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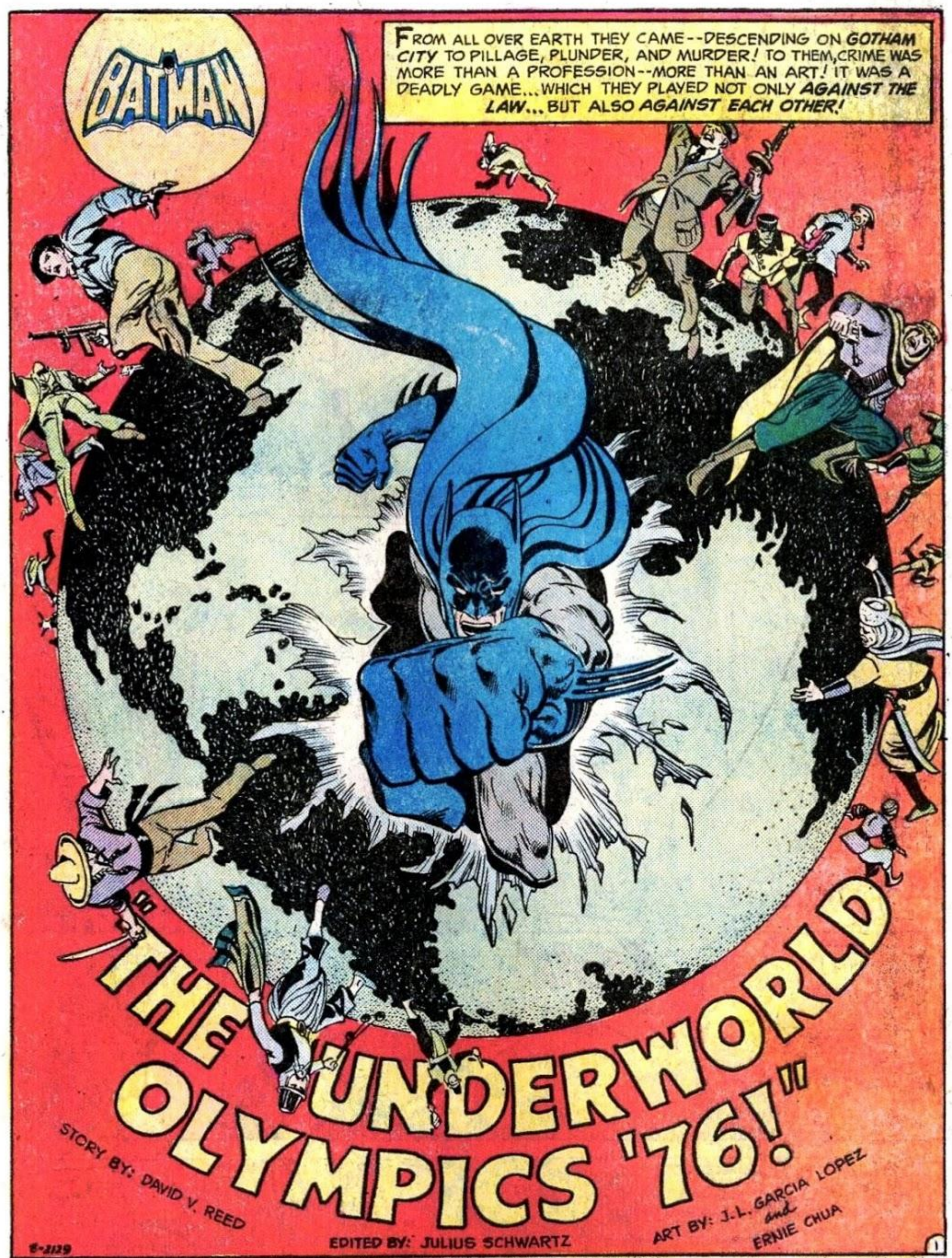

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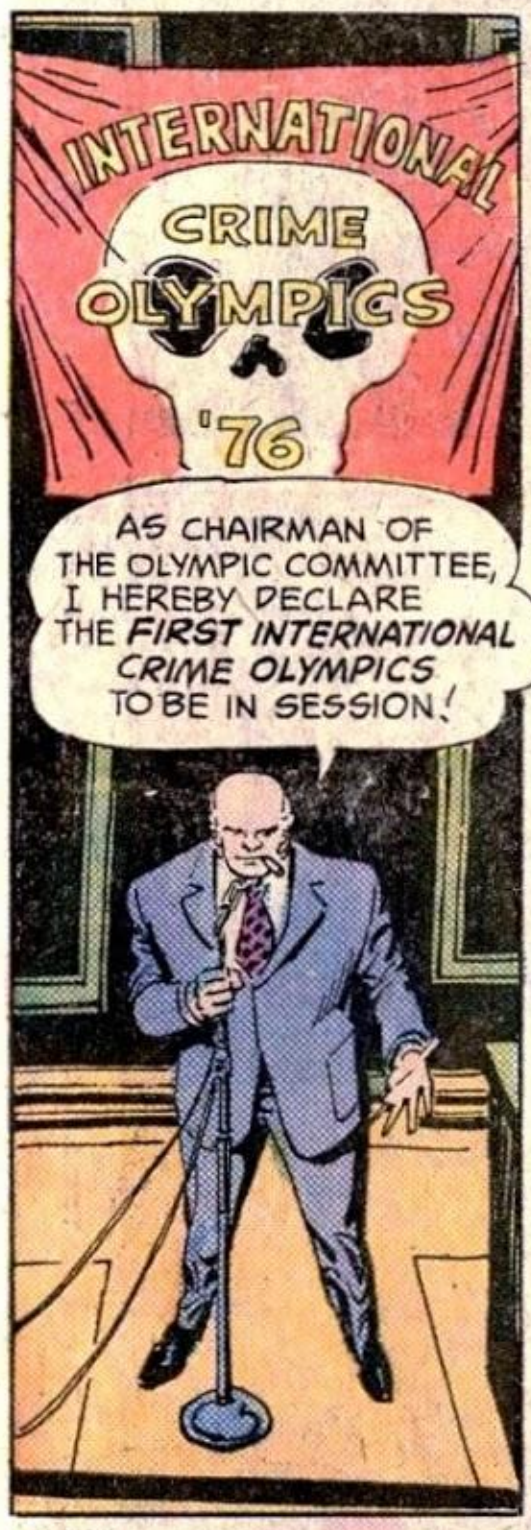

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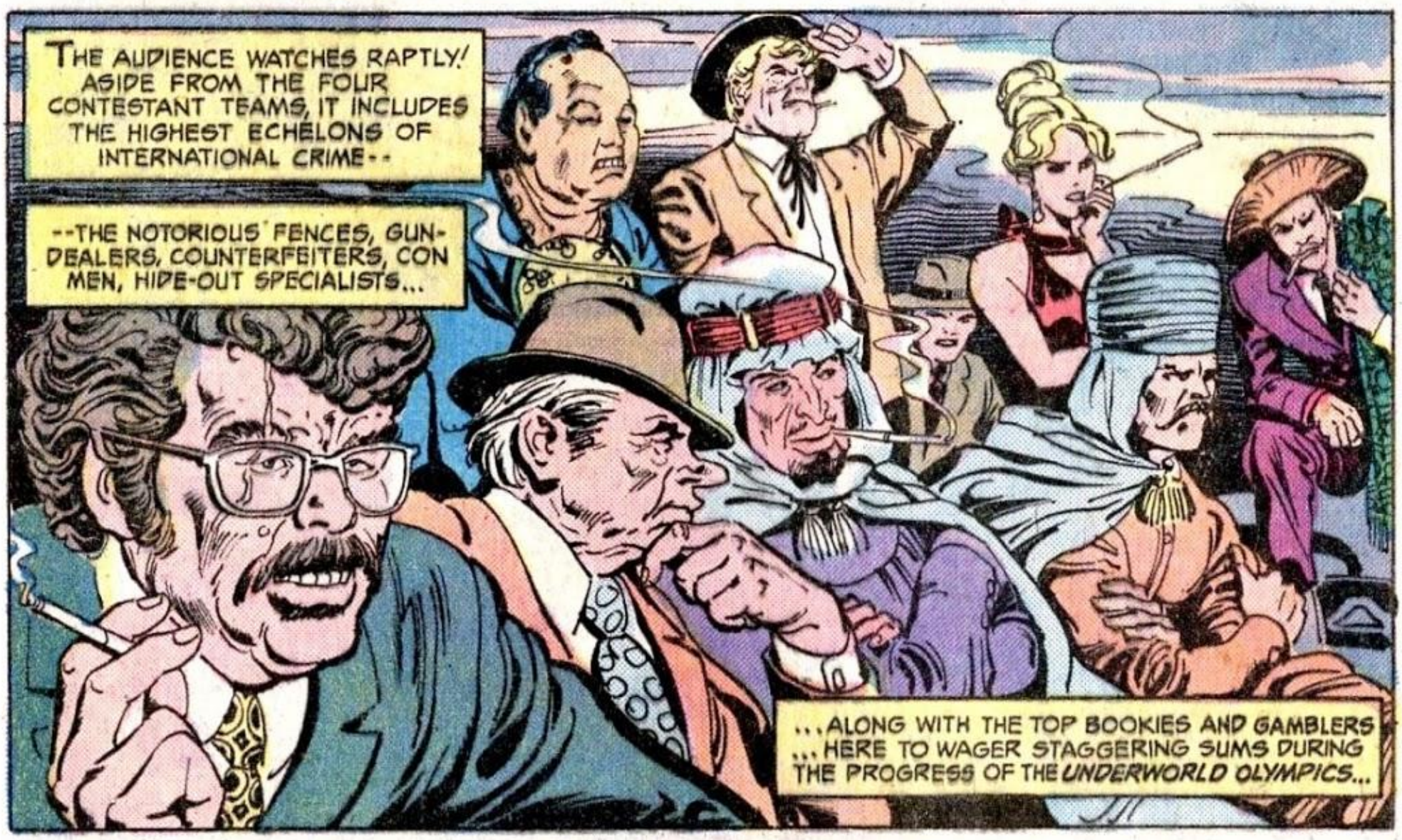
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--*VERY* WRONG!

HE'S *GONE!* RUSHED OUT OF HERE IN SUCH A HURRY, HE LEFT THE PHONE OFF THE HOOK!

WONDER WHAT HE HEARD?

