A HOLLYWOOD CUTIE WHO'S DROPPED HER FALSE TEETH...

SMILE! THIS IS GOING ON THE FRONT PAGE, BOYS!

WE OUGHTA FIND THE FLASH! HE'S BUSY GIVIN' AWAY THAT DOUGH, WITHOUT OUR HELP!

MAYBE HELL FORGET AN GIVE US SOME, HAH? COULD BE, COULD BE!



LATER: WILLIE THE NEED IS NOT THE TYPE OF PERSON IT IS NICE TO KNOW INTIMATELY, FOR HE WILL EVEN DO SOME DIS-HONEST THINGS IF THE OCCASION ARISES! AND WITH THAT MOUSE-HOUND IN HIS HANDS YOU CAN BE SURE THE OCCASION HAS ARisen! BUT READ ON.

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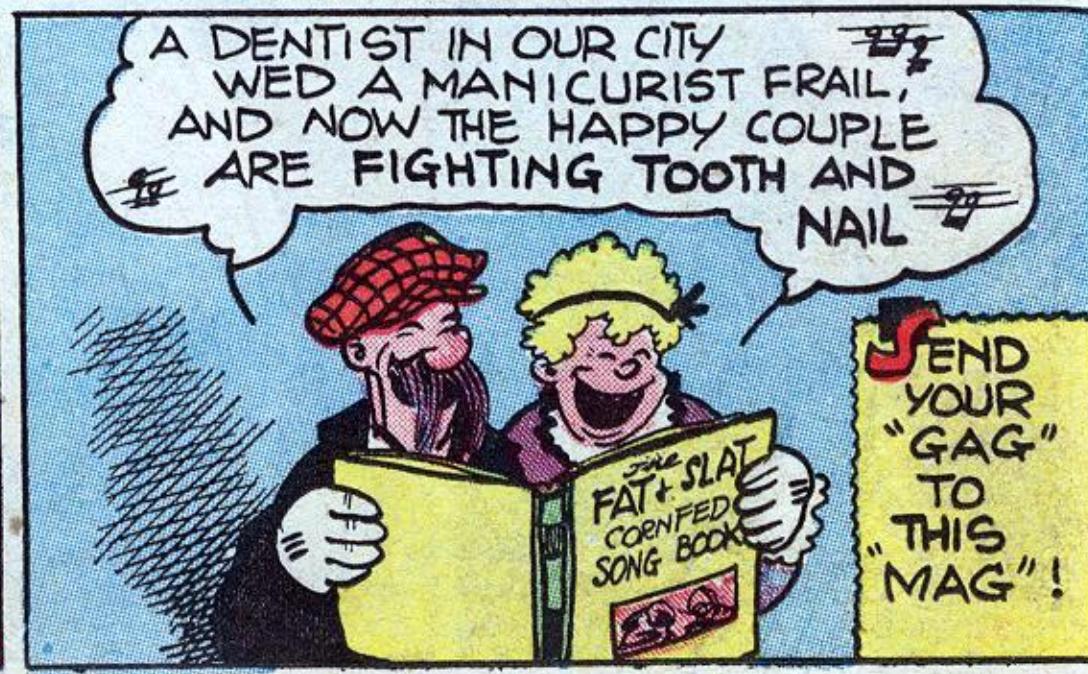
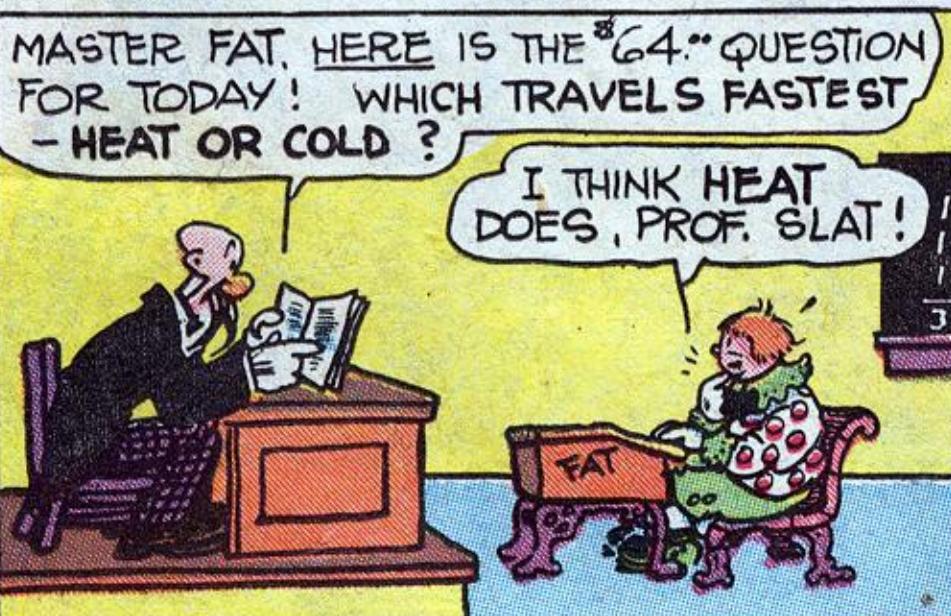
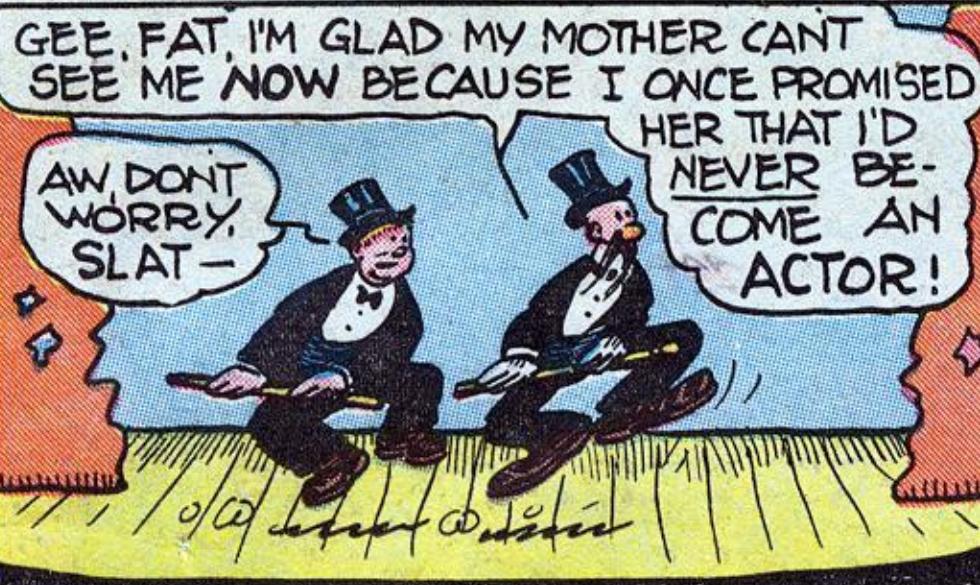
SLAT.....

ARCHIBALD CLUBB



FAT AND SLAT
ARE KNOW FAR AND
WIDE AS THE
"CORN DOCTORS
OF FILMLAND".
TODAY THEY THANK
JACK MILLER OF
BROOKLYN, N.Y.
FOR HIS "HEAT
AND COLD" GAG.

WHO'S NEXT?



CHAPTER
- THREE -
"THE CAT RUNS WILD"!

WITH WILLIE THE WEED LEERING VERY ALARMING-LIKE IN THEIR FACES, THE THREE DOPEY DUMBBELLS ARE VERY FRIGHTENED INDEED, AS WILLIE THE WEED CAN SCARE ALMOST ANYBODY, ANYTIME, BY LEERING AT THEM ALARMING-LIKE...

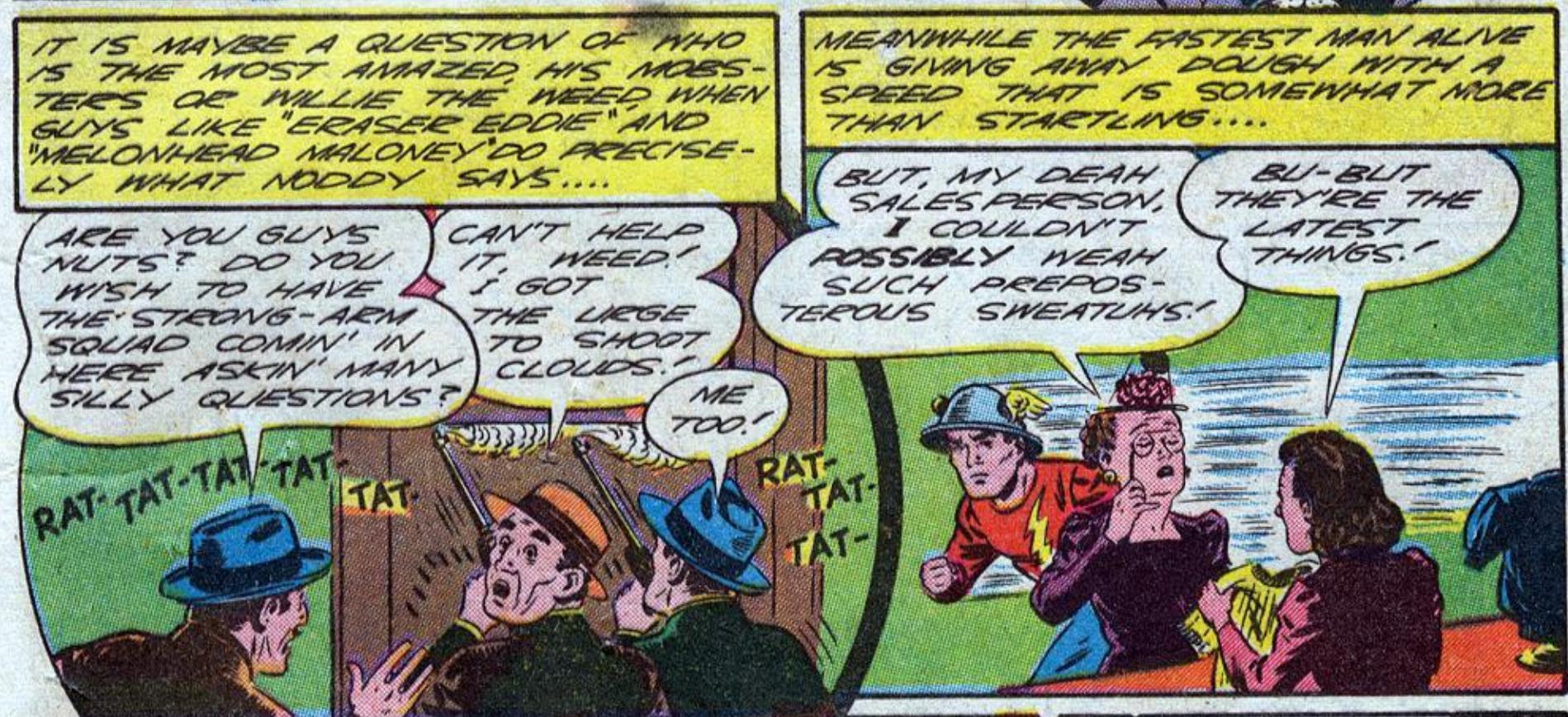
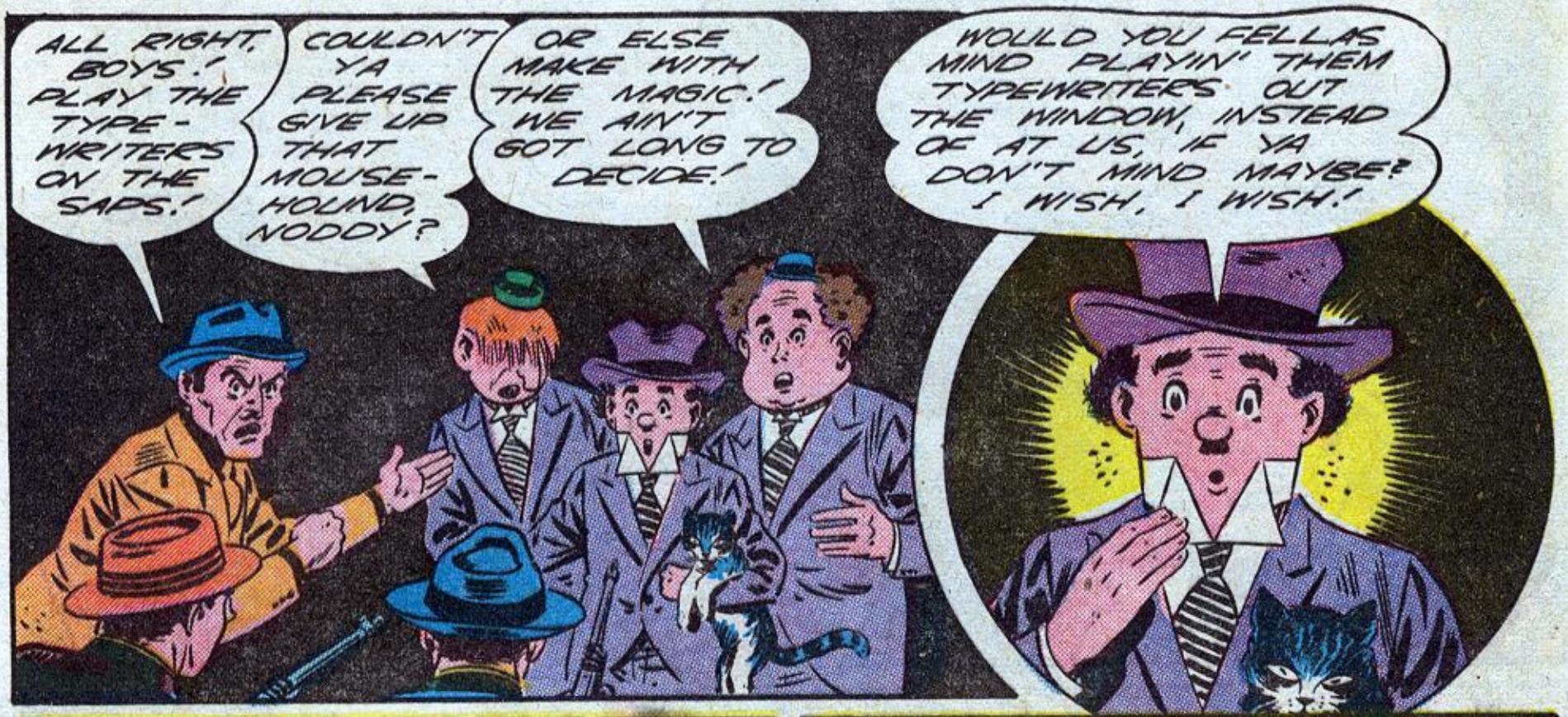
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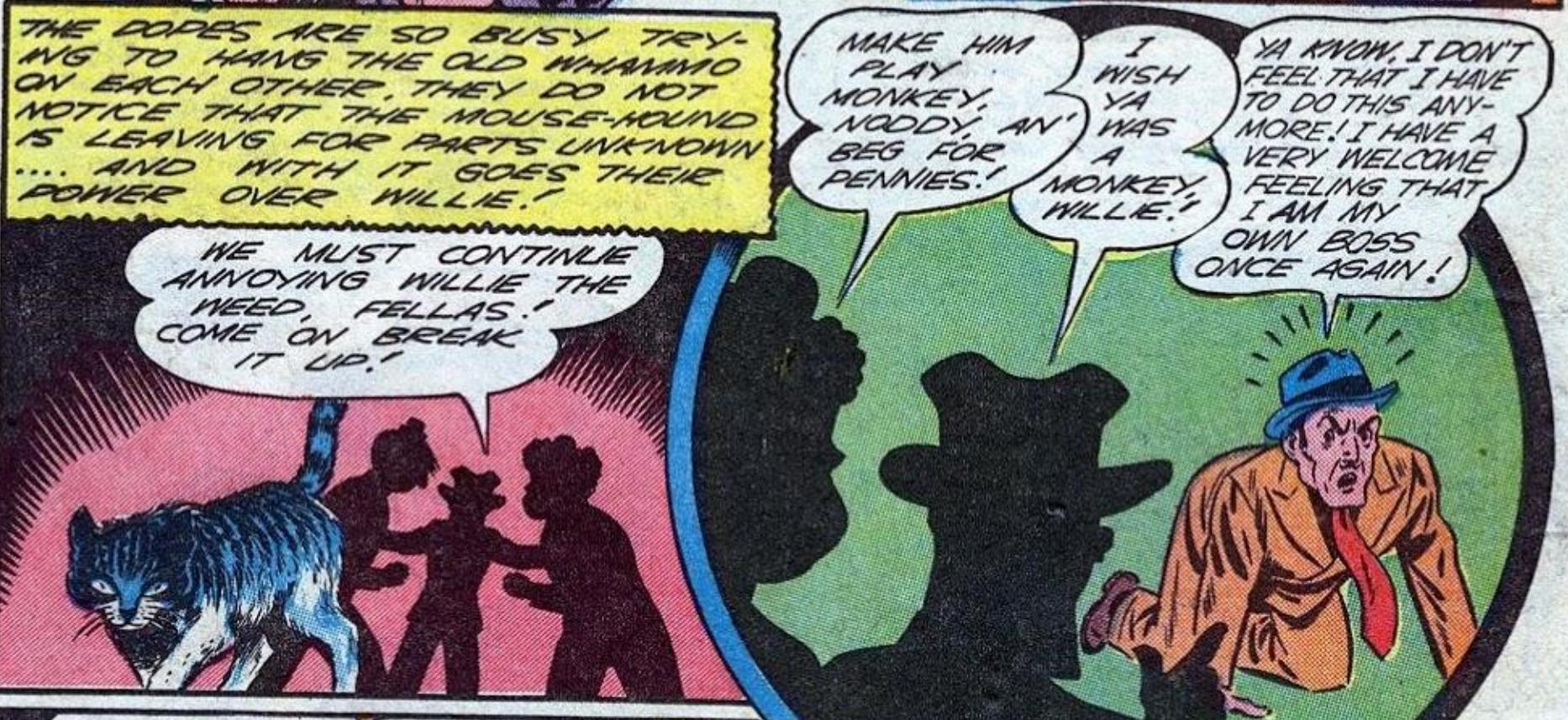
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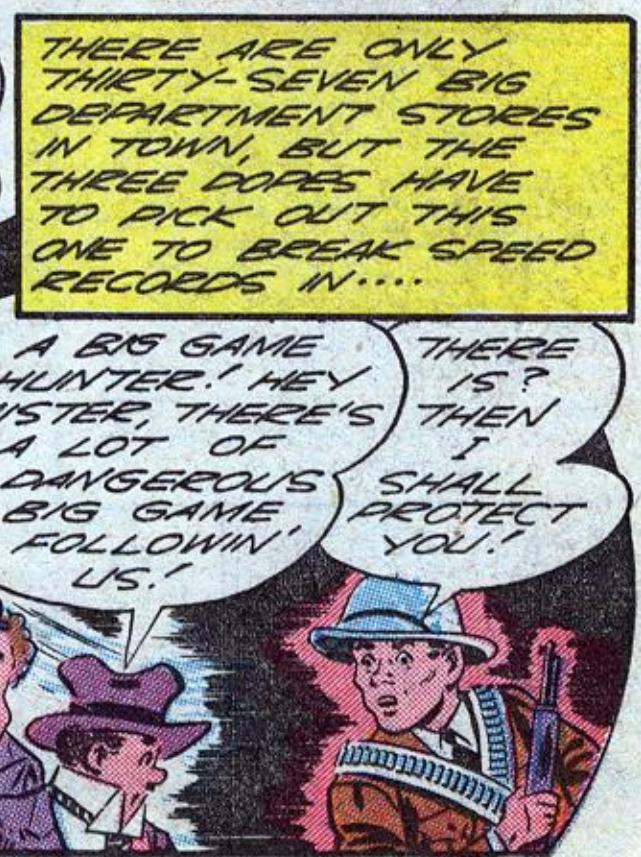
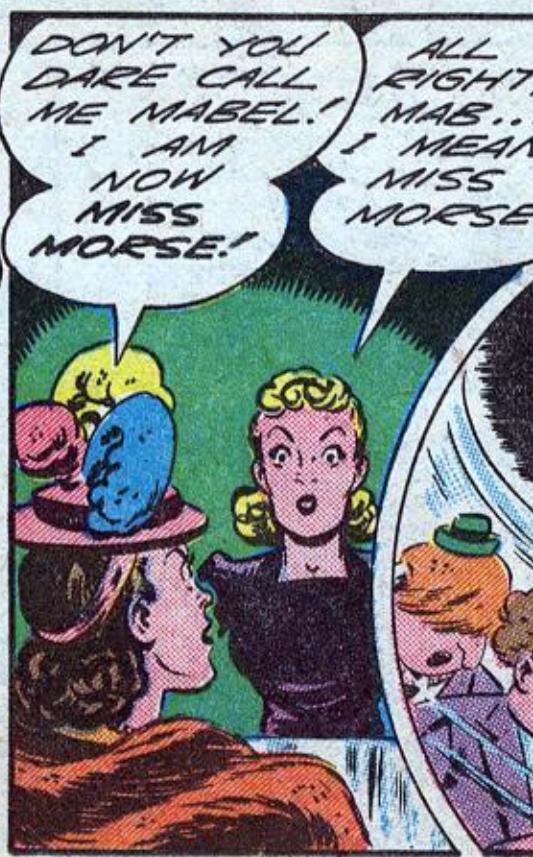
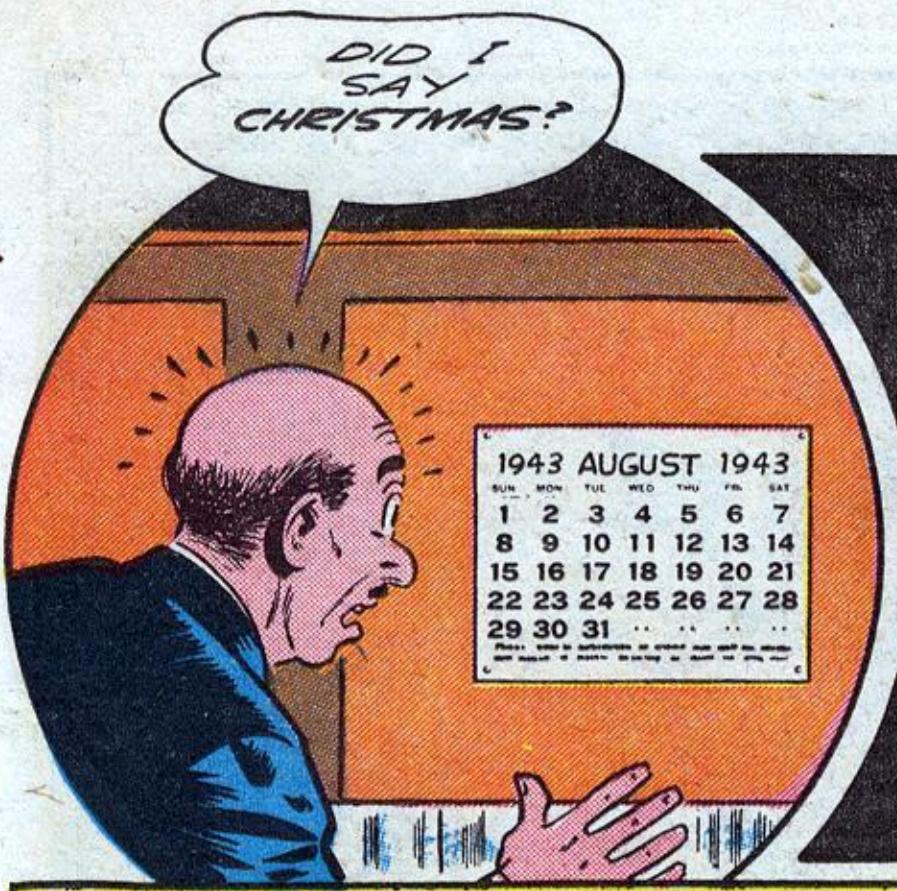


