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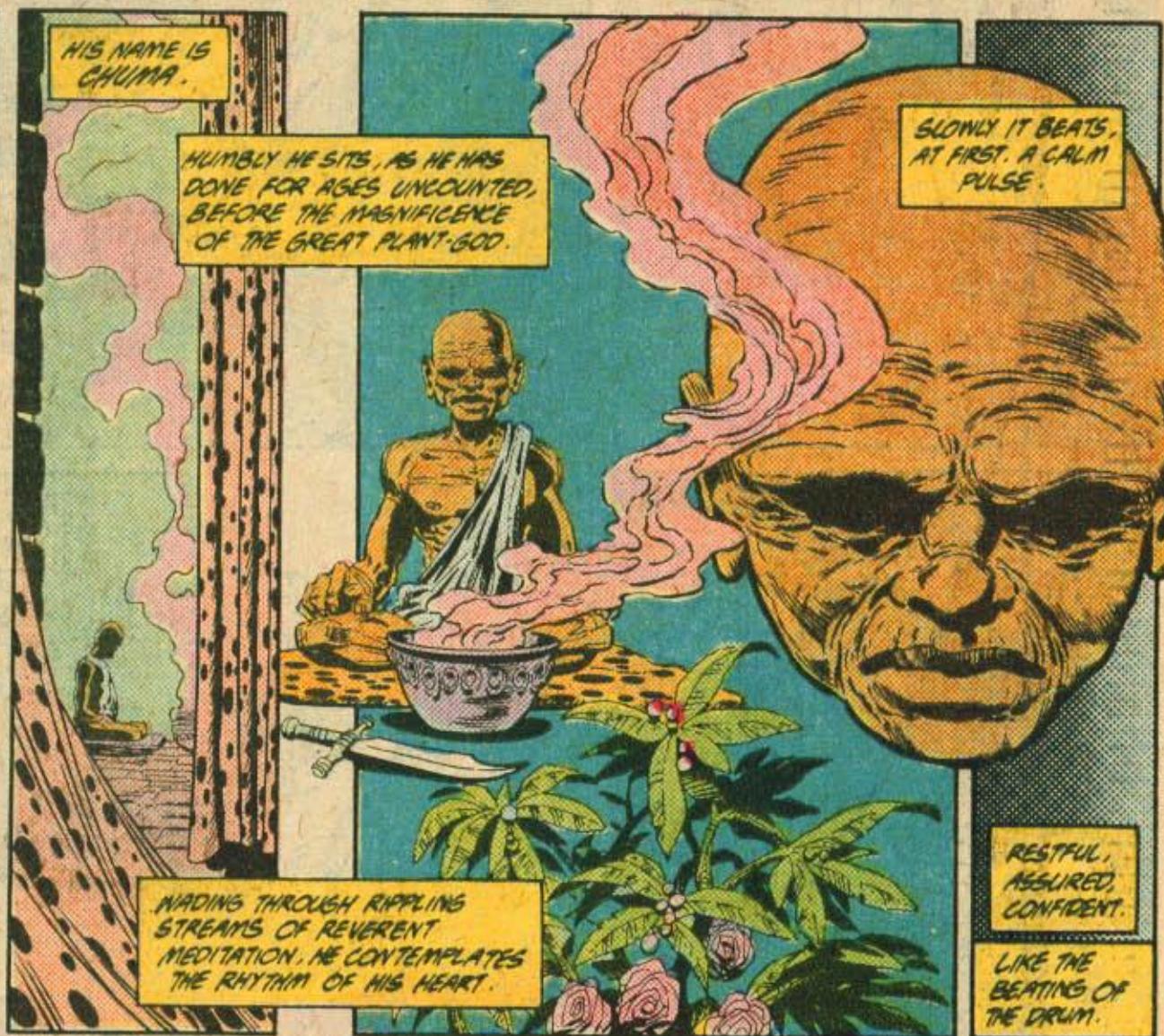
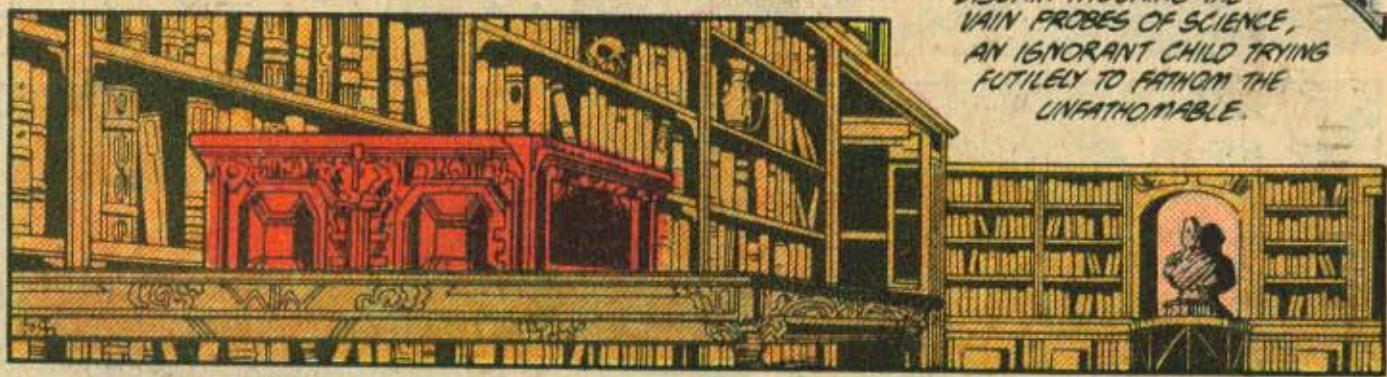
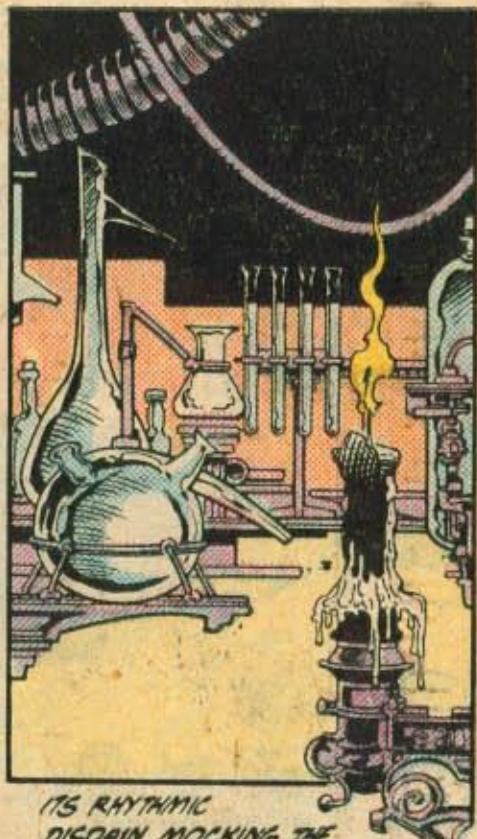
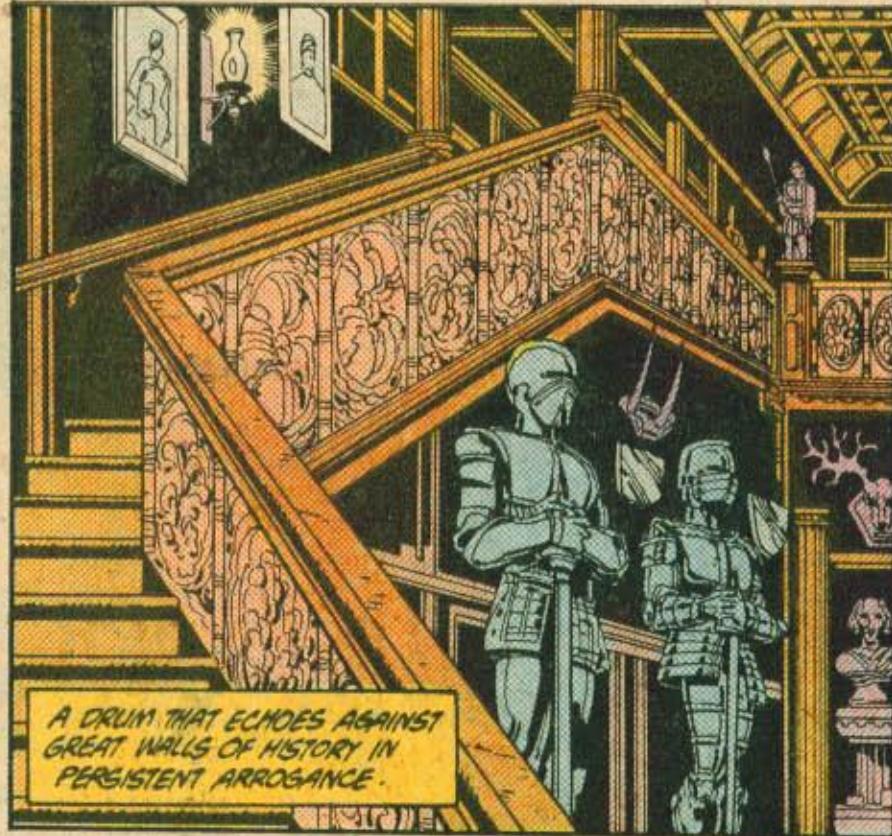