HMM... HIS PHONE TAPE-RECORDS ALL CALLS--

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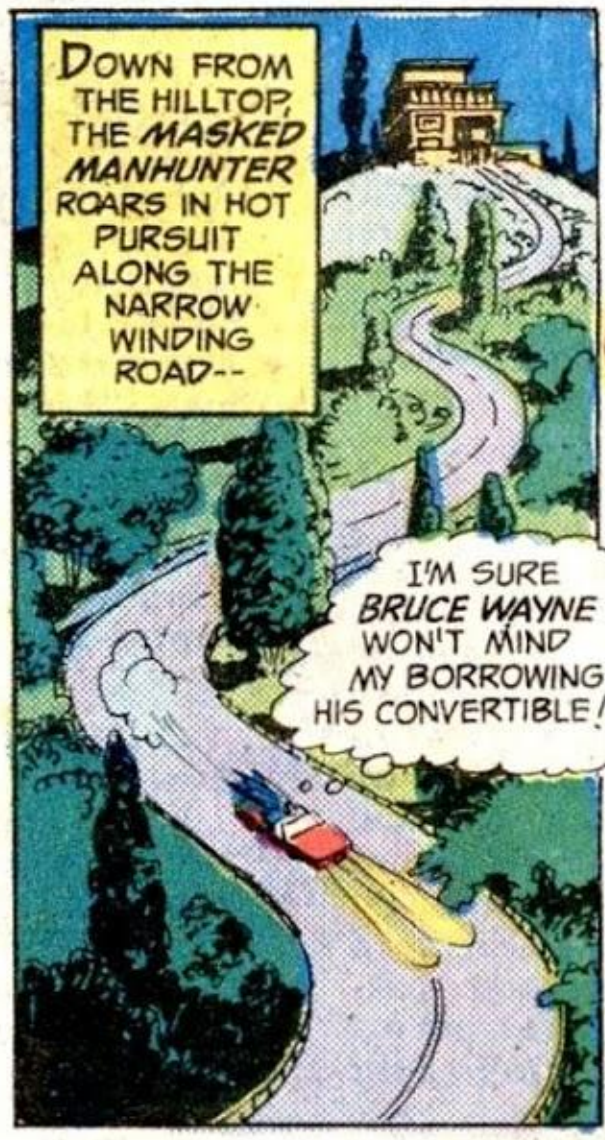
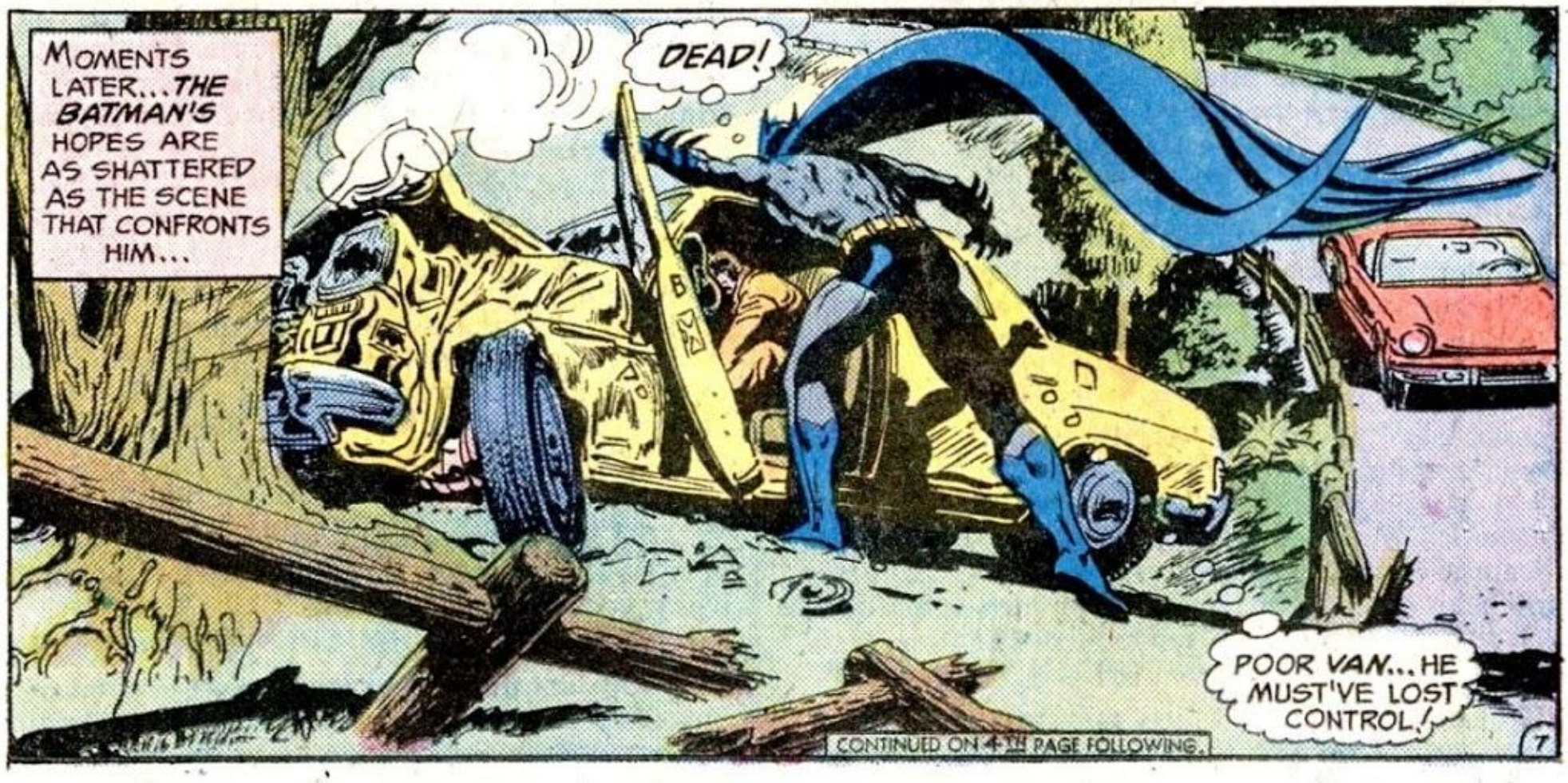
I'M ON MY WAY!





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Dear Editor:

Batman # 268 was fantastic. My favorite all-around issue in over a year.

Everything about "Murder Masquerade" was great, including the title. What really amazed me was how **Batman**-ish the story was. The introduction of a new villain, the dramatic characterization of **Batman**, the return of **Robin** and his punning, the mystery, deadly action and ironic ending made it seem truly like "action and intrigue in the classic **Batman** tradition." Having the **Teen Wonder** along made the story more fun and I'm glad Denny O'Neil incorporated a reason for his presence into the plot. The art was good, too. I like Irv Novick as a rule and DC's finest inker, Tex Blaisdell, made it that much better.

Your competitor claims to have realistic characterization, but this has since deteriorated so that all heroes' thoughts and motives are interchangeable. Not so with DC. I can look at any balloon and tell whether it came from **Batman, Superman, Green Arrow** or whoever. And while **they** claim to have all the action, resulting in a fight scene for the sake of a fight scene, the action in a DC masterpiece flows smoothly in the story, making it seem more important and therefore more exciting. Just keep on turning out the world's greatest comics and I'll keep buying.

RICHY FORMAN, Warminster, Pa.

(As "Forman" of the jury examining the case of BATMAN #268, Richy speaks the majority opinion, and is echoed below!—BR)

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Dear Editor:

Behind the unpromising cover of **Batman #268** awaited a surprisingly good detective story. The cover, at first glance, seemed to offer an uncolorful, unexciting addition to **Batman's** Gallery of Villains. But much to my delight, Denny O'Neil gave **Batman** fans a treat with his excellent mystery tale. It truly highlighted the **Darknight Detective's** abilities as a sleuth.

I do, however, have one complaint about "Murder Masquerade": If Goforth and Hopkins wanted to rid themselves of their partner, Lunt, in order to gain control of his share, how could they do so if they were supposed to be **dead**?

MIKE CHRISTIANSEN, Rockford, Ill.

(Obviously, Mike, it's just another example of why criminals get caught—they make stupid mistakes!—BR)

Dear Editor:

You can call him **"Teen Wonder"** instead of **"Boy Wonder"**. You can send him to college, have him drawn less wide-eyed and more manly, and try to impress us with the fact that **Robin** has grown up into something more than a juvenile millstone. Or you can accomplish all you wish to with a story like "Murder Masquerade!"

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RAY ENGELBERG, Bronx, N.Y.

(Seems we've succeeded in upgrading Robin's image, with all but our next correspondent!—BR)

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Dear Sirs,

I have to note one rather obvious error in "Murder Masquerade!" On page 5, when Oliver Hopkins has been shot, Bruce (**Batman**) Wayne yells to Dick (**Robin**) Grayson, "See to him, Dick! Give him first aid—" Okay, fine and dandy. So how come Dick didn't realize that the man was not dead? Some detective he's gonna make!

MICHAEL F. PRIDEAUX, Laramie, Wyo.

(C'mon, Michael, Hopkins and Goforth had some fantastic trick to fool people into thinking they were dead. After all, Batman himself was tricked on page 3 and he taught Dick everything he knows!—BR)

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Dear People,

Boy, was I impressed with **Batman #268**. The story, art and the new villain, **The Sheikh**, were tee-rif-ic! In fact, everything was great but those camels on the cover. Whoever heard of camels with cellulite?

DAN McCORKLE, Arlington, Mass.

. . . . The Ernie Chua cover was great, but are those creatures supposed to be camels? Better buy Ernie a new encyclopedia!

MARK SCHMIEDER, Concord, Mass.

(Ernie insists that if you stand right in front of a charging camel, that's exactly what it'll look like! Want to try to prove otherwise?—Bob Rozakis)

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I'LL FIGURE IT OUT LATER! RIGHT NOW, THE QUESTION IS--WHERE IS THAT CAR AND WHY DID IT RUN AWAY?
IT DIDN'T PASS ME--SO IT HAD TO GO THE OTHER WAY--DOWNHILL!

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THERE IT IS-- DOWN BELOW!
IF IT MAKES THE MAIN HIGHWAY AHEAD OF ME, I COULD LOSE IT--
--SO I'LL HAVE TO TAKE A SHORT CUT!
CAUGHT UP TO IT!

BRAKE LIGHTS SNAPPING ON!
IT'S SLOWING--
--TURNING AROUND--?!
COMING STRAIGHT AT ME!
UNLESS I LEAVE THE ROAD, IT'LL CRASH INTO ME HEAD-ON!
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I DON'T KNOW-- I CAN'T SEE ANYBODY!

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHERE TO *LOOK!*

THAT *BLADE!*--WHAT AN ODD WEAPON TO BE CARRYING--!

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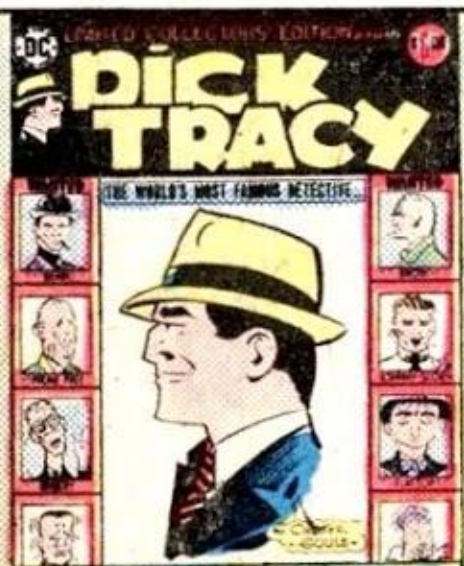

