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Wonder Woman

THE LYNDON B. JOHNSON SPACE CENTER IN HOUSTON: NORMALLY THE NIGHT IS QUIET HERE--THE CLICKING OF COMPUTERS AND CRICKETS UNDISTURBED BY MORE HUMAN SOUNDS.



BUT TONIGHT IS NO NORMAL NIGHT, FOR TONIGHT BEGINS...

The RETURN OF THE ROYAL FLUSH GANG

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THE HOUR IS NEARING MIDNIGHT, AND THE CONTROL CENTER IS NEARLY DESERTED, FOR NO EXPERIMENTS ARE IN PROGRESS.

UNFORTUNATELY, A ROBBERY IS.

EASY, JACK, DON'T MESS THINGS UP.

RELAX, QUEENIE--I GOT IT.

A



YOU WANTED THIS GIZMO--HERE IT IS.

I TOL' YOU I'M THE BEST CRACKSMAN IN THE COUNTRY!

I'M GLAD TO HEAR YOU'RE SO GOOD AT YOUR TRADE, FRIEND--



--SINCE YOU WON'T BE PRACTICING IT FOR THE NEXT TEN TO TWENTY YEARS!

WONDER WOMAN!

THIS UPSETS ALL OUR PLANS--OUR TIMING!

WELL, NEXT TIME DON'T LEAVE LIGHTS ON WHERE THEY SHOULDN'T BE, AND YOU WON'T HAVE THESE PROBLEMS!

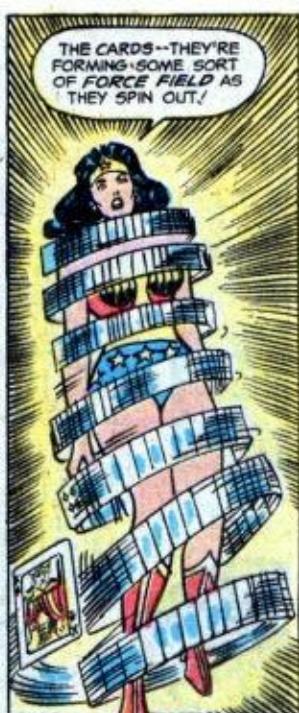
YOU'RE NO PROBLEM, WONDER WOMAN!



IT TOOK THE
WHOLE JUSTICE LEAGUE
TO DEFEAT THE OLD
ROYAL FLUSH GANG--
AND OUR NEW TEAM
IS EVEN TOUGHER!

IN FACT, WONDER WOMAN--
WE'RE GOING TO DECK YOU
WITHOUT EVEN THROWING
A PUNCH!

THE CARDS--THEY'RE
FORMING SOME SORT
OF FORCE FIELD AS
THEY SPIN OUT!



NOT BAD, NOT BAD
AT ALL--BUT YOU DON'T
REALLY EXPECT IT TO
HOLD ME?

OF COURSE
NOT, WONDER
WOMAN--BUT
IT WILL SLOW
YOU DOWN--UNTIL
WE'RE SAFELY
AWAY!



THE NEXT AFTERNOON, AFTER WONDER WOMAN HAS CHANGED BACK TO DIANA PRINCE TO REPORT TO A PHYSICS WORKSHOP FOR THE ASTRONAUT TRAINEES...

HMM... NO MATTER HOW I WORK IT, THAT DIFFERENTIAL VECTOR STILL COMES OUT WRONG.

THE REAL PROBLEM IS I'M STILL UPSET BY MY OVERCONFIDENCE LAST NIGHT--I WAITED TOO LONG TO GRAB THE ROYAL FLUSH GANG.

--AND NOW I CAN'T CONCENTRATE ON ANYTHING!

MAYBE IF I GO BACK TO THE SECOND ORDER DERIVATIVE...

DON'T BOTHER,

DIANA--I REWORKED MINE THREE TIMES, AND IT'S STILL A MESS!



BUT I THOUGHT THAT
WAS DELIVERED TO THE
CONTROL CENTER YESTERDAY,
GENERAL NOVAK?