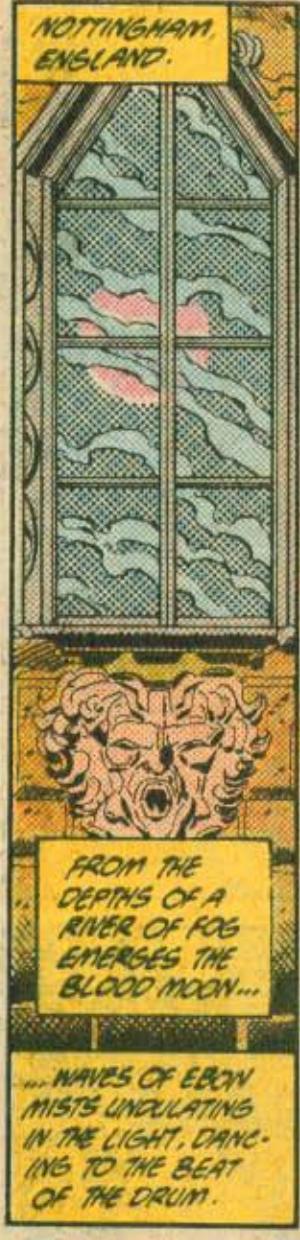
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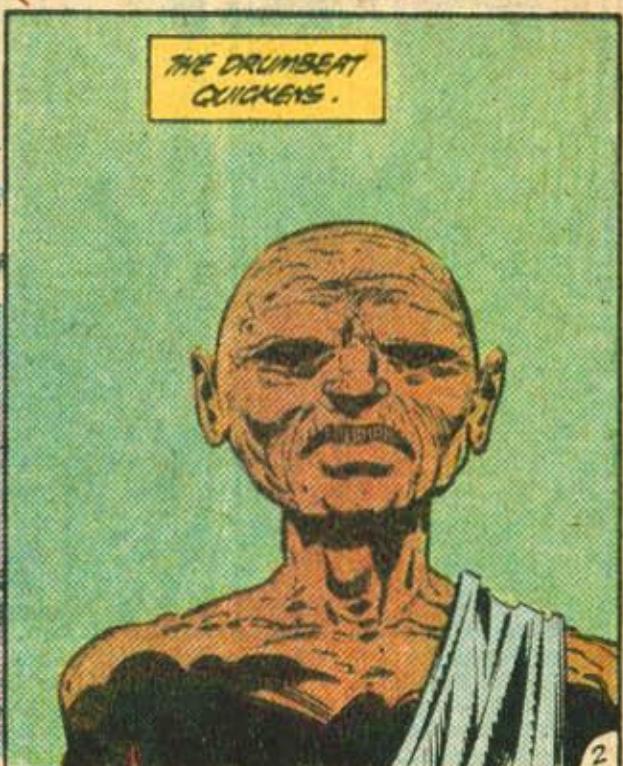
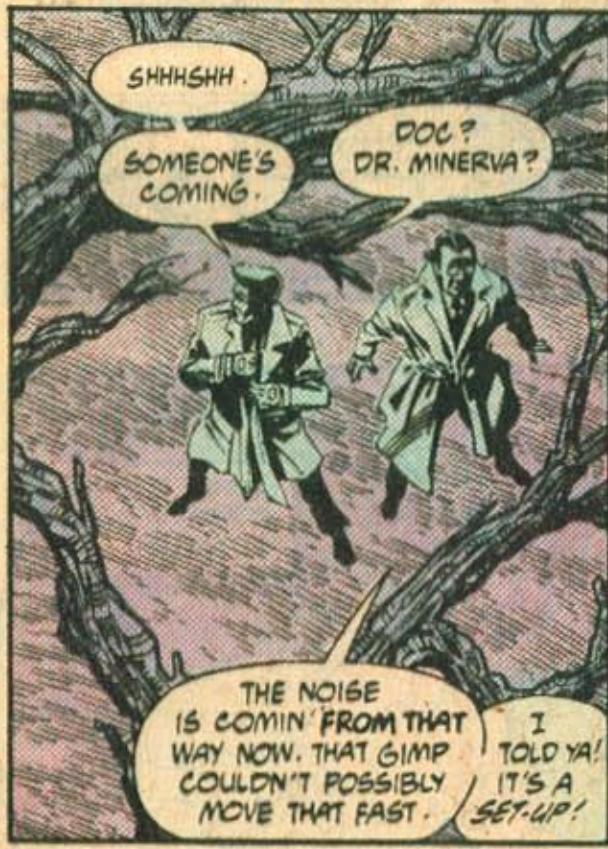


