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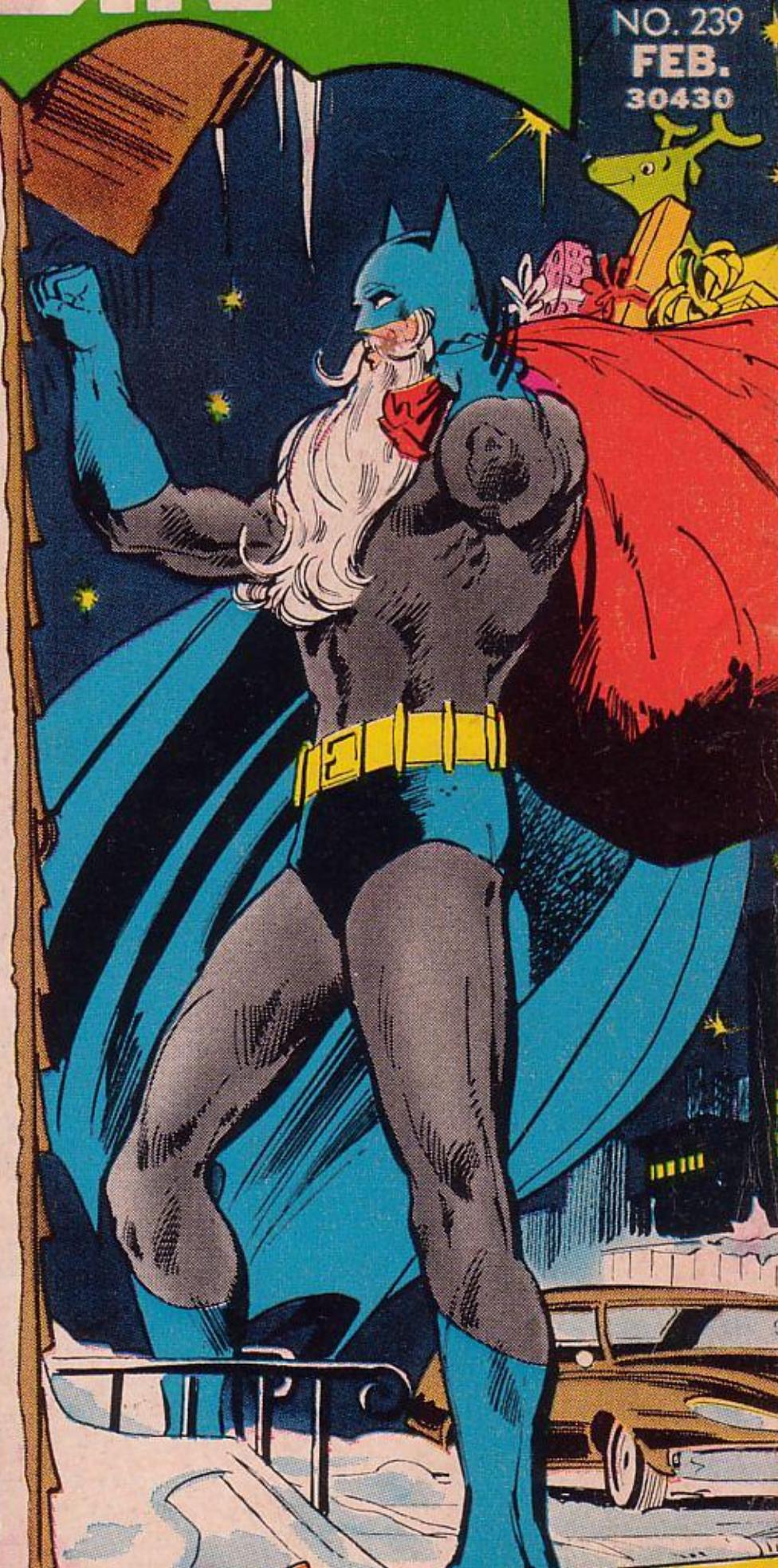


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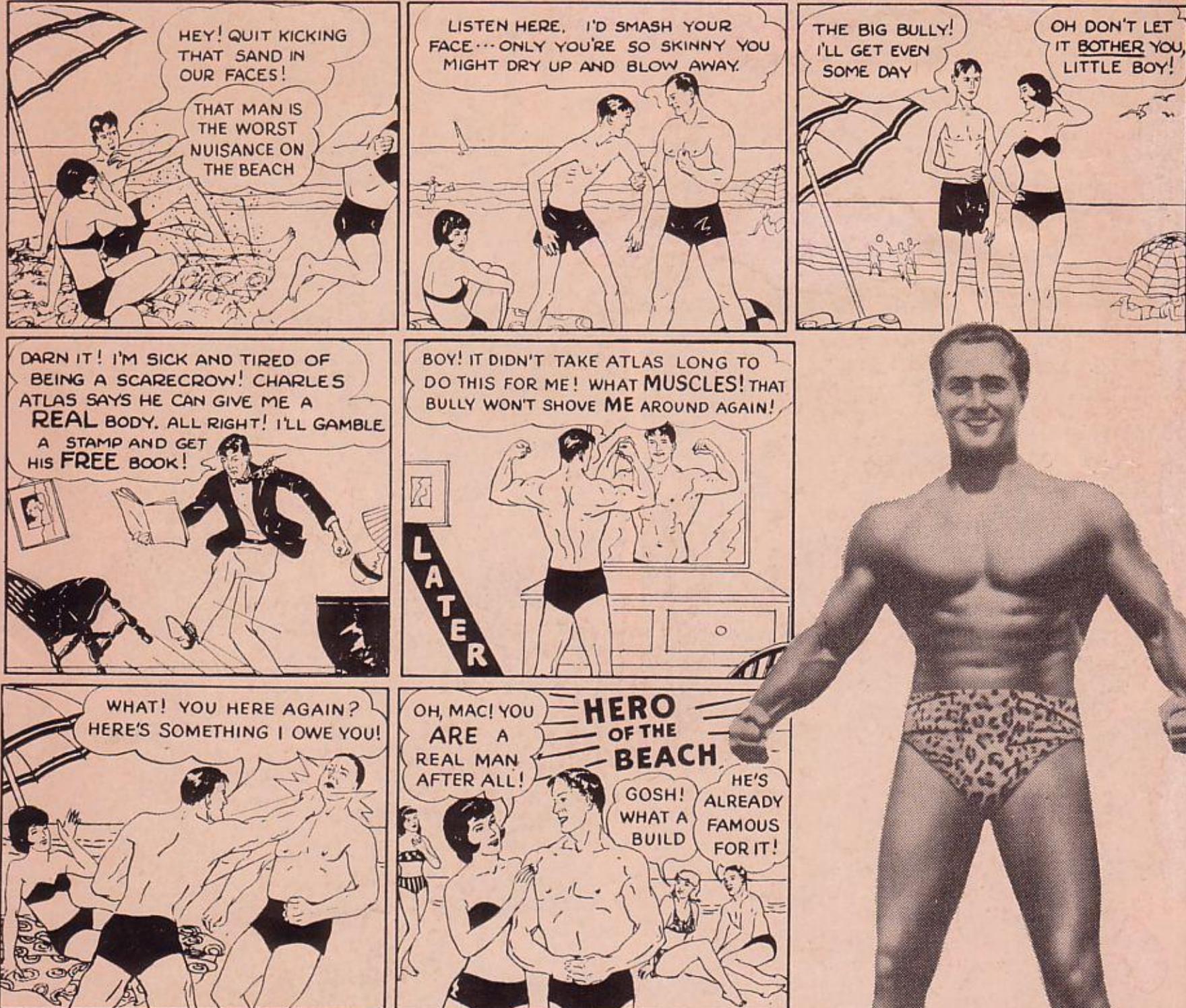
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SO IT IS THIS NIGHT--THE LOVELIEST, MOST MAGICAL NIGHT OF THE YEAR! THE DIRT AND UGLINESS ARE HIDDEN, AND GOTHAM HAS BECOME THE REGION OF A CHILD'S HAPPIEST DREAM...

YET, EVEN IN THE MIDST OF SUCH BEAUTY, THERE IS VIOLENCE...AND A TASK FOR THE BATMAN--FOR ONE MAN STALKS THE STREETS SEEKING VENGEANCE--ON THIS...