SO DID WE, BAILEY--
AND SO DID SOME
THIEVES.

LUCKILY, THE
SHIPMENT WAS
DELAYED, AND THE
THIEVES ONLY GOT
A USELESS
MOCK-UP.

APPARENTLY THEY ONLY GOT
THAT AFTER SOME SORT
OF DUST-UP WITH WONDER
WOMAN, TOO.

BUT AS USUAL, SHE
DIDN'T HANG AROUND
TO GIVE US ANY DETAILS.

SO UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE,
THE CONTROL CENTER IS
OFF LIMITS TO EVERYONE.

THAT
MEANS YOU,
PEOPLE.

US

THE NERVE OF THAT
MAN! HE SOUNDED
LIKE HE WAS
ACCUSING US
OF BEING
THIEVES!

IT'S ONLY A
PRECAUTION,
STACEY!

OF COURSE
IT COULD HAVE
BEEN DONE MORE
TACTFULLY.

GIVEN
ALL OUR
SECURITY
CLEARANCES,
THE GENERAL
COULDN'T SUSPECT US!

THAT EVENING,
IN DIANA'S
QUARTERS, AFTER
A QUICK
TRIP TO THE
JLA SATELLITE
HEADQUARTERS...

THAT MUST HAVE BEEN A NEW
ROYAL FLUSH TEAM OPERATING
LAST NIGHT--THEIR STYLE WAS
SO DIFFERENT!

AND THEIR OLD LEADER--
PROFESSOR AMOS FORTUNE--
CERTAINLY WASN'T IN THE
ACE'S COSTUME THIS TIME!

"THEIR WEAPONS WEREN'T AS POWERFUL
AS THE STELLARATION DEVICES THE
ORIGINAL GANG USED ON THE JLA."

"NOT THAT THOSE GIMMICKS
MADE A DIFFERENCE, IN
THE END."



AND THERE WAS NO
TEN WITH THEM LAST
NIGHT--WHICH IS THE
MOST DANGEROUS
CHANGE!

I'M SURE THAT
MEANS THEY HAVE
A HIDDEN
CARD...

--AND I DON'T KNOW
WHERE TO BEGIN
LOOKING FOR IT!

THAT SCENE THIS
AFTERNOON MADE
EVERYONE UNCOMFORTABLE.
SO I CAN'T GO ASKING
QUESTIONS.

THE WHOLE ATMOSPHERE
AROUND HERE IS SO
DEPRESSING RECENTLY THAT
I'M SURE NO ONE WILL
VOLUNTEER ANYTHING.



THIS IS THE KIND
OF NIGHT THAT MAKES
ME MISS NEW YORK.

A WALK THROUGH
THE VILLAGE'S CRAZY
STREETS WOULD LIFT
MY SPIRITS--

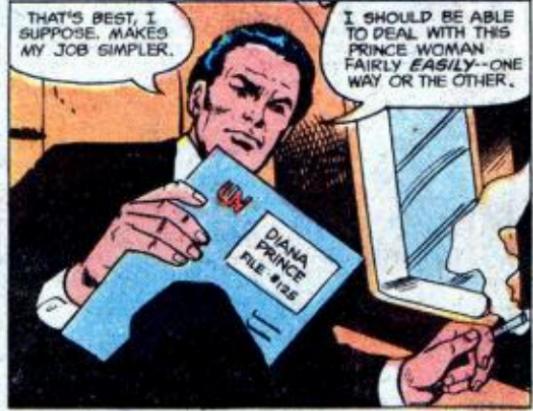
--THESE DESERTED
ROADS DON'T HELP
AT ALL...

MEANWHILE, SEVERAL HUNDRED FEET ABOVE DIANA...

THAT'S LBJ CENTER, HUH? LOOKS REAL QUIET.

THAT'S BEST, I SUPPOSE. MAKES MY JOB SIMPLER.

I SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEAL WITH THIS PRINCE WOMAN FAIRLY EASILY—ONE WAY OR THE OTHER.