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NOTTINGHAM,  
ENGLAND.







LOUDER BEATS  
THE DRUM. QUICKER,  
SHARPER.

LIKE THE FLURRY  
OF A MACHINE-  
GUN, IT RACES TO  
ITS CRESCENDO.





WELCOME TO CHAOS. WELCOME TO A  
REALM OF DISORDER, OF FRANTIC,  
MANIACAL TURMOIL.

WHERE HULKING, RECKLESS  
MASSES OF BLACK CRASH  
THUNDEROUSLY INTO EACH  
OTHER, RUPTURING THE  
DARKNESS WITH THE  
ELDRITCH SHARDS OF  
THEIR IMPACT.

WHERE HERMES, GOD OF  
OLYMPUS, LEADS A  
BLACK-TRESSED BEAUTY  
IN A SOLEMN, SACRED  
SERVICE, EACH CHANNEL-  
ING THEIR EVOCATIONS  
THROUGH HIS MYSTIC  
CADUCEUS.

DIANA, PRINCESS OF  
THE MISCIRA, FAVERED OF  
THE GODS, IS OBLIVIOUS  
TO THE TUMULT AROUND  
HER. ALL SHE CAN FEEL  
IS HER SOUL, PRAYING  
DESPERATELY FOR  
ASSISTANCE, FOR AN  
ANSWER.

BUT, MORE THAN  
ANYTHING, SHE PRAYS  
FOR FORGIVENESS.

# JUNGLE SACRAMENT

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BESIDES, MS. MAYER'S FILES SAID NOTHING ABOUT THE ALLEGED SUBTERFUGES. ALL WE HAVE IS THE PRINCESS' WORD ON DR. MINERVA'S MOTIVES.

LT. SHANDS, I KNOW BARBARA MINERVA. HER UNETHICAL REPUTATION IS INFAMOUS.

PROFESSOR, YOU'RE TRYING TO CONVINCE US THAT BARBARA MINERVA ACTUALLY WENT OUT, FREED SOME EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL POW'S, HAD THEM ATTACK WONDER WOMAN, AND THEN KILLED THEM...

...JUST TO STEAL A LASSO?

I THINK WE'VE ALREADY STUCK OUT OUR NECKS ENOUGH FOLLOWING HUNCHES, INSPECTOR.

SHE'D RESORT TO ANY MEANS TO ACQUIRE A PRICELESS HISTORICAL FIND LIKE A LASSO FORGED FROM THE GOLDEN GIRDLE OF GAEA.

INSP. INDELICATO, YOU'VE MET DIANA. YOU CAN SEE SHE'S NOT THE TYPE TO ACT UPON UNFOUNDED HUNCHES, CAN'T YOU?

LT. CANDY, SURELY THIS IS MORE OF A MILITARY MATTER.

THE PENTAGON IS ALREADY INVESTIGATING, SIR. BUT, THE MERCENARIES WHO FREED THE ALIENS DIDN'T LEAVE A CALLING CARD.

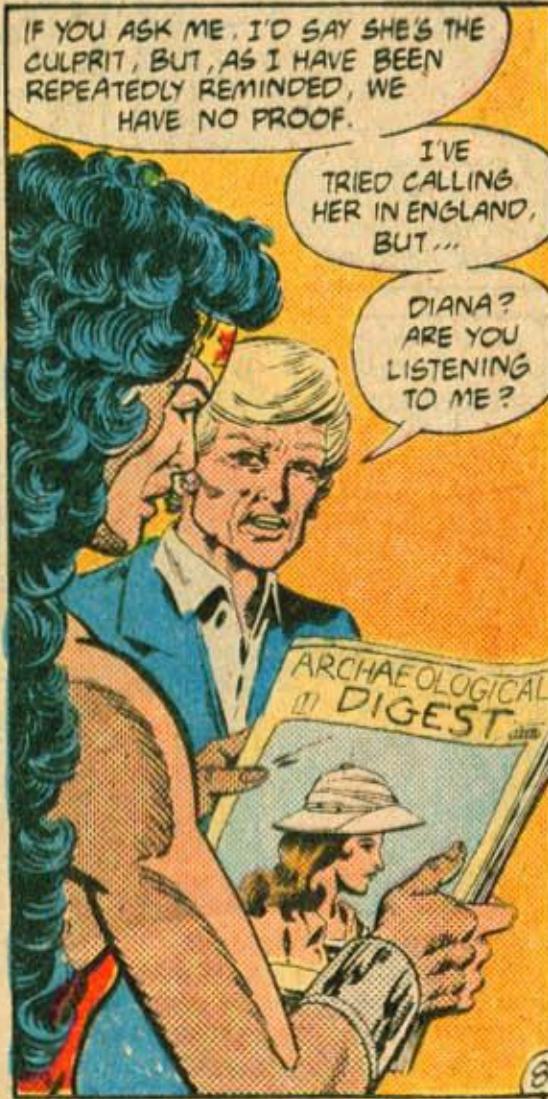
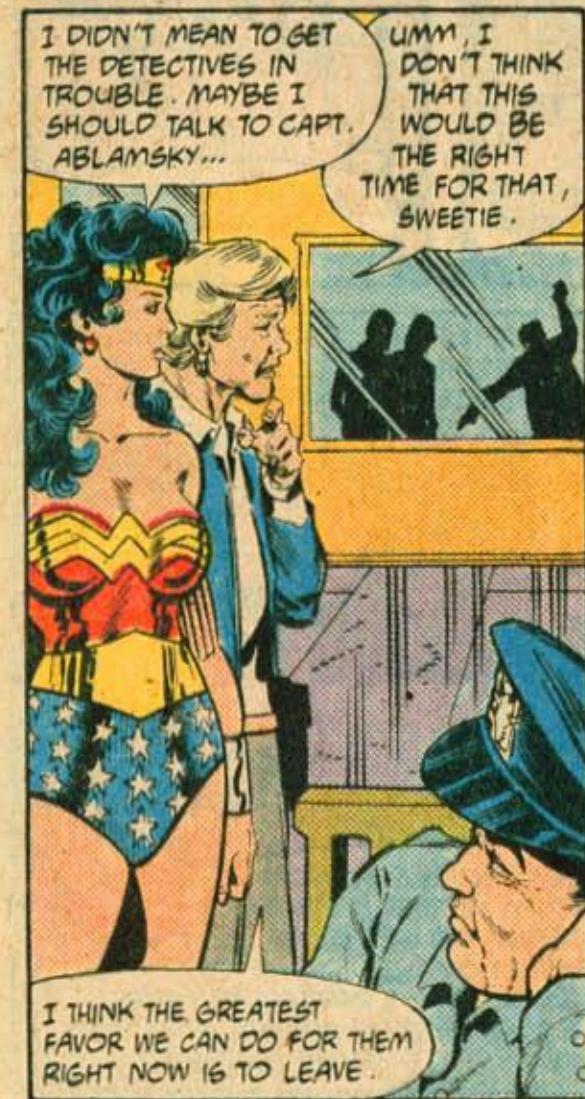
AND SO FAR I HAVEN'T HAD ANY LUCK TRACING THAT COPTER. IT WAS TOTALLY UNMARKED.