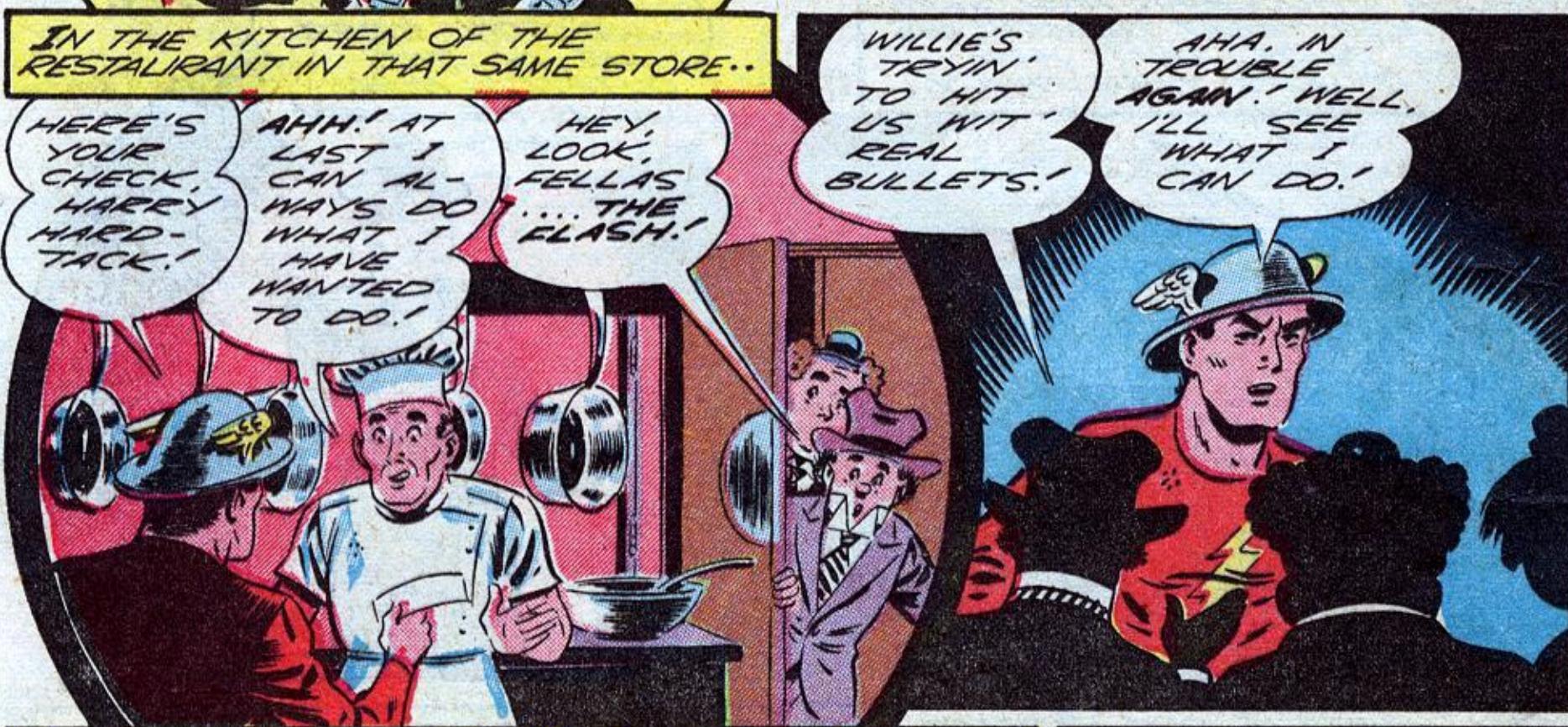
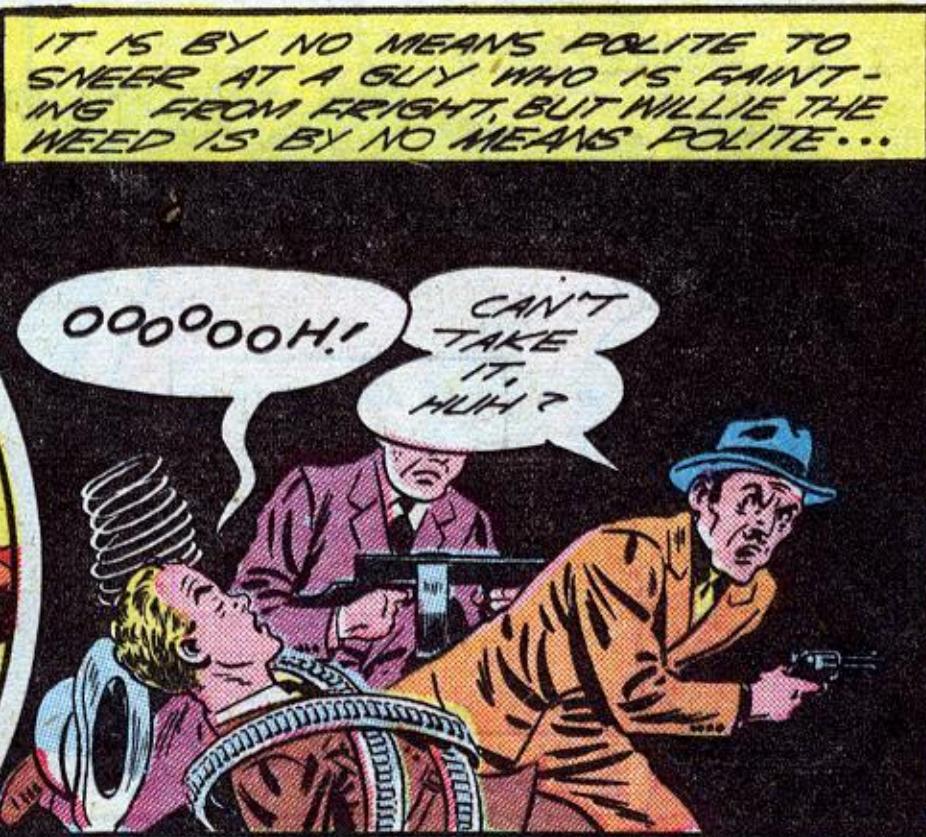