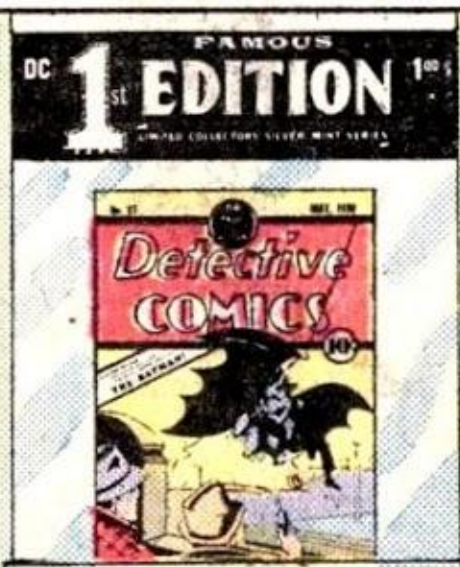

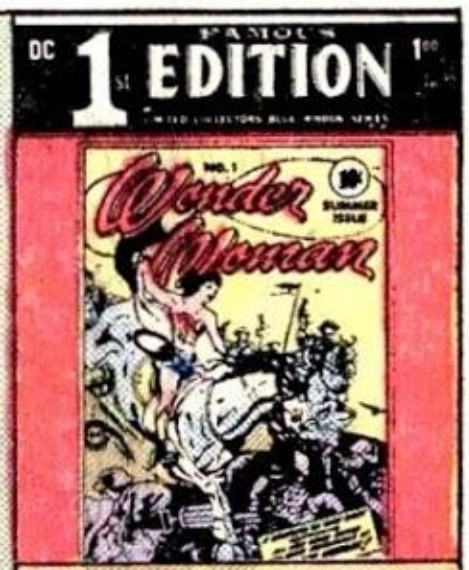

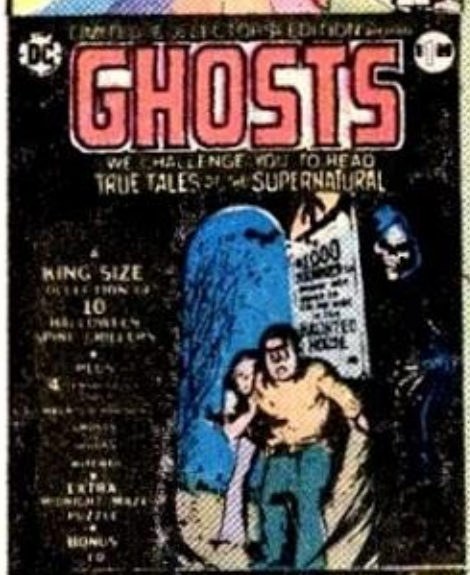

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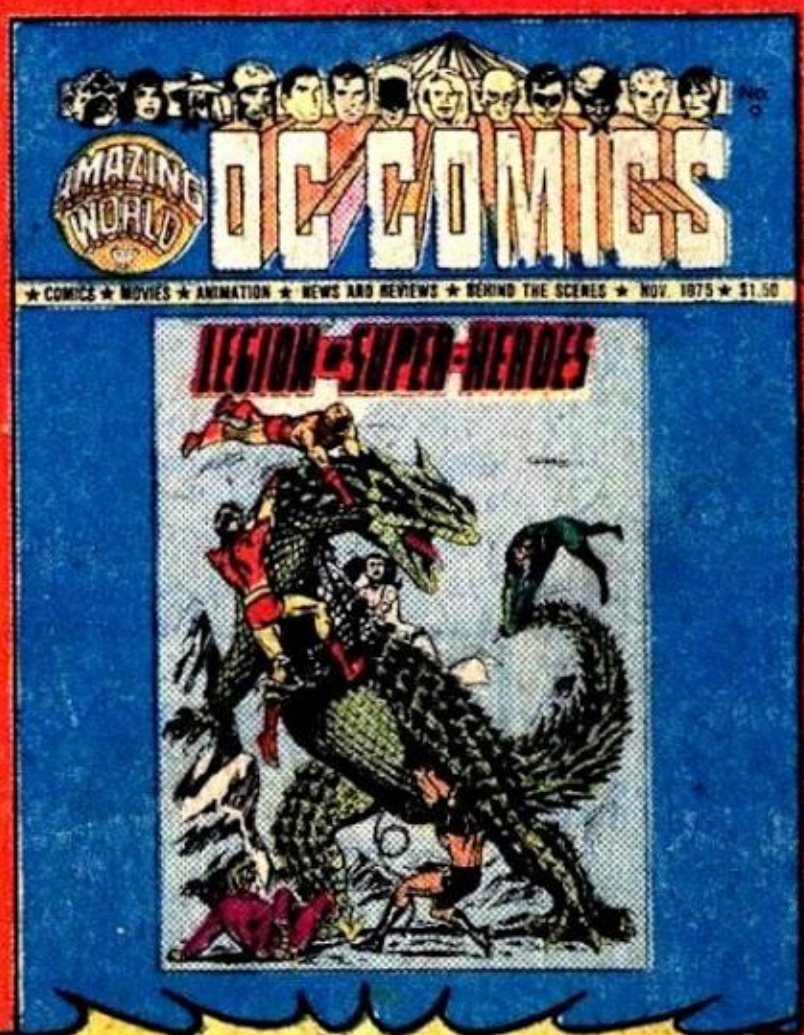

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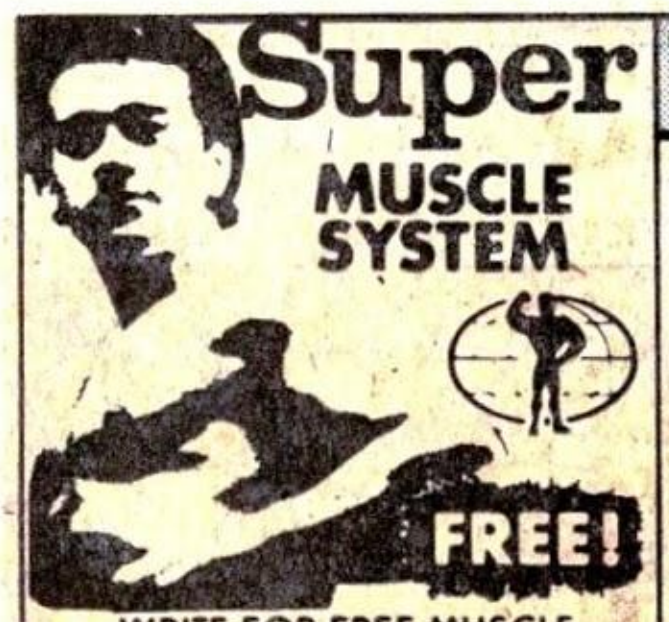

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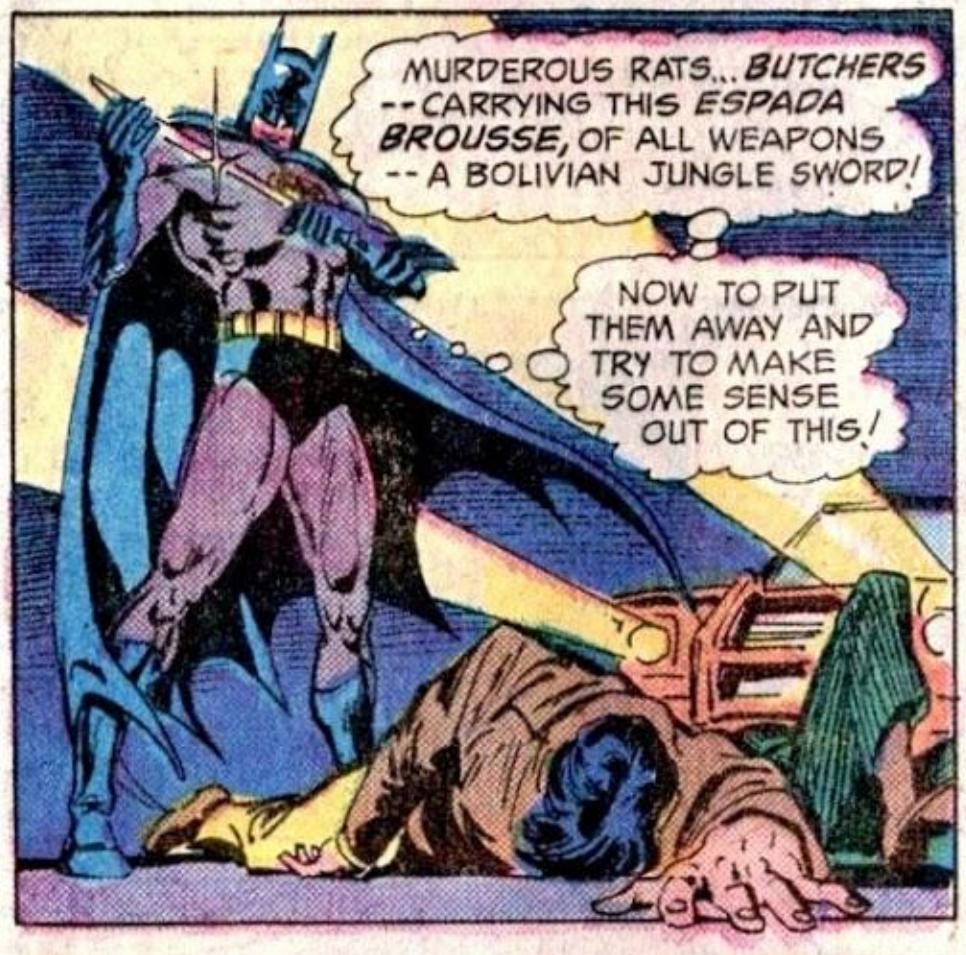
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THE REST OF THE TEAM IS PROCEEDING WITH PHASE-2...
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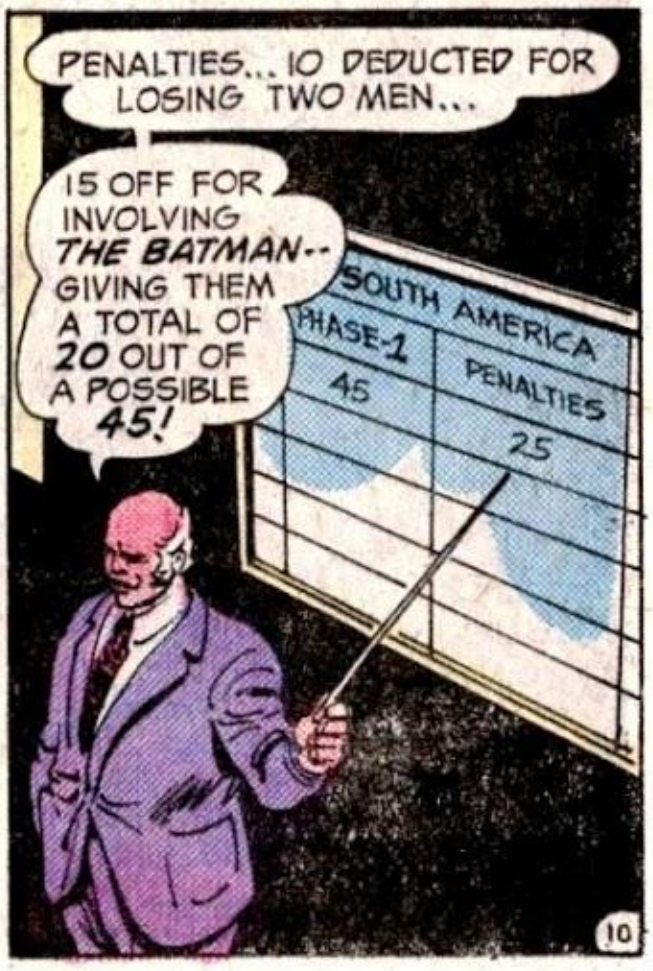
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45
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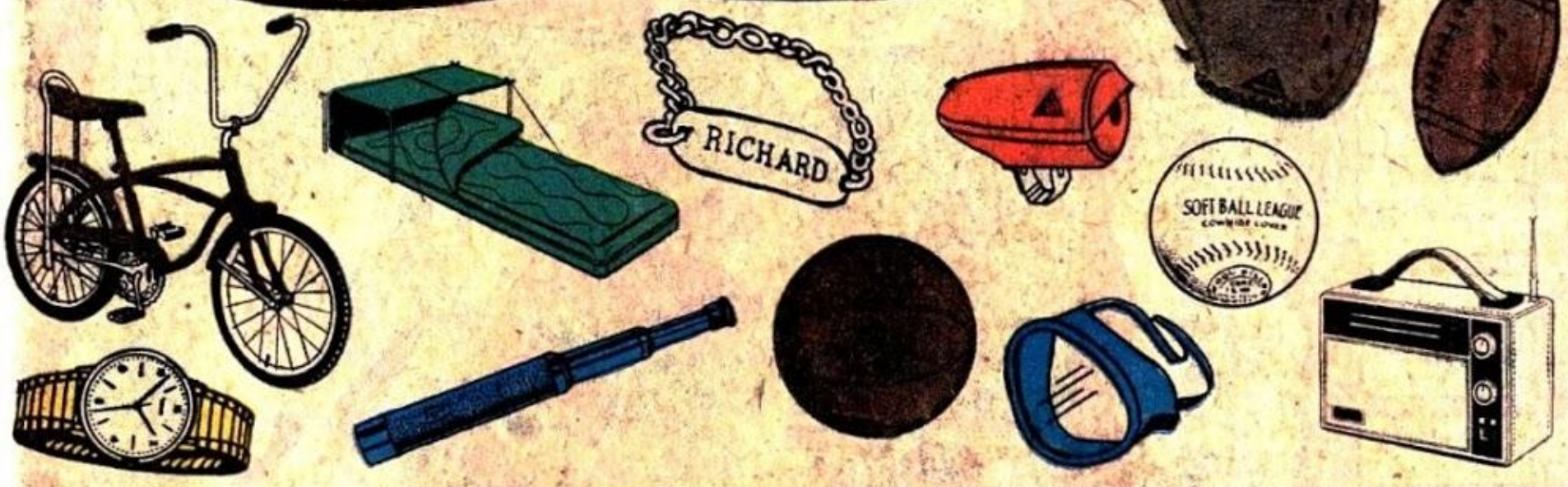