AND AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE ROYAL FLUSH GANG, AT THAT MOMENT...

EXCELLENT, TEN, THAT'S PRECISELY THE INFORMATION WE NEEDED.

WELL, ACE... CAN WE FINALLY DO WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR?

UNQUESTIONABLY. QUEEN-TEN HAS COME THROUGH AT LAST!



AND TO COMPLETE THE CAST OF CHARACTERS, 22,300 MILES ABOVE, THE RED TORNADO IS GREETING --

WONDER WOMAN! TWO VISITS TO THE SATELLITE IN ONE NIGHT IS HIGHLY UNUSUAL! CAN I BE OF ASSISTANCE?

NO THANKS, REPPY AND NO EMERGENCY, EITHER.

I'M ONLY RETURNING THE ROYAL FLUSH GANG FILE.

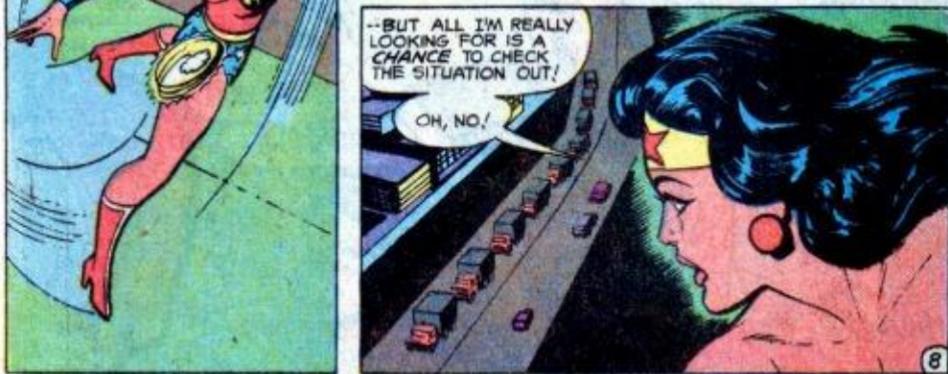
HAVE YOU CAPTURED THEM, THEN?

NO--BUT I THINK I KNOW WHAT THEY WANT.

I ONLY WISH I UNDERSTOOD WHY!



WITH ALL THE PIECES OF THE PUZZLE IN HAND,
LET US RETAKE THE ACTION--THE FOLLOWING
AFTERNOON, AS UNIVERSAL COMPUTER
COMPANY CONVOY MOVES DOWN THE INTERSTATE...



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SUPERMAN

MEETS THE ORBITRONS!

SOMEWHERE IN
THE OUTERMOST
GALAXY.

THE PLANET ORBITRON NOT ONLY PLUNDERS OUR GOLD OPERATIONS WITH MAGNETIC RAYS, SUPERMAN, THEY'VE KIDNAPPED OUR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS.

AN AFFINITY FOR GOLD! I THOUGHT THAT WAS A HUMAN TRAIT... BUT IT GIVES ME AN IDEA!

HOLY KRYPTON! I'M BEING PULLED BY SOME SORT OF MAGNETIC RAY... SOMETHING'S SENSED MY GOLDEN CARGO.

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WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU!

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GIVE US THE WINNING
HAND!



HER BROW
CREASES
WITH INTENSE
CONCENTRATION--

--AND SPLIT SECONDS LATER A CRYSTALLINE JET SPEEDS INTO VIEW IN RESPONSE TO HER MENTAL SUMMONS!



I HAD THE ROBOT PLANE WAITING IN CASE YOU TRIED TO GET AWAY ON THOSE CARDS AGAIN!

BUT IT ALSO GIVES ME A PERFECT PIVOT POINT TO PLAY BULLETS AND BRACELETS WITH YOU!





HOW WOULD YOU
LIKE TO COME TO
NEW YORK CITY...

...AND BECOME A CHARACTER IN MY
WONDER WOMAN COMIC?