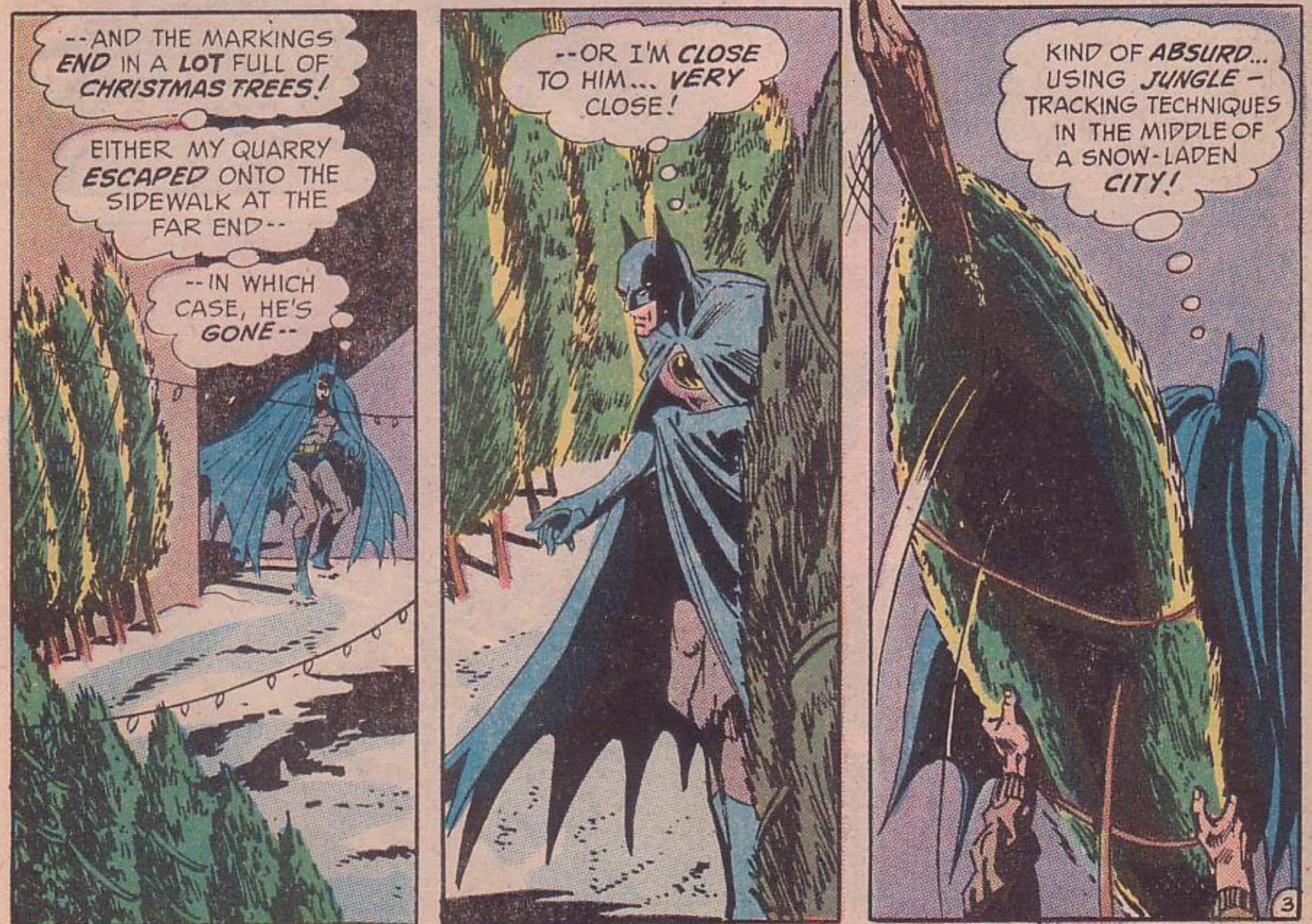
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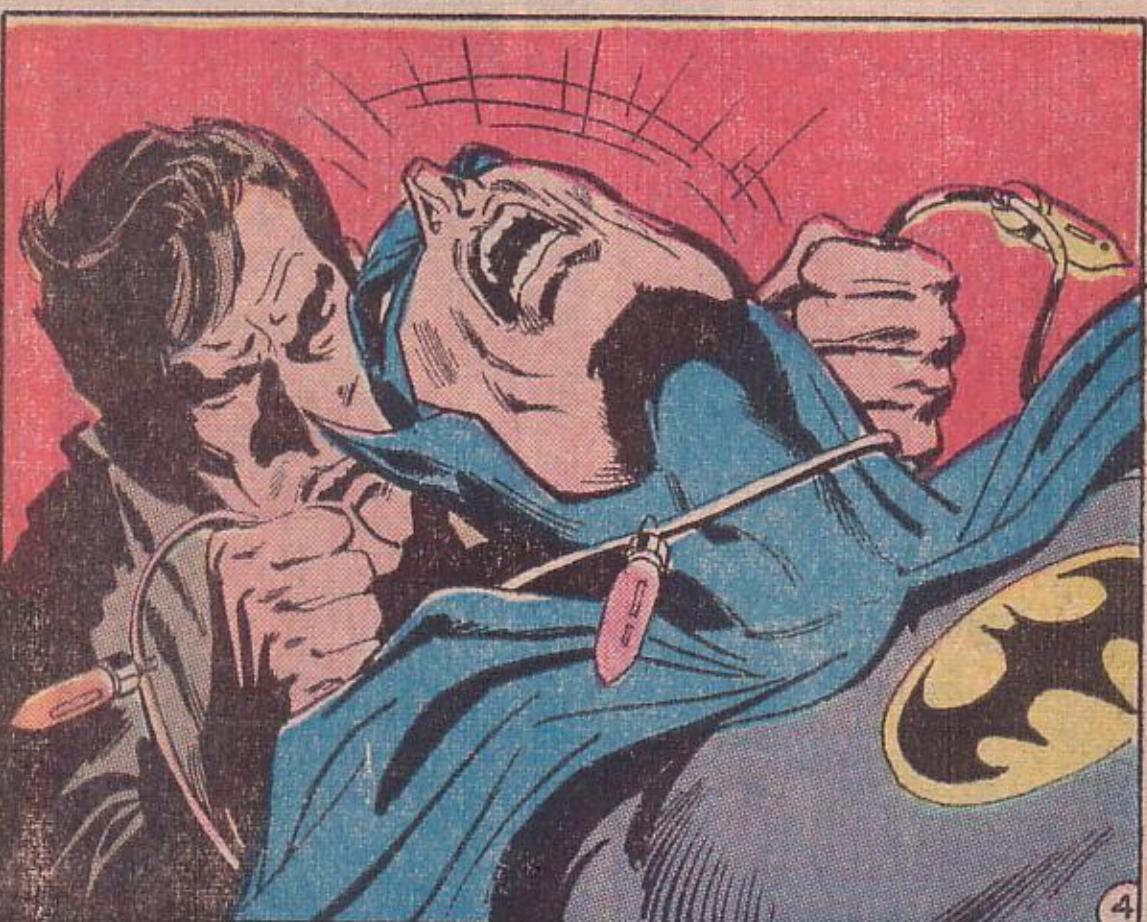
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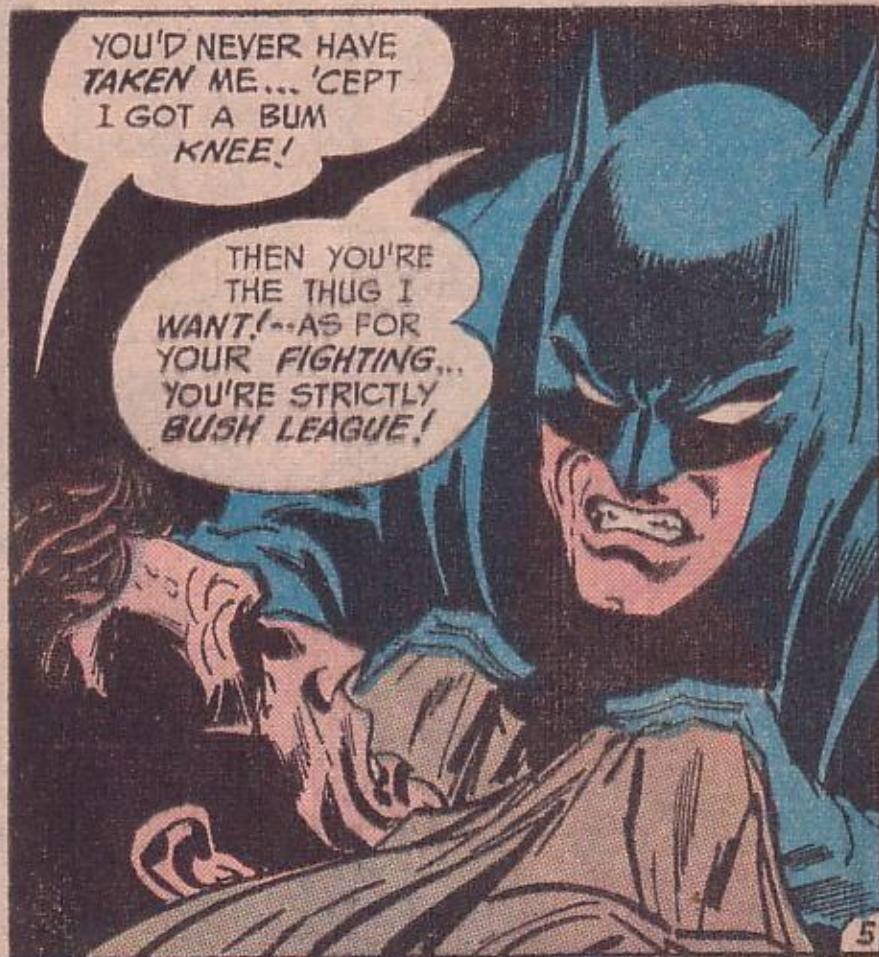
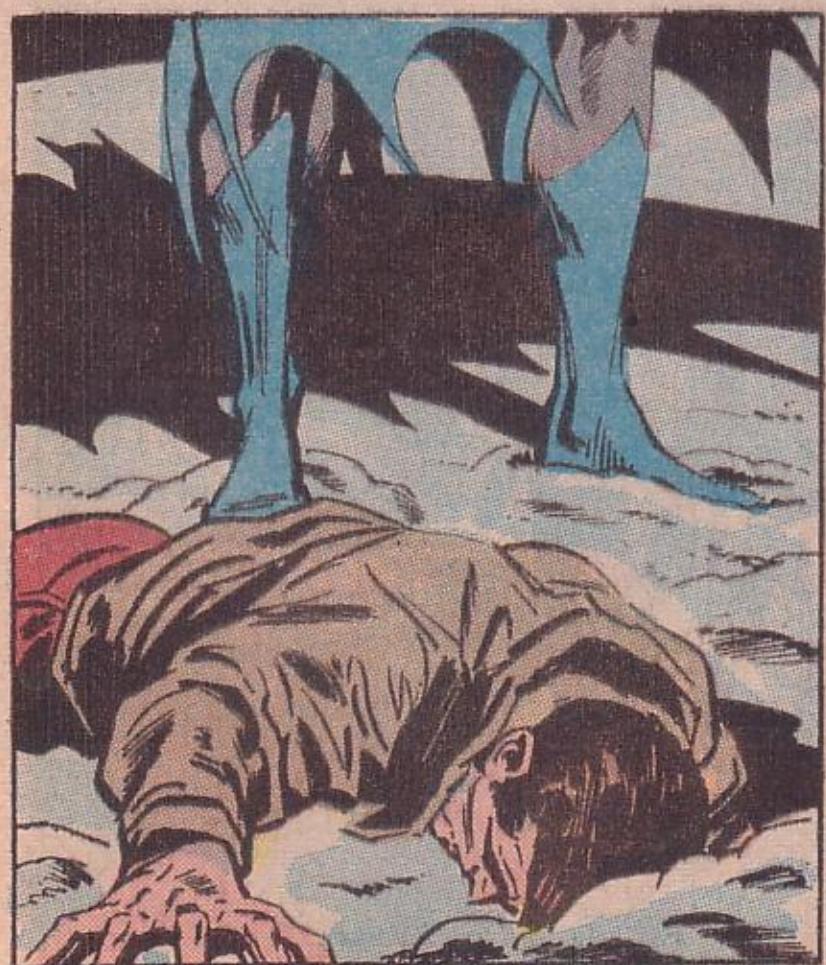
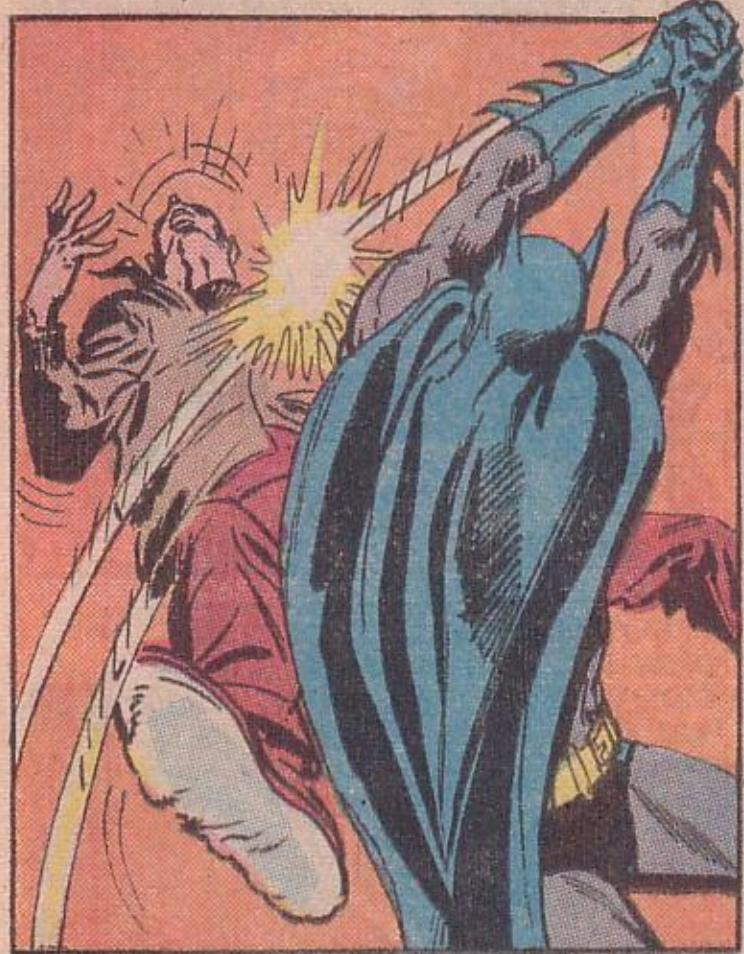
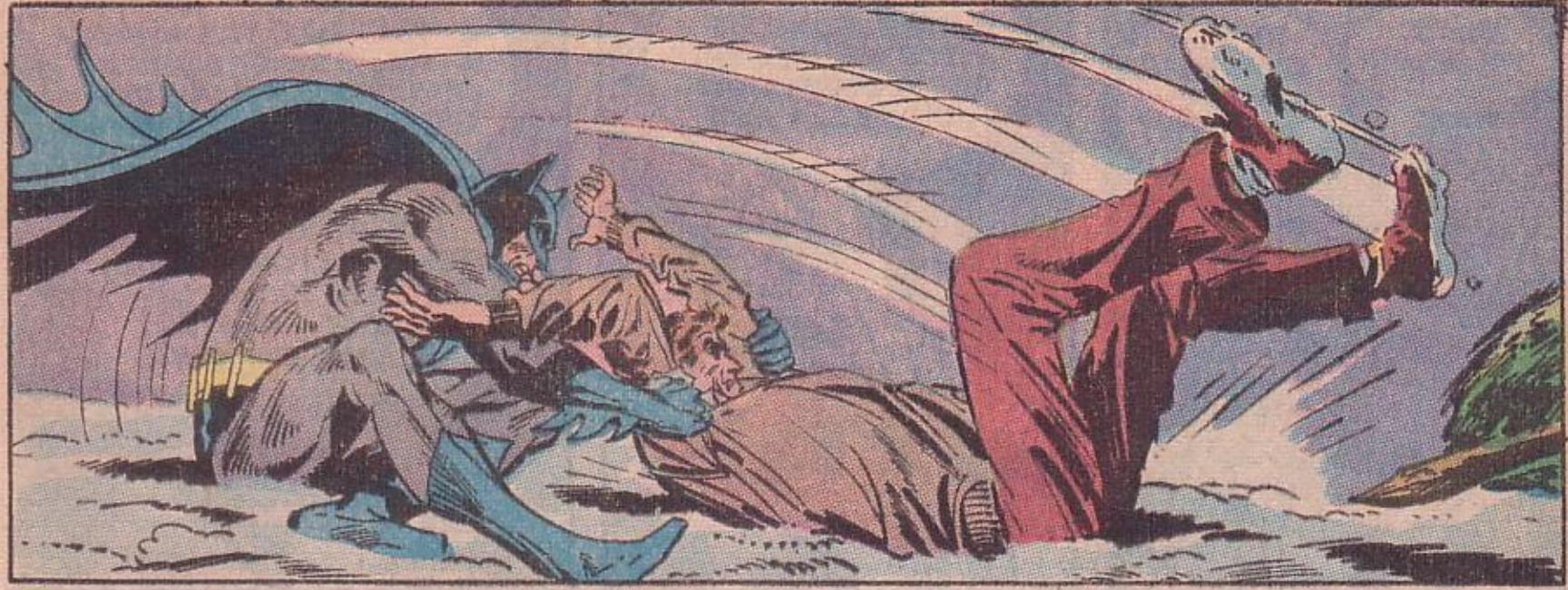
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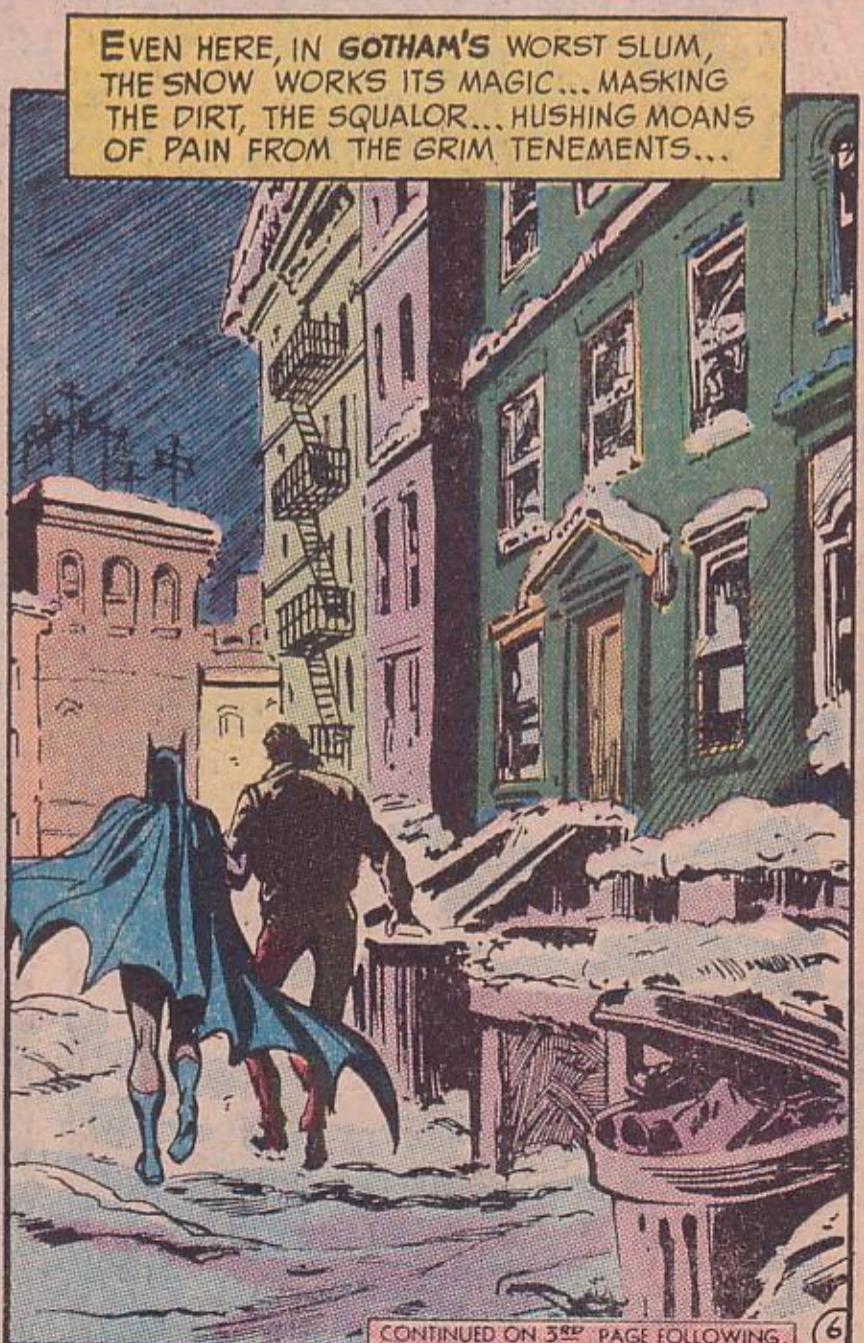
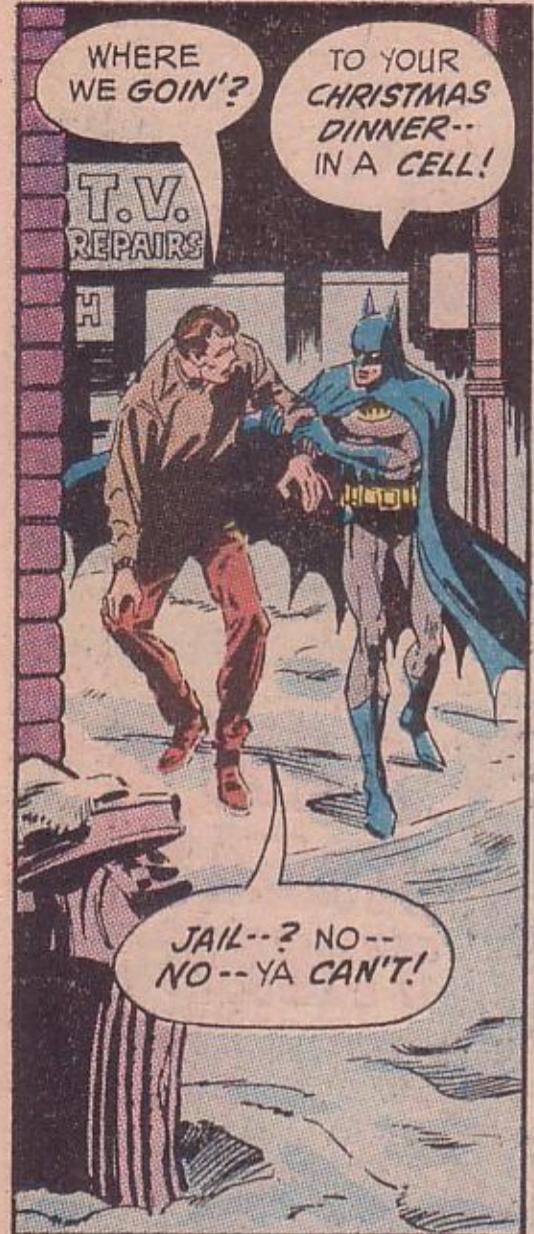




SUDDENLY... COMBAT!



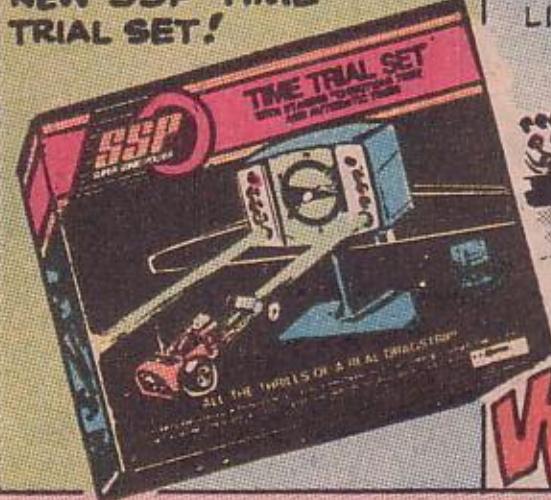




I'LL BET MY  
SSP RACER IS  
FASTER THAN  
YOURS!

NOW WE CAN  
PROVE WHO'S FASTEST--  
DOWN TO THE SPLIT  
SECOND!

...CAUSE I'VE GOT KENNER'S  
NEW SSP TIME  
TRIAL SET!