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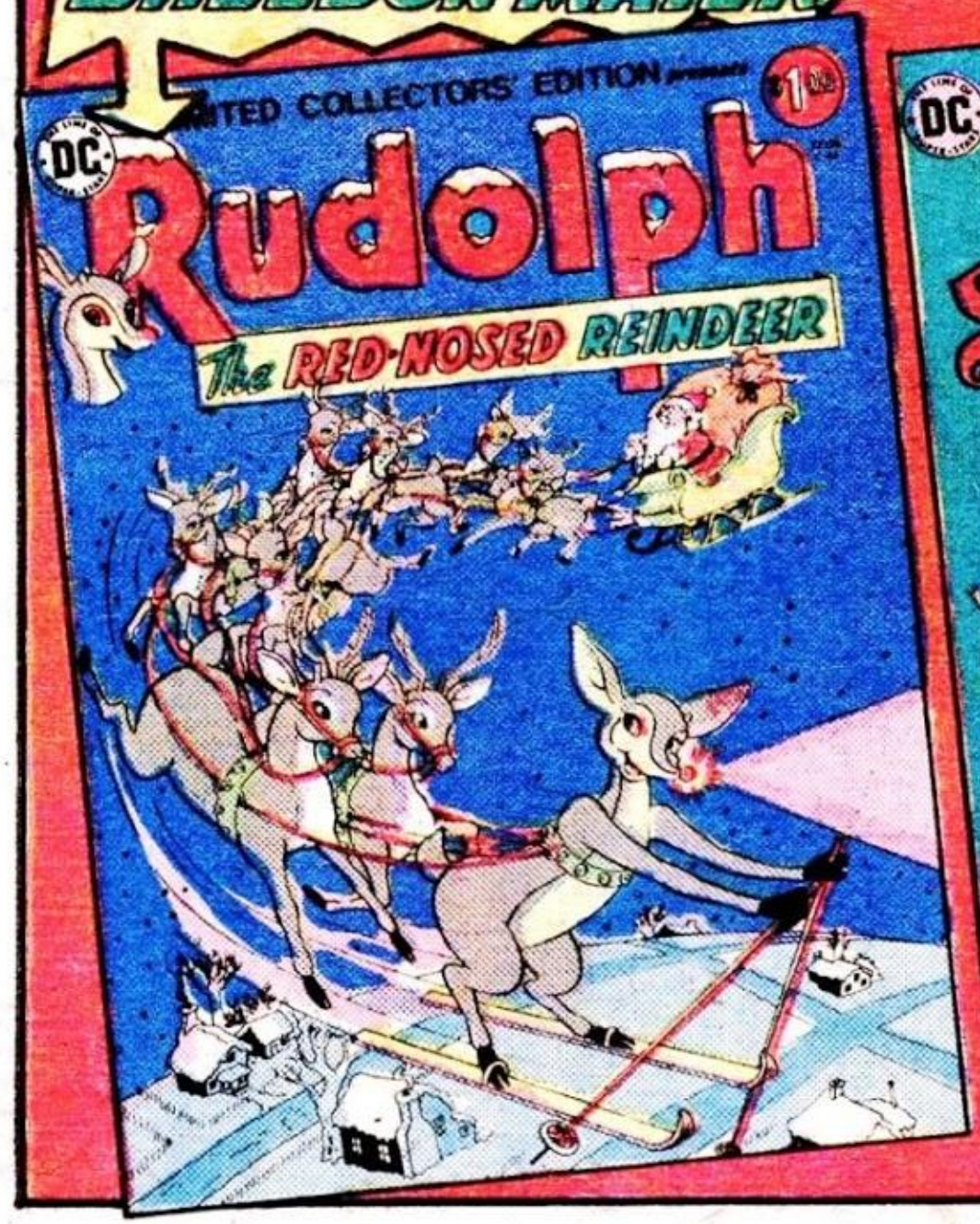

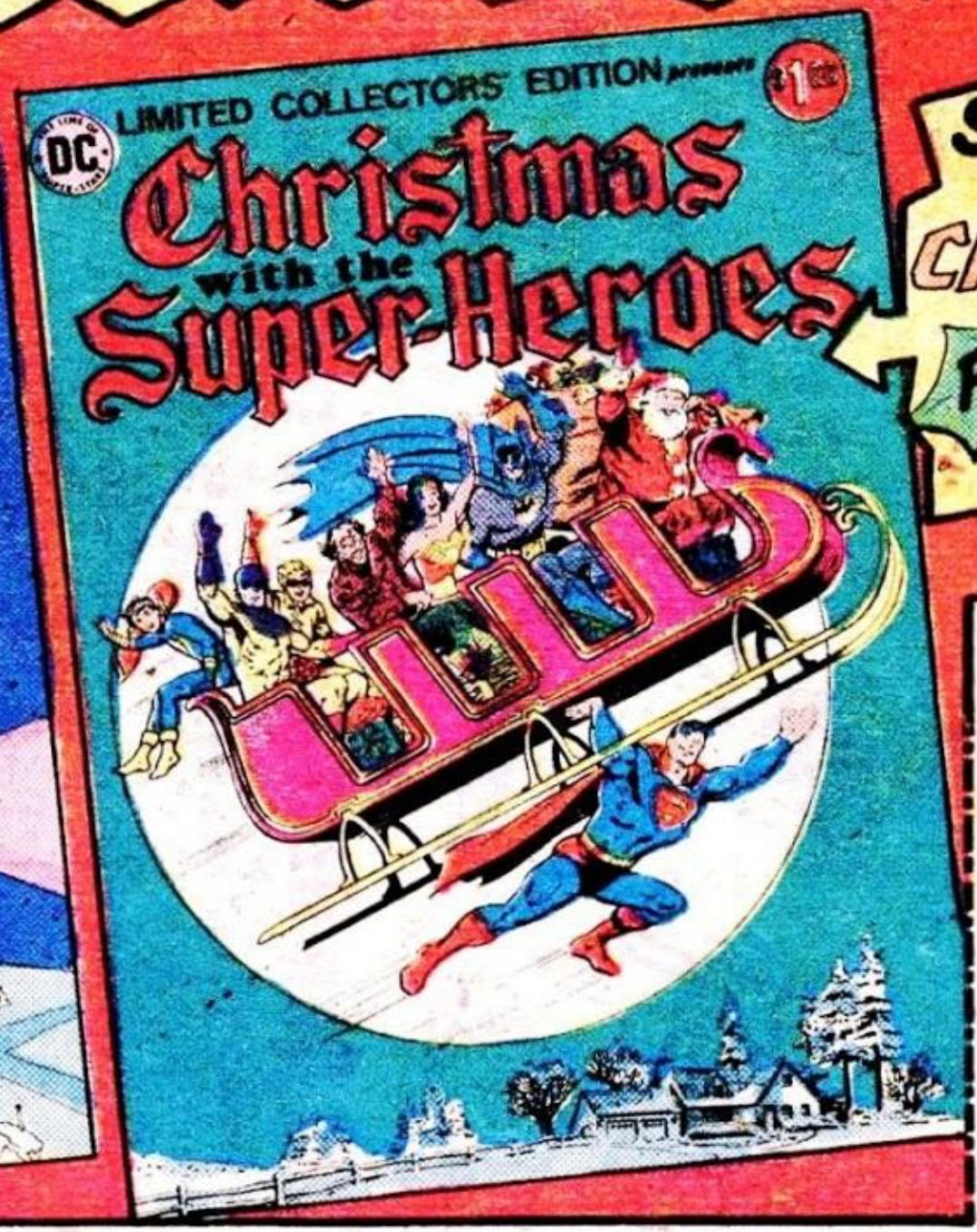

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AFTER ALL, VAN DID HAVE ONE YEARS AGO...

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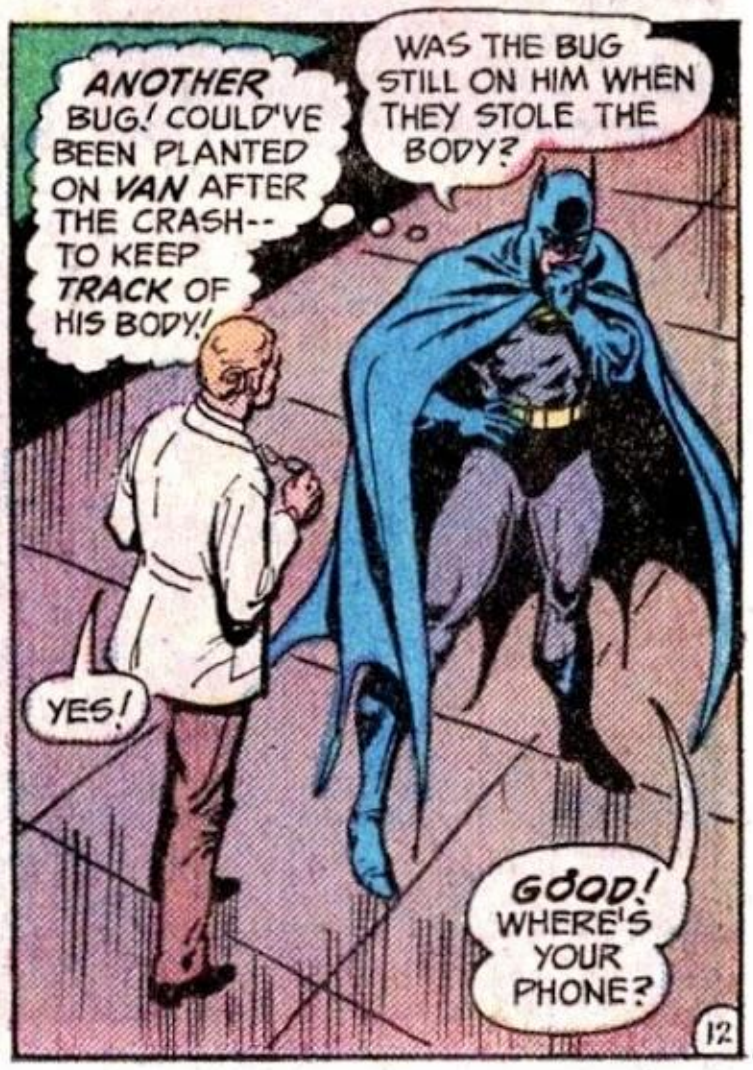
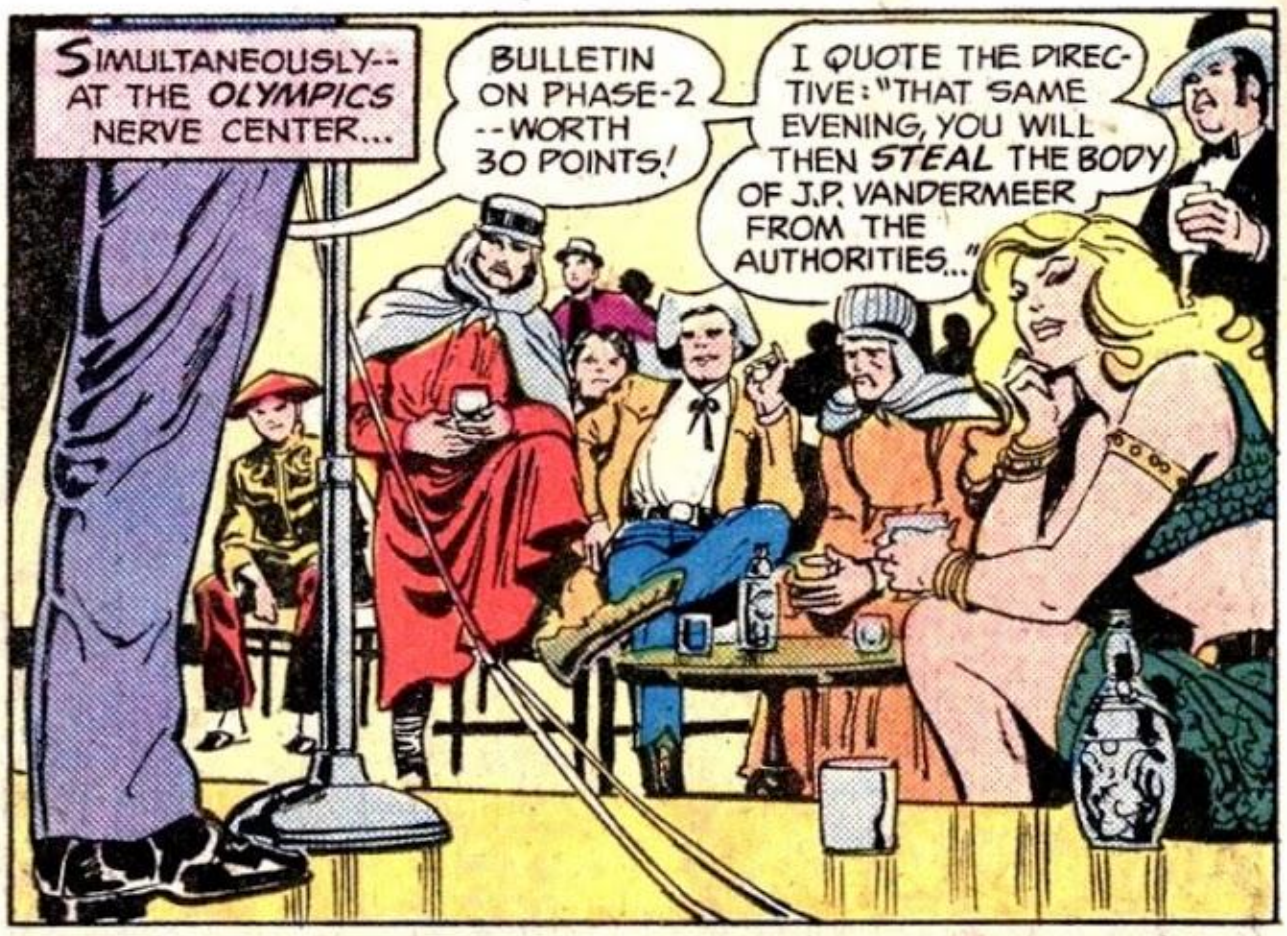
BEFORE IT HAPPENED?
WHY BEFORE--?