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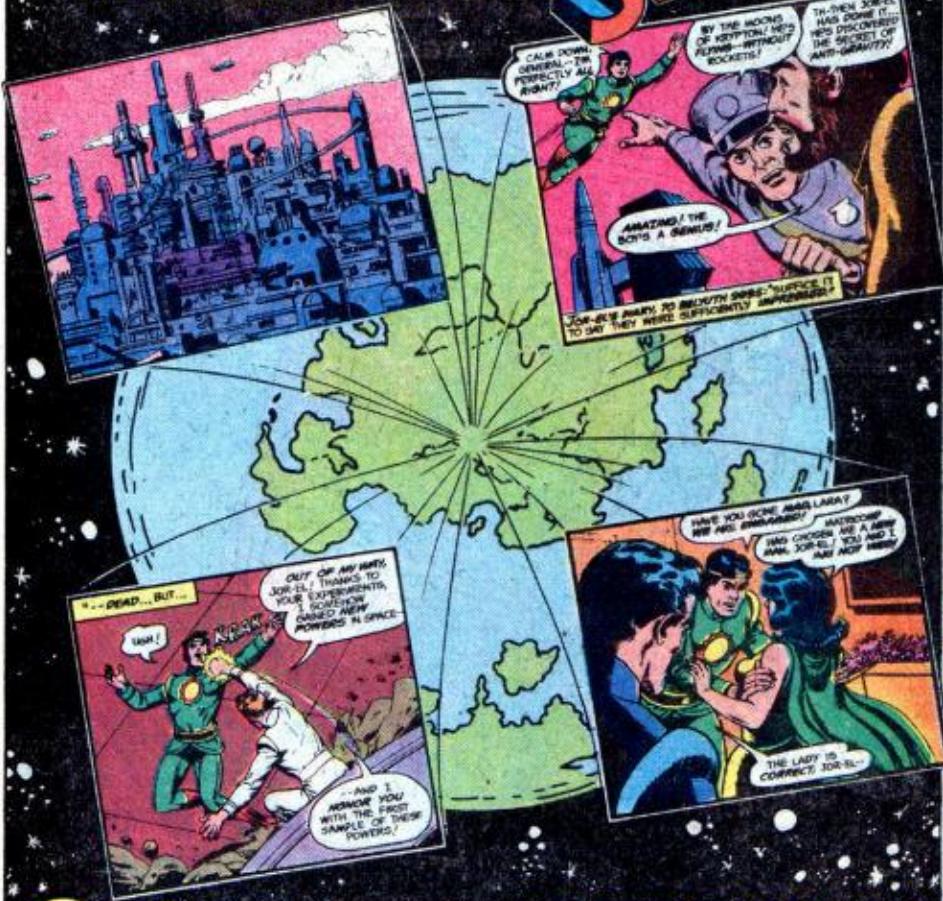
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SUDDENLY
SHATTERED!

KRASH

OKAY, ACE--YOUR
GAME IS UP; TIME
TO CASH IN YOUR--

--OR I SCARED
THEM INTO PACKING
UP EVERY BIT OF
THEIR STUFF THEY
COULD CARRY AND
RUNNING!

AND EVEN THOUGH
THERE ARE PARTIAL
ASSEMBLIES OF
CARD FLYERS HERE--

--I HAVE THE
UNEASY FEELING
I HAVEN'T MADE
THEM PANIC THAT
BADLY!



THAT EVENING, IN THE LOUNGE
OF THE ASTRONAUTS' QUARTERS...

IT STILL DOESN'T
MAKE SENSE. THE
JACK KNEW THEY WERE
AFTER THE COSMOLOGICAL
GUIDANCE SYSTEM--

--BUT THAT'S ONLY
USEFUL FOR NAVIGATING
IN SPACE--OR WHERE NO
OTHER GUIDANCE SYSTEM
WILL WORK!

WHERE ON EARTH
WOULD ANYONE USE
THAT? AND WHY?

AND WHERE, OH
WHERE, ARE YOU--
LITTLE TEN?

DIANA--THEY'VE
GOT THE NEW
EQUIPMENT
IN.

SO I HEAR,
STACEY.