BUT I, FOR ONE, AM NOT GOING TO QUIT.

DETECTIVES, I KNOW HOW FAR-FETCHED THIS ALL SOUNDS. WHY SHOULD ANYONE GO TO SUCH EXTREMES?

EVEN WITH THE ATTACK ON MR. TREVOR, THE PRINCESS AND ME BY THE KHUND ESCAPEES, WE'VE YET TO PROVE ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THAT AND DR. MINERVA.

BUT, RELIABLE SOURCES INFORM ME THAT BARBARA MINERVA MAY NOT BE AS MENTALLY OR EMOTIONALLY COMPETENT AS SHE WOULD HAVE US BELIEVE. PARTICULARLY SINCE AN AFRICAN EXPEDITION A FEW YEARS AGO...



"YES, JULIA. I'M LISTENING."

# "MADAM STAR" ARRIVED IN ENGLAND

## WONDER WOMAN



"INTERESTING. YES,  
MOST INTERESTING  
INDEED."

"DE MEETING WID  
ENGLISH ROYALTY...  
DE JUSTICE LEAGUE...  
AT DIS TIME..."

"DE MADAM BE  
RIGHT. DIS BE NO  
COINCIDENCE."

"DE WONDER  
WOMAN BE  
NOBODY'S  
FOOL."

MUST  
PREPARE  
CASTLE, AS  
DE MADAM  
COMMANDED.

BE FEELING  
BETTER, THOUGH,  
IF SHE HADN'T  
GONE AWAY,  
ALONE.

I GUESS SHE BE  
ALL RIGHT... FOR  
A LITTLE WHILE...

...UNTIL I  
RID HER OF HER  
ENEMY. RIGHT  
NOW, DAT IS MY  
SACRED DUTY.

LONDON STAR  
ON WONDER WOMAN  
IN ENGLAND

DIANA  
PRINCESS OF  
THEATER'S  
SONG MUSE

PROF BARBARA A MINERVA  
UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR  
NOTTINGHAM ENGLAND

FOR SHE  
WHO THREATENS  
DE CHEETAH,  
THREATENS  
ME.

NO  
MATTER. SHE  
HAS NO PROOF.

SHE'S TRYING TO  
TRICK DE MADAM,  
BUT DE MADAM BE  
TOO SMART  
FOR HER.

"HAVE YOU PEOPLE  
SEEN THIS?"



## WONDER WOMAN 'EM IN U.K.!

BOSTON'S PRINCESS DIANA OFF TO PARIS TO MEET WITH SUPER-HERO GROUP

YES, STEVE.  
IT WAS DIANA'S IDEA.

SHE FELT THAT SHE SHOULD SPEAK TO DR. MINERVA PERSONALLY.

AND, NOT WANTING TO MAKE UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS, DIANA OPTED TO MAKE IT APPEAR LIKE A SIDE TRIP ON AN AMBASSADORIAL JAUNT.

THIS IS LUDICROUS! DIANA SHOULD HAVE LET ME HANDLE THIS MATTER. I AM A GOD!

LORD HERMES, I DON'T CARE FOR THE IDEA EITHER, BUT YOU KNOW HOW TENACIOUS DIANA CAN BE.

PROFESSOR,  
THERE IS A FINE LINE BETWEEN  
TENACITY AND  
INSOLENCE.

DIANA ACTS ON HER BELIEFS,  
TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
THEM, NO MATTER WHAT THE  
OBSTACLE.

SHE BELIEVES  
THAT TO BE THE RIGHT  
AND DUTY OF ALL LIVING  
CREATURES.

TO ME, THAT'S RESPECT,  
LORD HERMES, NOT  
INSOLENCE.

YOU AND THE GODDESSES  
HAD HOPED TO CREATE THE  
HUMAN IDEAL. WITH DIANA, I  
PERSONALLY BELIEVE YOU'VE  
SUCCEEDED.

MODERN WOMAN  
THE VERY TERM  
IS AN ENIGMA  
TO ME.

STEPHEN TREVOR,  
YOU'VE DWELT  
AMONG THEM ALL  
YOUR LIFE. HOW  
HAVE YOU SURVIVED  
THESE "MODERN  
WOMEN"?

IS THAT SUPPOSED TO BE  
SOME KIND OF RIDDLE?

NO NOT  
REALLY. THAT  
WOULD IMPLY  
THAT I HAD  
AN ANSWER.

OH, WELL, I'D  
LIKE TO THINK THAT  
WOMEN THEMSELVES  
HAVEN'T CHANGED  
ALL THAT MUCH.

IT'S JUST  
THAT SOCIETY IS  
FINALLY STARTING  
TO CATCH UP TO  
THEM.

I DON'T THINK  
YOU CAN EXPLAIN  
MODERN WOMEN.  
YOU HAVE TO  
EXPERIENCE  
THEM.

YES...  
EXPERIENCE.

Y'KNOW, I DON'T  
UNDERSTAND WHAT  
YOU'RE ALL SO  
WORRIED ABOUT

I MEAN, THIS  
BARBARA MINERVA  
IS SUPPOSED TO  
BE SOME KIND OF  
CRIPPLE OR  
SOMETHIN',  
RIGHT?

DIANA'LL  
MAKE SOFA  
STUFFING  
OUTTA HER!

AFTER ATTENDING THE FIRST  
EVENTFUL MEETING OF THE JUSTICE  
LEAGUE EUROPE IN PARIS,\* DIANA  
RETURNS TO HER QUEST...