BECAUSE IN EXAMINING THE BODY, I FOUND SOMETHING THEY SHOULD KNOW ABOUT--
--A TINY TRANSISTOR BUG HIDDEN IN HIS CLOTHES... THE KIND THAT TRANSMITS IMPULSES...


ANOTHER BUG! COULD'VE BEEN PLANTED ON VAN AFTER THE CRASH-- TO KEEP TRACK OF HIS BODY!
WAS THE BUG STILL ON HIM WHEN THEY STOLE THE BODY?
YES!
GOOD! WHERE'S YOUR PHONE?

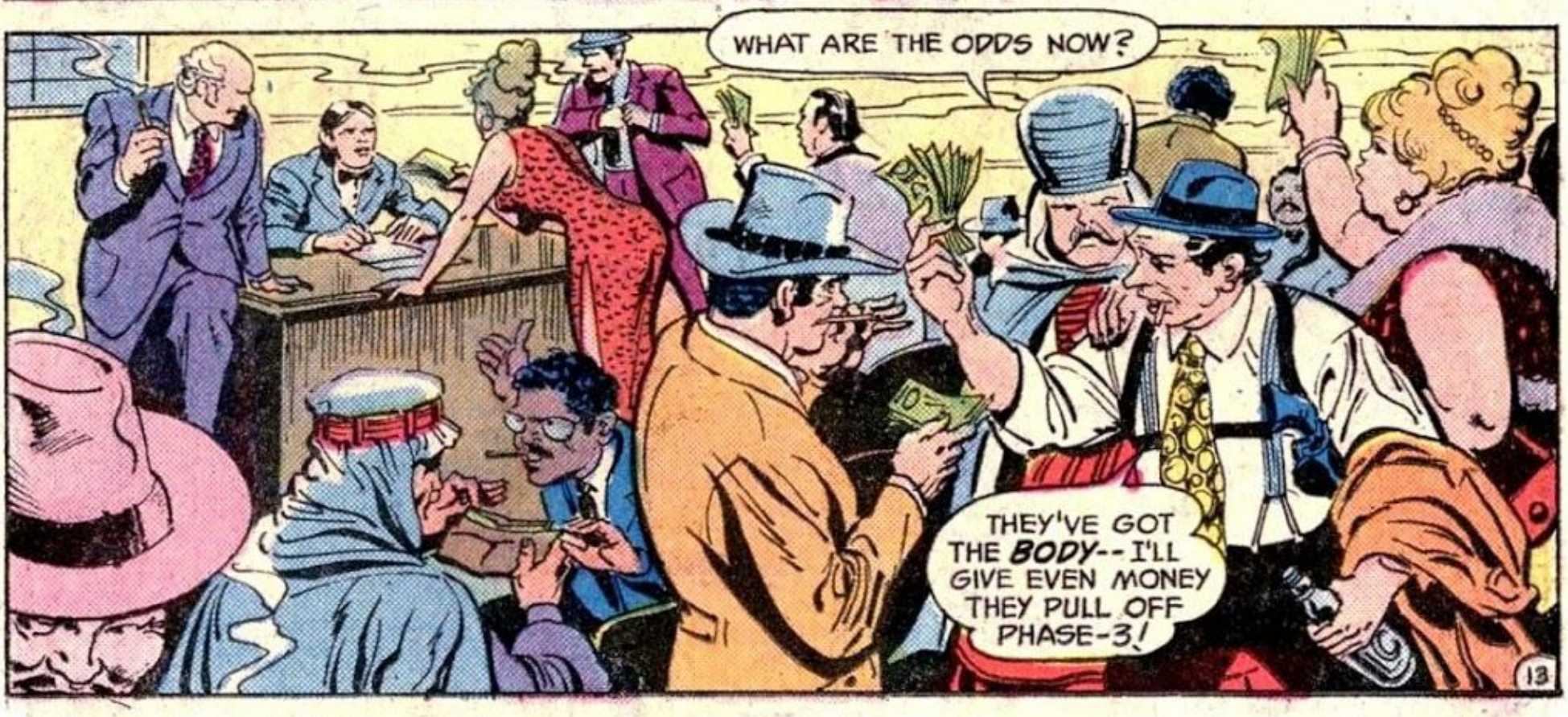
MOMENTS LATER... IN BRUCE WAYNE'S PENTHOUSE--
ALFRED, GET THE BATMOBILE OVER TO HILLSIDE HOSPITAL--FAST!
AT ONCE, SIR!


SIMULTANEOUSLY--AT THE OLYMPICS NERVE CENTER...
BULLETIN ON PHASE-2--WORTH 30 POINTS!
I QUOTE THE DIRECTIVE: "THAT SAME EVENING, YOU WILL THEN STEAL THE BODY OF J.P. VANDERMEER FROM THE AUTHORITIES..."

PHASE-2 HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT WITHOUT A HITCH--AND HAS BEEN AWARDED THE FULL 30 POINTS!
THAT GIVES THE SOUTH AMERICANS A TOTAL OF 50!

HOWEVER, OUR SPOTTERS REPORT THAT THE BATMAN'S CONTINUED INTEREST INDICATES VANDERMEER'S MURDER MAY NOT HAVE PASSED AS AN ACCIDENT!
SHOULD THIS PROVE TRUE, THERE WILL BE A LATER PENALTY OF 10 POINTS!

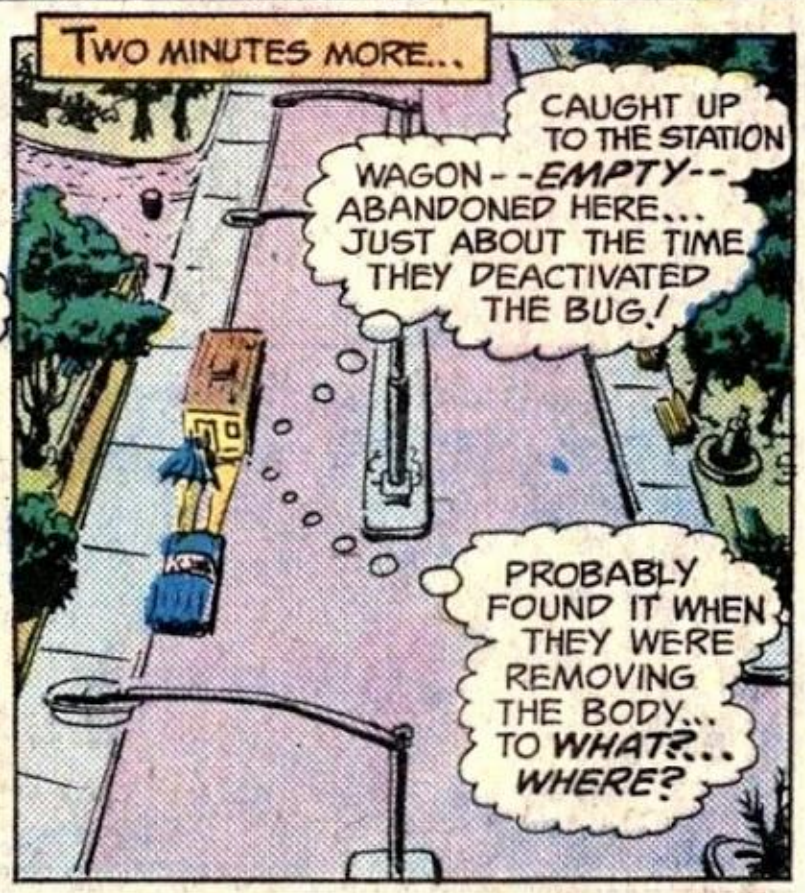
PHASE-3--WORTH THE FINAL 25 POINTS--IS NOW UNDER WAY! IF IT SUCCEEDS WITHOUT FURTHER PENALTIES--THE SOUTH AMERICANS WILL FINISH WITH A TOTAL OF 75 POINTS!


WHAT ARE THE ODDS NOW?
THEY'VE GOT THE BODY--I'LL GIVE EVEN MONEY THEY PULL OFF PHASE-3!

ON A ROAD LEADING FROM HILLSIDE HOSPITAL, THE BATMAN CALCULATES HIS OWN ODDS!...
THEY TOOK THIS DIRECTION!
ASSUMING THEY'D USE THE SAME WAVELENGTH ON THIS SECOND BUG AS THE ONE I TOOK FROM VAN'S CAR, I SHOULD BE GETTING--
--RIGHT!-- GOT 'EM!

USING THE BATMOBILE'S SCANNER, THE CAPED CRUSADER SWIFTLY CLOSES ON HIS QUARRY...
ABOUT FIVE MILES AWAY... HEADING NORTH BY NORTHEAST--SMACK INTO THE CENTER OF GOTHAM!