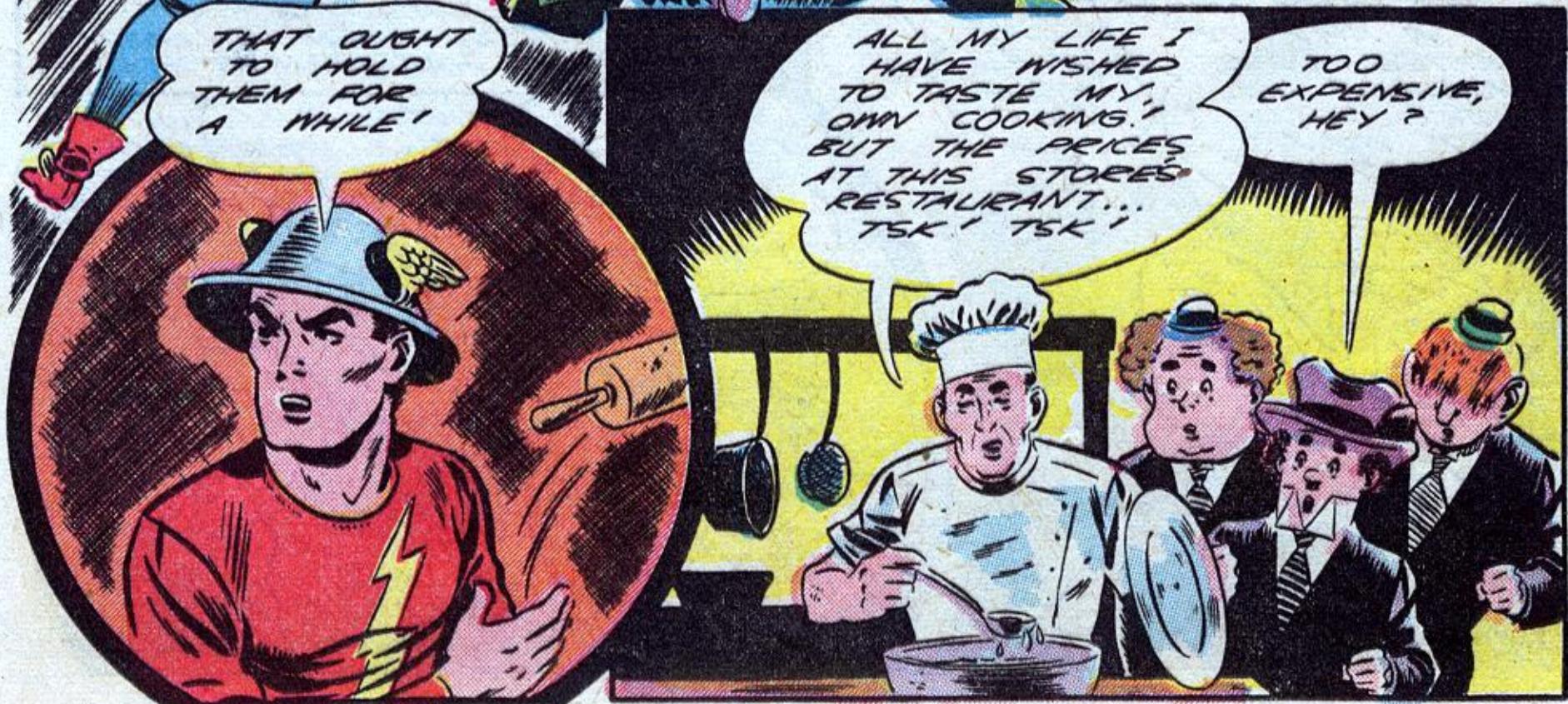
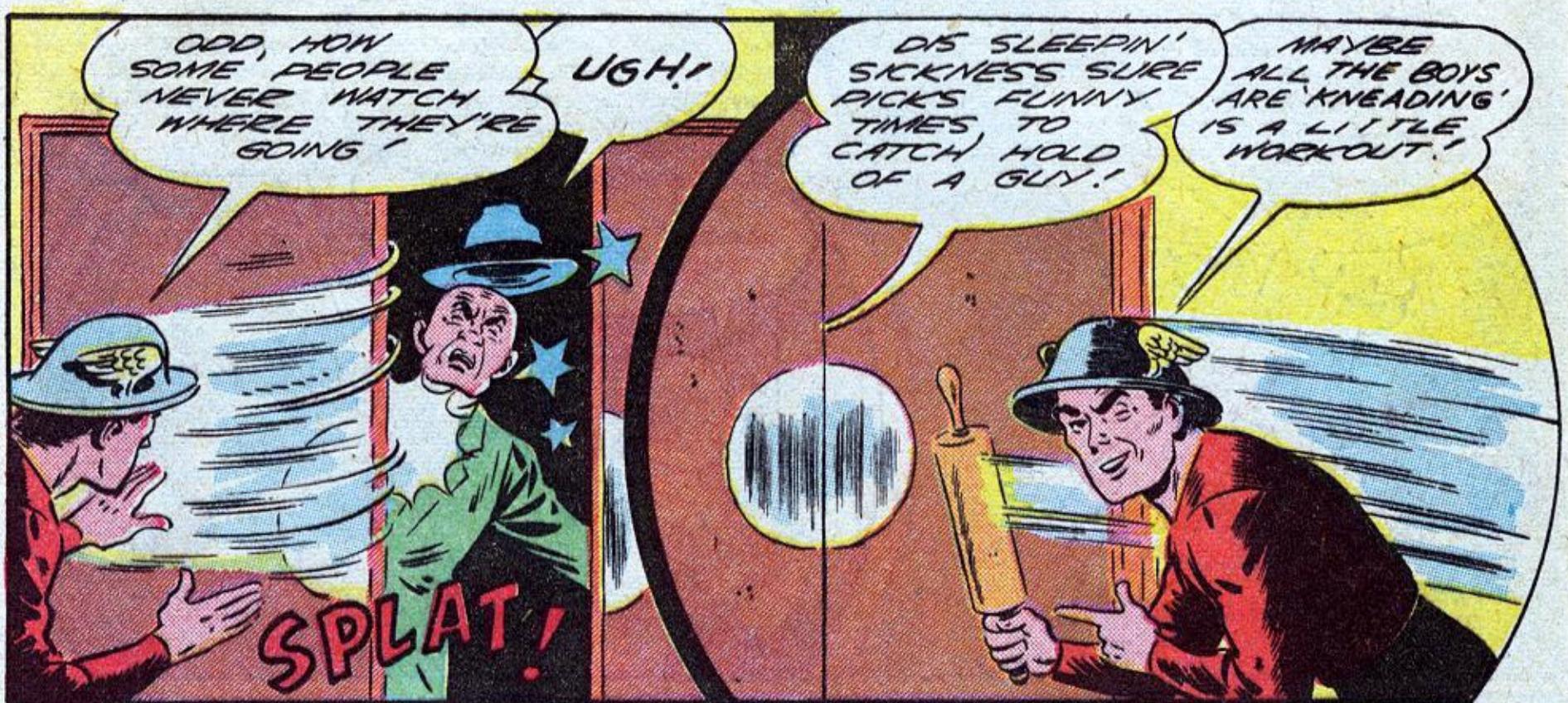


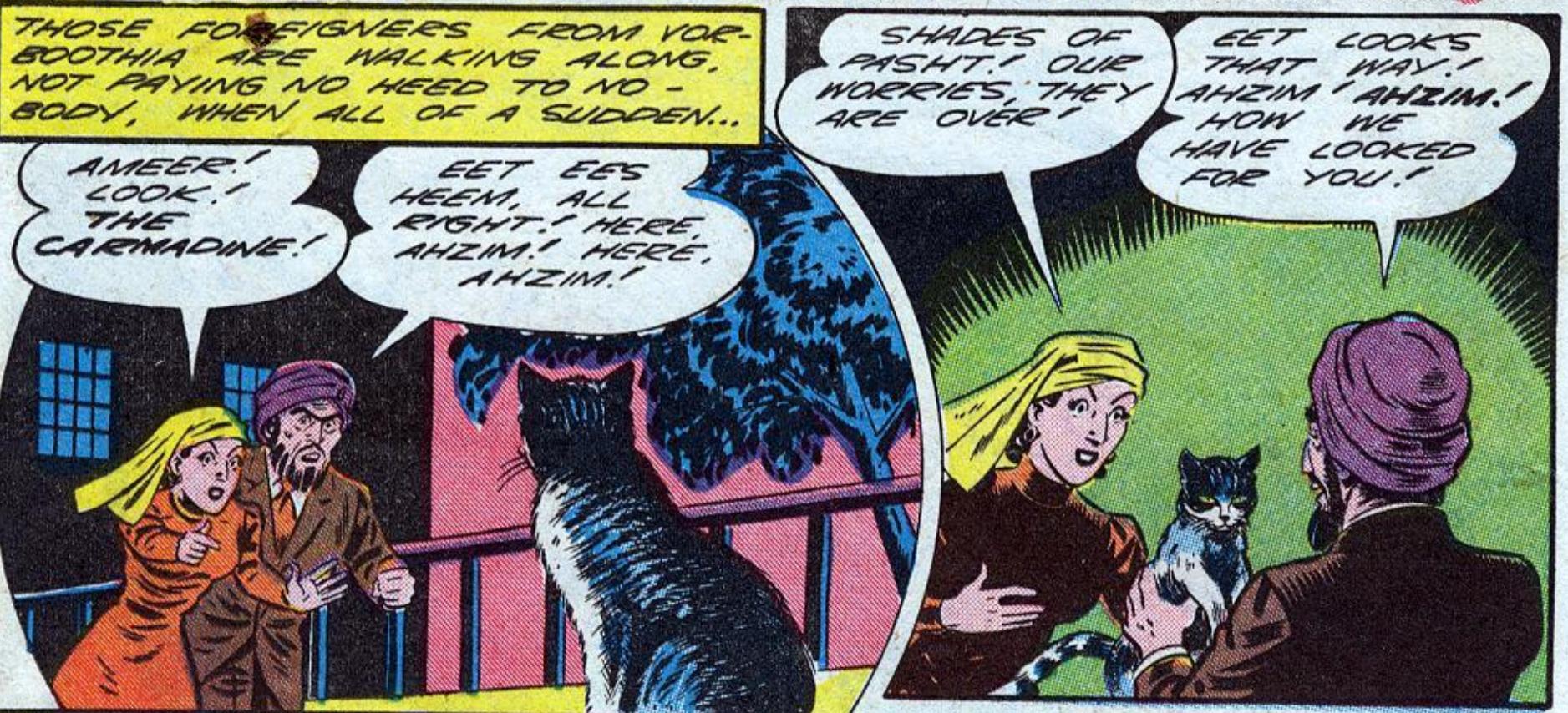
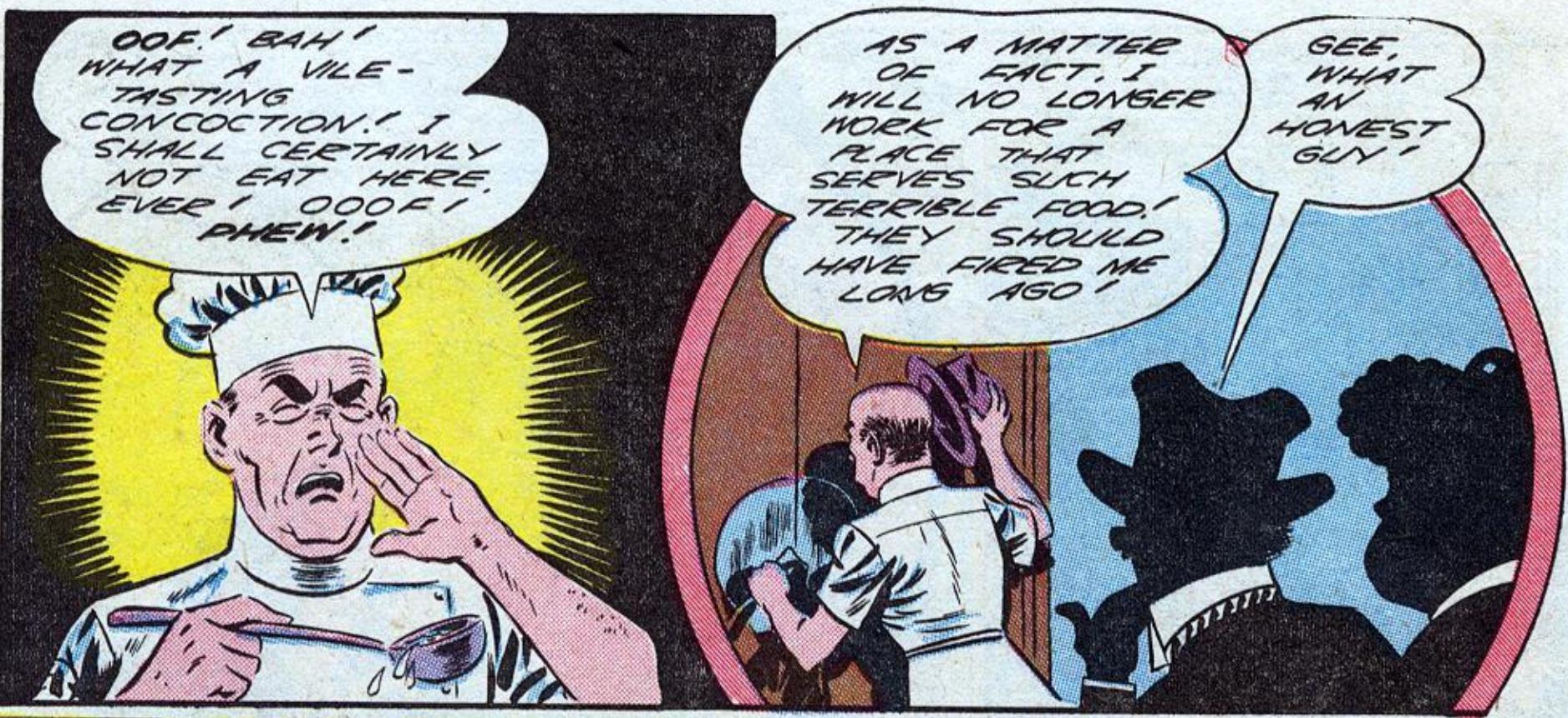


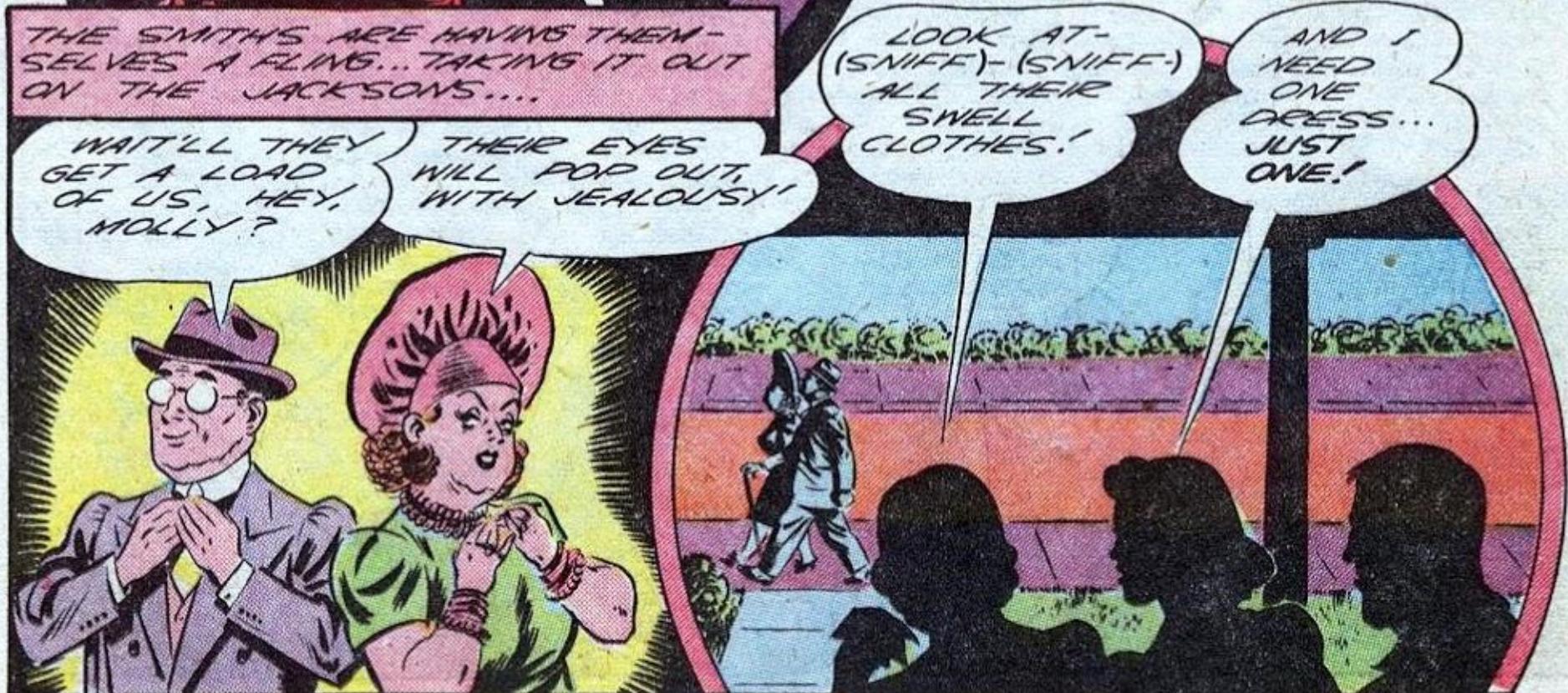
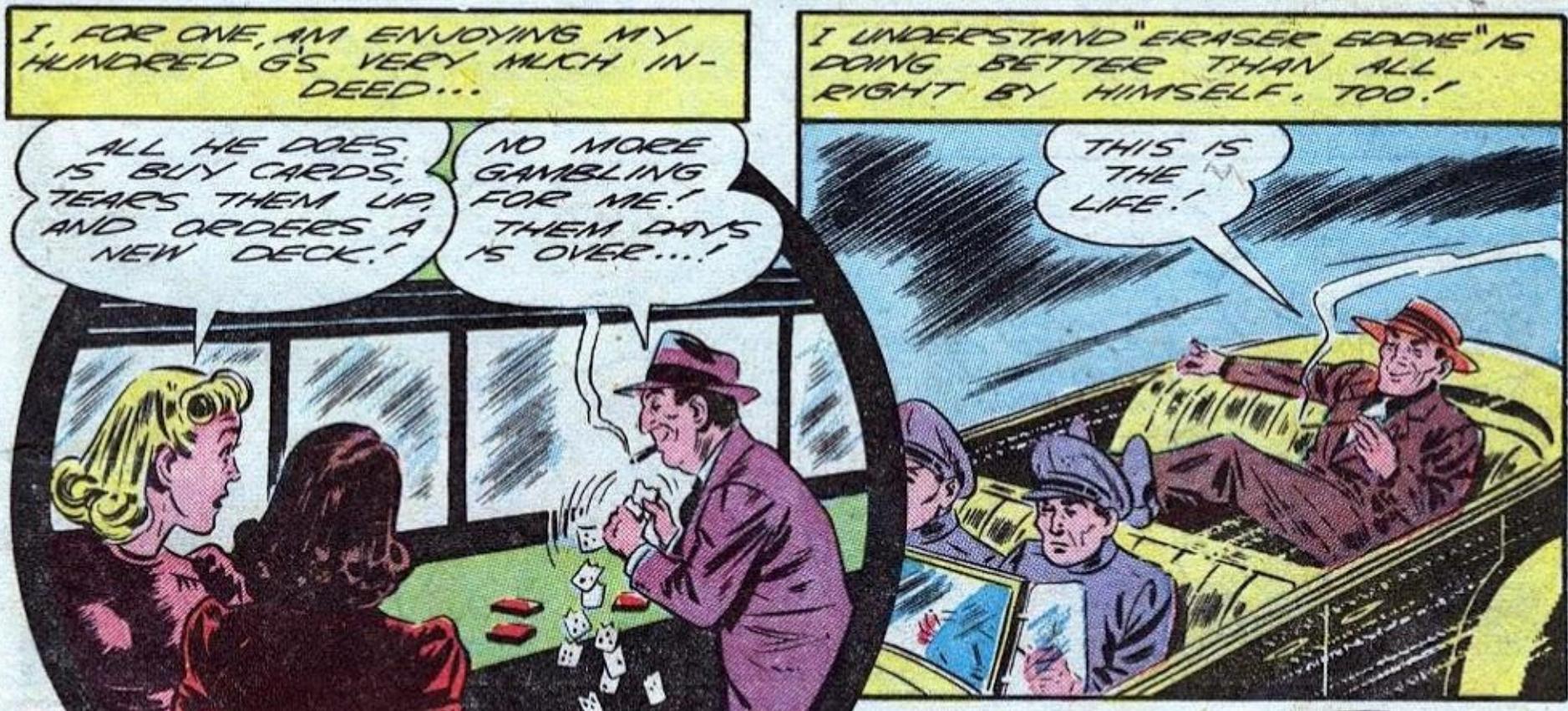
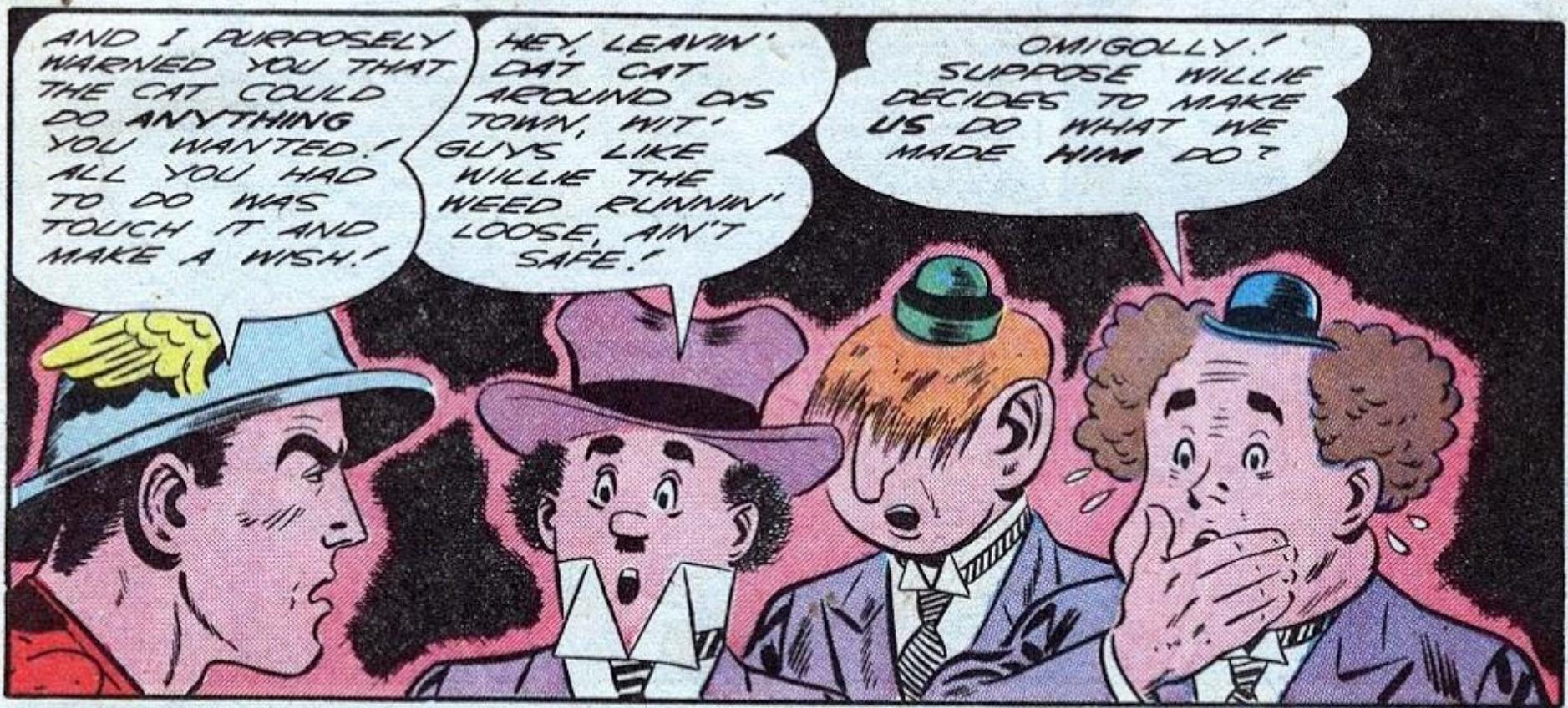