...IN NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND.

'ERE YOU ARE, YOUR  
IGHNESS. YOU SURE YOU  
WANT TO STOP 'ERE? THE  
MANSION'S CLOSE TO  
FOUR KILOMETERS PAST  
THOSE MOORS  
THERE.



SEE JLE #1 FOR  
ALL THE DETAILS -- KB

SUIT YOURSELF, MISS.  
MUST BE WHAT KEEPS  
THOSE LEGS SO  
SHAPELY, EH?

SAVE YOUR MONEY,  
YOUR 'IGHNESS. IT  
WAS A ROYAL  
PRIVILEGE.

SURE I CAN'T  
DRIVE YOU THE  
REST OF THE  
WAY?



G'AFTERNOON,  
YOUR 'IGHNESS.

SOMETHING HORRIBLE HAS  
HAPPENED HERE. HOW LONG  
AGO I CAN'T BE SURE.



BUT THE CLOSER I GET  
TO THE CASTLE, THE MORE  
I CAN FEEL MY APPREHENSION  
CHILLING ME TO THE BONE.



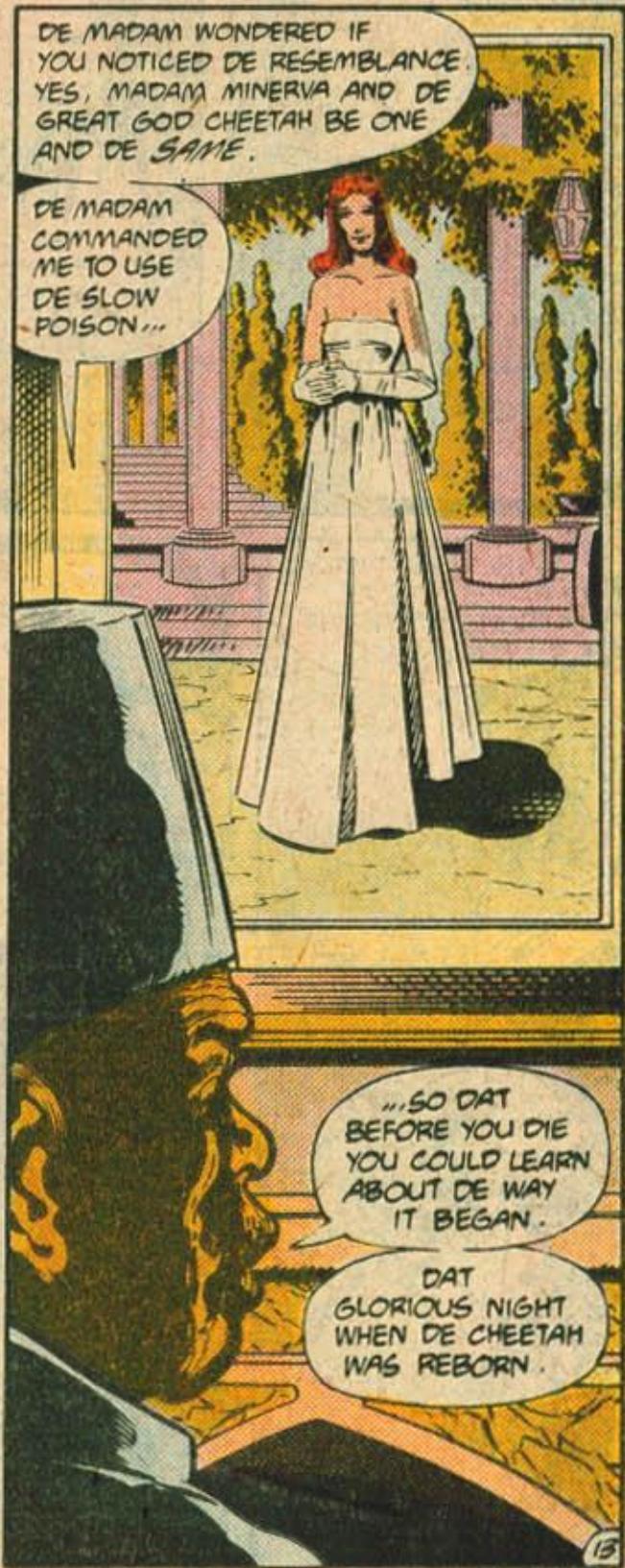
I COULDN'T  
ALLOW THAT  
DRIVER TO  
COME ANY  
FARTHER.  
THERE'S SOME-  
THING DANGEROUS  
ABOUT THIS  
PLACE.

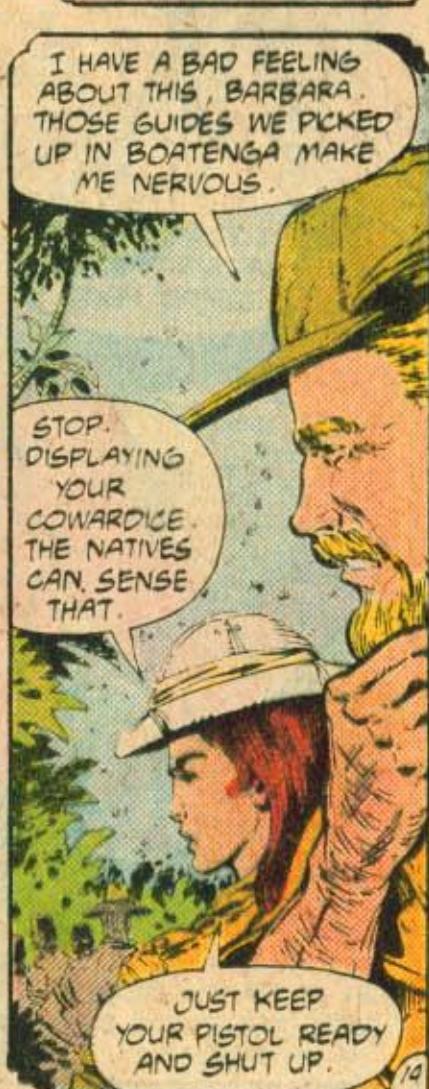
I CAN  
FEEL IT. I CAN  
SMELL IT.



AND THE MORE I  
CAN SMELL THE  
UNMISTAKABLE  
SCENT OF BLOOD."







"DE MADAM BE VERY DEDICATED.  
SHE IGNORED EVERYDINGS BUT FINDING  
DE SACRED CITY."

"NOODINS ELSE  
COULD DISTRACT  
HER..."

"NOT EVEN DE DESERTION OF  
HER FRIGHTENED BEARERS.  
ONE BY ONE..."

"UNTIL..."