THEN--A COUPLE OF MINUTES LATER--
THE SCANNER'S OFF-- IT'S AT ZERO!...THE BUG STOPPED TRANSMITTING ...THEY MUST'VE CORRECTED THEIR GOOF!
BUT FROM WHERE IT WENT OFF, THERE'S ONLY ONE POSSIBLE ANSWER-- GOTHAM PARK --ALONG THE EAST SIDE!


TWO MINUTES MORE...
CAUGHT UP TO THE STATION WAGON--EMPTY-- ABANDONED HERE... JUST ABOUT THE TIME THEY DEACTIVATED THE BUG!
PROBABLY FOUND IT WHEN THEY WERE REMOVING THE BODY... TO WHAT?... WHERE?

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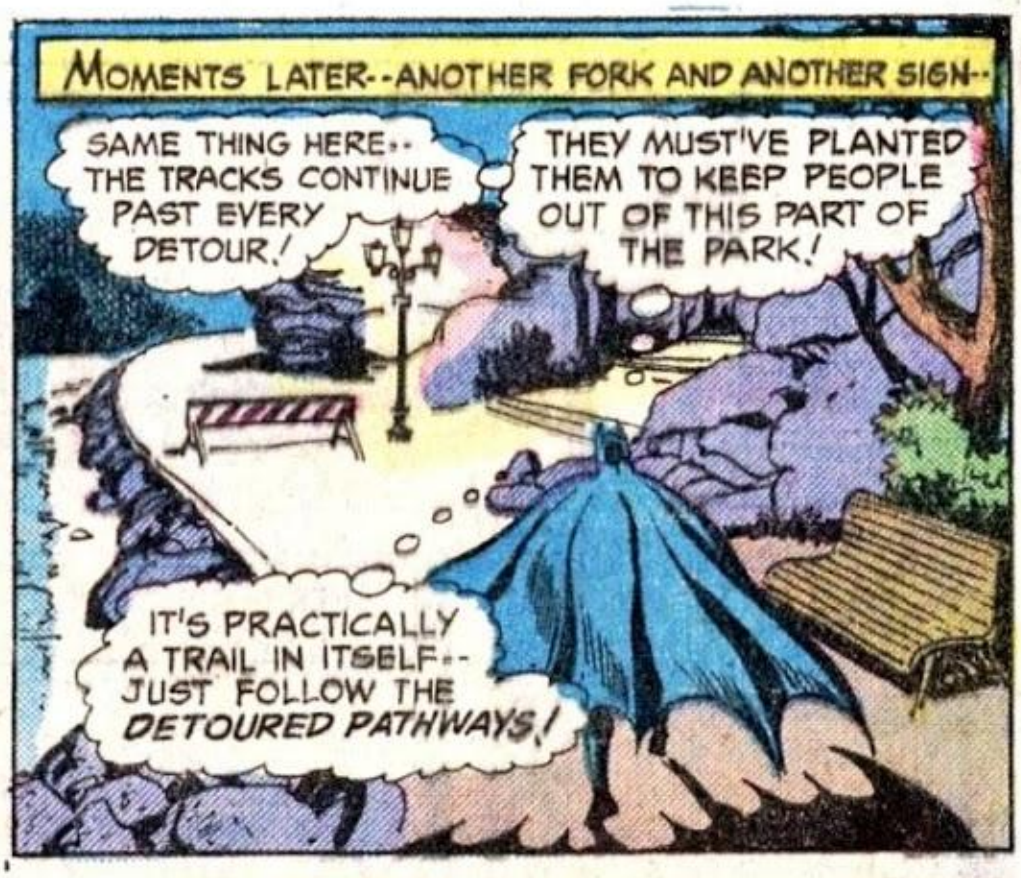
--SO IF THEY TOOK THE BODY INTO THE PARK--THEY COULDN'T DO IT IN THE STATION WAGON...
...BUT IN A THREE-WHEELED VEHICLE OF SOME SORT...
...OF SOME SORT--YES! OF COURSE!

STILL PLENTY OF PEOPLE AROUND AFTER THE CONCERT! THEY'VE WIPED OUT THE TRACKS I WAS FOLLOWING--AND NOW A FORK IN THE PATHWAY!
PATHWAY CLOSED PLEASE DETOUR
STILL, WITH THIS DETOUR, MY QUARRY HAD TO GO STRAIGHT AHEAD--



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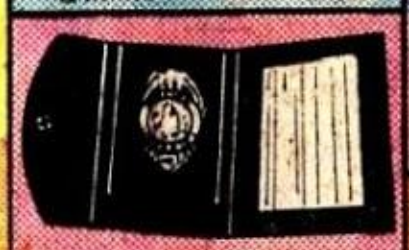

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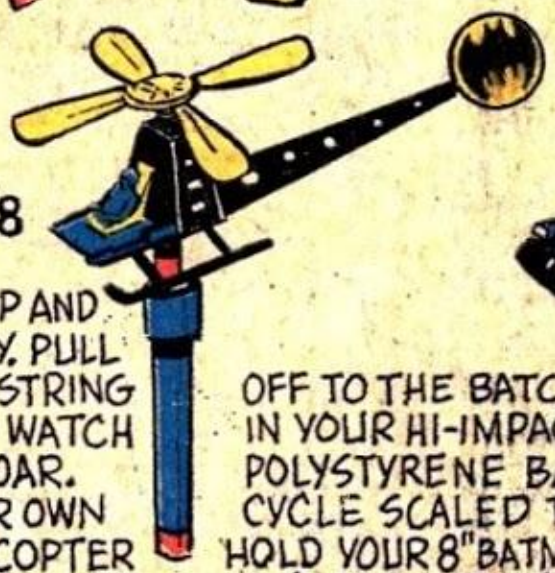

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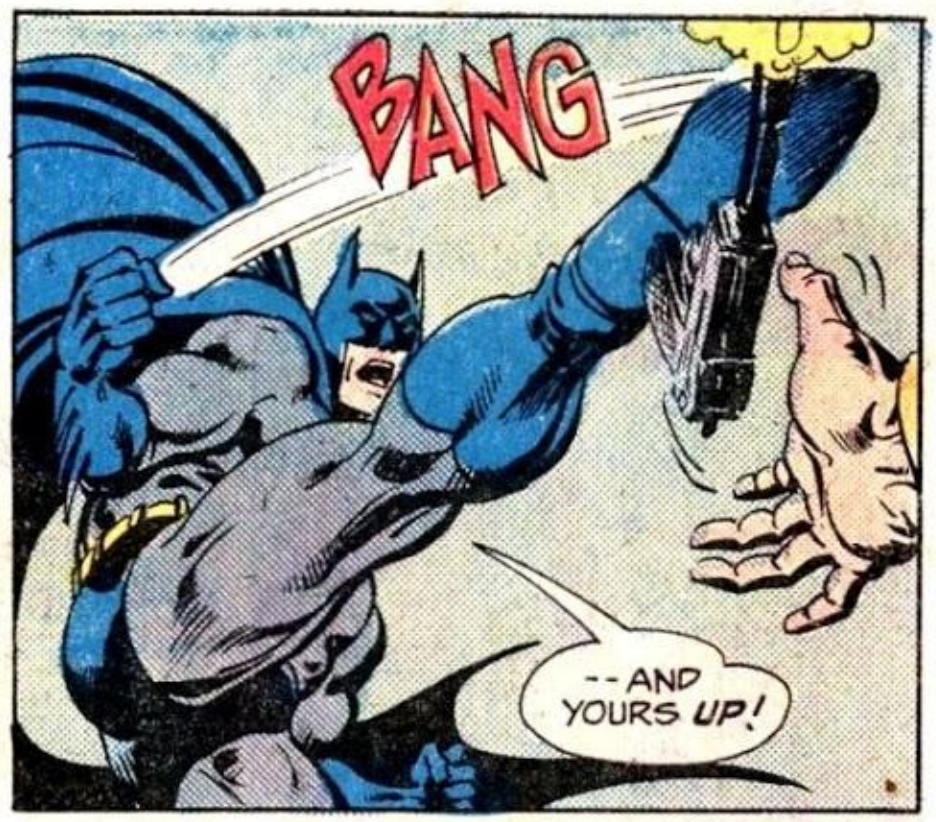

BANG
--AND YOURS UP!

BATMAN'S KNOCKED OUT MY TEAMMATES!
HERE'S WHERE I EVEN THE SCORE!

BOLAS! --FROM ARGENTINA-?!

THANKS! I CAN USE YOUR KNIFE!

LOOKS LIKE THE OTHERS HAVE RUN OFF...
...SHOWING INTELLIGENCE ...AND AN OVERWHELMING DESIRE TO SURVIVE!
SNAP!