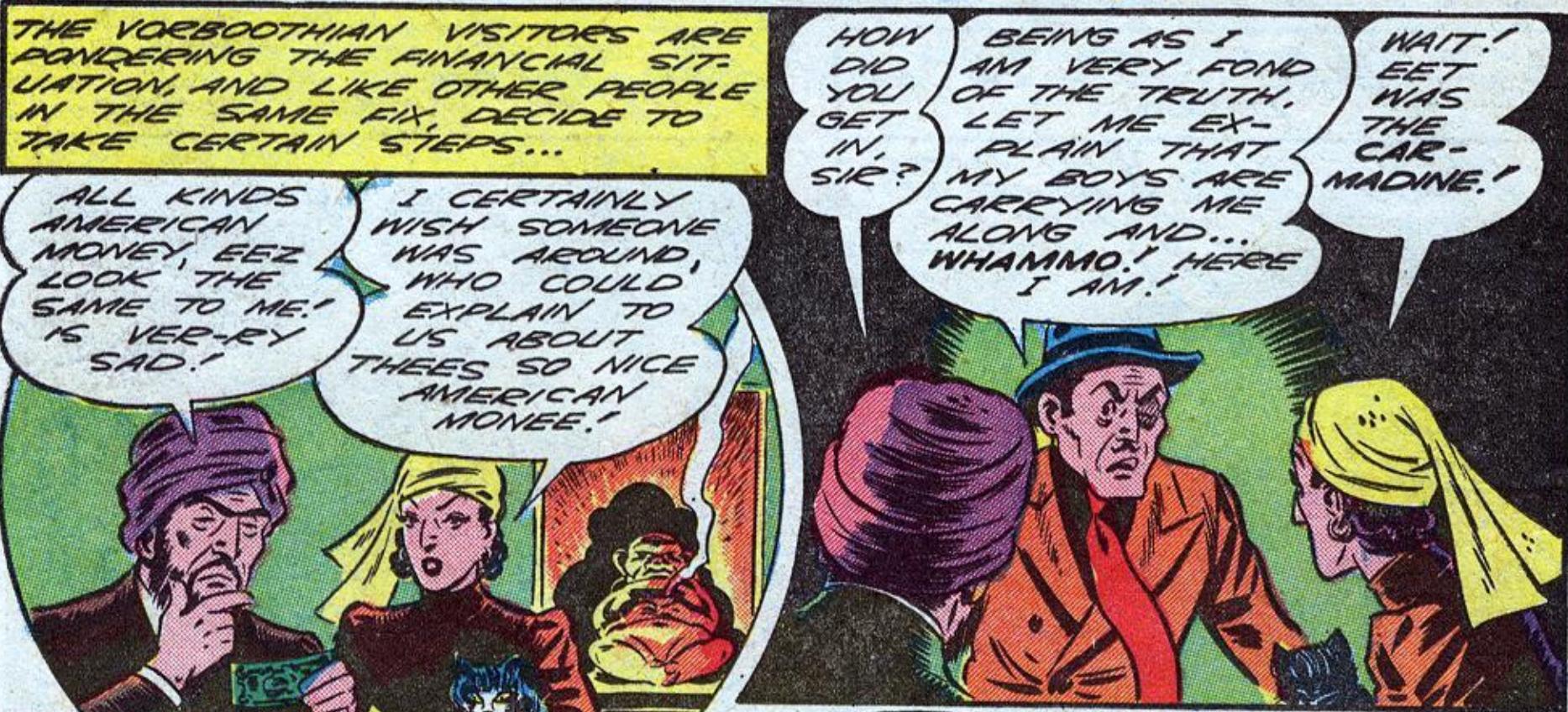




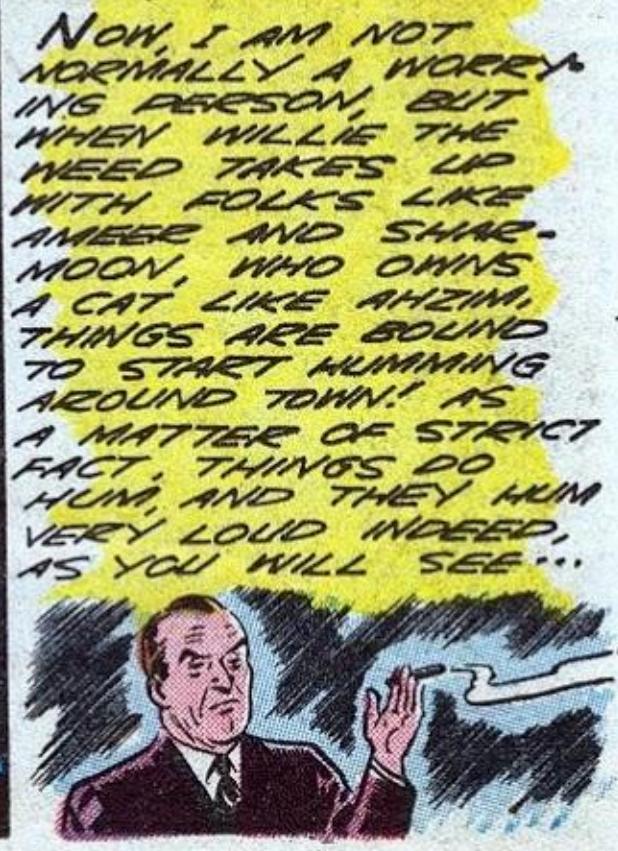
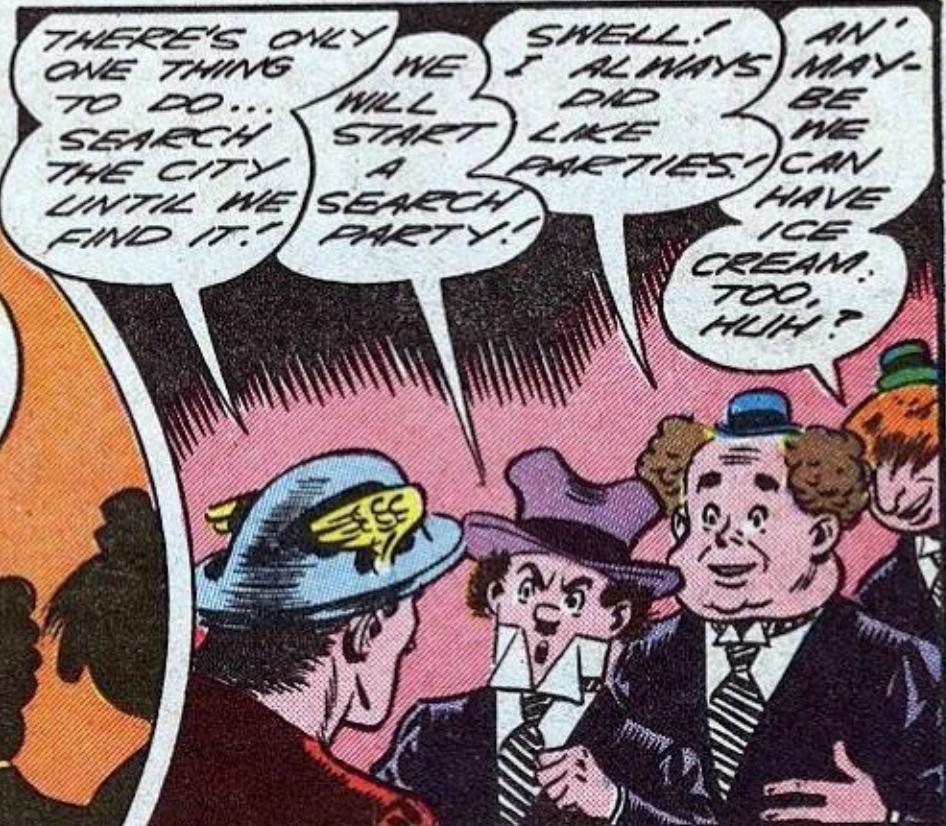








MEANWHILE, THE FLASH IS SUSPICIOUS OF WHAT MAY BE HAPPENING, ON ACCOUNT OF HE HASN'T GOT THAT CAT! THUS, THERE ARE SOME VERY CHOICE CHARACTERS GATHERED IN JOAN WILLIAMS' APARTMENT...



MYSTERY OF THE MONSOON

Another HOP HARRIGAN story based on the comic strip by Jon L. Blummer
now appearing monthly in ALL AMERICAN COMICS

FOR six days on the rubber life raft, Hop Harrigan and his flying partner, Tank Tinker, had drifted with the fickle winds and the currents. The equatorial sun broiled down upon the shark-infested waters to swell the parched tongues of the stranded fliers ever thicker and drier against the roofs of their mouths. The sun drilled down its heat upon the salty waters that had so hungrily swallowed Harrigan's bullet-riddled scouting plane.

A greenish-white shark with deadly, staring eyes followed behind the fliers' raft as steadfastly as a sheep dog at a shepherd's heel. No paddle jab or sudden wave of arms could make the thirty-foot monster budge an inch.

Implacably, murderously, it followed them through the seas. Day and night it hounded them.

Wild shouts from close at hand suddenly startled the dozing flyers. Squinting through their sun-puffed eyes, they observed a small island a quarter mile away with dozens of natives milling about on the white sandy beach. A score of the males were launching a sharp-prowed canoe. Quickly, they paddled toward the Americans' life raft.

Harrigan stared at their painted bodies in fascination. His swollen tongue gasped out the warning to his buddy. "Those natives, Tank! They're cannibals! We've drifted to the islands south of Borneo. I can't mistake those paint marks, their nose rings and that crazy haircut! If they get us, it will be a death far more torturing than the rows of shark teeth behind and under this raft!"

The enormous redhead roused from his stupor at Hop's astounding words and dug his

paddle into the shimmering water with all the tremendous strength at his command. Harrigan whirled about in the cramped quarters and facing now the same way as Tank helped to propel the flimsy craft away from the wild-shouting pursuers.

For a half mile they held their own in this race of death, but their strength was soon expended.

Hop Harrigan took a fleeting moment for a look behind. Their cannibal pursuers had changed course. They were quartering off to the north. Coming out of the north was another canoe filled with natives—no, there were two canoes that had distracted the fliers' pursuers!

"Hold up a minute, Tank," Hop gasped weakly, "those fellows have left our trail for some reason. Let's see what's up."

"I've got no date with a cannibal's iron pot today," replied the broad-shouldered redhead, "or any other day. I'm paddling until those birds have had their supper!"

Hop's parched lips tried to grin but they cracked and hurt. He merely made a grimace. "Look, Tank. There's a whale of a fight going on. The cannibals and those natives from the north. Wow! Their canoe has upset. The poor devils . . . I pity them even though they are head-hunters and worse. Sharks will tear them to ribbons."

The battle between the natives was soon over. The victors' canoe churned swiftly alongside the fliers' raft. Strong, brown arms lifted the exhausted fliers aboard. Tank took a last look behind the raft as he was half lifted, half pushed, into the rescue canoe. The shark that had followed them for six days

was gone. Those murderous eyes had sought murder; now they had found it.

But Fate is often fantastic. After a two-hour paddle in the rescuing canoe, the fliers came to realize it. As the sharp prow of the canoe touched the beach of still another island, it was met by a wild, jabbering crowd of natives. Hop and Tank were lifted bodily from the canoe and roughly pushed up the beach toward a group of grass huts. Arrived in front of the largest hut they were flung down upon the sand and two of the heaviest warriors sat upon them to hold them down.

Tank managed to grunt a question at Hop lying beside him. "You can savvy their lingo, Hop. What's the bad news, now?"

"I hate to tell you this, Red-head, but we've just slipped from the cannibals' pot into the fire. These devils worship fire. From what I can learn out of all their jabber, they plan to roast us on spits over the fire like frankfurters at a political picnic!"

"Wait and see . . . hey, Chief! Kibbie wanna sitranld pegje?"

Hop talked to the Chief of the fire worshippers for a long five minutes but didn't seem to be getting anywhere. He and Tank were picked up bodily by the fiercely painted warriors and carried further up the beach. Their hands and feet were bound securely and the entire group of natives ringed around them. Squatting on their haunches under the shade of nut palms, they just continued to stare at the flyers with the same deadly, murderous eyes as those of the shark. Waiting . . . waiting . . .

"What's this, a mind-reading seance? What are these guys waiting for?" Tank ground his

teeth in anger. "Here we are dying of thirst and they just sit around playing deaf and dumb!"

"They're waiting for it to rain fish," said Hop Harrigan.

"W . . . waiting . . . waiting for it to rain . . . fi-fish?"