LET'S SEE
WHAT ALL THE
FUSS IS ABOUT?

I'VE
ALREADY
SEEN IT,
LADIES,
AND
TAKE MY
WORD
FOR IT--

--IF YOU'VE SEEN ONE
COMPUTER, YOU'VE
SEEN THEM ALL.

UNTIL THEY LET US USE IT,
IT'S JUST ANOTHER PILE
OF GREY JUNK.

BUT IF I MAY BE SO
BOLD AS TO MAKE
AN ALTERNATE
SUGGESTION--

WHY DON'T WE GO INTO TOWN
AND UNWIND, DIANA? ALL
THIS SECURITY HAS ME
UPTIGHT.

MISTER BAILEY, I
THINK YOU HAVE
A POINT.

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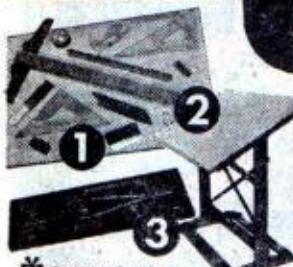


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I SHOULD HAVE
REALIZED IT WAS
AN INSIDE JOB--

--BUT I'VE BEEN GETTING
SO COMFORTABLE ABOUT
MIKE THAT I NEVER EVEN
CONSIDERED HIM!.

NOW I GUESS
I HAVE TO.
THERE--THE SPORTS
SHOP DOOR'S
AJAR./



BUT YOU COULDN'T HAVE
SEEN ME--THERE WAS NO
ONE THERE BUT THE GUARD--
AND I DISTRACTED HIM!



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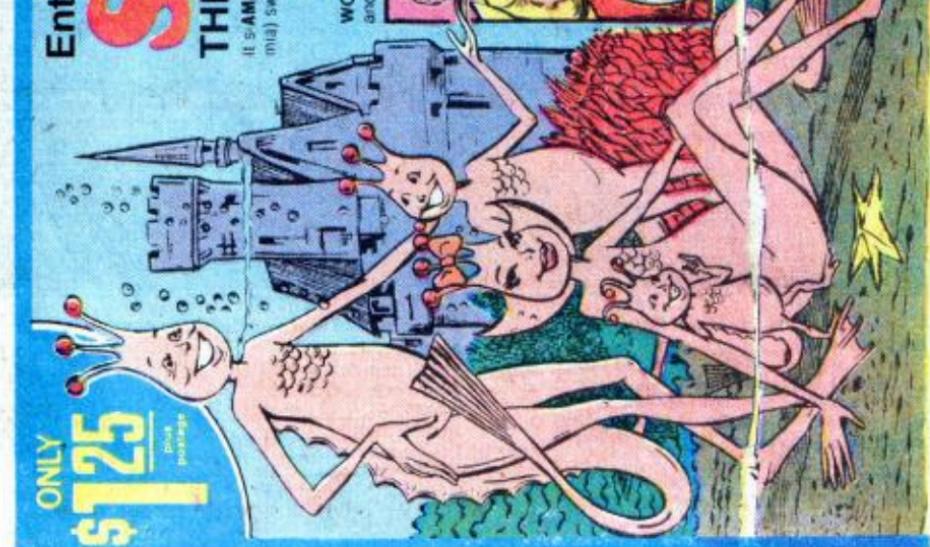
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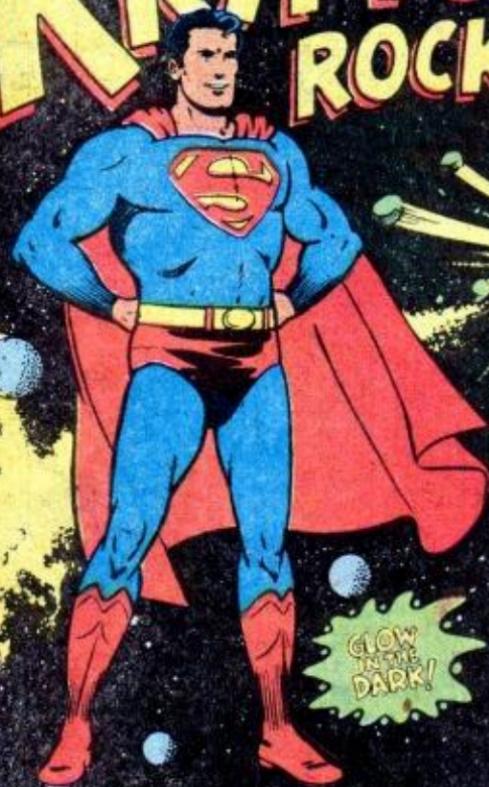
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NEXT ISSUE:

Wonder Woman

RETURNS TO
NEW YORK
TO UNRAVEL

"THE CASE
OF THE
IMPOSSIBLE
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APRIL 26TH



Dear Editor,

Just viewed the latest two issues of the latest "New Wonder Woman," and thought I'd voice my comments on the new direction.

First, I must admit I didn't like having Steve Trevor killed off. In the stories beforehand, he had showed some promise of becoming his own man, while remaining as Diana's lover. But I see the writers and editor didn't care to keep it up. Too bad. Would have liked to see a deeper exploration as Diana came to terms with this independent man. But you chose another path: a bittersweet ending.

I'm issuing a plea to all future editors and writers for this 'zine: DON'T "resurrect" Trevor again unless you keep him around for a LONG time.

Second complaint came last issue (#250) with the "new" Wonder Woman Orana. Made me wonder how concerned the gods were with the fate of the human race when they discount a quality like compassion in selecting THE Wonder Woman. Hippolyte showed more wisdom in this case than ANY of them.

Also, when Diana put aside the lasso and the tiara to compete, shouldn't she have taken off her costume as well? That was just as much of a symbol of the title as the other two items.

Truthfully, I was ready to give up the 'zine in disgust at this "new" development until I saw issue #251. Things were rectified; but not in the way I expected. I was sure Orana would be the first Wonder Woman to lose her post because she would murder someone in carrying out her job. But she "lucked out" in a way, getting killed with honor.

However, it looks like the gods better revise the standards of selecting an Amazon to help the outside world. Not only did Orana lack compassion; she lacked the brains to think of adopting a secret identity so she could survive in Man's world. She was very short-sighted and paid the consequences. So things were set at right at last.

Enough brick-bats. Now for the items I do like about the new direction for WW:

1.) Diana Prince's new job. I am looking forward to seeing glimpses of the Space Shuttle and the process of training women astronauts. I hope someone could get information from NASA to make this more credible.

2.) The use of female co-stars, like Hawkgirl. It gave her a bit more personality that she's ever received in the Hawkman or JLA tales. Hope you can use more of the super-heroines as guest-stars.

3.) The new series on the Amazons. For once I'm finding out why they had such a high reputation. Too often in the past, they've appeared as helpless against perils as any mere human. But here, I can see their cunning, compassion and fighting force. One request: In focusing on Queen Hippolyte, don't have only her as the one who does the combat bit. Let some of the others shine with her.

Also, a couple of suggestions on the Amazons:

1.) Those practically bare battle outfits may look revealing and sexy, but personally, I'd be wary of wearing an outfit that did not give full protection in time of battle. Even with their bracelets, some bullets may get through. Issue #251 proved that point.

2.) I'd like to see a reappearance of Nubia, Diana's black sister, functioning in her full capacity as Wonder Woman's equal in strength and power. Perhaps to help her sister?

Good luck on your latest new direction.

Sarah Finnegan
Washington, D.C.

Perhaps it is a certain vanity in the make-up of the Amazon collective personality that makes them feel their individual skills will protect them far better than movement-restricting armor. Her Black sister Nubia is not slated for a reappearance in the near future, but who can tell with new creative hands at the helm. In fact, the Amazons' series for revelations about them, guest-stars and her new job are no longer up to us. We don't know exactly where she is headed, but you can be sure it will be off in still another "new direction".