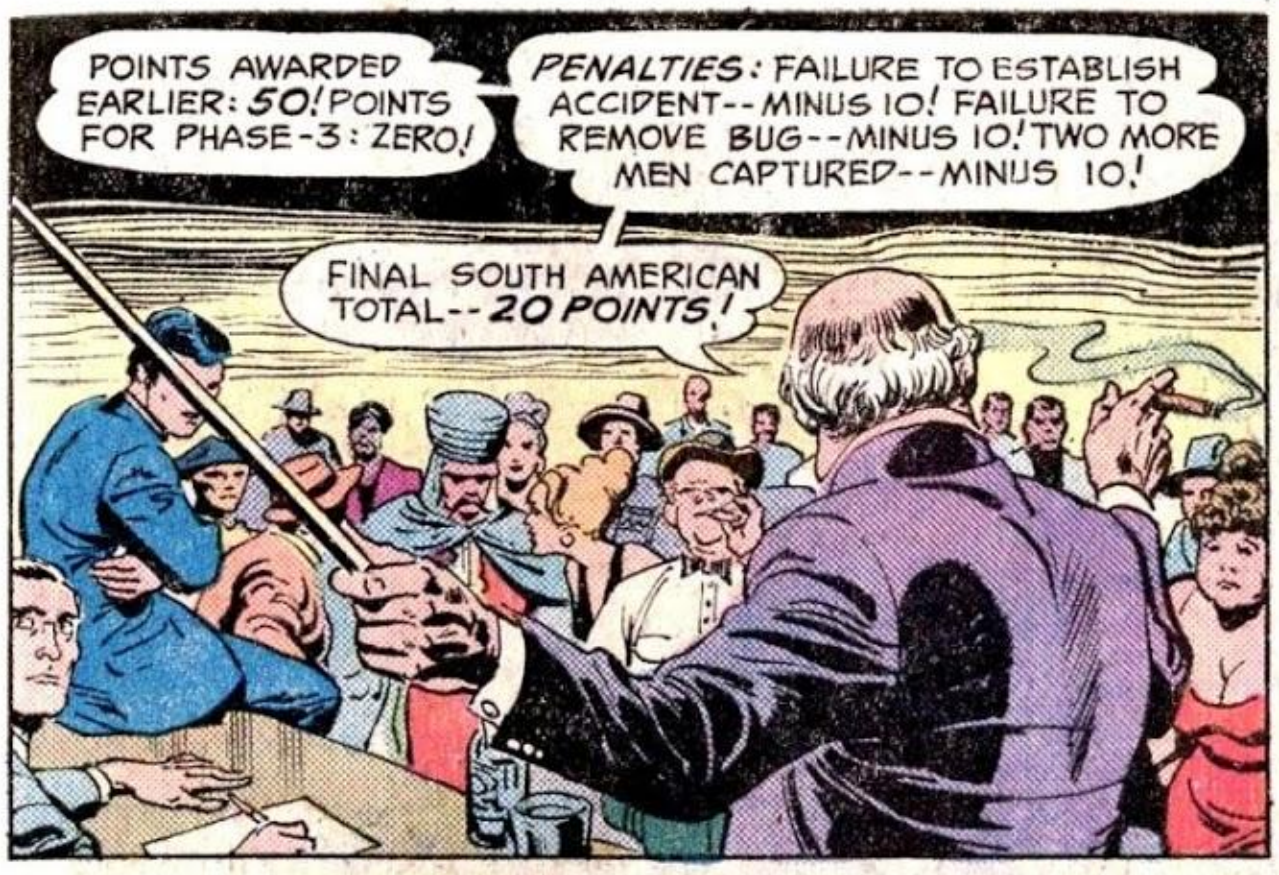
MIGHT AS WELL PACKAGE THESE TWO FOR DELIVERY!
ICE CREAM

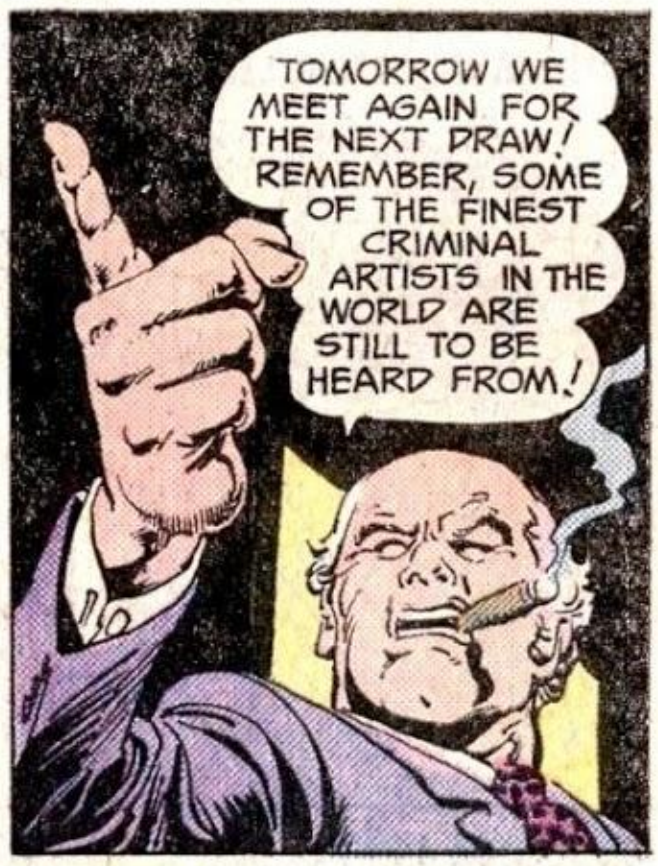
THE ROPES FROM THE BOLAS WILL COME IN HANDY!

A FEW MOMENTS LATER--
MY GOD--THEY CARVED A SLAB OUT OF THE BASE OF THE NEEDLE-- AND WERE GOING TO HIDE VAN'S BODY THERE!
BATMAN! WE HEARD GUNFIRE! WHAT HAPPENED?

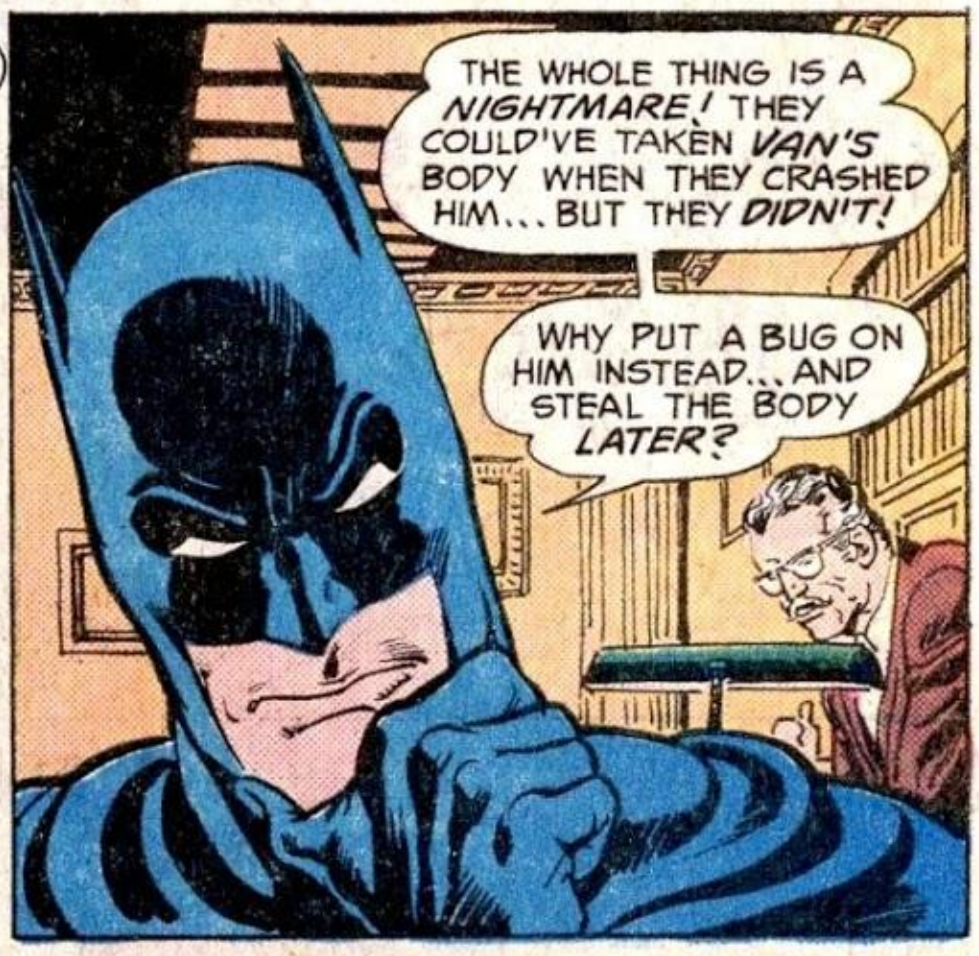
NOTHING MUCH, BOYS! JUST TAKE THESE TWO AWAY...
...BEFORE THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT BEATS YOU TO IT!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS ICE CREAM WAGON... AND ITS CONTENTS... MYSELF...
PLEASE DEPOSIT REFUSE HERE

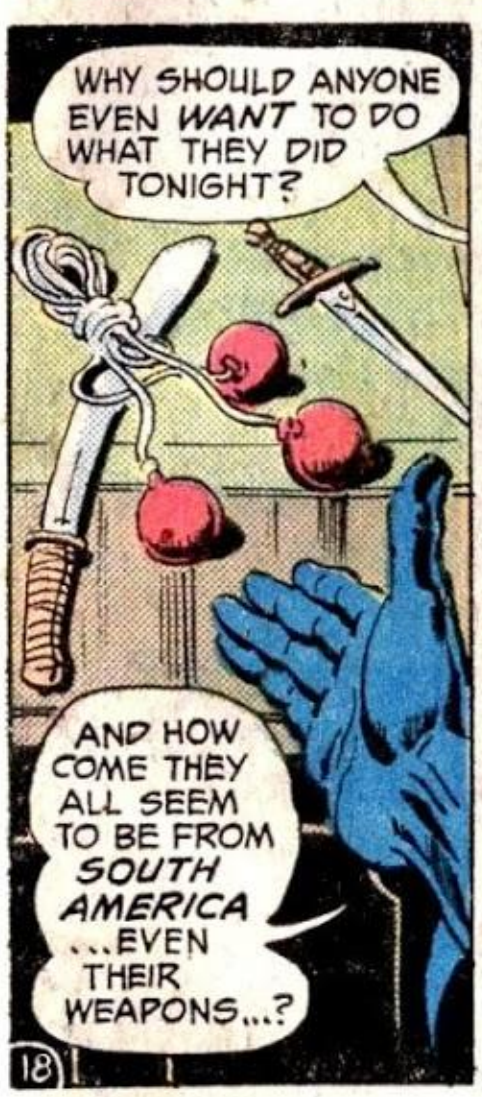
BULLETIN TIME AT OLYMPICS HEADQUARTERS--
FINAL RESULTS FOR THE SOUTH AMERICANS: PHASE-3, WORTH 25 POINTS--THE BURYING OF VANDERMEER'S BODY IN THE BASE OF CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE--HAS FAILED!
THE BATMAN NOT ONLY RECOVERED THE BODY, BUT CAPTURED TWO MORE SOUTH AMERICANS!
SOUNDS IMPOSSIBLE!
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE --WITH THE BATMAN! COST ME FIFTY G'S!

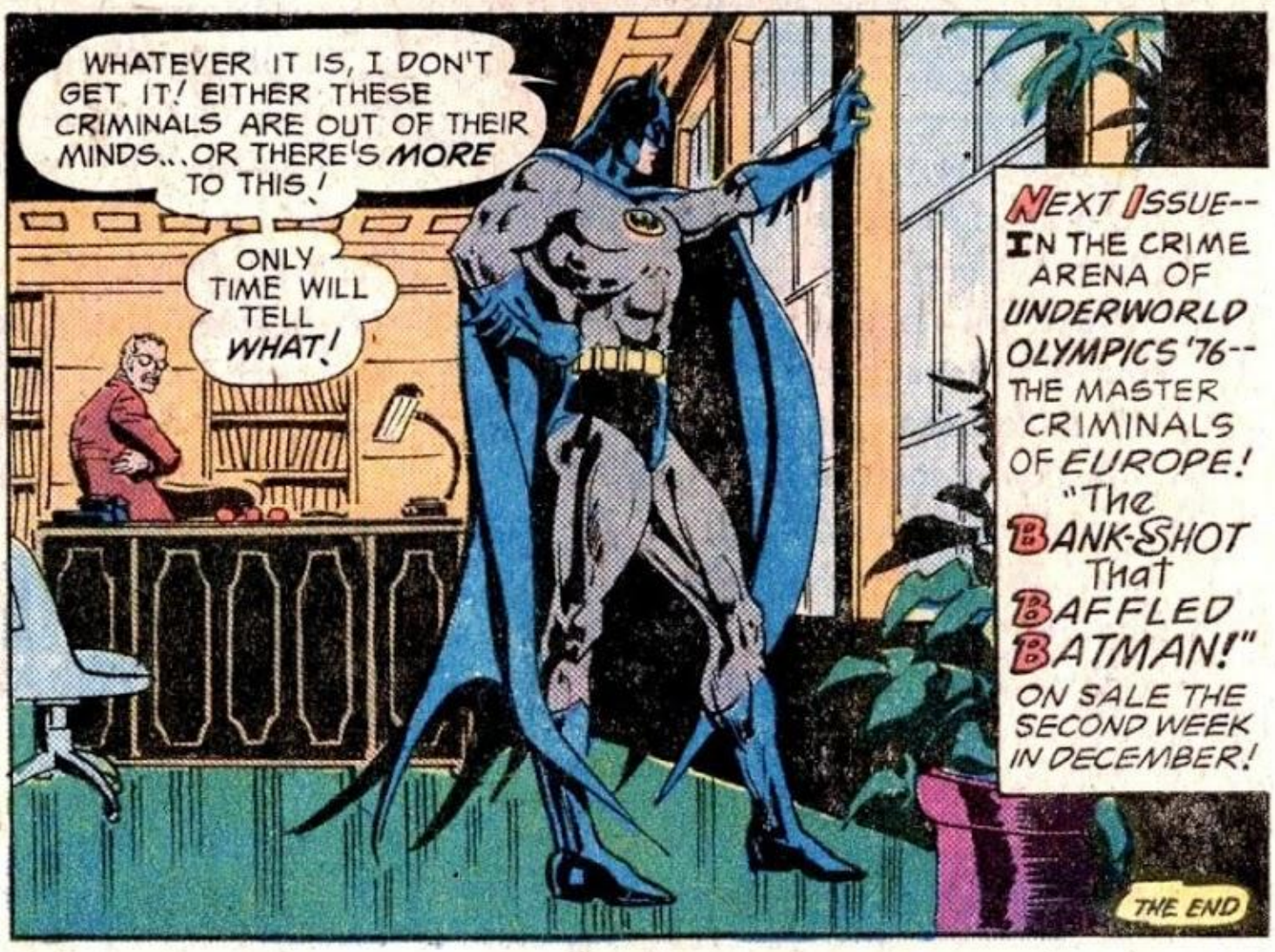

POINTS AWARDED EARLIER: 50! POINTS FOR PHASE-3: ZERO!
PENALTIES: FAILURE TO ESTABLISH ACCIDENT--MINUS 10! FAILURE TO REMOVE BUG--MINUS 10! TWO MORE MEN CAPTURED--MINUS 10!
FINAL SOUTH AMERICAN TOTAL--20 POINTS!