"You heard me. If my calculations are correct, Tank, it will cloud over within an hour or so and rain fish. If and when it does, the Chief says he will believe our story that we are gods, and will let us go. Not only that. He'll furnish us with the fastest canoe he's got and provision it. We'll be able to get back to our base and rejoin the squadron."

"Aw, Hop. Why did you have to concoct such a crazy yarn as that? We're as good as roasted alive, right now."

"Listen, Tank. Those monsoon winds. They are terrific. They whirl round with high velocities, like cyclones, and pick up the top three feet of water as they move across the ocean. There's fish, plenty of small fish, in those top three

feet. The wind moves slowly in a certain direction. The monsoon warning that I picked up on our short wave radio stated the winds are moving eastward at the rate of 200 miles a day from the Indian Ocean. These islands that we've seen today are approximately 1200 miles from the center of that reported monsoon."

A gleam of hope filtered into Tank's eyes. "And we've been on that life raft for six days. I get it!"

"Now you're thinking with brains, Redhead. Those fish weigh something. As the wind velocity diminishes, there's nothing to hold them up there and down they come. It rains fish!"

And it did, a half hour later. The native Chief appeared stupefied with the mystery of the monsoon as fish, some as large as three pounds, pelted down all over the island. He recovered his dignity and signaled his men to unfetter the two fliers. He gave them food and drink, set his men to

work carrying provisions into the fastest sailing canoe. By the time everything was in readiness, it was dark.

Harrigan and Tinker then bid the Chief and the fire-worshipping islanders good-bye. Strong arms shoved their canoe out upon the surface of the starlit lagoon. Their spirits soared aloft like the canvas they quickly set to the wind.

"Tank," Hop Harrigan took a position by the crude tiller, "we have no compass, but we'll steer by the stars. Just look at them . . . what a beautiful sight."

"You look at them," Tank grunted at his partner, "just as sure as sunrise, if I looked up at them, a falling fish would hit me plumb in the eye."

On shore, the Chief, squatting before a small fire and picking over the bones of a baked mullet, muttered into the embers, "Jerlie bontun tsita warriga . . ." which translated means, "Truly, only god-like men can jest at adversity."



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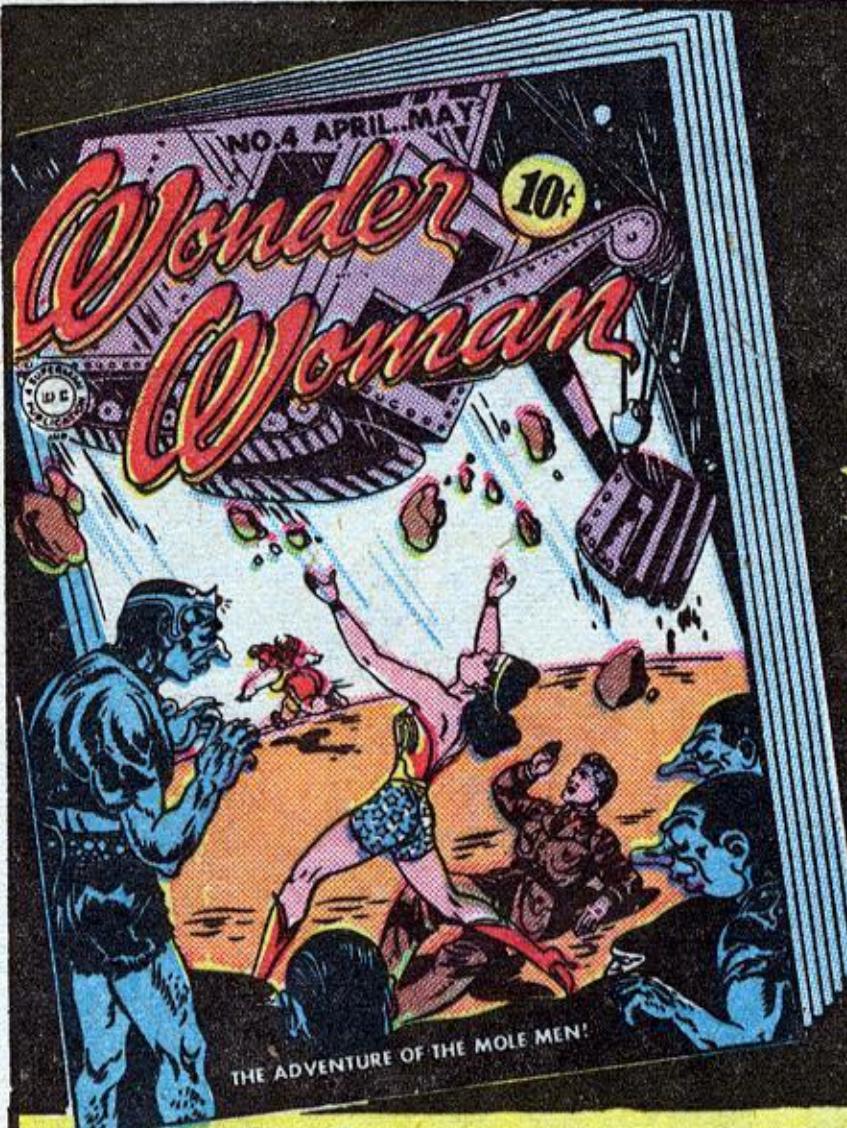
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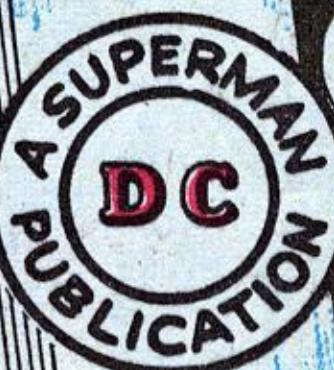
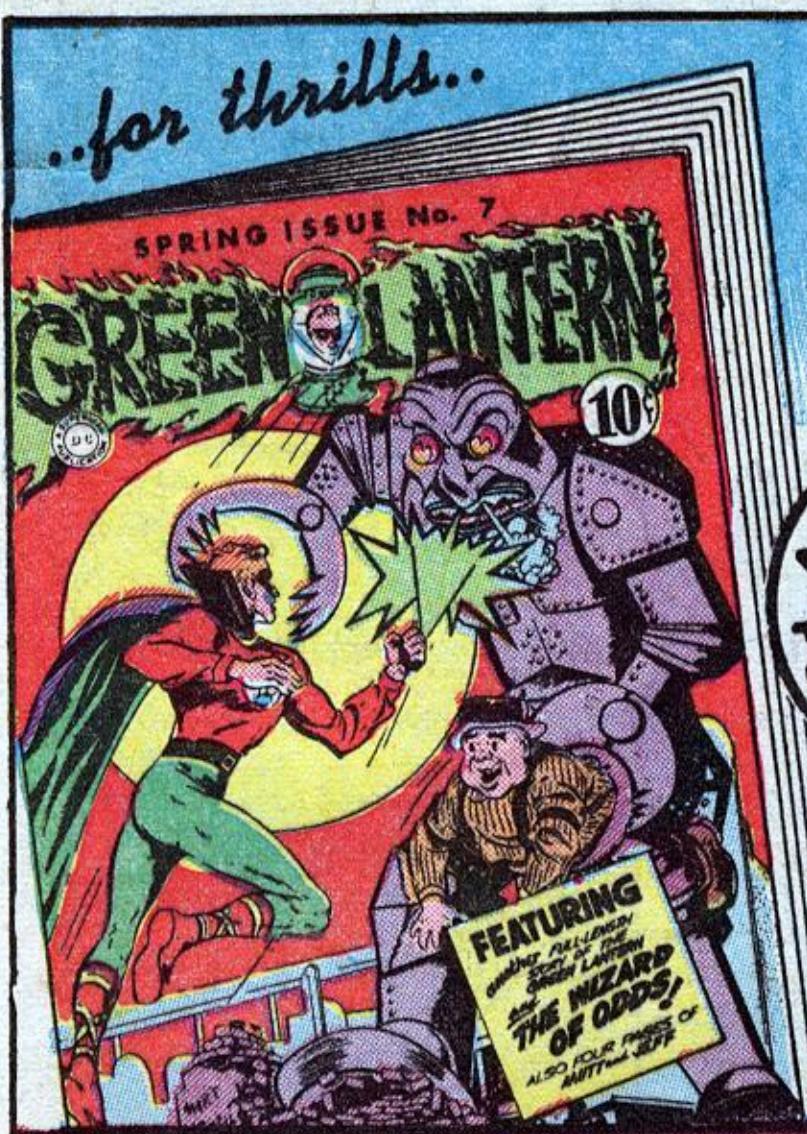
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I
F I AM A GUY WITH
LOTS OF MOOLA IN ONE
BANK OR ANOTHER, I
WOULD BE VERY ANXIOUS
ALONG ABOUT THIS TIME,
BECAUSE WILLIE THE
WEED HAS HIS HAND ON
THE CARMADINE AND IS
MAKING VERY DISHONEST
WISHES FOR GETTING HIS
HANDS ON SOME “LONG -
GREEN” - AND WILLIE
HAS HUGE IDEAS WHEN
IT COMES TO A
PROPOSITION LIKE THIS....

OF COURSE THE FLASH
IS STILL AROUND AND
ABOUT, BUT I CANNOT
SEE WHAT EVEN HE CAN
DO AGAINST SUCH A
SURE BET AS THAT CAT!



I WISH ME AND ALL
MY BOYS WERE INSIDE
THE VAULTS OF THE
NATIONAL BANK AND
TRUST CO. ... WITH VERY
BIG SUITCASES ALL
AROUND US....



I'LL SAY THIS FOR THAT MOUSE-HOUND:
HE IS NOT ONE TO WASTE TIME.....

AH! JUST LIKE THAT!
WHAT A PLEASING SET-
UP! START WORKING, BOYS,
AND FILL THE SUITCASES!

NOT EVEN
THE
FLASH
CAN STOP
US NOW!

HOWEVER THE FASTEST MAN ALIVE
IS NOT A CITIZEN TO PERMIT ANY
GRASS TO GROW UNDER HIS FEET.....

HM-M- NOT A SIGN
OF WILLIE'S BOYS!
BUT... WHERE
ARE THEY?

I'D BETTER SCOUT AROUND
TOWN! IF I KNOW WILLIE
THE WEED, HE'S UP
TO MISCHIEF!

:PUFF-PUFF:.... I CAN'T
KEEP UP WIT'
THE FLASH!

IF YOU COULD,
DAT WOULD
BE SOMETHIN'!

:PUFF-:
:PUFF-:

LET'S GET OUR-
SELVES A
MOTORCYCLE!

THAT'S
A SWELL
IDEA!

MOTORCYCLE
SHOP

HERE, MISTER!
CASH THIS CHECK, HU-
FER ME!

HUNDRED
GRAND!

ULP! WHY,
I AIN'T GOT
THAT MUCH
DOUGH
IN THE STORE.

WHAT'M I TALKIN'
ABOUT? I AIN'T NEVER
SEEN THAT MUCH
DOUGH BEFORE!

WILLIE THE WEED IS FINDING OUT THAT WHILE HE GETS SAFELY INSIDE THE BANK, IT IS QUITE ANOTHER JOB TO GET OUT OF IT.....

I'LL POUR A LITTLE NITRO INTO THIS LOCK-HOLE! HUH, CAN Y' IMAGINE SOUPIN' YER WAY OUT OF A SAFE? IT'LL MAKE HISTORY!

AM I
EMBAR-
RASSED!

DIS IS DE FOIST TIME I EVER
WORRIED ABOUT GETTIN'
OUT OF ONE OF
DESE THINGS!

HANG ONTO YOUR
TEETH, FELLAS!

BOOM!

AT THAT
MOMENT THE
FLASH
IS PASSING...

OH-OH! SOUNDS LIKE
AN EXPLOSION IN THE
BANK! I'D BETTER
SEE IF ANYONE'S
HURT!

WELL, HELLO,
BOYS!

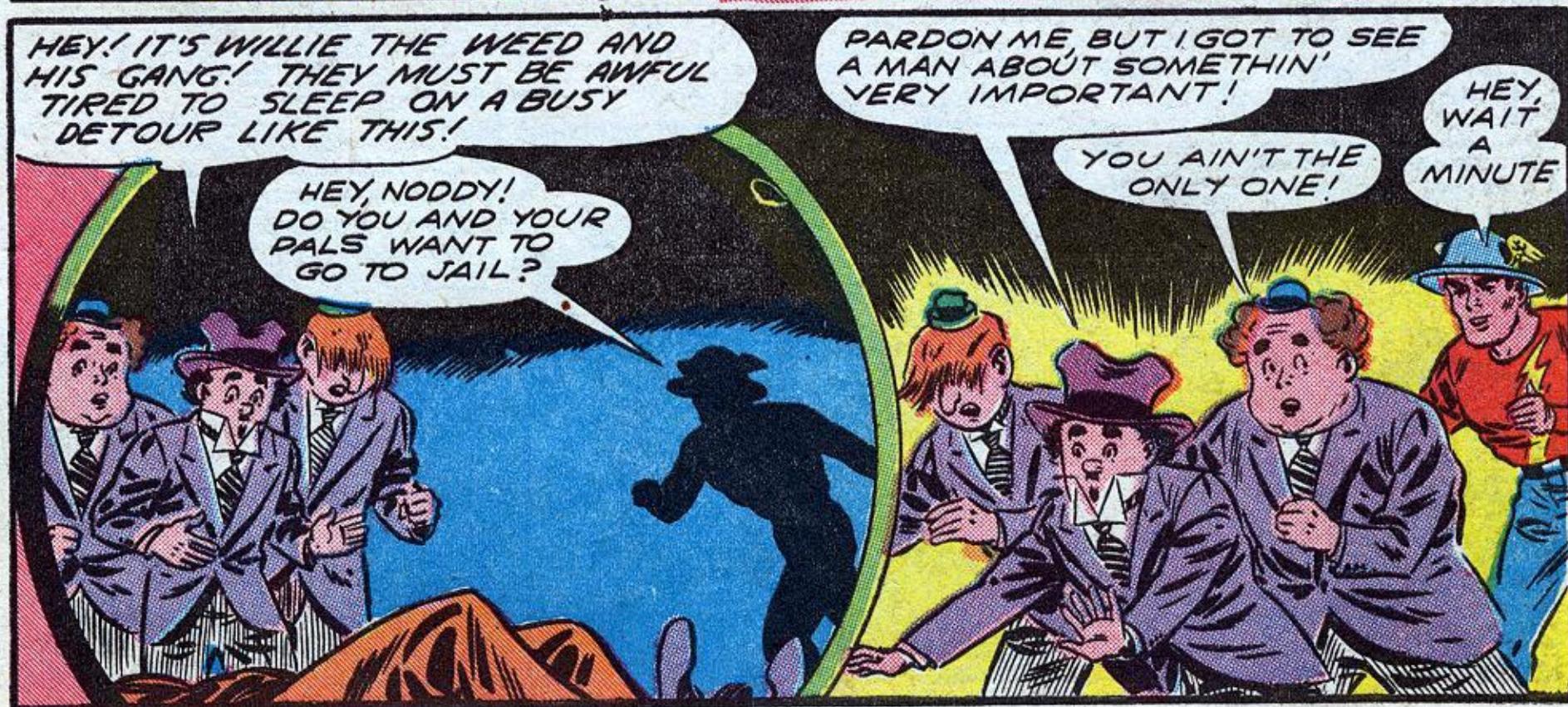
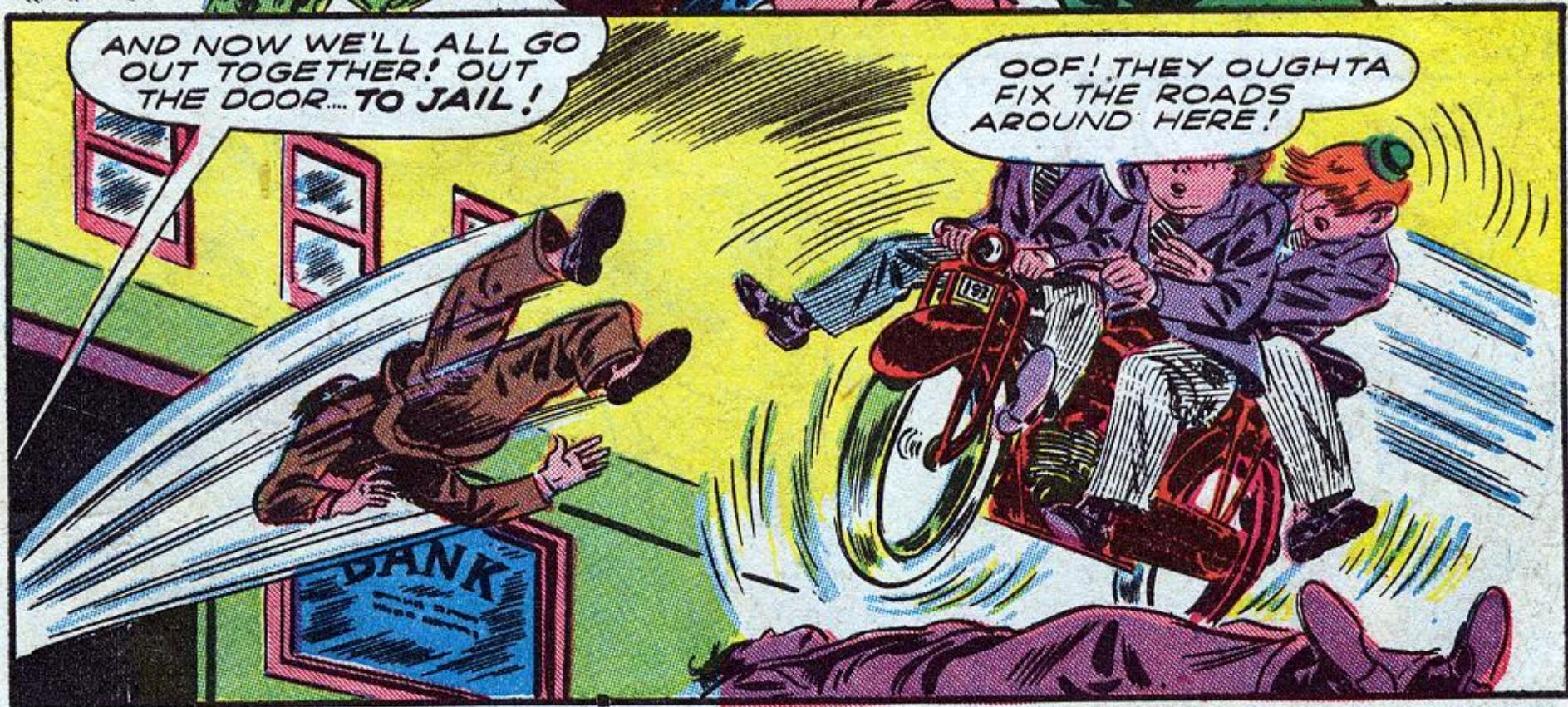
FLASH! DON'T
YOU EVER SLEEP
OR TAKE A REST AT
ANY TIME?