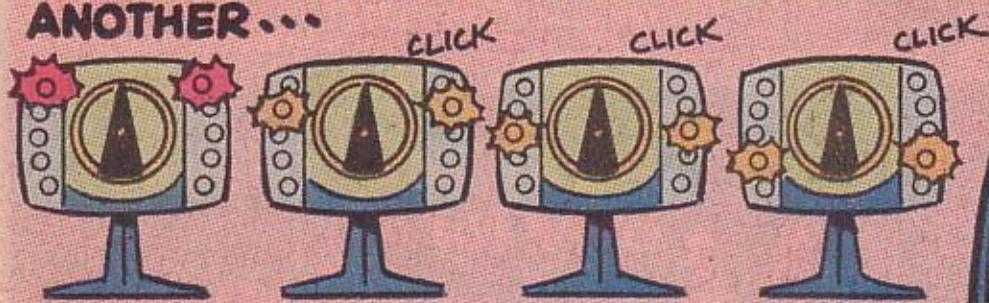
IT WORKS JUST LIKE THE  
"CHRISTMAS TREE" STARTING  
LIGHTS AT A REAL DRAG  
RACE.



IT'S GOT EVERYTHING WE NEED TO TIME  
OUR SSP DRAG RACERS INCLUDING A  
SPECIAL GOLD SSP RAIL BIRD.

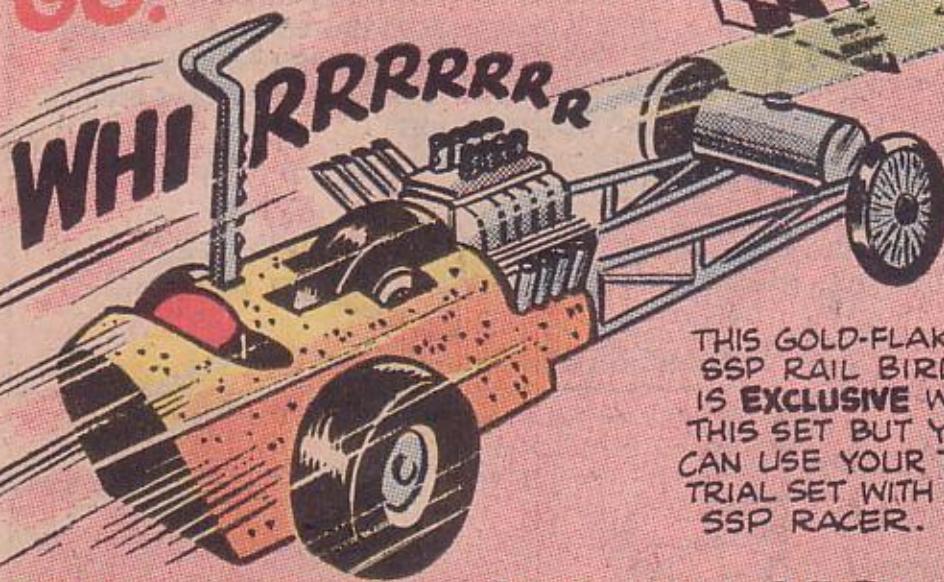


...THE ACTION STARTS-CHRISTMAS TREE STARTING LIGHTS FLASH ONE AFTER  
ANOTHER...

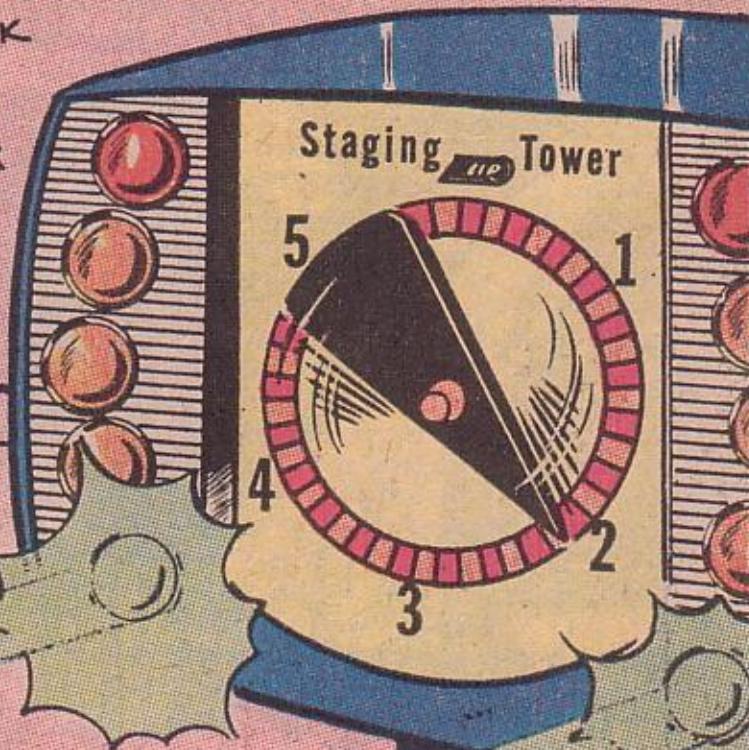


CLOCK  
STARTS  
WHEN LIGHTS  
FLASH GREEN-

GO!

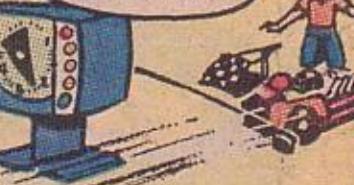


THIS GOLD-FLAKED  
SSP RAIL BIRD  
IS EXCLUSIVE WITH  
THIS SET BUT YOU  
CAN USE YOUR TIME  
TRIAL SET WITH ANY  
SSP RACER.



WOW!  
2 1/5 SECONDS...  
THAT'S 308  
SCALE MPH!

BOY! NOW WE'LL KNOW  
WHO'S GOT THE FASTEST  
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I WAS WORKIN'... TILL I GOT LAID OFF! WORKIN' FOR A CRUD NAME OF RICHARD LEE EVANS--!

--EVANS, THE TOY MANUFACTURER?

YEAH... HE LET A BUNCH OF US GO IN SEPTEMBER 'CAUSE BUSINESS WAS SLACK! PROMISED US WE'D BE REHIRED!

...ONLY INSTEAD, HE SOLD THE COMPANY!-- AN' THE NEW BOSSSES GOT NO INTEREST IN US!

YOU SHOULD'VE GOTTEN ANOTHER JOB!

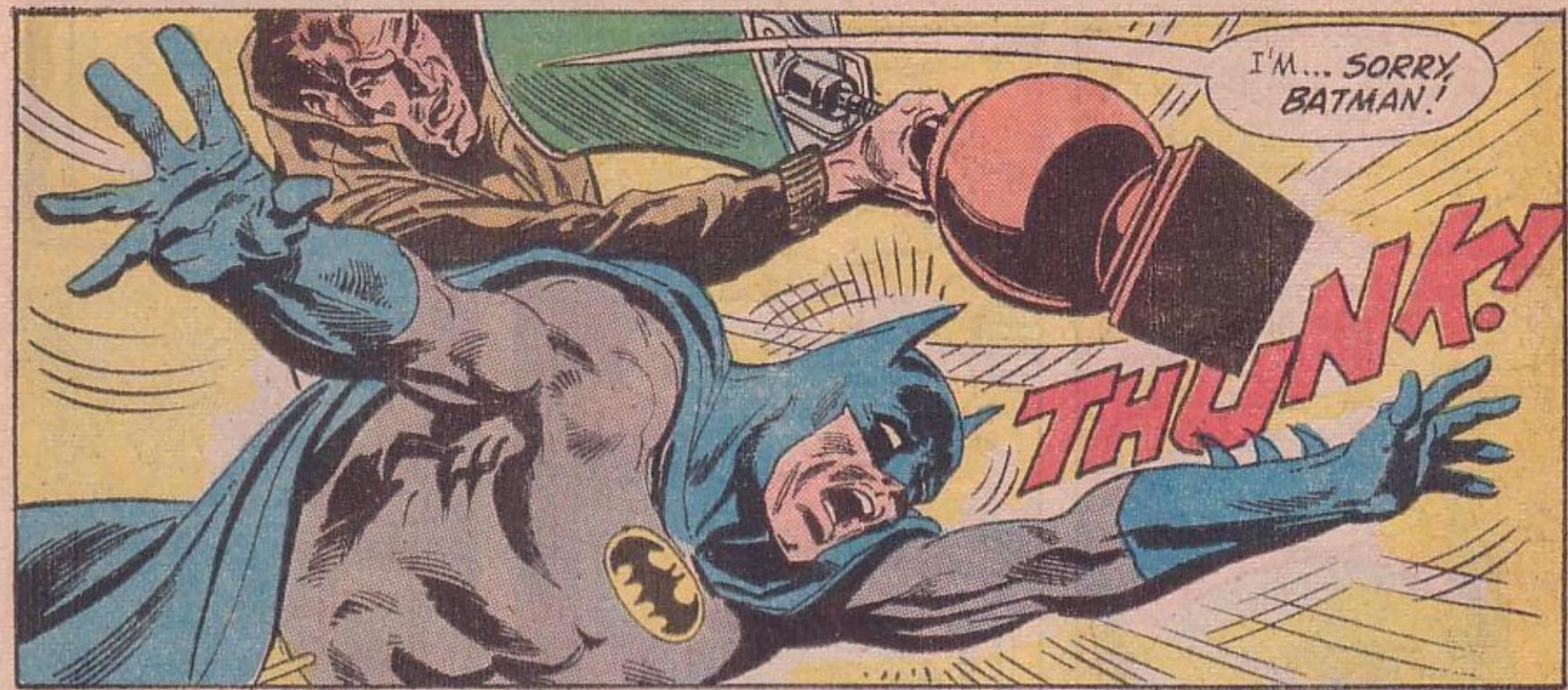
I DIDN'T DARE! I KEPT THINKIN' I'D HAVE MY REGULAR SPOT... TILL IT WAS TOO LATE!

BETSY'S SICK... DOCTOR BILLS ATE MY SAVINGS! I'M BROKE... BETSY'S GETTIN' SICKER... AN' ALL AROUND, THE CHRISTMAS AIN'T MERRY!

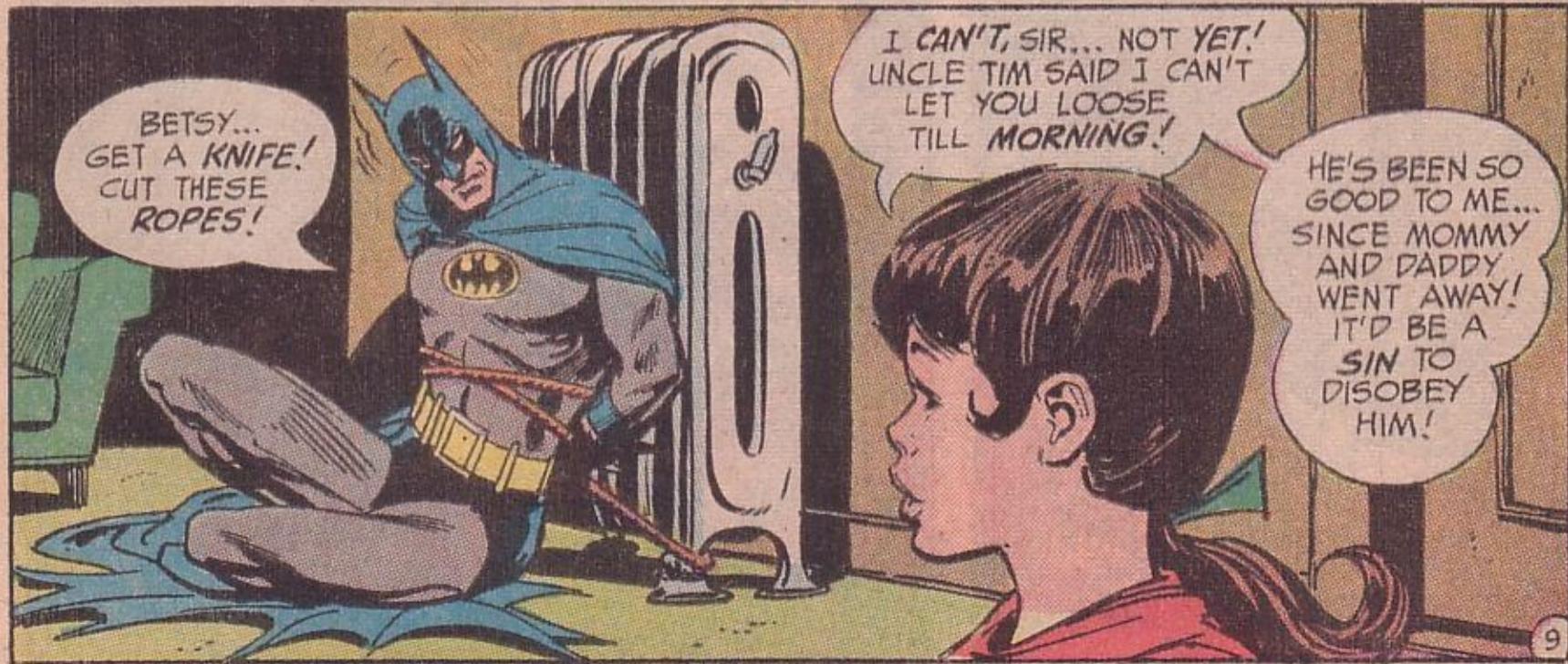
YEAH... YEAH! IT'S TRUE! EVERYTHIN' BAD THAT'S HAPPENIN' TO ME AN' BETSY IS EVANS'S FAULT!

YOU'VE HAD A ROUGH TIME, SURE! BUT NONE OF WHAT YOU'VE TOLD ME EXCUSES YOUR CRIMES!

YOU'VE PICKED A QUARREL WITH THE WORLD... WHEN EVANS IS TO BLAME!



FOR A BRIEF WHILE, THE BATMAN FEELS WARM... PEACEFUL! THEN THE THROBBING BEGINS... THE EXPLOSIONS OF AGONY...



UNLESS I'M WRONG,  
TIM IS HEADING FOR  
EVANS--WITH MURDER  
IN HIS HEART!

--AND I'M TO BLAME!  
I GAVE HIM THE  
IDEA!

MUST ESCAPE...  
PREVENT A  
KILLING!

THIS RADIATOR  
ISN'T FASTENED  
TO THE FLOOR  
VERY SECURELY--

--I MIGHT BE  
ABLE TO FORCE  
IT FREE!