TOMORROW WE MEET AGAIN FOR THE NEXT DRAW! REMEMBER, SOME OF THE FINEST CRIMINAL ARTISTS IN THE WORLD ARE STILL TO BE HEARD FROM!

MIDNIGHT...IN COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE--
BATMAN, I'VE BEEN TRYING TO CATCH UP WITH YOU ALL NIGHT!
I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED--NOW TELL ME WHY?
WHY?--I'VE BEEN RACKING MY BRAIN!


THE WHOLE THING IS A NIGHTMARE! THEY COULD'VE TAKEN VAN'S BODY WHEN THEY CRASHED HIM...BUT THEY DIDN'T!
WHY PUT A BUG ON HIM INSTEAD...AND STEAL THE BODY LATER?


WHY SHOULD ANYONE EVEN WANT TO DO WHAT THEY DID TONIGHT?
AND HOW COME THEY ALL SEEM TO BE FROM SOUTH AMERICA ...EVEN THEIR WEAPONS...?


WHATEVER IT IS, I DON'T GET IT! EITHER THESE CRIMINALS ARE OUT OF THEIR MINDS...OR THERE'S MORE TO THIS!
ONLY TIME WILL TELL WHAT!
NEXT ISSUE--IN THE CRIME ARENA OF UNDERWORLD OLYMPICS '76--THE MASTER CRIMINALS OF EUROPE! "The BANK-SHOT That BAFFLED BATMAN!" ON SALE THE SECOND WEEK IN DECEMBER!
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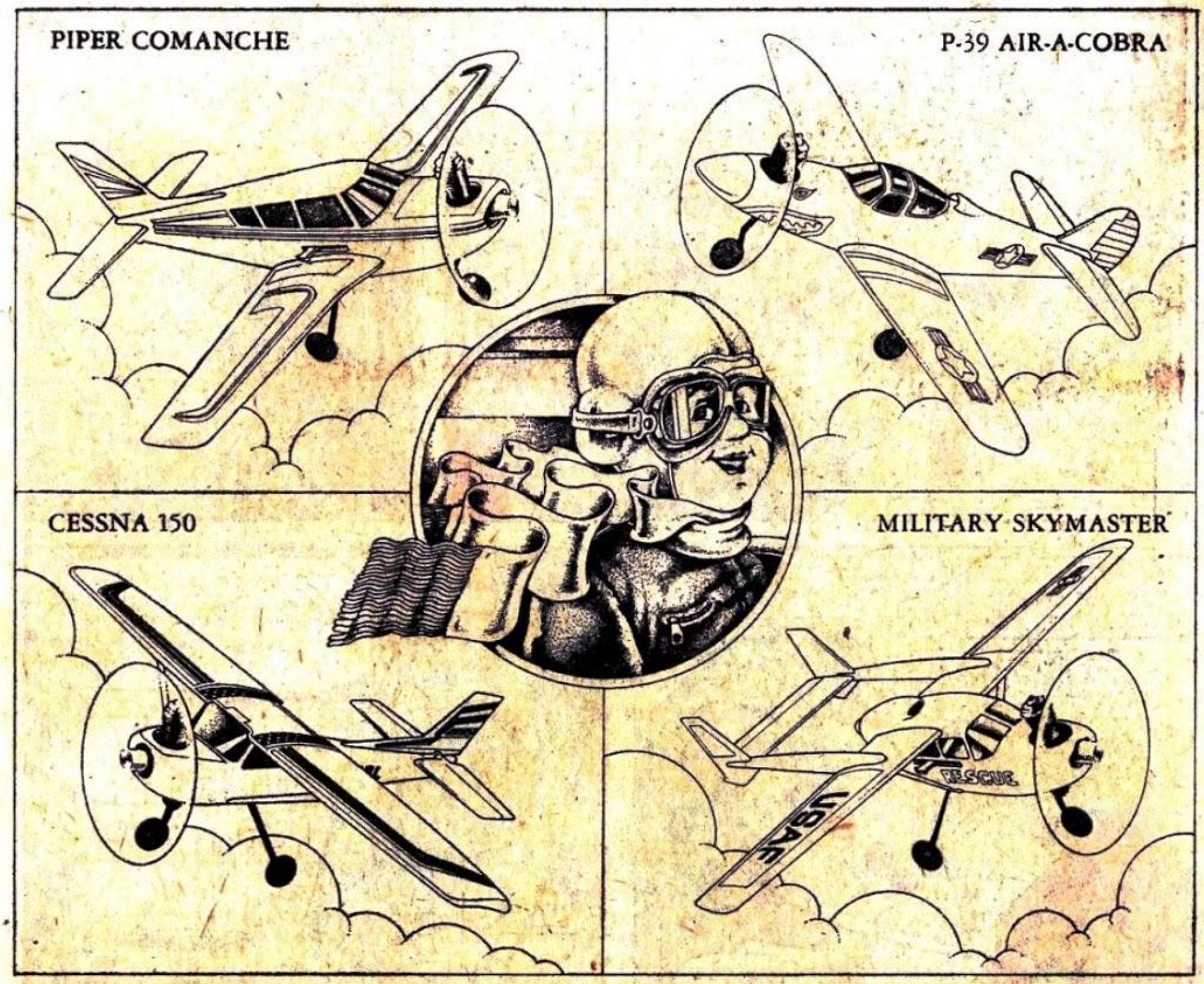

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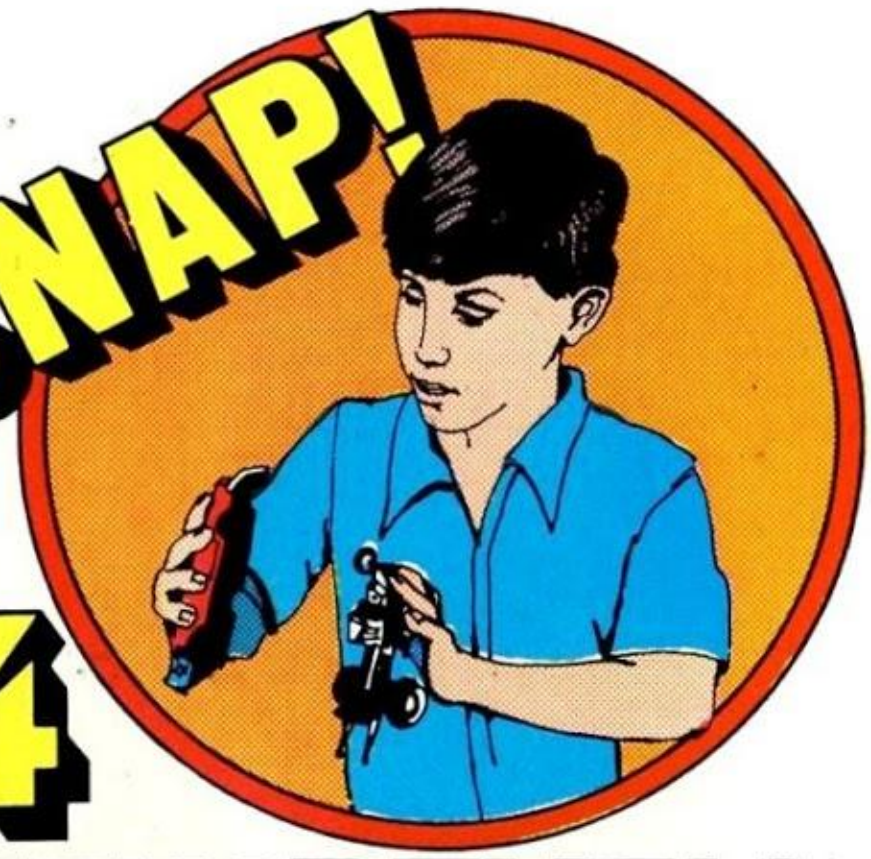

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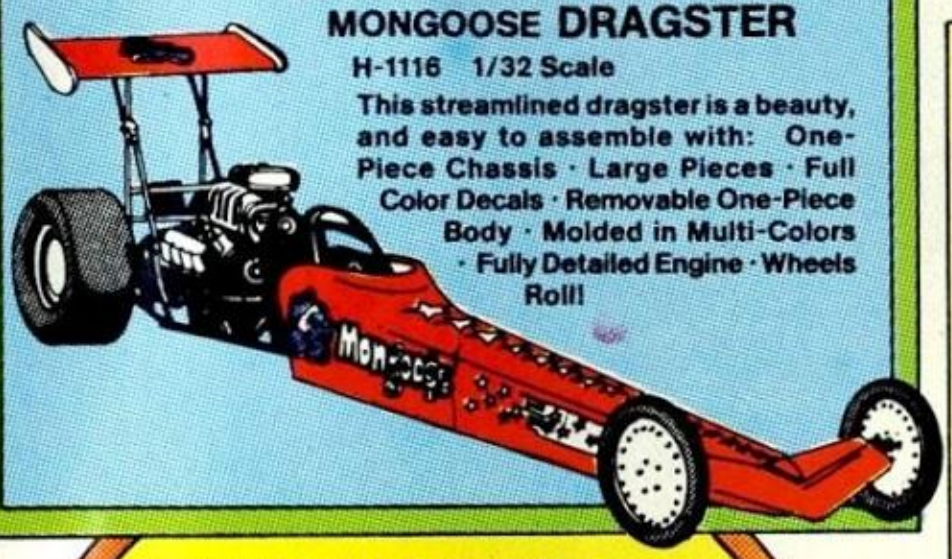

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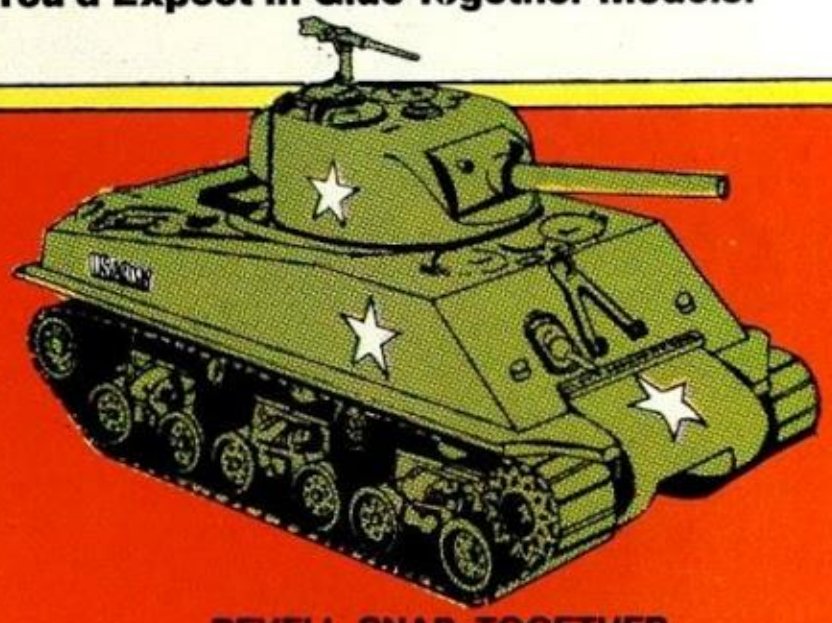

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