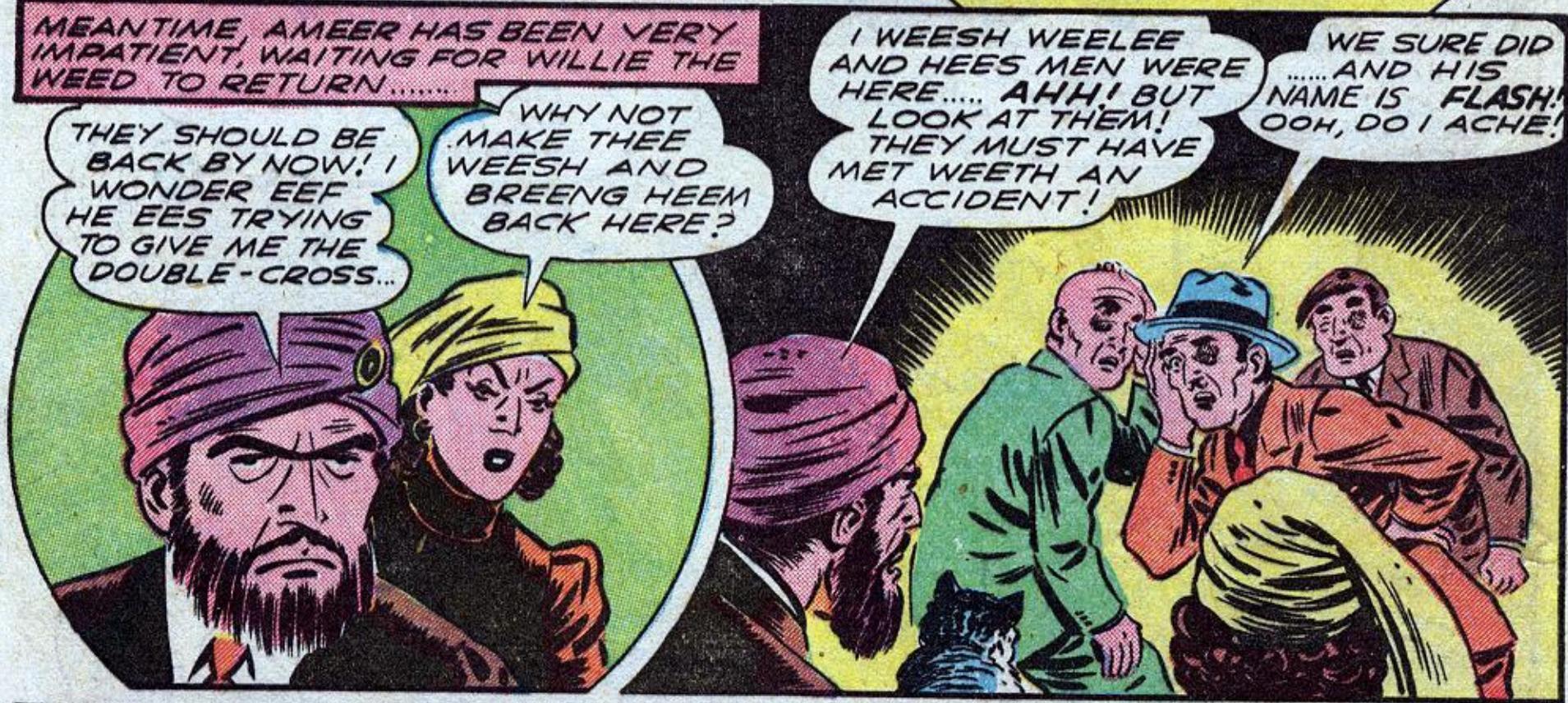
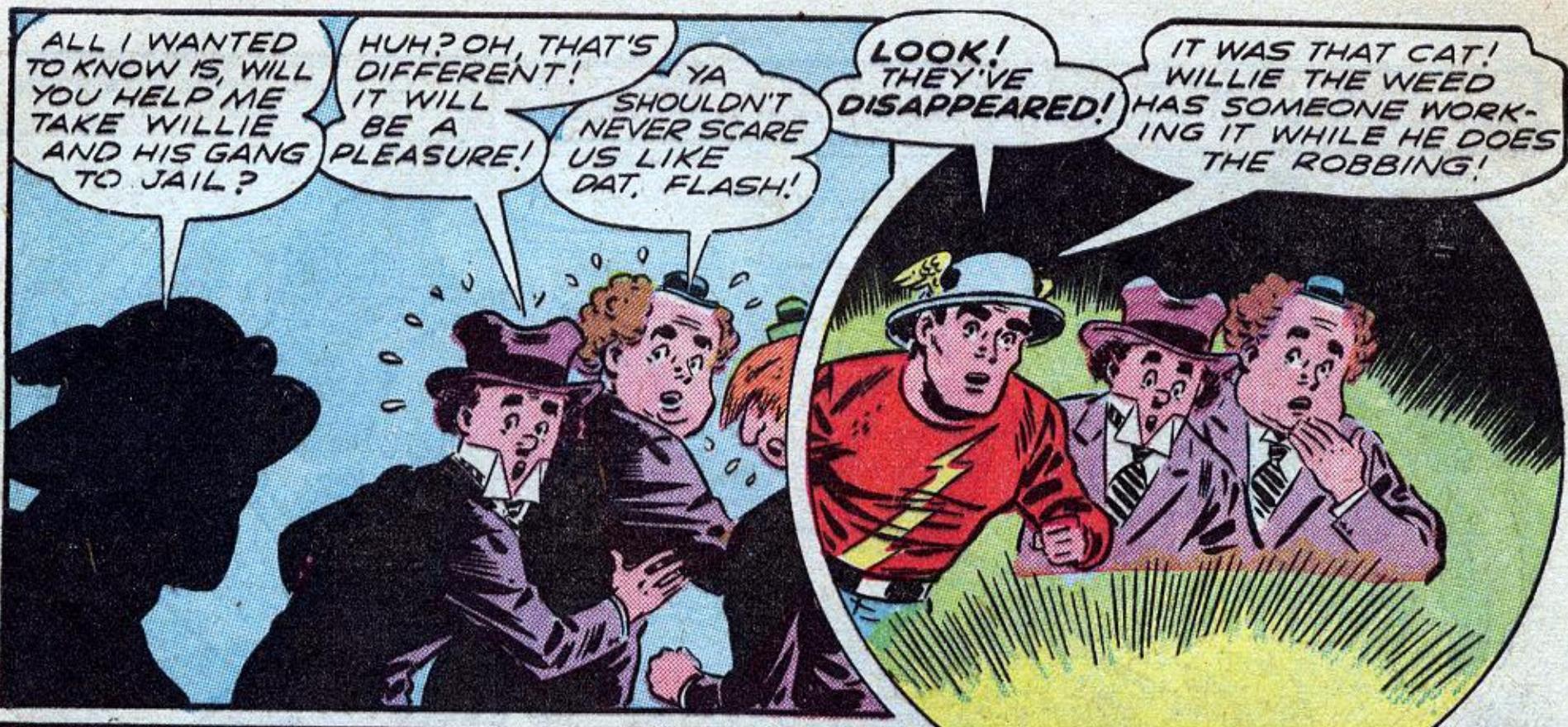
IT IS GIVEN ME TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE FLASH HAS SO MUCH SPEED HE CAN WHIRL GUYS AROUND IN THE AIR BECAUSE THE SPEED WITH WHICH HE WHIRLS THEM DTRACTS FROM THEIR WEIGHT.....

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR A
DUMBBELL TO PRACTICE
WITH! YOU'RE THE ANSWER,
WILLIE!

Oooops!

IT IS QUITE A SIGHT TO SEE THE SCARLET SPEEDSTER GO INTO ACTION BECAUSE WHEN HE GOES INTO ACTION, THERE IS A LOT OF EXCITEMENT, INDEED.....





MABEL MORSE ALSO IS WONDERING WHETHER MAYBE SHE IS WRONG ALL HER LIFE....

I ALWAYS WANTED MONEY SO I COULD IMITATE THE DEBUTANTES WHO WERE MY CUSTOMERS! WELL, I IMITATED THEIR PHONEY POSES SO WELL THAT NOW MY FRIENDS WON'T EVEN SPEAK TO ME.... SSSNNIII/FFFFFFF.....



WILLIAM WARREN, TOO.....

I WANTED MONEY BECAUSE I ENJOYED READING ABOUT FOREIGN PLACES AND LONGED FOR ADVENTURE. NOW THAT I HAVE MONEY I DON'T NEED IT... BECAUSE I CAN JOIN THE ARMY, FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY AND GET ALL THE TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE I WANT FOR NOTHING!



AT THIS MOMENT, WILLIE THE WEED IS NURSING SOME ACHES AND PAINS.....

I MUST REMIND THE FLASH TO BE MORE GENTLE! IT SEEMS I BRUISE BUT THAT EASILY!

DOES NOT SOLVE THEE PROBLEM OF HOW TO GET REECH VERY QUICKLY!



WAIT! I GOT A SWELL IDEA! BOY, IS IT A LULU!

WHO EES THEE'S LULU? EES SHE A FRIEN' OF OURS?

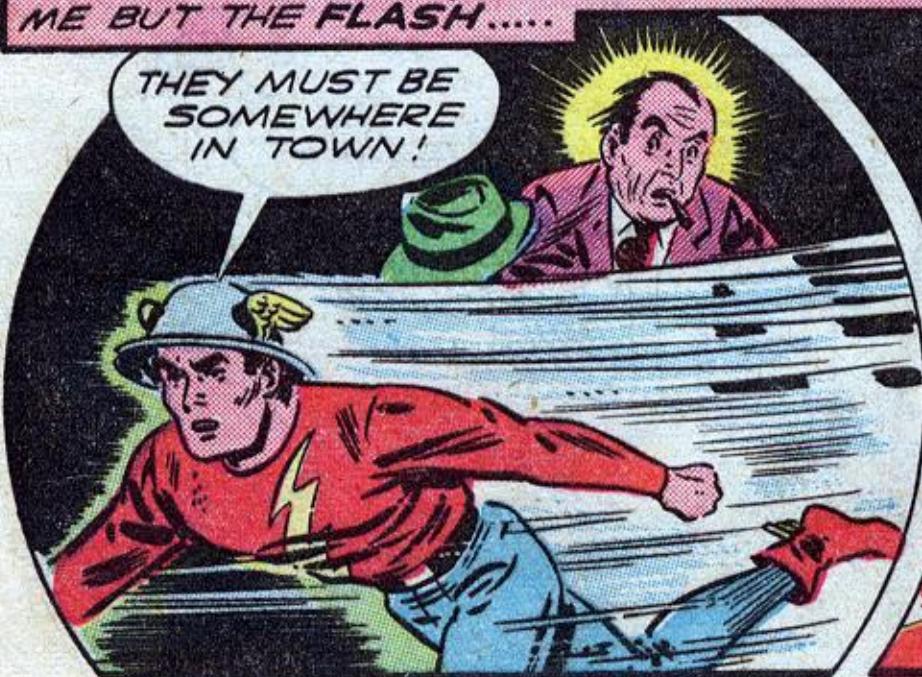


I WISH ALL THE BANK TELLERS IN THE CITY WOULD GATHER UP ALL THE LARGE CASH NEAR THEM AND BRING IT TO US HERE!