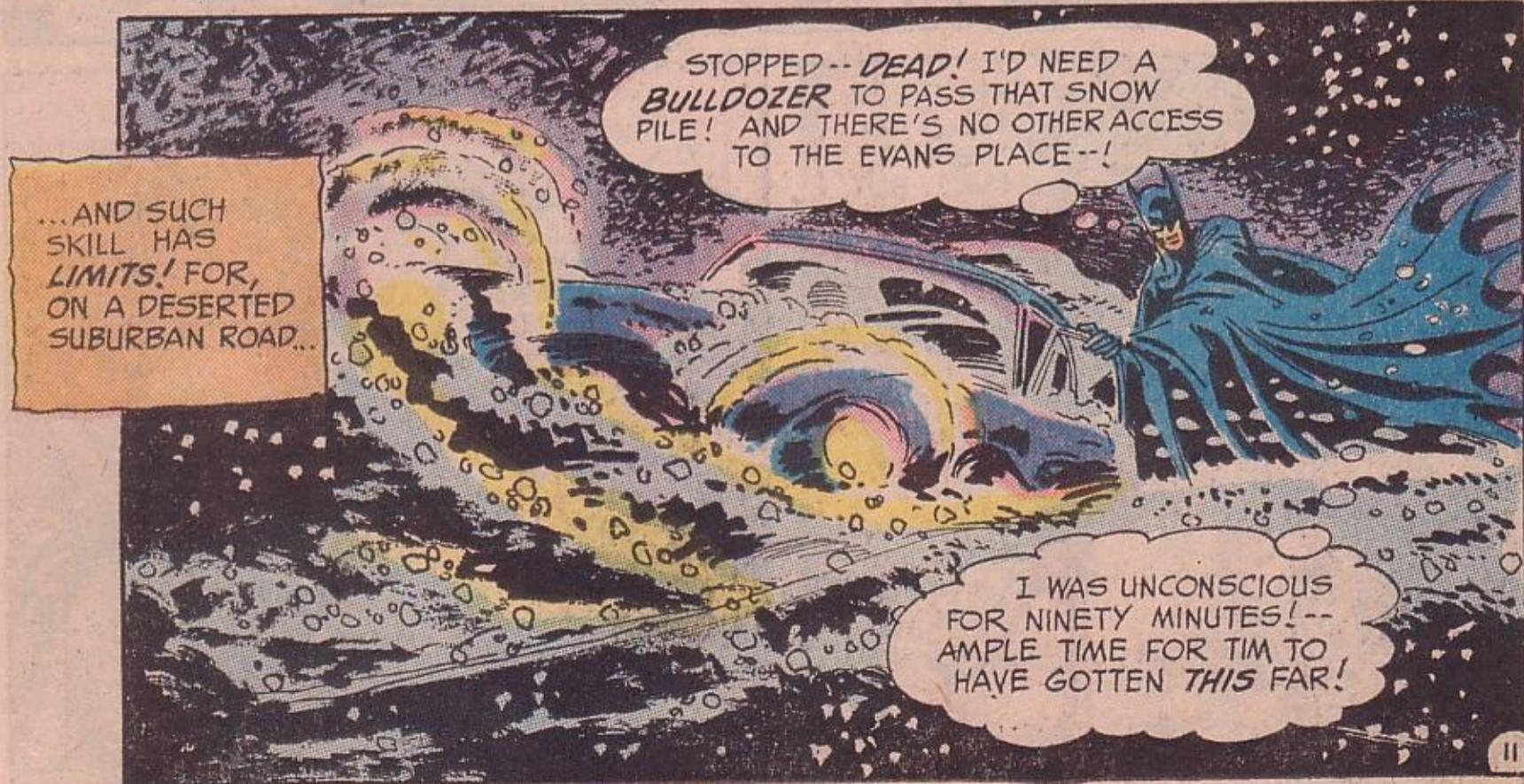
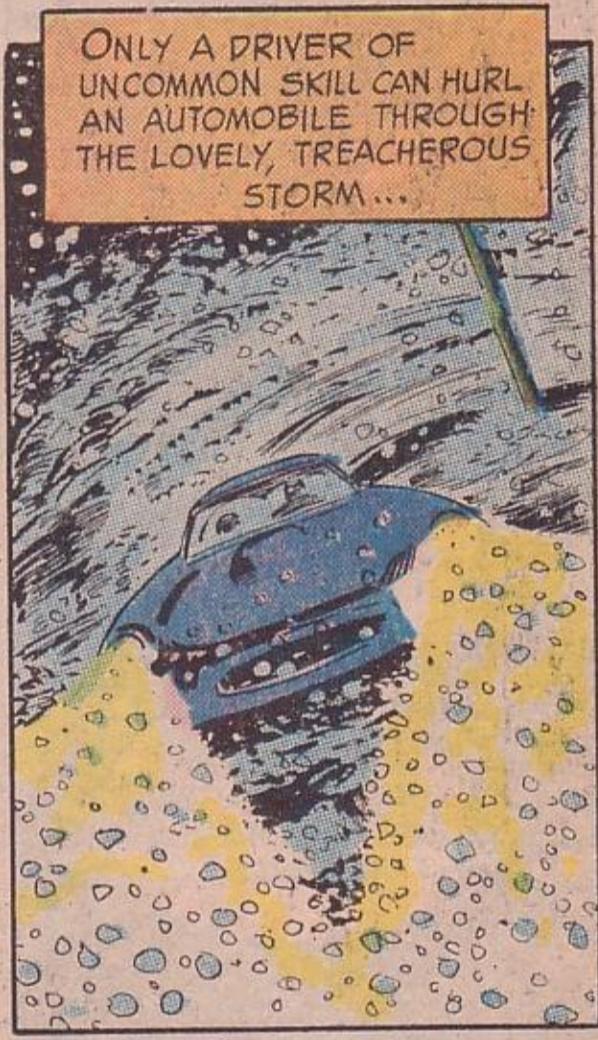
...CAN FEEL  
THE BOLTS...  
GIVING... THERE!

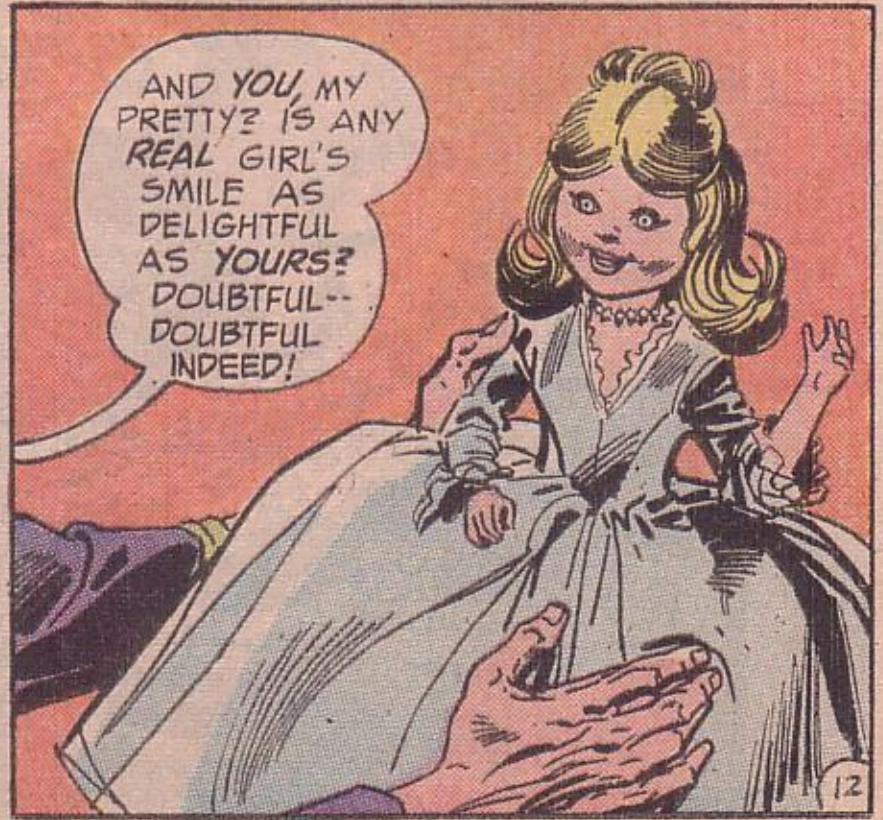
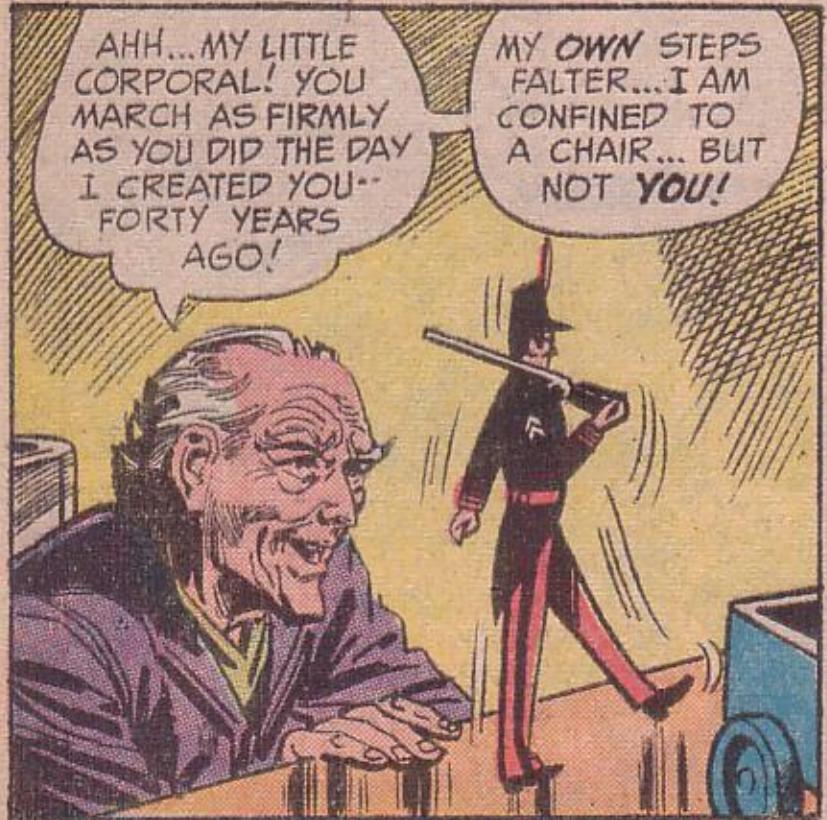
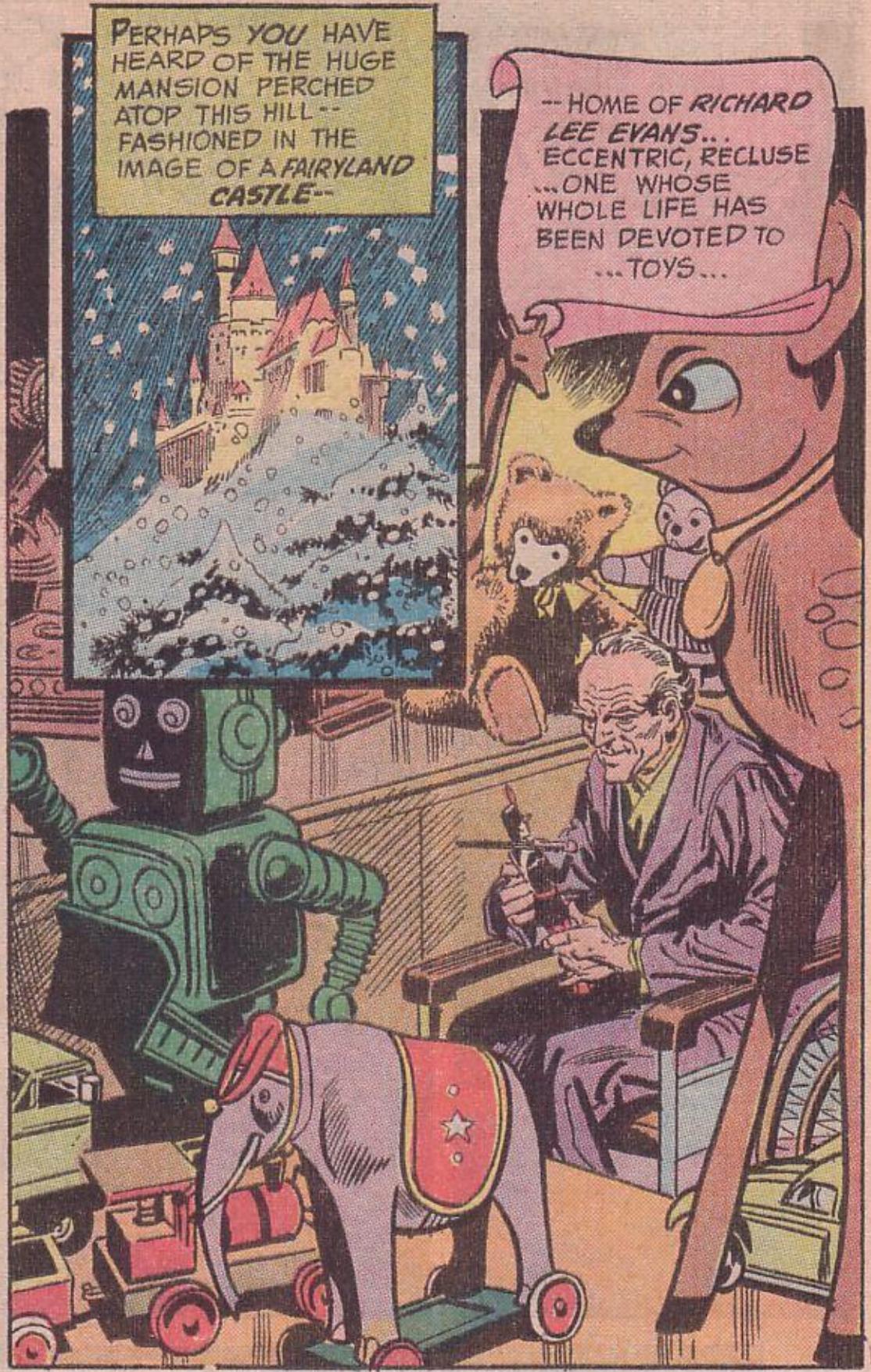
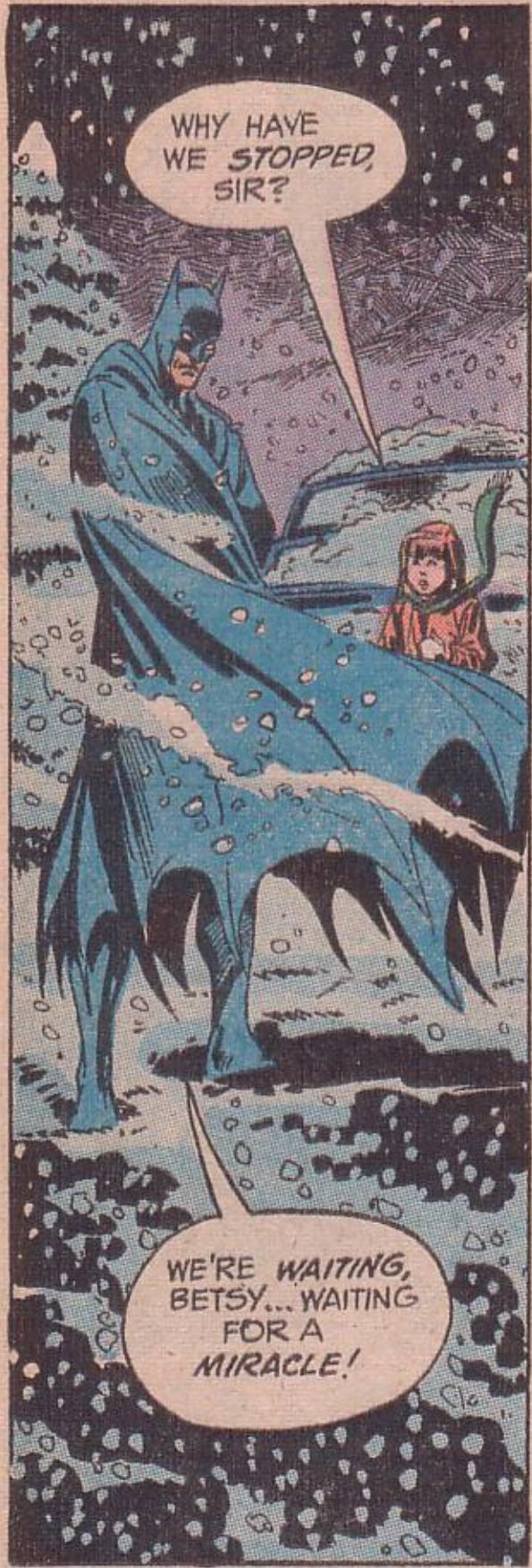
PLUP!

NEXT, I SLIP THE  
BONDS OFF THE  
BOTTOM AND--  
NO PROBLEM!

IN MY BRUCE  
WAYNE IDENTITY, I  
ONCE VISITED EVANS!  
I SHOULD REACH  
HIS MANSION IN  
AN HOUR!

YOU'RE LEAVING  
ME ALONE,  
SIR?





EH--? IS  
SOMEONE  
*THERE?*  
I HEARD A  
NOISE!

YOU  
HEARD  
ME--

--THE GUY THAT  
USED TO BUCK  
FREIGHT FOR  
YOU... REMEMBER?

GET OUT!  
NOBODY IS ALLOWED  
IN MY CASTLE!

LET ME BE!  
I'VE DONE YOU  
NO HARM!

I'M GONNA  
MAKE YOU PAY...  
FOR THE MISERY  
YOU CAUSED!

YES YOU HAVE!  
ME... MY NIECE...  
AN' PLENTY MORE!  
YOU LIVE LIKE A  
KING!... WE  
STARVE!

WELL,  
MISTER RICHARD  
LEE EVANS --  
ALL YOUR  
MILLIONS  
AIN'T GONNA  
SAVE YOU!

--NOTHIN' CAN KEEP  
ME FROM WRINGIN'  
YOUR SCRAPPY  
NECK!

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WITHIN THE MIND OF **THE BATMAN**  
ARE THOUGHTS AS FIERCE AS THE WINDS  
THAT PLUCK AT HIS GARMENTS...

IT'S HOPELESS!  
HAVEN'T A PRAYER  
OF GETTING EVANS  
BEFORE TIM CAN  
REVENGE HIMSELF--

--IT'LL BE  
MY DUTY TO  
ARREST TIM....

...AND THIS POOR  
KID WILL LOSE  
THE LAST PERSON  
WHO CARES  
FOR HER!

SIR...  
LISTEN!  
DO YOU  
HEAR  
BELLS?

YES...  
I DO!

LOOK!

A HORSE...  
AND AN OLD-  
FASHIONED  
SLEIGH!

NO SIGN OF THE  
OWNER... BUT WE'LL  
BORROW IT  
ANYWAY!

I HOPED  
FOR A  
MIRACLE...  
I GOT ONE!

HANG TIGHT,  
BETSY--

HORSE--  
GIDYAP!

THE ANIMAL SEEMS  
FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA!  
HE'S INSTINCTIVELY  
STAYING WHERE THE  
SNOW IS FIRM--

--AND HE'S GOING  
DIRECTORY TOWARD  
THE EVANS MANSION!