"WHAT ARE  
YOU STOPPING FOR?  
WHERE'S THE CITY?!"

"WE WILL  
GO NO  
FARTHER!"

"WHAT'S  
HE SAYING?  
I DON'T LIKE  
THIS...  
HELL!"

"THE BEARERS!  
THEY'RE ALL  
GONE!"

"DE JUNGLE FILLED WID  
DE FURY OF WAR CRIES."

"DE MADAM AND HER ASSOCIATES TURNED TO  
FINO THEMSELVES SURROUNDED.

"DE DISTINCTIVE MARKINGS ON  
DE GREAT PYGMY WARRIORS  
WERE FAMILIAR TO DEM ALL."

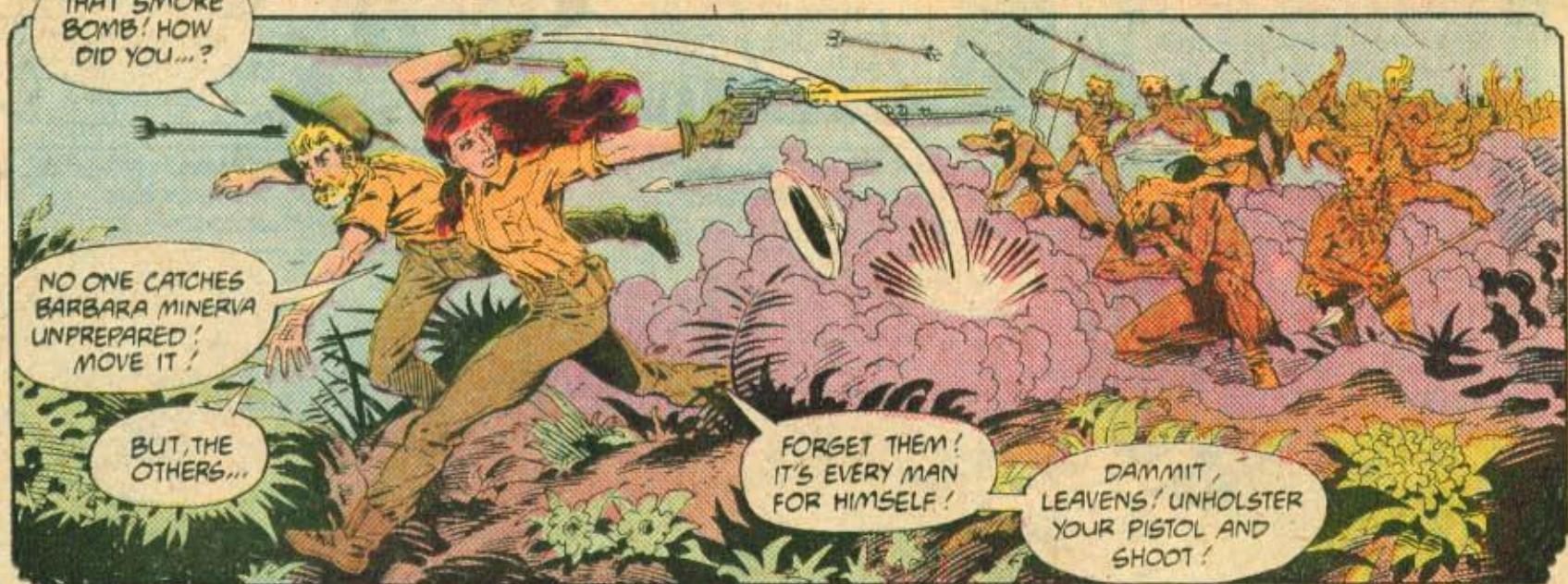
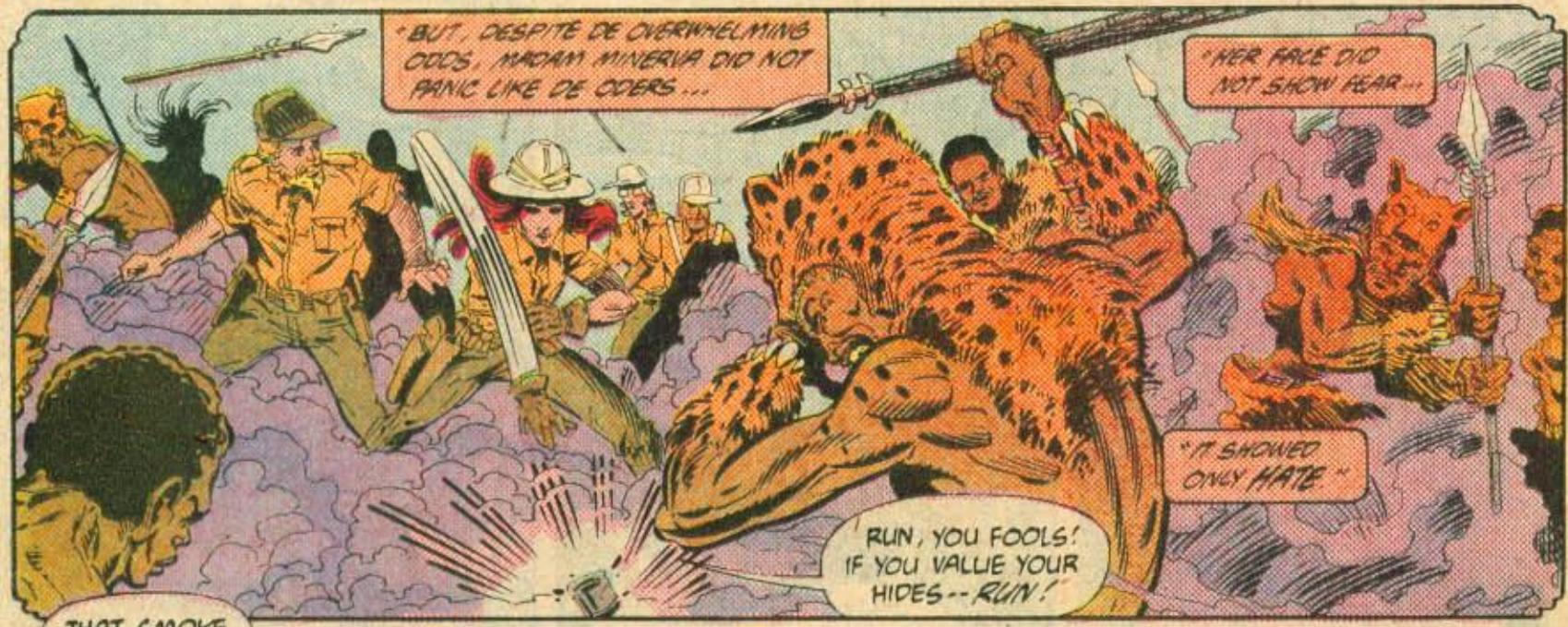
...THE MARK  
OF THE  
CHEETAH!"