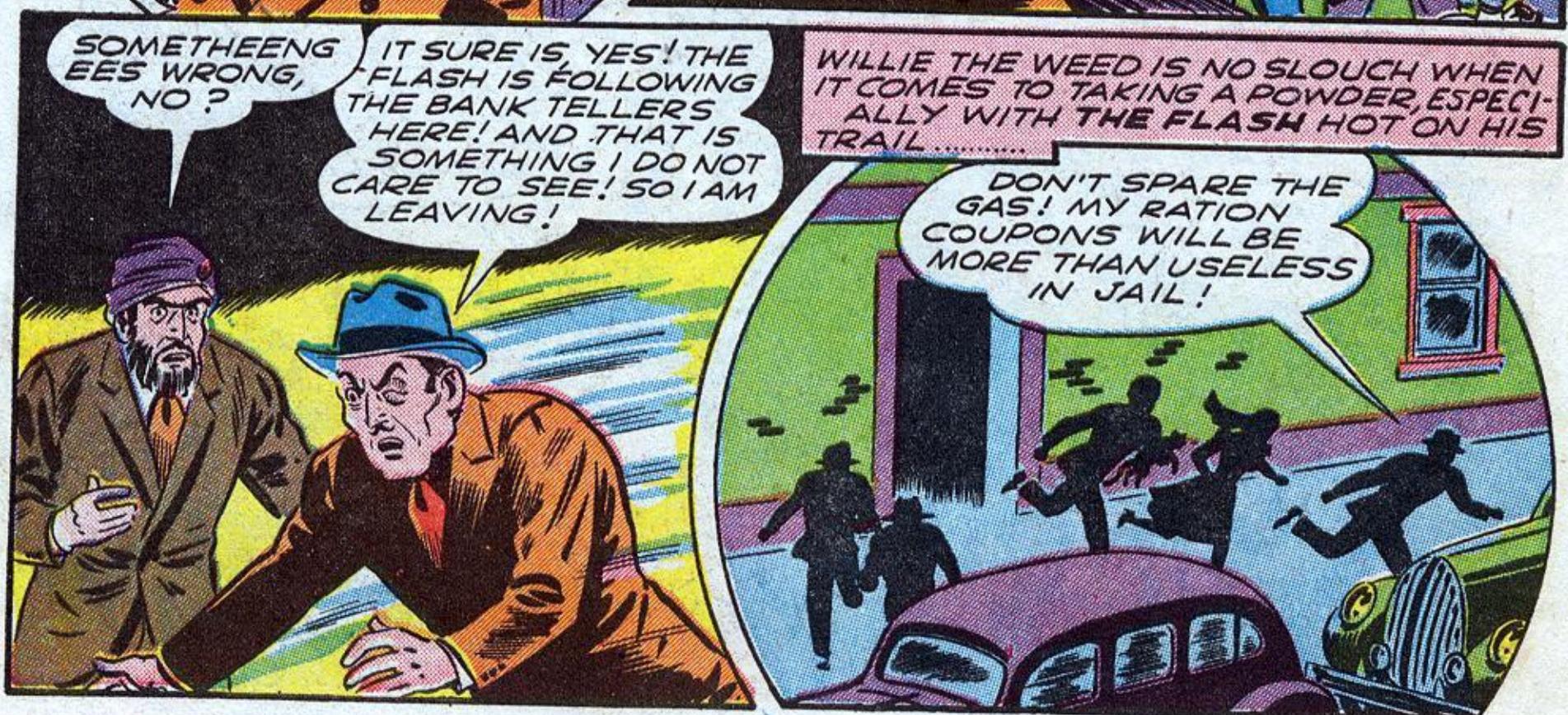
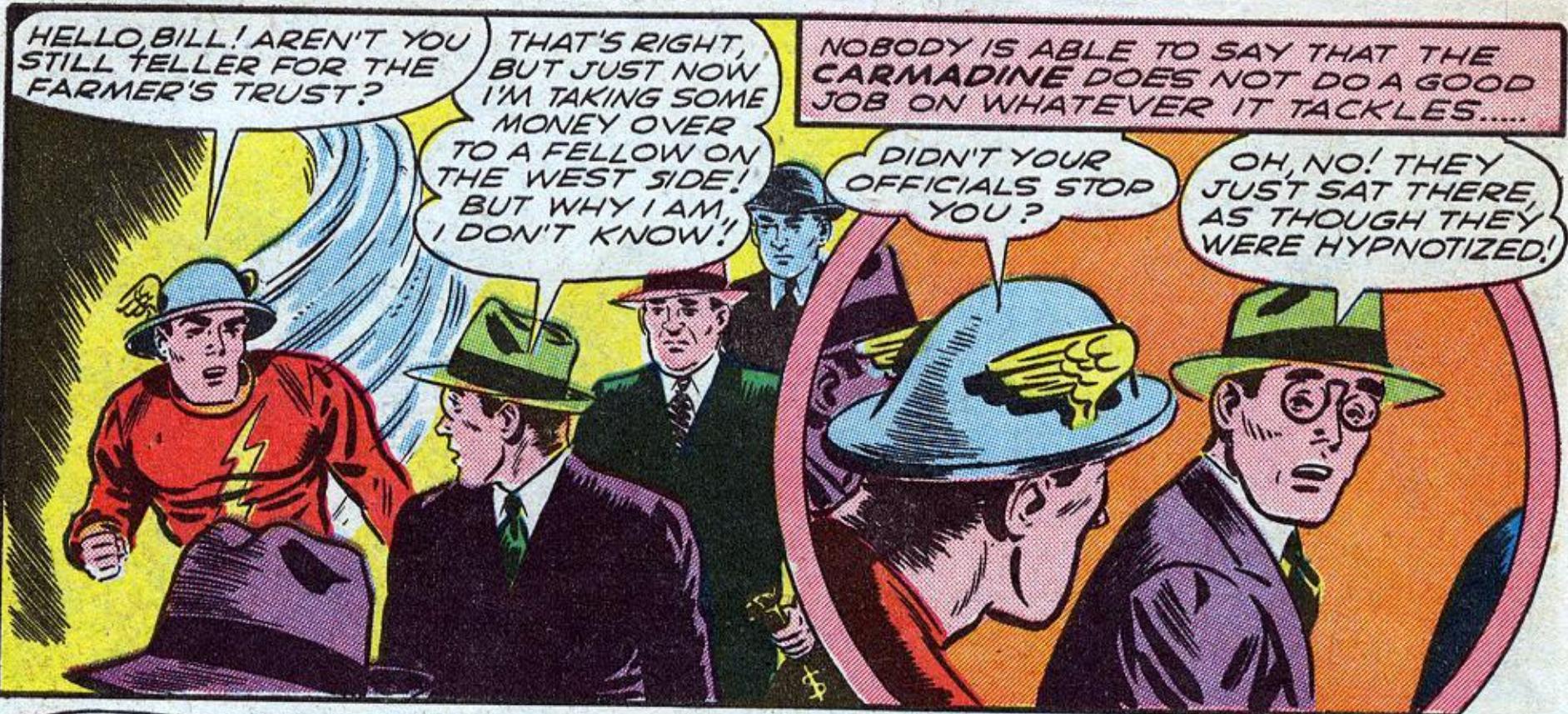
I AM STANDING OUTSIDE THE LAST DEPARTMENT STORE IN TOWN THAT HAS ANY PLAYING CARDS FOR SALE WHEN I FEEL A TERRIFIC BREEZE, AND WHO GOES PAST ME BUT THE FLASH.....

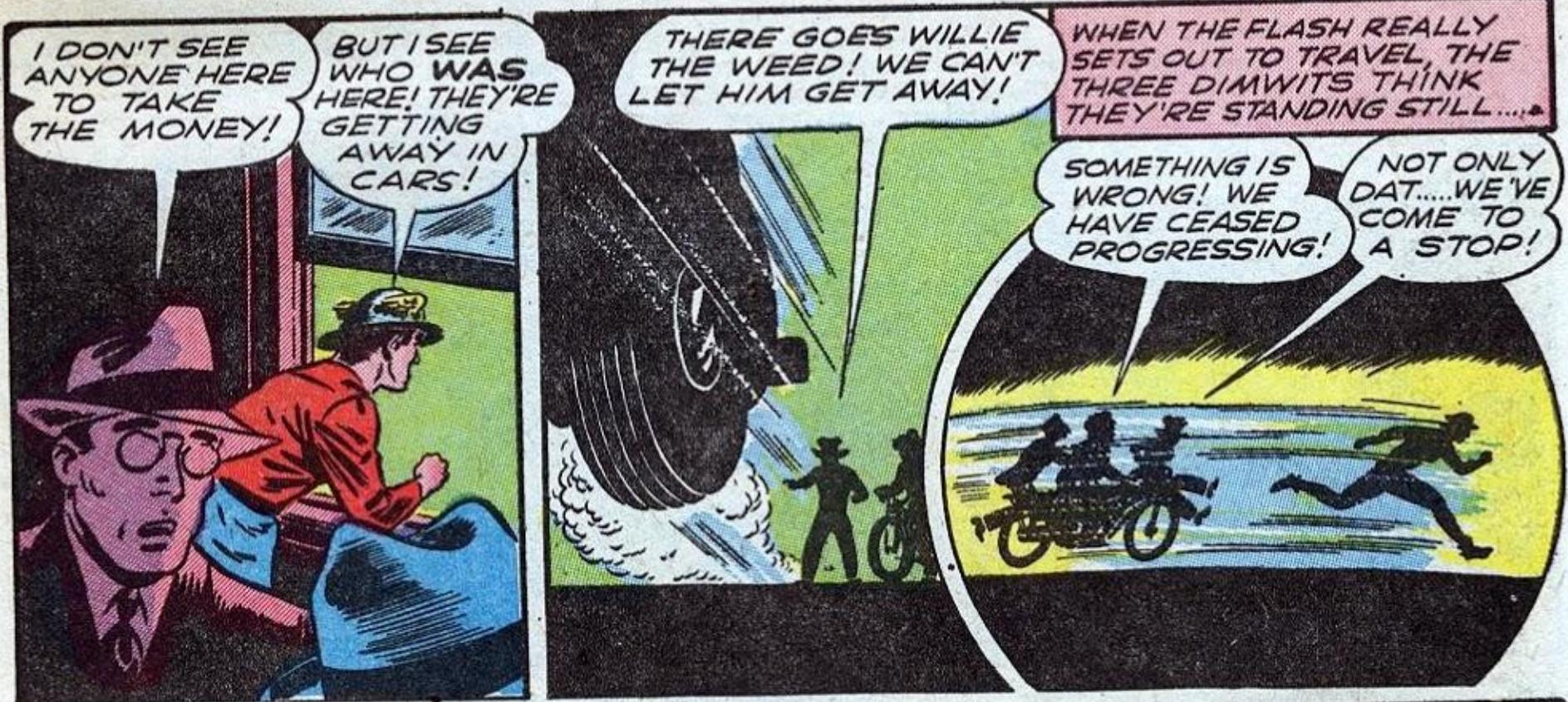
THEY MUST BE SOMEWHERE IN TOWN!



OH-OH! AM I SEEING THINGS? BANK TELLERS WITH BAGS OF MONEY! HMM..... I WONDER IF WILLIE THE WEED IS BEHIND THIS SUDDEN EXODUS?