WE'LL ARRIVE  
IN MOMENTS!

...TOO LATE!  
THERE'S TIM...  
WITH A BODY  
IN HIS ARMS!

TIM, YOU  
FOOL!  
YOU'LL  
SPEND THE  
REST OF  
YOUR DAYS  
BEHIND  
BARS!

YOU'VE  
WRECKED YOUR  
LIFE... AND  
BETSY'S!

HOLD IT,  
BATMAN!  
YOU GOT  
THINGS  
WRONG...

SHUT UP! I  
LISTENED TO  
YOU ONCE--  
GAVE YOU A  
BREAK-- AND  
YOU REPAYED  
ME WITH MURDER!

N-NO... NOT  
D-DEAD! I--I'M  
S-SICK--!



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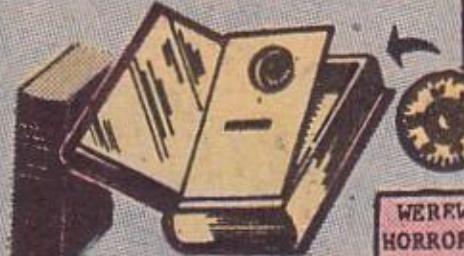
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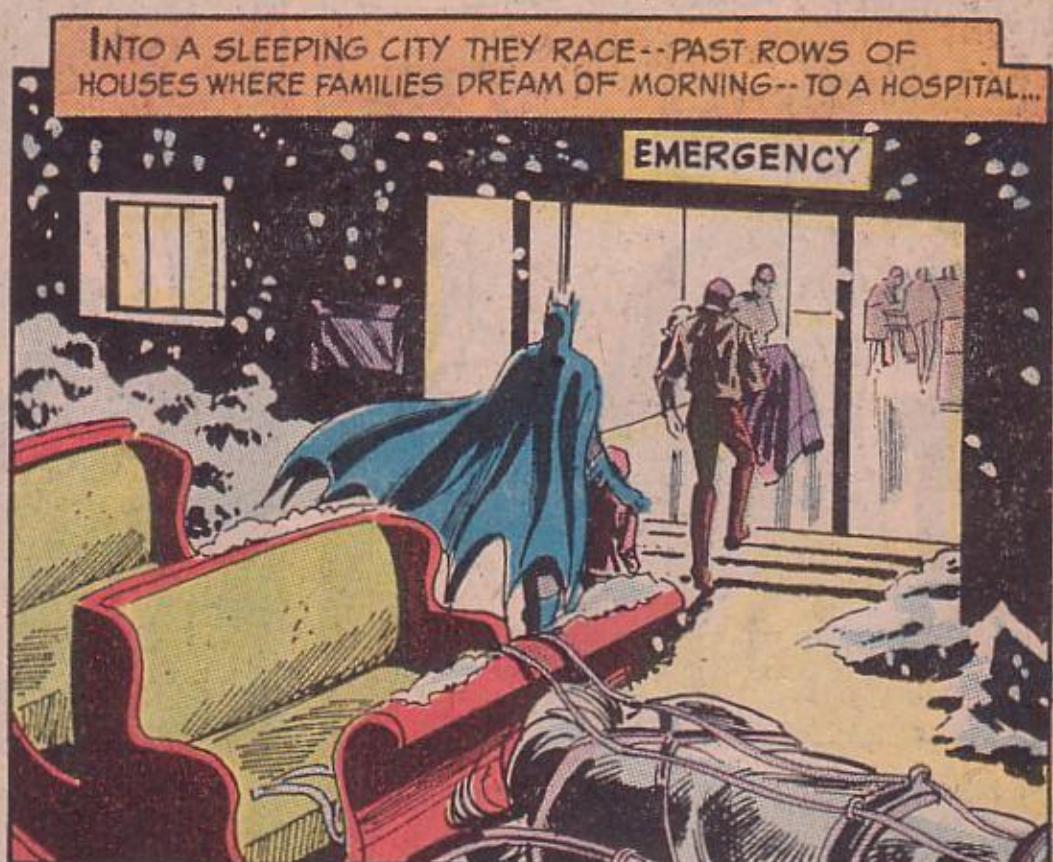
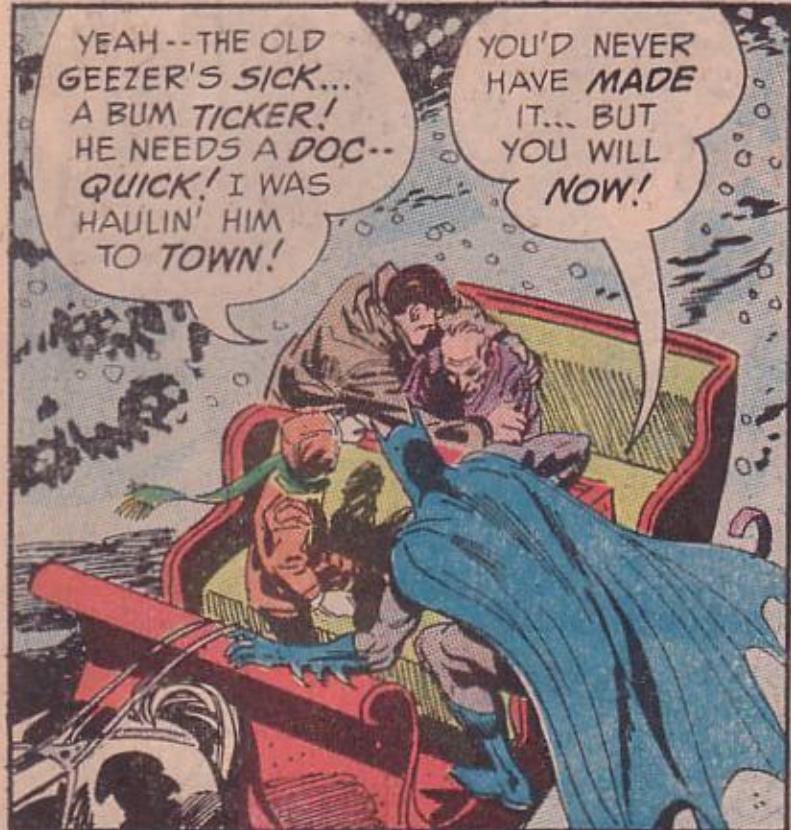
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IF YOU HAD ARRIVED THIRTY MINUTES LATER... NOTHING COULD HAVE SAVED HIM!

EVEN SO, IT'S A MIRACLE THAT HE'S ALIVE!

WE'LL DISCUSS YOUR DIFFICULTIES WITH THE LAW NEXT WEEK, TIM! MEANWHILE, TAKE BETSY HOME... GIVE HER A

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

THANKS, BATMAN! I'LL PAY YOU BACK...

YOU ALREADY HAVE! -- THE INSTANT YOU CHOSE MERCY INSTEAD OF MURDER! GOOD-BYE... AND GOD BLESS!



STRANGE... THEY'RE BOTH GONE!--VANISHED WITHOUT A TRACE!

THE HORSE AND SLEIGH WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE... MIRACLE THE DOCTOR MENTIONED!

...WONDER WHO OWNS THEM!?

NO, NO SECOND THOUGHT... I DO KNOW WHOM IT BELONGS TO!

THE STORM IS GONE... AND A STAR RISES IN THE EAST TO HERALD A NEW DAY...

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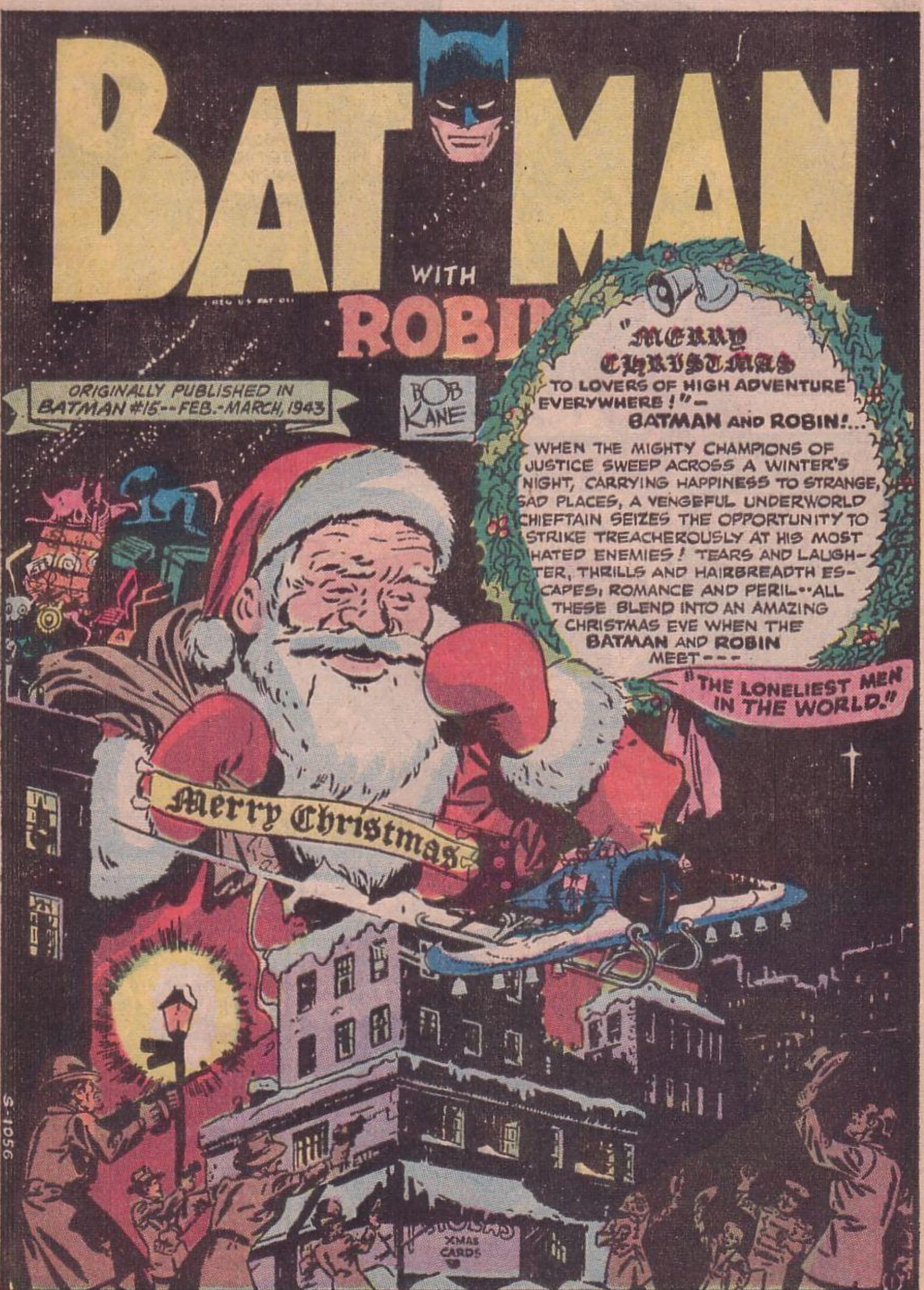
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IN THE WORLD."

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THAT YOUNGSTER HAS HIS MOTHER -- BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE NO FAMILIES AT ALL!

WE'RE LUCKY ALL RIGHT... WE HAVE EACH OTHER, AND ONE OF THE FINEST HOMES IN GOTHAM CITY!

DOZENS OF FRIENDS SEND US PRESENTS. BUT SOME PEOPLE HAVE NO FRIENDS!

IT MUST BE AWFUL TO BE LONELY AT CHRISTMAS! YOU KNOW, I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO JUST ENJOYING OURSELVES -- BUT...

BUT WHAT, DICK?

WELL, WOULDN'T IT BE NICE IF WE COULD BRING SOME CHEER TO -- WELL, LET ME SEE...

I'VE GOT IT! TO THE LONELIEST MEN IN THE WORLD!

I WAS HOPING YOU'D SUGGEST IT! ONLY I FIGURE IT WOULDN'T BE A JOB FOR DICK GRAYSON AND BRUCE WAYNE -- BUT ONE FOR ROBIN AND THE BATMAN!

SO IT IS THAT WITHIN THE HOME OF BRUCE WAYNE, RICH SOCIETY PLAYBOY, A STARTLING TRANSFORMATION OCCURS...

IMAGINE THE BATMAN AND ROBIN PLAYING SANTA CLAUS! ALL WE NEED IS A SLED AND REINDEER! WE'VE GOT SOMETHING JUST AS GOOD!

WORKING SWIFTLY, THE PAIR MAKES MANY TRIPS THROUGH THE TUNNEL THAT CONNECTS THE HOUSE WITH THE SECRET HANGAR OF THAT SENSATIONAL CRAFT, THE BATPLANE...

ONE MORE TRIP AND WE'RE READY TO START!

IT WOULDN'T TAKE MANY MORE TRIPS LIKE THIS TO FINISH ME!

PRESENTLY...

HOW DO YOU LIKE IT?

IT'S A REGULAR SANTA CLAUS SLED, WITH RUNNERS, SLEIGH BELLS AND EVERYTHING!... THIS IS GOING TO BE MORE FUN THAN ANYTHING WE'VE DONE IN A LONG TIME!

RIGHT, ROBIN?... BUT FUN ISN'T ALL YOU AND THE BATMAN ARE GOING TO ENCOUNTER IN THIS NIGHT'S ADVENTURE! ... FOR THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS HAS NEVER YET PENETRATED THE DARK DEPTHS OF THE UNDERWORLD ... AND THE UNDERWORLD HAS NEVER CEASED TO HATE AND FEAR WHAT YOU STAND FOR!



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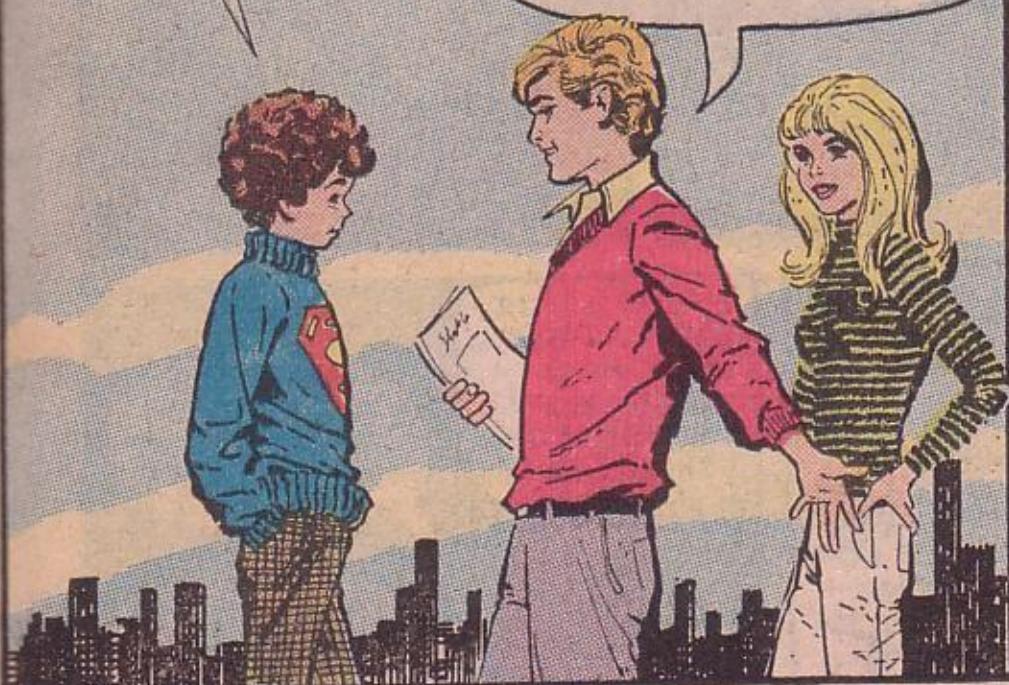
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A WEIRD, BATWINGED SHAPE SOARS INTO THE GRAY WINTER SKY BOUND ON THE STRANGEST VOYAGE IT HAS EVER ATTEMPTED...

BATMAN, WHO DO YOU THINK IS THE LONELIEST MAN ON EARTH?

I'M NOT SURE, ROBIN-- BUT I HAVE A LIST OF THREE WHO AREN'T FAR FROM IT!

THERE'S POLICE HEADQUARTERS... AND THERE ARE LIGHTS IN COMMISSIONER GORDON'S OFFICE!

HE ISN'T ON MY LIST, BUT IT WON'T HURT TO STOP IN AND GIVE HIM THE SEASON'S GREETINGS!

WE FIND COMMISSIONER GORDON IN CONFERENCE WITH ONE DIRK DAGNER, A NOTORIOUS CHIEF OF AN UNDERWORLD GANG...