"SINCE TIME BEFORE TIME DESE GREAT HUNTERS  
BE PROTECTINS DE GREAT GOD URZKARTAGA.  
DERS BE DE VIGIL BY SUN, AND DE NIGHTS  
WHEN DE BLOOD MOON SLEPT."

"FOR DE GREAT  
GOD DEY  
WOULD DIE..."

"DEY WORE DE MARKINGS OF  
DE GREAT CAT DEY HONORED..."

"FOR DE GREAT GOD,  
DEY WOULD KILL."



THAT BE HOW SHE  
ESCAPED WHEN SHE  
FELL INTO THE LAKE  
AFTER YOUR PROFES-  
SOR FRIEND SHOT  
HER.

DANKFULLY, DE MAGIC LASSO  
YOU TIED AROUND HER  
DEFLECTED MOST OF DE  
BULLET'S IMPACT.

I WARNED DE  
MADAM DAT YOU  
BE TROUBLE.

EXCUSE ME. YOUR  
TIME LEFT IS SHORT.  
I WILL CONTINUE.

"MIRACULOUSLY, MADAM  
MINERVA AND HER  
ASSOCIATE SURVIVED  
DE RAPIDS AND DE  
ROCKS OF DE  
MIGHTY KILLER  
RIVER."

LEAVENS...  
ARE YOU ALL  
RIGHT?

I... THINK SO...? COUGH...  
HAVE TO... CATCH MY...  
COUGH... BREATH...

WHERE ARE WE?

FROM WHAT I CAN  
ASCERTAIN, WE'VE GONE ABOUT  
TWO MILES FARTHER SOUTH.

DEAR GOD  
IN HEAVEN...  
IT WAS  
BLOODY  
HORRIBLE...

HORRIBLE?! ARE YOU  
JOKING? IT WAS  
BLOODY FANTASTIC!

DID YOU SEE  
THAT SHAFT  
THAT HIT  
LARRABEE? IT  
WAS SHAPED  
LIKE A  
CLAW!

GOOD LORD, WOMAN. THOSE  
SAVAGES KILLED A COLLEAGUE.  
FOR ALL WE KNOW THEY MAY  
ALL BE DEAD.

HAVE  
YOU NO SENSE OF  
COMPASSION?

AND THAT'S WHAT  
I INTEND TO DO--  
WITH OR WITHOUT  
YOU!

MY PISTOL!

I'VE NEVER  
SEEN ANYTHING  
LIKE IT! IT  
PRACTICALLY  
SHREDDED  
LARRABEE'S  
CHEST.

CLOSE  
TO THE GREATEST  
TREASURE DISCOVERY  
IN HISTORY!

WE'RE  
CLOSE TO IT NOW,  
DR. LEAVENS!  
THE TEMPLE OF  
URZKARTAGA!

COMPASSION  
ONLY WASTES  
TIME, DOCTOR.  
I CAME TO FIND  
ME A TREASURE CITY...

MINE WAS  
LOST IN THE RIVER,  
AND I'VE NOTED  
YOUR RELU-  
TANCE TO USE  
ONE.

YOU CAN  
EITHER COME AND  
SHARE IN THE  
DISCOVERY...

OR MAKE YOUR  
WAY BACK TO BOATENGA...

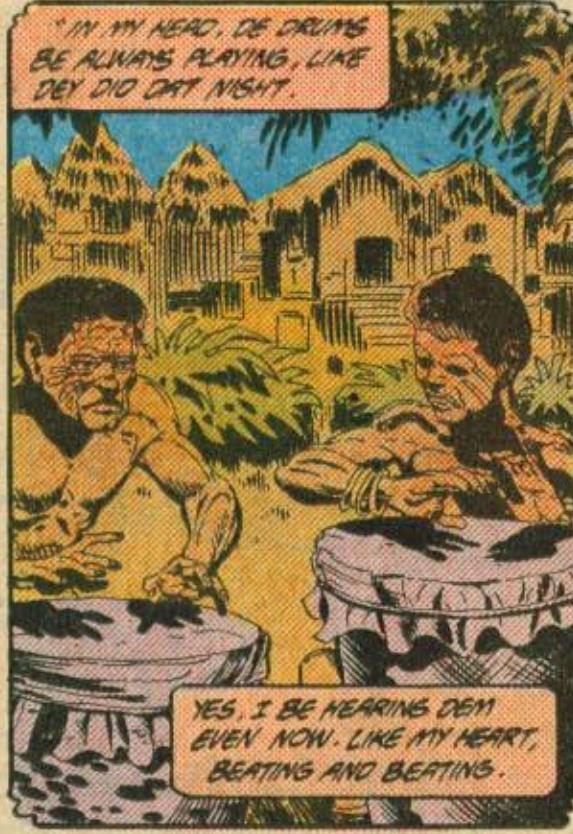
...ALONE.

WAIT!  
I'M COMING  
WITH YOU!

BARBARA!  
WAIT!



"DAT NIGHT DE BLOOD MOON  
STOOD TALL IN DE DARK SKY.  
SO BRIGHT. YES. I REMEMBER  
DAT NIGHT."



"IN MY HEAD, DE DRUMS  
BE ALWAYS PLAYING, LIKE  
DEY DIO DAT NIGHT."

"YES. I BE HEARIN DEM  
EVEN NOW. LIKE MY HEART,  
BEATING AND BEATING."



"WHAT THE DEVIL  
IS HAPPENING  
HERE?"

"DON'T YOU  
REMEMBER PROF.  
LINCOLN'S FINAL  
ENTRY?"

"YOU MEAN  
THE THING ABOUT  
THE SECRET CEREMONY.  
THE ENTRY HE NEVER  
FINISHED?"

"THAT'S  
THE ONE."



"WELL, EITHER I'M A FAILURE  
AS A SCIENTIST, OR THAT  
LITTLE TEA PARTY IS IT."

"LOOK AT THOSE DANCERS,  
WITH THE LION SKINS.  
IT'S EXACTLY AS  
LINCOLN DESCRIBED IT.  
IT'S WONDERFUL!"

"IT'S MONSTROUS, YOU  
MEAN! THOSE ARE THE  
SAME BRUTES WHO  
ATTACKED US!"



"LEAVENS, LOOK AT THAT!  
BEHIND THAT ALTAR! IT'S THE  
TEMPLE OF URZKARTASA!  
WE'VE FOUND IT!"