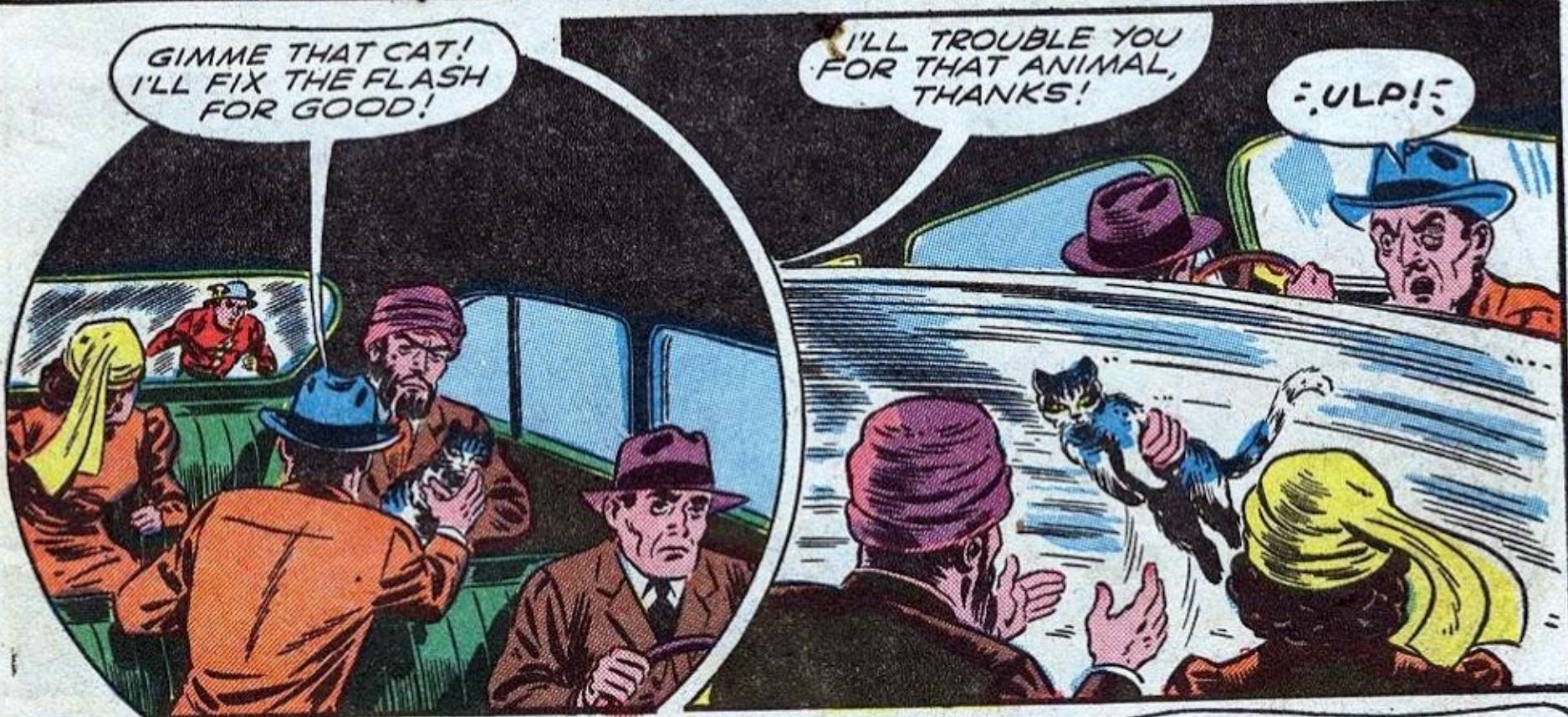


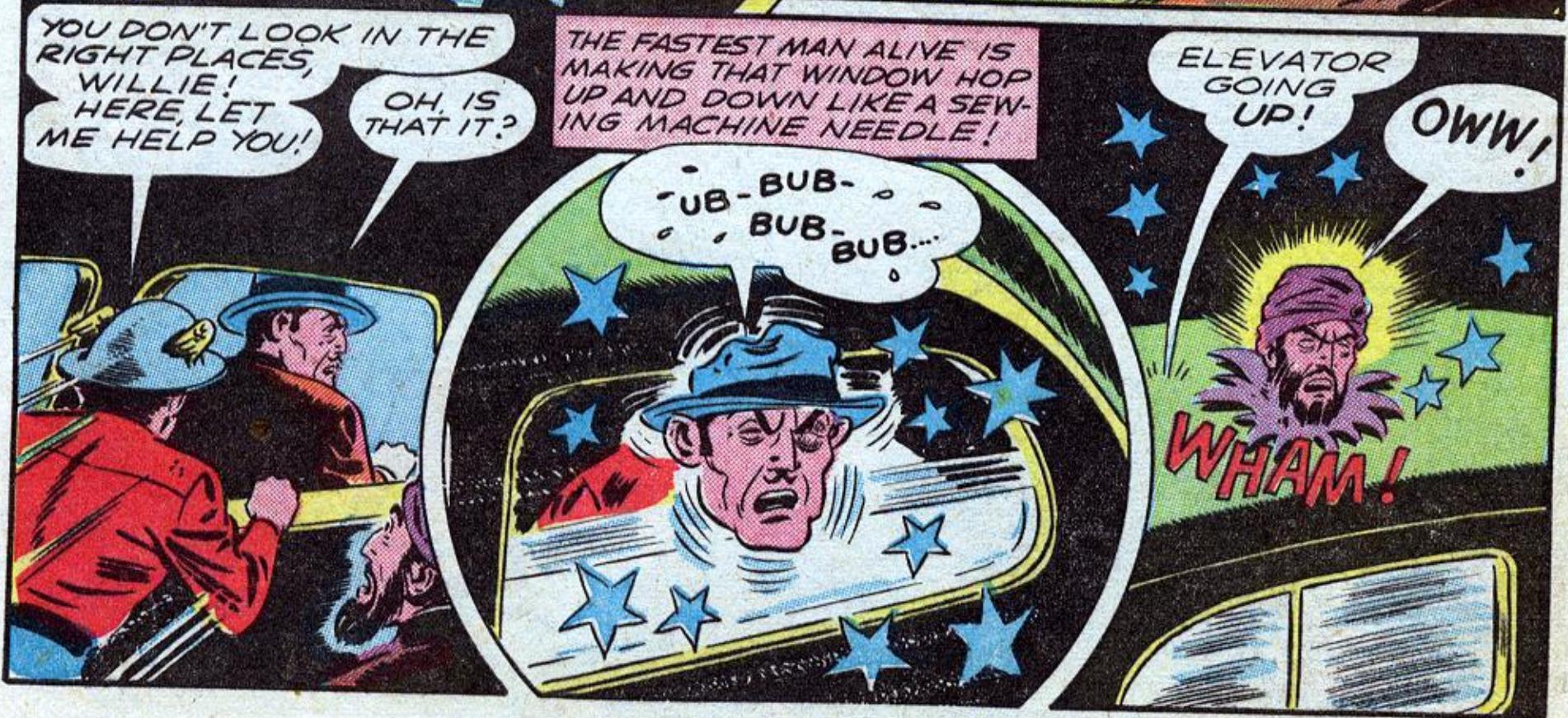


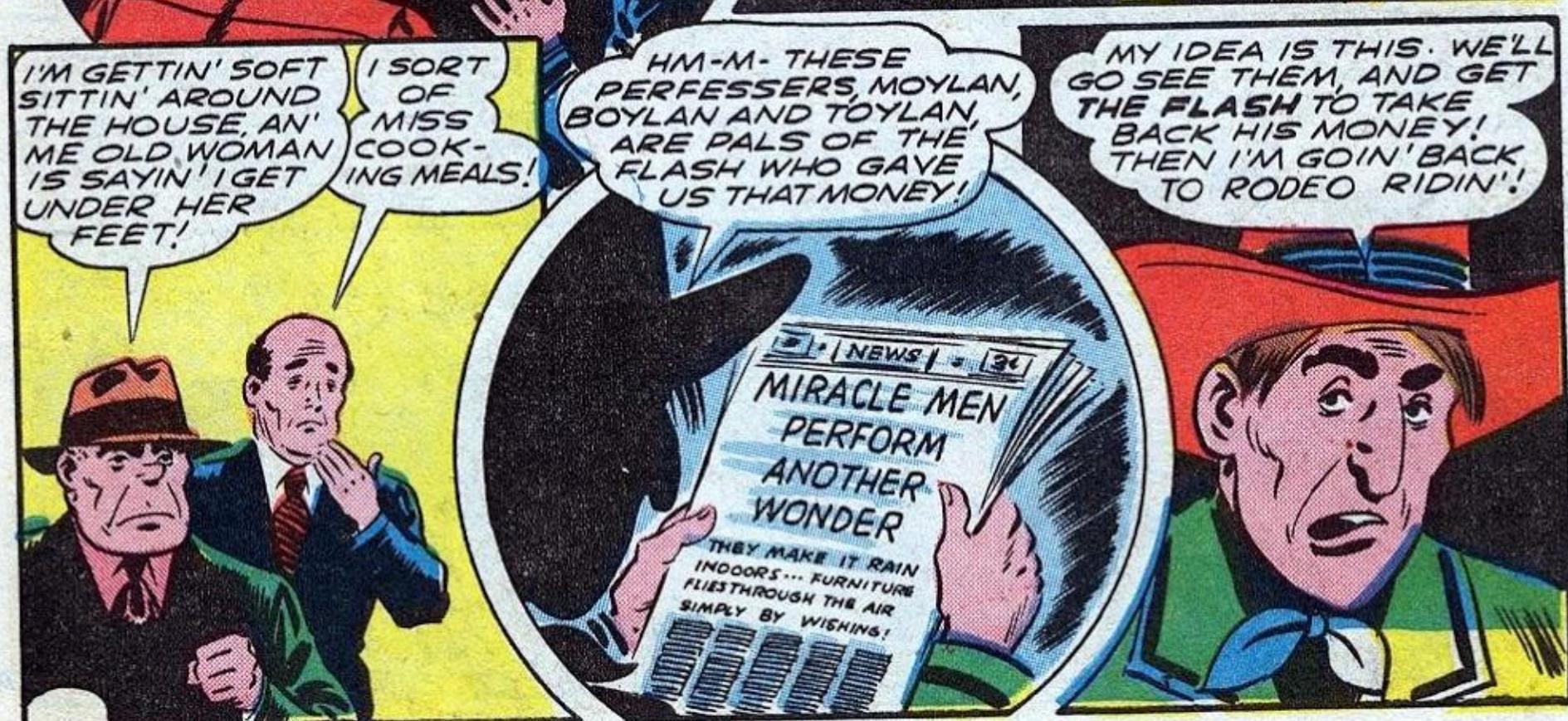
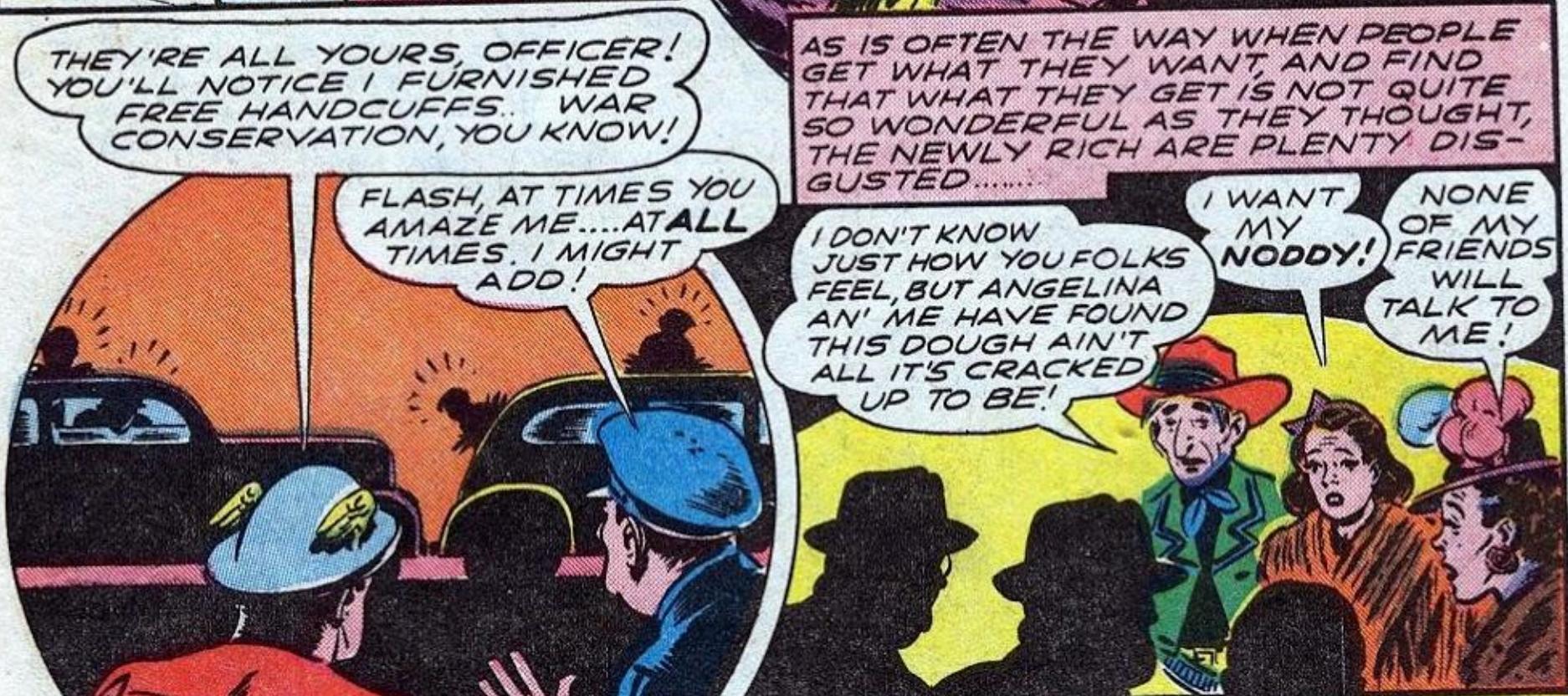
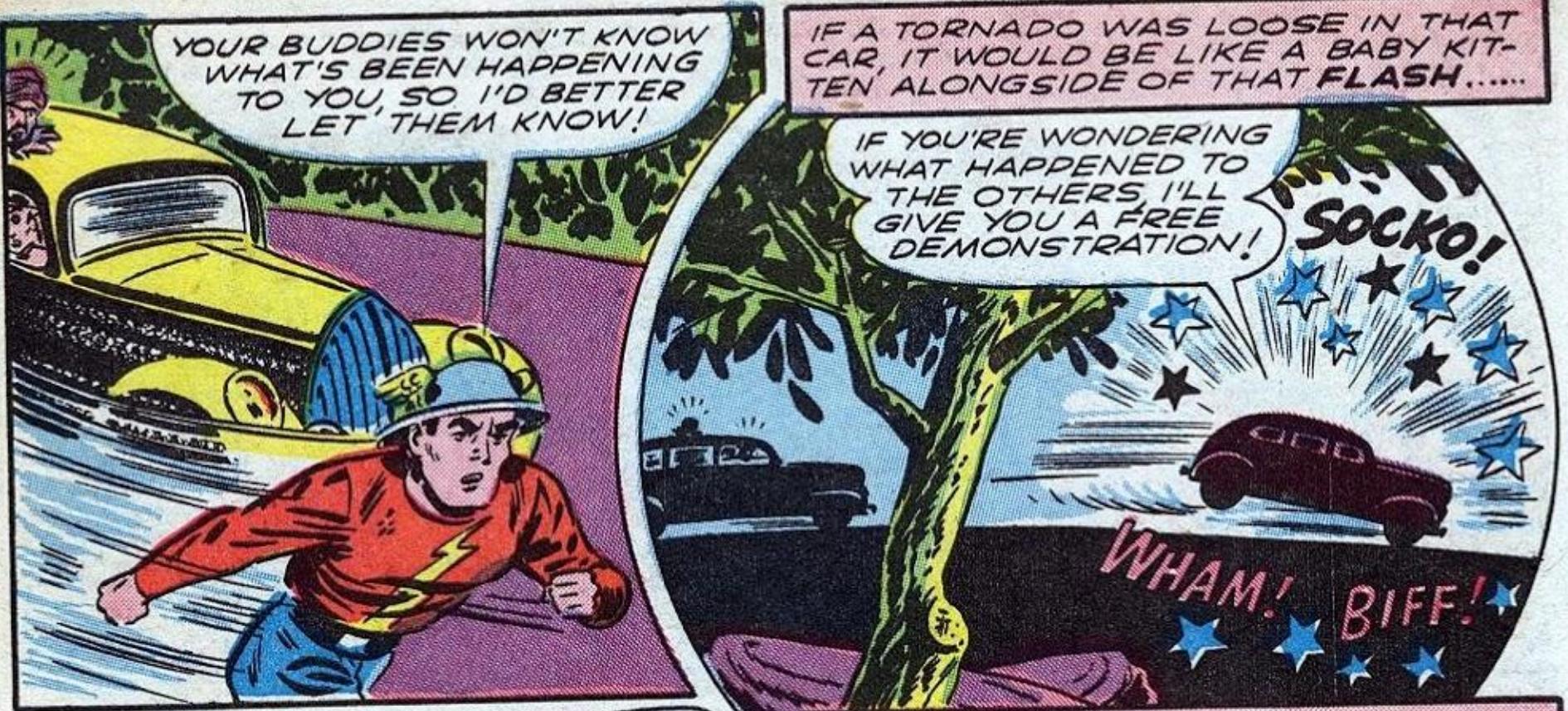


SOMETHING IS WRONG! WE HAVE CEASED PROGRESSING!

NOT ONLY DAT....WE'VE COME TO A STOP!







I AM LOAFING AWAY ON THE CORNER OF 42ND AND BROADWAY WHEN WHO COMES UP TO ME BUT ERASER EDDIE PARKER, LOOKING VERY SAD, INDEED.....

HELLO, EDDIE! YOU LOOK AS LOW AS I FEEL! THE ONLY REASON I USED TO GAMBLE WAS SO'S I COULD GET LOTS OF MONEY AND DO NOTHING AT ALL! BUT THIS LIFE IS TOO EASY AND IS GETTING ME DOWN!

ME, I'M SICK AND TIRED OF LOAFING, TOO! SAAAY!

IF WE GIVE BACK THIS DOUGH, WE WOULDN'T BE RICH NO MORE, WOULD WE?

EDDIE, YOU HAVE HAD A BRAIN WAVE! WE WILL GO TO SEE THESE THREE DOPES WHO ARE SUCH PALS WITH THE FLASH!

IT IS GETTING TO LOOK LIKE GRAND CENTRAL STATION WHEN ERASER EDDIE AND I GET TO THE THREE DIMWITS' OFFICE.....

GET RID OF YOUR MONEY? THAT'S EASY! WHY NOT GIVE IT TO THE U.S.O..... AND LEAD HAPPY, NORMAL LIVES AGAIN!

WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT MYSELF?

YOU CAN HAVE MY MONEY RIGHT NOW! OOOOOH, HOW I HATE IT!

THAT CAT! HUH, I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM SINCE HE JUMPED FROM SHIP AFTER I WON HIM IN VORBOOTHIA! WHAT A ROYAL ROOKIN' I GOT!

YOU BROUGHT HIM FROM VORBOOTHIA?



I TELL THE FLASH ALL ABOUT IT THEN! IT'S LIKE THIS, I SAY: I HEAR THE KING OF VORBOOTHIA LOVES TO RISK MAYBE A FEW DUCATS, INCLUDING HIS LAST PAIR OF PANTS, WHEN IT COMES TO A FRIENDLY GAME OF POKER..... SO OFF I GO TO VORBOOTHIA, WITH SOME NEW DECKS OF CARDS.

NOW THE KING IS NOT NEARLY A SLOUCH WHEN IT COMES TO SEVEN-CARD STUD SHOOT THE MOON, AND MANY OTHER FORMS OF POKER, BUT BEING A GENIUS AT THIS SORT OF THING, I SOON HAVE HIM TAKING OFF HIS CROWN AND TOSSING IT INTO THE POT.

I UNDERSTAND YOU LIKE TO MAYBE BET A FEW DOLLARS ON THE PASTEBOARDS, YOUR MAJESTY!

THERE'S NOTHING I LIKE BETTER!

I'LL TOSS MY CROWN IN AND SEE YOU! I HAVE A FULL HOUSE!

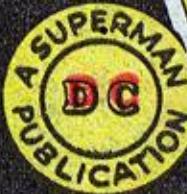
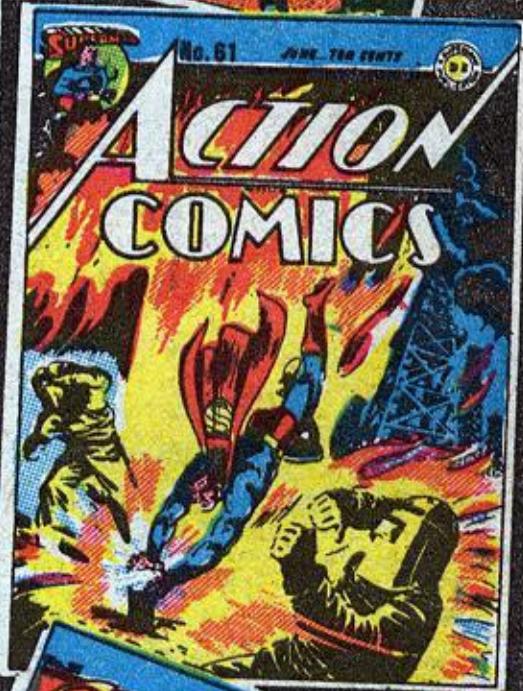
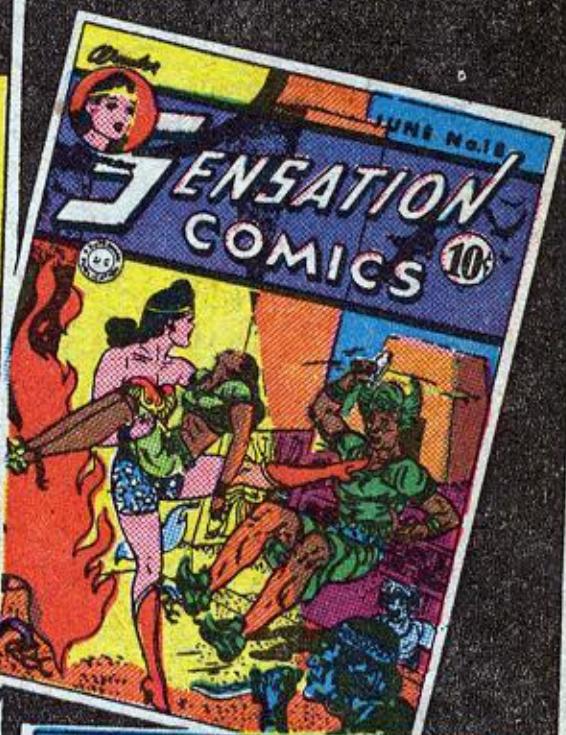
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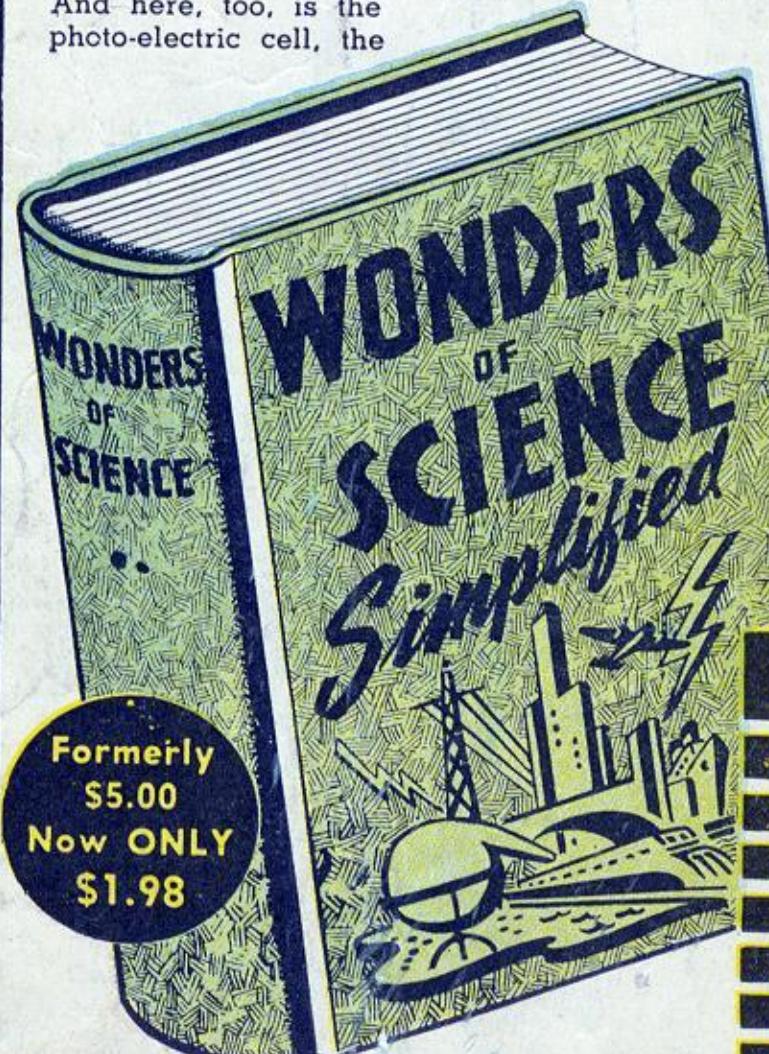
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