YOU OUGHT TO BELIEVE IN SANTA CLAUS, DIRK! WE'RE NOT LETTING YOU GO BECAUSE WE WANT TO, BUT BECAUSE WE CAN'T PROVE YOU WERE MIXED UP IN THOSE HOLDUPS!

I'LL BELIEVE IN SANTA CLAUS WHEN I READ THE BATMAN'S OBITUARY!

DID I HEAR SOMEONE TALKING ABOUT US?

BATMAN AND ROBIN! YOU CERTAINLY DID!

HUH? ... LISTEN, IF YOU GUYS CAME HERE TO MAKE TROUBLE FOR ME --

MAYBE LATER, DIRK... BUT JUST NOW WE'RE BUSY CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS!

AND WE'VE THOUGHT UP A BRAND-NEW WAY TO DO IT!

HOW ABOUT LETTING ME IN ON THE SECRET?

BAH!

FIRST, WE'RE GIVING A SURPRISE PARTY FOR THE POORMAN AT THE SWANKY CRANE CLUB! THEN WE'LL CALL ON LINK CHESNEY, THE RADIO HUMORIST AND THE GLOOMIEST MAN IN GOTHAM CITY...

FINALLY WE'LL VISIT THE OLD LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER AT PIRATE REEF, WHO SPENDS MONTHS ON END ALL BY HIMSELF!

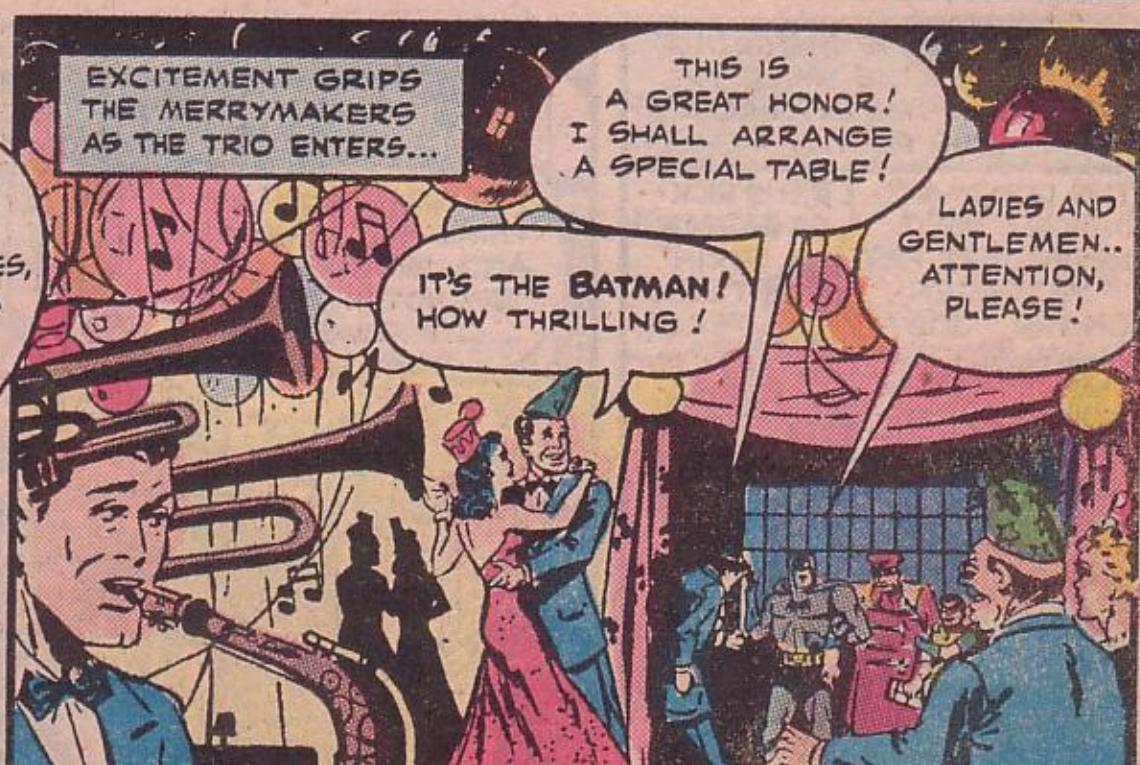
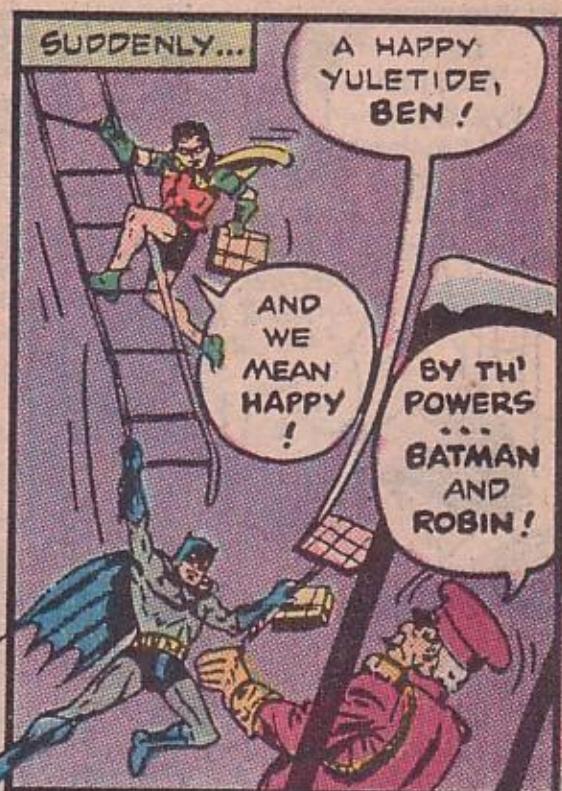
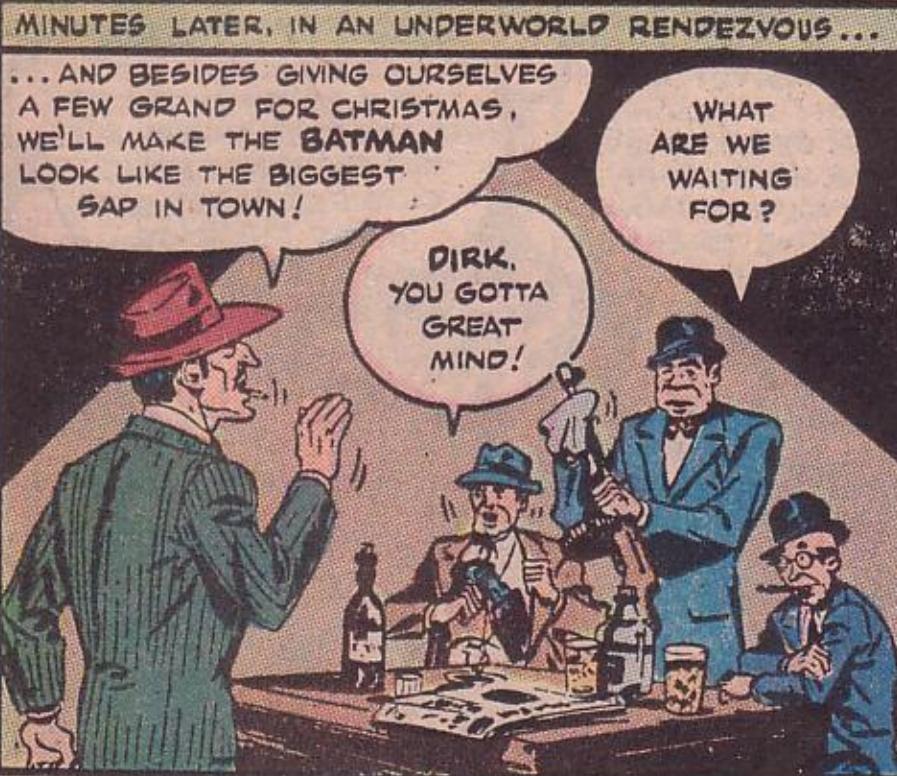
THAT SENTIMENTAL STUFF GIVES ME A PAIN!

I ONLY WISH I COULD GO WITH YOU!

BUT AS DIRK DAGNER LEAVES HEADQUARTERS A FREE MAN, HIS CUNNING BRAIN IS BUSY...

POLICE  
AND IT ALSO GIVES ME AN IDEA HOW TO MAKE SOME DOUGH AND AT THE SAME TIME GIVE THE BATMAN THE WORST CHRISTMAS HE EVER HAD!

# A BATMAN Christmas Special



# A BATMAN Christmas Special



MOST OF US GO THROUGH LIFE PAYING TOO LITTLE ATTENTION TO PEOPLE AROUND US... BUT THIS IS ONE NIGHT WHEN THE MOST EXCLUSIVE CLUB IN TOWN MIGHT WELL REMEMBER ITS MOST NEGLECTED EMPLOYEE...



# A BATMAN Christmas Special

A MOMENT AGO ONE OF THE HAPPIEST MEN YOU COULD FIND, POOR BEN BOTTS IS ALL AT ONCE ONE OF THE MOST TRAGIC.

OH, WHY DID I LET THE BATMAN DRAG ME INSIDE? I'D NEVER HAVE LET THESE CROOKS GET PAST ME! NOW I'M DISGRACED --- MY PERFECT RECORD SPOILED!

LET'S LOOKIT YOUR PRESENTS!

MAYBE I'LL TAKE 'EM ALONG TO REMEMBER THE BATMAN BY! KEEP 'EM COVERED, SPIKE!

WHAT A SHAME! WE WANTED TO CHEER BEN UP -- AND WE'VE ONLY MADE HIM MISERABLE...

I'M HAVING A BRAINSTORM...

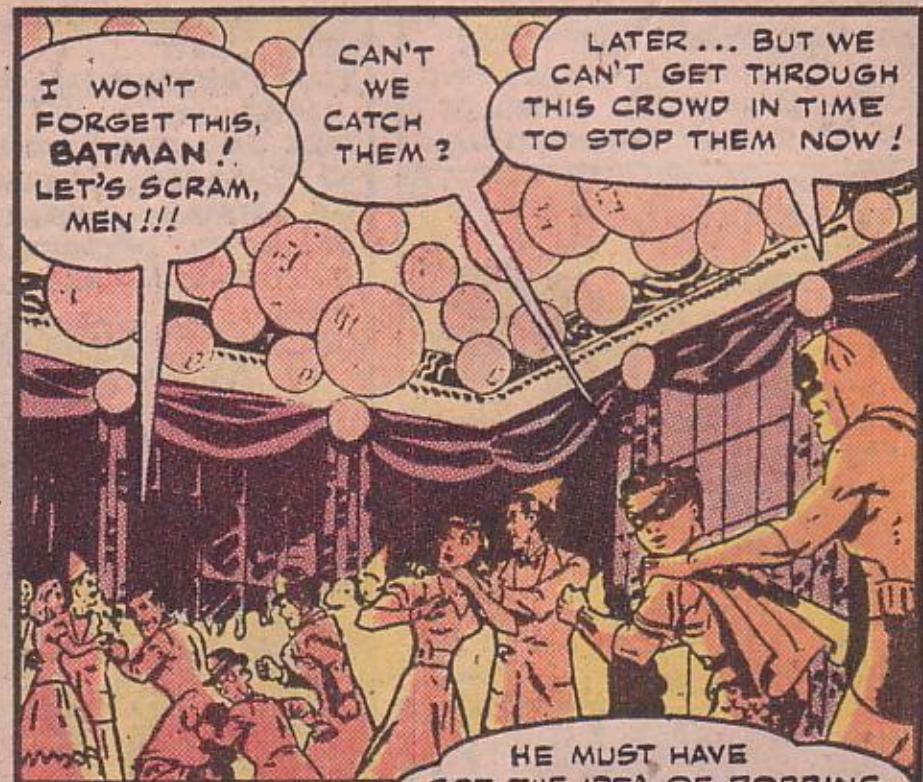
WHAT'S A NEW KIND OF SEAT-CANE, A HANDY GADGET FOR A MAN WHO SPENDS A LOT OF TIME ON HIS FEET --- LET ME SHOW YOU HOW.

OKAY, IT WORKS!

KID--BUT NO FUNNY STUFF OR YOU GET THIS GUN!



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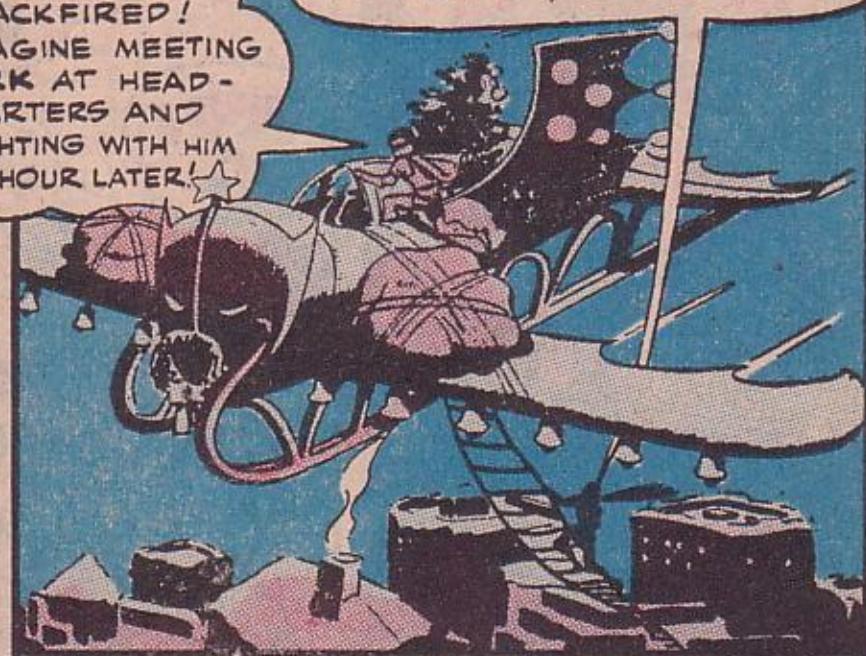
AND THE EVENING ENDS HAPPILY, AFTER ALL!

MINUTES LATER...



WHEW! OUR PLAN ALMOST BACKFIRED! IMAGINE MEETING DIRK AT HEADQUARTERS AND FIGHTING WITH HIM AN HOUR LATER!

HE MUST HAVE GOT THE IDEA OF ROBBING THE CRANE CLUB FROM HEARING US MENTION IT... BUT IF HE'S SMART, HE'LL TAKE THE REST OF THE NIGHT OFF!



BUT DIRK'S BRAIN, INFAMED WITH HATRED, HAS ROOM FOR ONLY ONE THOUGHT...

I'LL SHOW THE BATMAN! ONLY INSTEAD OF MAKING HIM LOOK SILLY, I'LL FINISH HIM AT LINK CHESNEY'S PLACE!

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, BOSS!



AND NOW MEET LINK CHESNEY, A PARADOX AMONG MEN---ONE WHOSE SHARP WIT MAKES MILLIONS ROAR WITH LAUGHTER, BUT WHO IS HIMSELF STEEPED IN GLOOM!

CHRISTMAS EVE -- BAH! I HATE THE SOUND OF IT!



WHO SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN I THE EMPTYNESS OF IT? PEOPLE ROAR AT MY JOKES --- BUT THE MINUTE MY BROADCASTS ARE OVER, THEY FORGET ME! LOOK AT ME TONIGHT-- THE LONELIEST MAN IN AMERICA!