By the way, we contacted NASA directly and they supplied us with great volumes of material which we used for both text and visual content. We hereby thank the publicity people at NASA for their gracious aid.

As for the adventure that appeared in issues 250-251, we thought it was visually clear that the gods who are known for their hostility towards humankind (Mars, etc.) were the ones who were forcing the issue of who was the real winner of the Tournament. Perhaps it became clearer during the Angle Man confrontation.

Steve Trevor? Who knows now...?—JCH

Dear People,

You brutal, henious animals!

(More calmly). Issue 251 was very good, on the whole. I wish, however, that you didn't put an end to Orana in such a drastic fashion. She was brash, naive, something of a klutz as a crimefighter too. She had her shortcomings, yes. But do you really think she deserved to be murdered? She was an interesting character. Why did she have to end up riddled through with slugs? Such violent endings are always the fate of male characters, yes. But this takes getting used to.

We see how Diana risked her life escaping to the outside world...just so she could be Diana Prince again. Not to undertake any serious mission or to challenge the new Wonder Woman. She returned so she could have her other life back. Simple as that. Very good! I think that is very important. The civilian identity has never been shown to be so important to her. Diana Prince is not just Wonder Woman in glasses, but a real, feeling person.

I'd like a clarification on one point. Is it at all possible that NASA is privy to the fact that Diana is no ordinary woman? We see how a NASA rep was sent all the way to NYC just to check on her. She's never been referred to as an "astronaut-candidate", as is the case when applicants are screened and eliminated. She seems to have the position of astronaut already. Naturally, with her Amazon background and education, she'd be the most qualified astro ever. But as Diana Prince,—what got the job for her? She'd be up against people with degrees and flight training.

Perhaps I'm underestimating her civilian credentials. Anyway, it'll be nice to see her hurdle every physical task when training begins. Her new life seems to have the promise of lots of excitement.

Great issue. One more thing. Diana once had a special friend named Steve. If, in the future, another man becomes as important to her as Steve was, why not arrange to name him Mike?

Mike Burkholder

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You've no doubt noticed that Diana was indeed a "trainee." Her civilian credentials are most complete and upstanding. And before you pat yourself on the back, Mika, the characters of Mike Baily was created months before we received your suggestion!—JCH

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ASK THE ANSWER MAN

Q: Which parallel Earth was shown in *ACTION COMICS* #399? Was it perhaps Earth-47—Tim Crane. A: No, Earth-B, where all the stories that don't fit into our regular continuity take place!

Q: Who was the first super-hero DC ever created?—Leslie Campbell. A: The *Crimson Avenger* was a costumed do-gooder in the early days of *DETECTIVE COMICS*, but *Superman* has to get the credit as the first recognized super-hero.

Q: How about the origin of Robin?—Amy Dunbar. A: The Teen Wonder's roots are recapped in *DETECTIVE COMICS* #484.

Q: Can you name the various members of the *Injustice Society of Earth-2*?—Rudy Garcia. A: That group was formed by the Wizard back in *ALL-STAR* #37 and included the Gambler, Brain Wave, Vandal Savage, Degaton and the Thinker. Later members included Solomon Grundy, the Fiddler, the Icicle, the Huntress, the Sportsmaster, and the Harlequin.

Q: Can I get a comic that went on sale in 1977 from you?—Ben King. A: As we've said many times before, we do not have any back issues. You'll have to fill your want list through back issue dealer.

Q: What is Robin majoring in at Hudson University?—Stephen Marco. A: Business Administration.

Q: Is Brainiac 5 ever going to find a way to bring back clones of Ferro Lad and Invisible Kid that won't explode like the ones in *SUPERBOY/LEGION* #206?—Joey Shaw. A: Anything is possible in comics, but considering Brainy's condition in current issues, it's not likely.

NOTE: Speaking of *SUPERBOY/LEGION*, a number of readers have pointed out a mistake in a recent column. Ye Answer Man had stated that nothing had happened to Chemical King and Matter-Eater Lad. Chem was killed some issues ago, but M-E Lad did indeed turn up in recent issues.

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