"BARBARA, THAT  
LITTLE HOODED  
MAN DOWN THERE.  
ISN'T THAT...?"

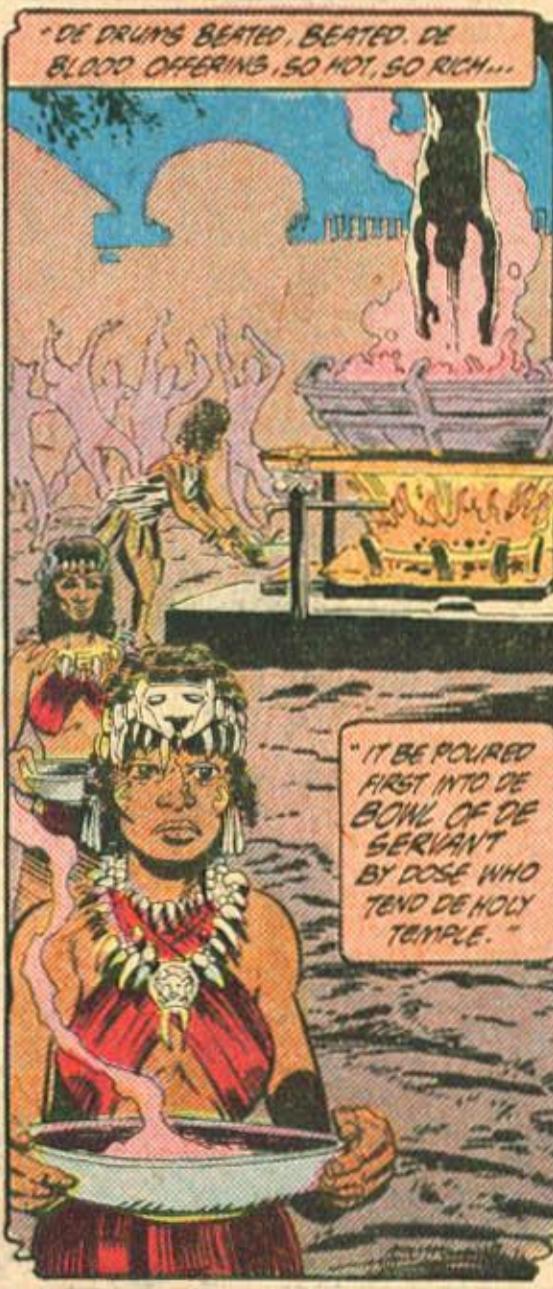
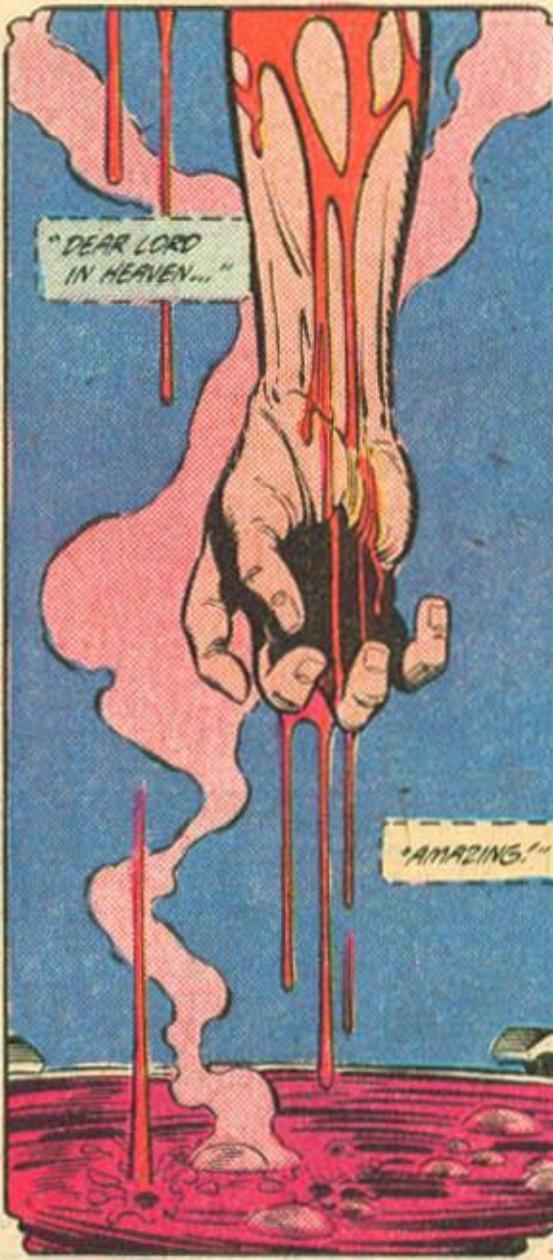
"YES. THE  
LITTLE SWINE  
PRIEST WHO  
LED US INTO  
THE TRAP."

"WHAT'S HE  
UP TO NOW?"



"OH MY GOD.  
BARBARA! THAT'S  
DR. YOUNGSTON!  
AND LOOK! THE  
OTHERS ARE IN  
THAT CAGE!"

"AMAZING! THOSE WARRIORS WEREN'T  
OUT TO EXECUTE TRESPASSERS. THEY  
WERE HUNTING FOR SACRIFICES!" (18)



"DE COVERING BE REMOVED FROM  
DE ALTAR NOW, SO DAT DE MOON  
COULD CARESS SHE WHO BE  
OUR PROTECTOR  
SINCE TIME  
BEFORE TIME."



"WE BE SO STUPID. WE SO WANTED TO BRINGS BACK OUR CHEETAH TO  
CLEANSE OURSELVES BEFORE URZKARTASA. DAT WE WEAKENED OUR  
DEFENSE."

"DE ENEMY  
BROKE DROUGH."

"WHO MACHINE RIFLES, DEY  
BLASTED DE HOLY GUARDS  
BEFORE DEY COULD EVEN  
LAUNCH DEIR SPEARS."

"IT BE NO WAY FOR  
A WARRIOR TO DIE."

"IT NOT BE  
A BATTLE..."

"THIS IS A  
SLAUGHTER!"

"THOSE TWO! THEY  
WERE IN MY  
EXPEDITION PARTY!"

"DE BULLETS FLEW  
EVERWHERE. HIT  
EVERYDING."

"I FAILED."

"YES! YES!  
FINISH IT! I  
DESERVE NO  
BETTER!"

BUT HOW THE HELL  
DO THOSE INVADERS  
FIND THE TEMPLE?

"DAMN! I  
LED THEM  
RIGHT TO  
IT!"

"DE CHEETAH BE DEAD  
NOW. DE CIRCLE BE  
BROKEN."

"KILL  
ME!"