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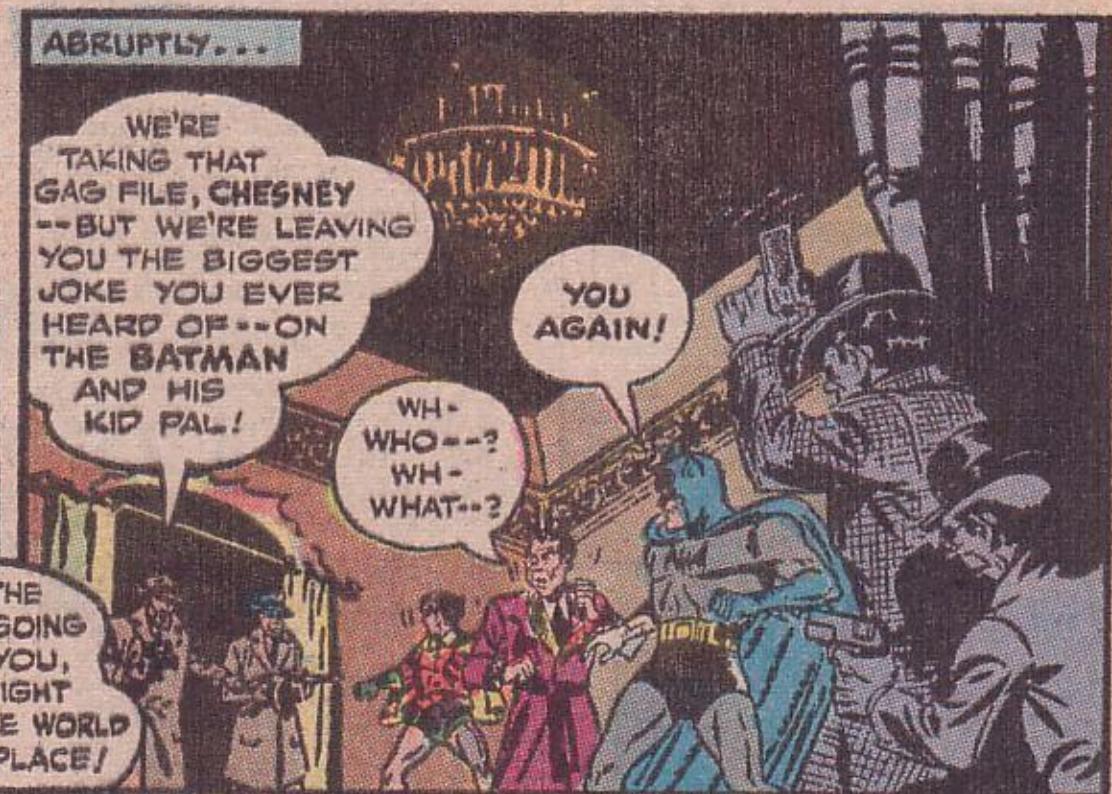
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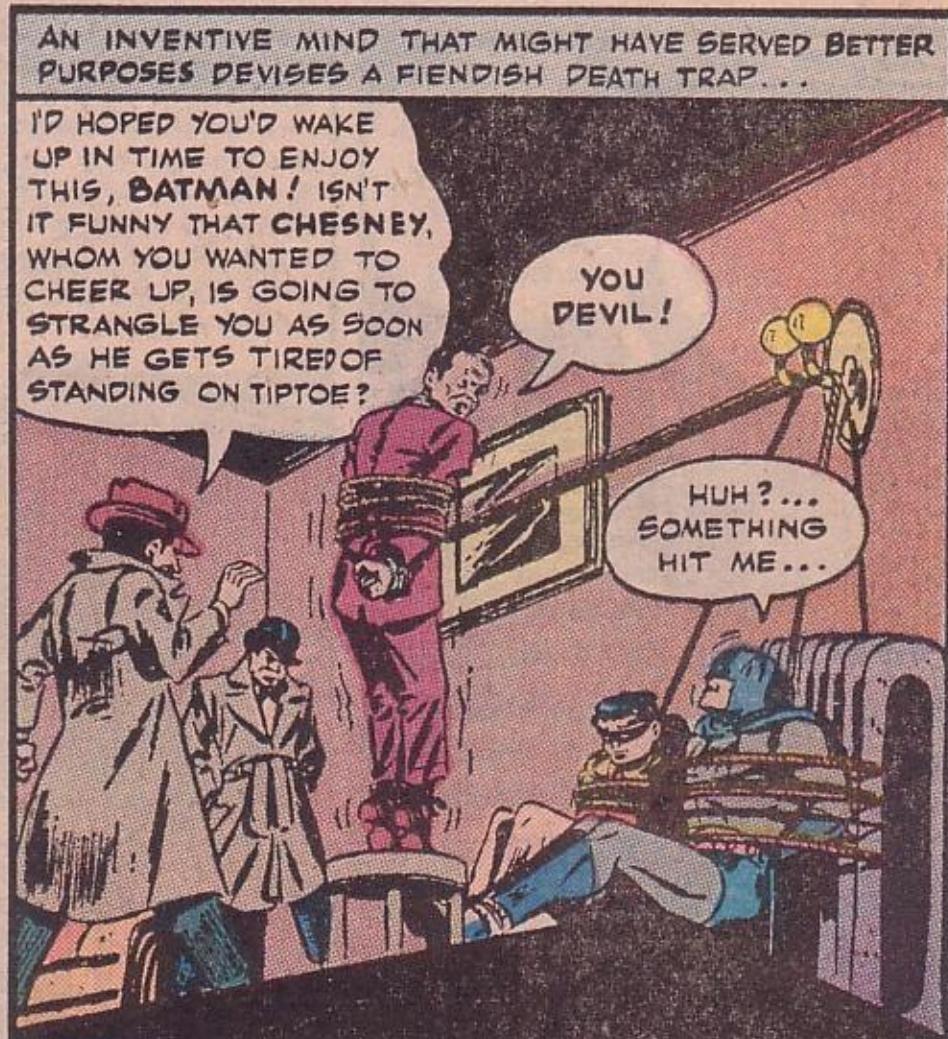
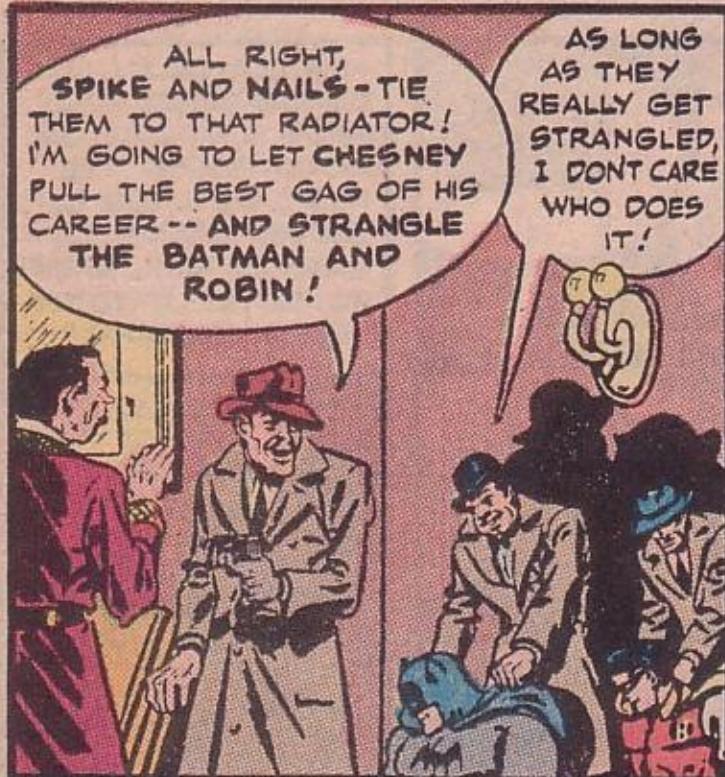
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SORRY I HAVE TO HURRY--  
BUT AFTER WE REMOVE  
THE GAS FILE, WHICH OUGHT  
TO BE WORTH PLENTY TO  
SOME OTHER RADIO  
COMIC, WE'RE MAKING  
A SEA VOYAGE!

WE'LL TAKE  
YOUR PLACE  
AT THAT  
LIGHTHOUSE,  
BATMAN --  
AND IT WOULDN'T  
SURPRISE ME  
A BIT IF THERE  
WAS A SHIPWRECK  
OUT THAT WAY!

I'D RATHER BE WHERE  
I AM THAN IN YOUR  
SHOES WHEN  
THE LAW  
FINALLY GETS  
YOU!

PIRATE REEF...WHERE  
A WAVE-LASHED STONE  
TOWER SENDS FORTH  
A STRONG GOLDEN  
BEAM OF  
WARNING...



HOWEVER, AS HE STEPS UPON THE BALCONY TO HAVE  
A LAST LOOK AT THE WEATHER...



# A BATMAN Christmas Special

MINUTES LATER ...

A DIRTY NIGHT  
TO BE OUT--BUT  
WE FELT SORRY  
FOR YOU, THINK-  
ING YOU MIGHT  
HAVE TO SPEND  
CHRISTMAS  
ALONE...

BLESS YE,  
STRANGER!  
COME RIGHT  
IN, AN' YER  
FRIENDS  
WITH YE!

INTERESTED IN THE  
LIGHT, ARE YE? WELL,  
IF I PULLED THAT  
SWITCH ON THE WALL,  
IN HALF AN HOUR, THE  
**SPANISH CASTLE** WOULD  
PROB'LЯ BE WRECKED  
WITH WAR MATERIALS  
WORTH MILLIONS!

THAT'S ALL  
WE WANTED  
TO KNOW!

HE'S OUT COLD! LIKE  
TAKING CANDY AWAY  
FROM A KID! AFTER  
THE SHIP HITS THE  
REEF, WE'LL LUG OFF  
ENOUGH STUFF TO  
MAKE US RICH, WHEN  
WE PEDDLE IT TO THE  
HIGHEST BIDDERS!

I ALWAYS SAID  
YOU GOT THE  
BEST HEAD IN  
THE RACKET!

A BLACKOUT AT SEA  
THREATENS THE LIVES  
OF SCORES OF SAILORS--  
--AND BACK IN  
GOTHAM CITY,  
DIRK DAGNER'S  
"JOKE" IS  
NEARING  
ITS CLIMAX...

I'D RATHER DIE  
THAN HARM YOU--  
BUT I CAN'T STAND  
LIKE THIS ANY  
LONGER!

THERE'S  
ONLY ONE  
WAY OUT  
-- AND IT'S  
NOT GOING  
TO BE  
EASY!

STEEL MUSCLES STRAIN TO THE UTMOST AS  
THE BATMAN SLOWLY FORCES HIS POWERFUL  
LEGS UPWARD WITH A MIGHTY EFFORT!

IF I CAN RAISE YOU ANOTHER  
INCH OR TWO... THERE! NOW.  
CAN YOU JUMP TO  
MY SHOULDER AND  
STEADY YOURSELF  
BY LEANING  
AGAINST THE  
WALL?

IT  
OUGHT TO  
BE EASY,  
COMPARED  
TO WHAT  
YOU'VE  
DONE!

OOPS!  
... MADE  
IT-- WITH  
NOTHING  
TO SPARE!

AND NOW  
A FOLLOW-  
THROUGH!  
THIS PART  
IS  
MORE  
FUN!

WHAT'S  
THE  
BIG  
IDEA?

SEIZING A PIECE OF THE FALLEN  
BULB, THE BATMAN QUICKLY SEVERS  
HIS BONDS...

YOU  
SHOULD  
HAVE  
GUESSED  
SOONER, ROBIN! THIS ISN'T THE  
FIRST TIME WE'VE GIVEN OURSELVES  
A BREAK BY BREAKING GLASS!

# A BATMAN Christmas Special



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS, LINK CHESNEY'S  
FACE IS WREATHED IN A REAL SMILE AS HUNDREDS  
OF GAY VOICES CALL OUT TO HIM AT ONCE!

FANS OF  
MINE ALL  
OVER THE  
COUNTRY, PHONING  
IN ONE GREAT HOOK-  
UP! THEY DIDN'T FOR-  
GET!... BUT, OF COURSE,  
IT WAS YOUR DOING,  
BATMAN!

ROBIN

AND I ARE GOING TO  
GET YOUR FILE  
AND CATCH  
THOSE CROOKS!



SEAWARD STREAKS  
THE BATPLANE --  
A HURTLING  
VEHICLE OF  
VENGEANCE THIS TIME...

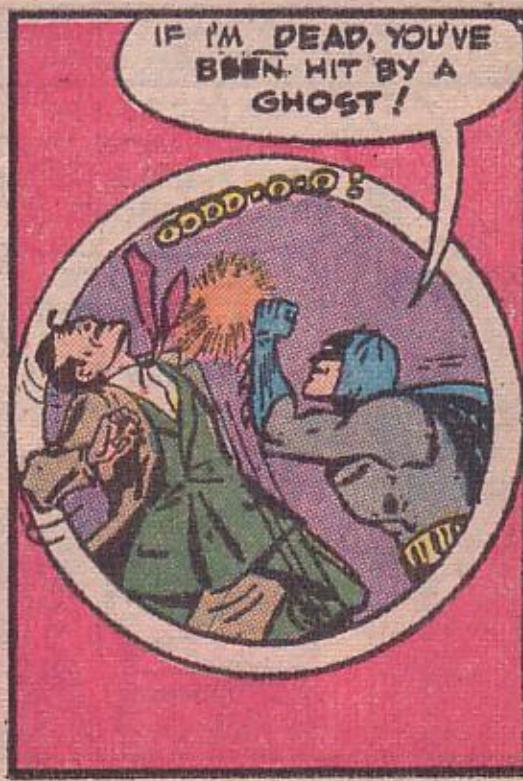
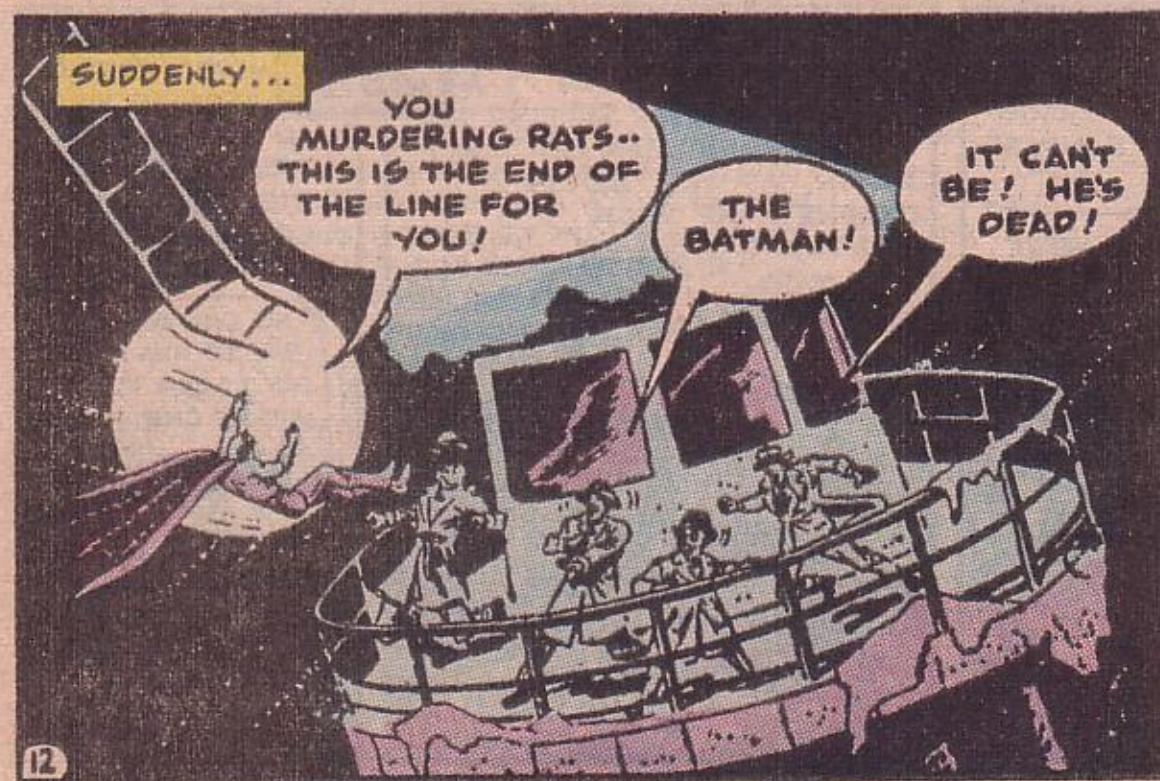
THE LIGHT-  
HOUSE IS DARK  
AND A SHIP  
IS HEADED  
TOWARD THE  
REEF!

TAKE THE  
CONTROLS AND  
GET DOWN AS FAST  
AS YOU CAN, ROBIN!  
I'M GOING OVERSIDE!

FROM THE BALCONY  
OF THE BLACKED-OUT  
BEACON, THE CRIMINALS  
WATCH THEIR UNSUS-  
PECTING PREY AP-  
PROACH ITS DOOM...

FIVE MORE MINUTES  
AND SHE'LL HIT!

THEN WE'LL GO  
OUT AND FORCE THE  
CREW BELOW AND  
TAKE OUR TIME  
LOOTING  
HER!



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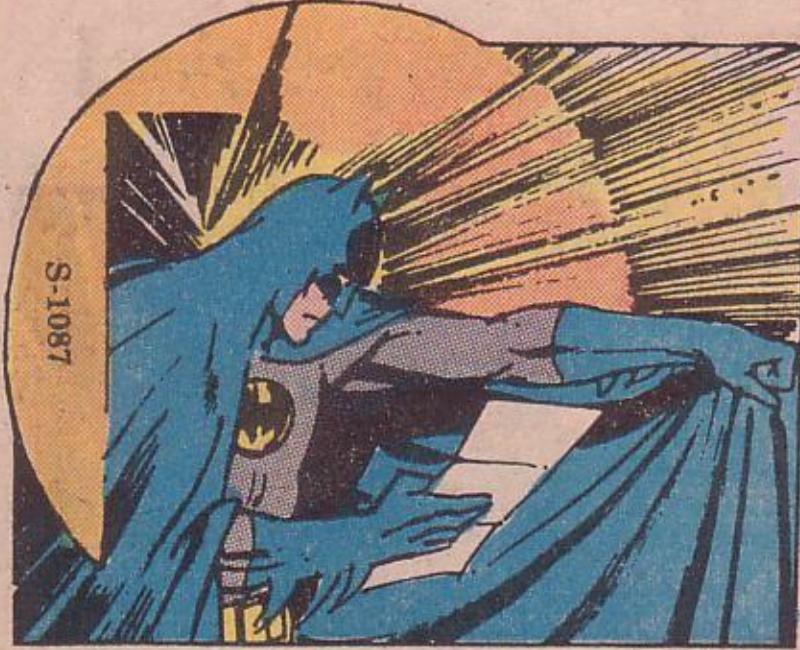


AND LIVES OF AMERICAN SAILORS, TOGETHER WITH MATERIALS TO SAVE OTHER LIVES ON FAR-FLUNG BATTLEFIELDS, ARE SAVED!



OF ALL THE YULETIDE PARTIES HELD THIS NIGHT, NONE IS GAYER THAN OLD TOM WICKS'...





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## LETTERS to the BATMAN

Dear Editor:

Batman #235: Denny O'Neil's "Swamp Sinister" had no moral, no message, and no plot to speak of. Instead, it was notable as an unpretentious, superbly executed exercise in *suspense-for-the-sake-of-it*, its elements nothing new, but played through skillfully enough to absorb and fascinate me for the duration. It was pure Denny O'Neil, a subtle style that has saved several bad or at least weak plots from mediocrity.

Interestingly, the Robin-solo story, "The Outcast Society," equalled or possibly surpassed the lead-off. Last issue's part one of this series lacked in credibility sorely, but perhaps Mike Friedrich learned from his mistakes—however he did it.

"Castle With Wall-to-Wall Danger" was a good selection for this issue's reprint. I don't really care what early New Look stories you reprint, because I've got them all—however, the use of Carmine Infantino's treatments, in lieu of the Bob Kane ones with which it alternated, is a good choice. The Infantino-Giella team of the sixties was a phenomenon which too many newer readers haven't seen. As far as story goes, the "slick" story-telling style of mid-sixties' Broome and Fox is a treat in itself, although plotting is much better now than it was then. Your use of reprints shouldn't be totally confined to one specific Batman era, however.

—CLEM ROBINS, Sheffield, Mass.

(We'll be roaming the range of Batman adventures from stories of the thirties through the cream-of-the-crop of the next three decades. Suggestions for repeats are welcome.—JS)

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Dear Editor:

As usual, Irv Novick and Dick Giordano have done a beautiful job on the artwork of Batman #235, and with Denny O'Neil writing, I knew this issue would be good. The cover was fantastic! I was ready to write you about Talia's disappearance since the last story, but you've filled in nicely (if a few issues late). (And howcum every time you mix Batman and Ra's Al Ghul you get a speech about how violent a hater of violence really isn't?) (Trying to apologize? Don't worry, you're doing fine!) Oooh! I loved the cut panel effect on page 12! Having squared-off blacks holding action all the time is hard on continuity.

Have you noticed that Batman's cape is getting so long that you almost have to break up panels? (page 14) What a story! When you get around to it, please ask Talia to give back Robin's gloves!

Speaking of Robin, his solo adventures are constantly better. If possible, you should keep Novick and Giordano on the R art; it's so great! The first page of Robin's story made me laugh for some reason; I guess it was Jonathan's comment to Robin's

reprimand. Again! Novick and Giordano are cutting panels to carry action and deliver a big speech (page 3). Looks like this is getting to be a trademark of the team-up. Top of page 4, beautiful! Dynamic! Great! Robin is only a Brown Belt Karate? He's *human*! Robin is doing well in his new environment; he even gets to hold a court session!

As far as I'm concerned, the reprints are great. I love to see the old "new look" (?) Batman and Robin. Sheesh! All I can do is hand out compliments on this issue! Watch it, you're slipping!

—MERCY VAN VLACK, Norristown, Pa.

(Much as we . . . you . . . even Irv Novick . . . would like to have the Robin series continue to be Novicked, Irv ran out of time and the feature had to be transferred to that promising young talent, Rich Buckler. With Dick Giordano still lending an inking hand, we think you'll agree we've maintained the same high quality.—JS)

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Dear Editor:

The Big Change is supposed to be for the best. But when I read a story like "Swamp Sinister" in Batman #235, I'm not so sure. This is supposed to be *The Batman*, the remnant of the 40's. Now tell me, was this a mystery? Was this more of a mystery than "Death Knocks Three Times"? I'll tell you—NO!

Denny O'Neil is quite a good writer but a story like that is going to ruin him. The plot was as obvious as a cat in a dog pound. The idea of a bacteria-infested drug is as old as the hills and Denny made it even more stagnant. And that dialogue! "Enough idle talk! Prepare yourself, murderous traitor—for your end!" Come on, are you kidding? Well, I'll stop now before I torture myself any more and simply say that I hope upcoming issues are *much* better.

—LISA JANE FARARA, Canton, Mass.

(Lisa Jane Farara meet Joe Farara commenting on the same issue of the same magazine!—JS)

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Dear Editor:

Oh, my, an Irv Novick cover, Irv Novick interior art, O'Neil and Friedrich stories, Giordano inks, and last but not least a fine Broome & Infantino Bat-reprint! What does this mean? One darn good comix magazine, what else?

"Swamp-Sinister" was O'Neil at his best. The return of the beautiful Talia was worth my 25c, but the action-packed storyline, fine detective work, and great art proves that *Batman* is one of today's most consistent titles for quality.

Robin's "The Outcast Society" was pretty good. Mike did a fine job of scripting this yarn but it wasn't as good as his previous efforts. The Novick pencils were a standout.

—JOE FARARA, Canton, Mass.

(Whattaya know, Joe—you didn't know . . . Neal Adams and Dick Giordano did the cover-work on Batman #235.—JS)

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# ROBIN

A NARROW SHAFT OF BRITTLE WINTER'S SUN GRASPS FEEBLY FOR ITS LAST REFLECTING WINDOWS...ONLY TO SLIDE SLOWLY, INEXORABLY, INTO DEFEAT, ITS DAY OVERRUN BY THE ONSLAUGHS OF NIGHT...

SCRIPT:  
MIKE  
FRIEDRICH

ART:  
RICH BUCKLER  
DICK GIORDANO

SO THIS IS  
GOTHAM CITY'S  
FAMOUS BLEEKER  
STREET!



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YET THE QUEEN OF THE HEAVENS  
BRINGS NEW TREASURES--THE  
DEEP VEINS OF MYSTERY, FAITH  
AND AWE--FOREVER ROOTED IN  
THE NIGHT-CAVERNS OF THE  
HUMAN...

## "SOUL-PIT!"

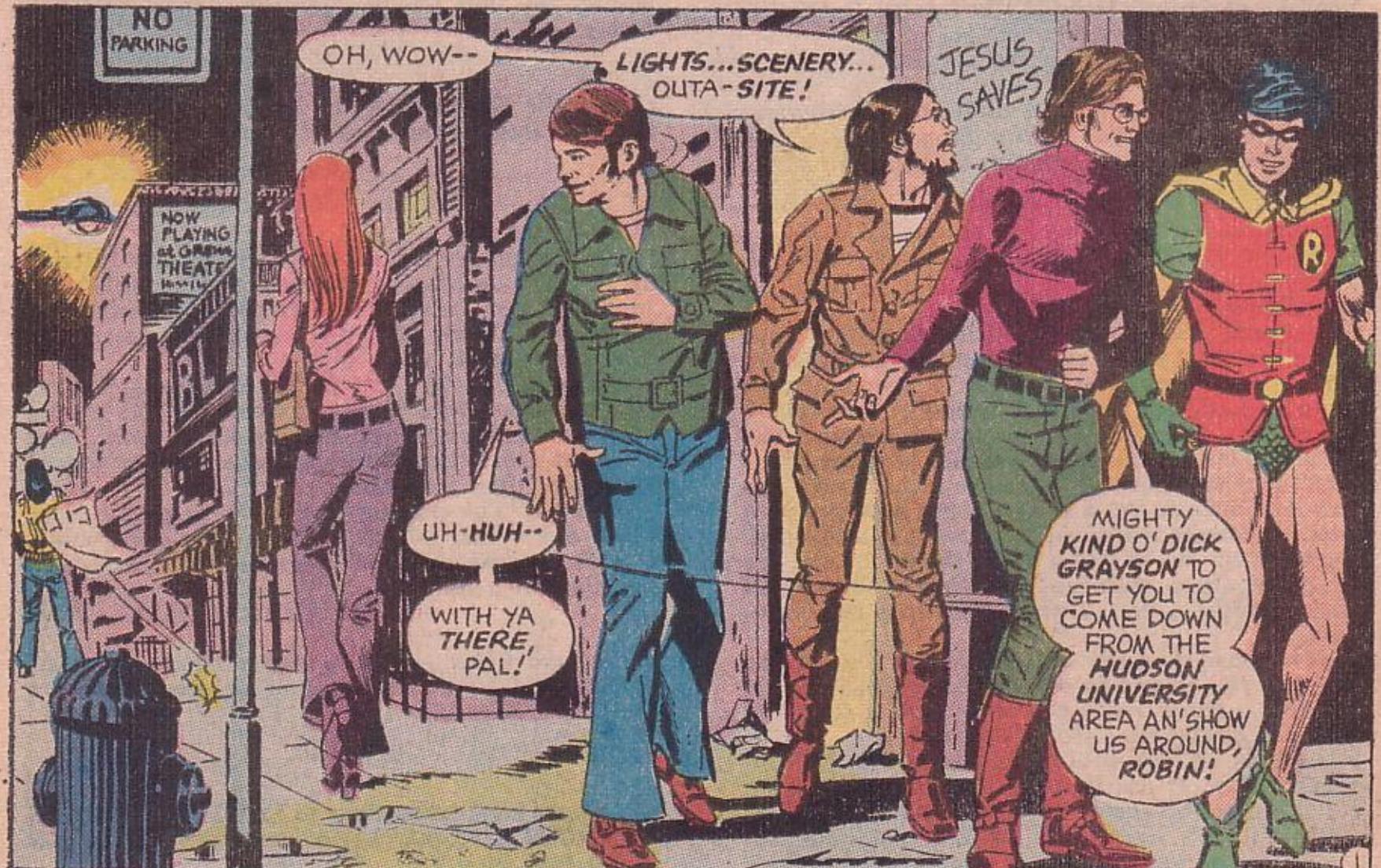
OH, WOW--

LIGHTS...SCENERY...  
OUTA-SITE!

JESUS  
SAVES

UH-HUH--  
WITH YA  
THERE,  
PAL!

MIGHTY  
KIND O' DICK  
GRAYSON TO  
GET YOU TO  
COME DOWN  
FROM THE  
HUDSON  
UNIVERSITY  
AREA AN'SHOW  
US AROUND,  
ROBIN!



I'M ALWAYS  
WILLING TO DO  
A GOOD TURN,  
BERNI!

HE SAID HE  
OWED YOU THREE  
A FAVOR FOR  
GETTING HIM UP  
TO THE RUTLAND  
HALLOWEEN  
BASH\*!



\* EDITOR'S NOTE: IN THE PREVIOUS ISSUE'S "NIGHT OF THE REAPER!"

BRRR!  
MAN, WHEN  
I CAME OUT  
HERE TO  
SCHOOL FROM  
VEGAS, NEVER  
KNEW I'D BE  
EXPECTING MY  
NOSE TO  
FREEZE OFF  
ANY  
SECOND!

ALAN,  
GOTHAM IS  
MY HOME  
TURF--  
IGNORE THE  
TEMPERATURE  
AND JUST  
CONCENTRATE  
ON POSITIVE  
THINGS--  
LIKE  
GIRLS!

MAN, HOW CAN  
I DIG THE GIRLS  
WHEN MY EYE-  
LID IS TELLING  
ME IT REFUSES  
TO OPEN  
TO FREEZING  
AIR?

THEN--TELL  
YOUR EYELID  
TO FLAKE  
OFF!



JOH-

AND  
THEY  
COMPLAIN  
ABOUT MY  
PUNS!

CUT THE  
COMEDY, YOU  
GUYS--

-WE'RE BEING  
GAWKED AT!

AND HEY-HEY,  
DIG THE  
QUALITY OF  
OUR TOURISTS!



--LIKE THAT BLONDE  
OVER THERE AT  
THE CAFE!

WHY--THAT  
LOOKS LIKE--  
LIKE--

LIKE--  
WHO--?

SHE'S  
GONE--  
VANISHED!

DUCKED  
INSIDE, I  
GUESS!



THOUGHT FOR A  
MOMENT IT WAS  
TERRI BERGSTROM!

MY IMAGINATION'S  
BEEN ON OVER-  
DRIVE SINCE SHE  
LEFT HUDSON LI  
ON HER MYS-  
TERIOUS MISSING-  
PERSONS  
SEARCH!\*

CAN'T I  
GET HER  
OUT OF  
MY MIND?

\*EDITOR'S  
NOTE: AS RECOUNTED IN BATMAN #234-236!

HEY,  
ROBIN--  
FOCUS! YOUR  
EYES ARE  
MORE GLAZED  
THAN A  
DOUGHNUT!

HUH--? OHH  
...ER...WHAT'S  
HAPPENING?

WHAT'S HAPPENING  
IS THAT CURVY  
ACTION LISTENING  
TO THE MUSIC!

BIG SCREEN-  
WRITER FRIEND  
TAUGHT ME HOW TO MEET  
THESE BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE--  
AND I FEEL LIKE SOME  
FEMALE COMPANY!

BUT BEFORE THE FRENETIC, GANGLING GERRY CAN LAY ON HIS CHARMES...

HAVE YOU BEEN  
SAVED, BROTHER?

HUH?

CAN YOU GET  
BEHIND **FACING  
GOD** AND ASKING  
HIS FORGIVE-  
NESS?

ER--  
UH--

THE RISEN  
JESUS LOVES YOU  
AND WANTS YOU  
TO LOVE HIM!

CAN YOU DIG  
IT, BROTHER?

ER... LATER, GIRL...  
**MUCH** LATER...

UHH--  
'BYE!

MAN--YOU  
LOOK LIKE SHE  
ASKED YOU TO  
SWALLOW A  
WARM,  
FIZZED-  
OUT  
COKE!

WORSE--  
ALAN--

I HAD TO  
TRY 'N' PICK  
UP A JESUS  
FREAK!

THEY'RE WHACKED-  
OUT--OBSESSED WITH  
SAVING THE WORLD--  
THEIR WAY--AND NO  
WAY ELSE!

WITH THE  
WORLD THE  
SHAPE IT'S IN,  
MAYBE THE  
JESUS PEOPLE  
ARE RIGHT...

I MEAN...  
WHO  
CAN  
SAY?



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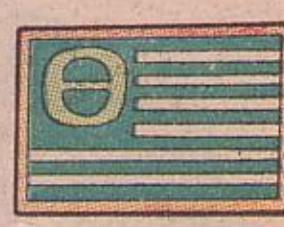
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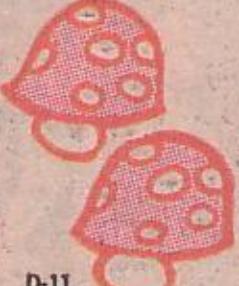
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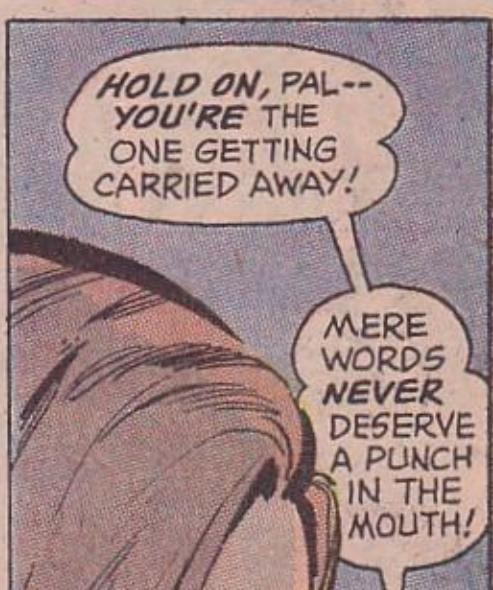
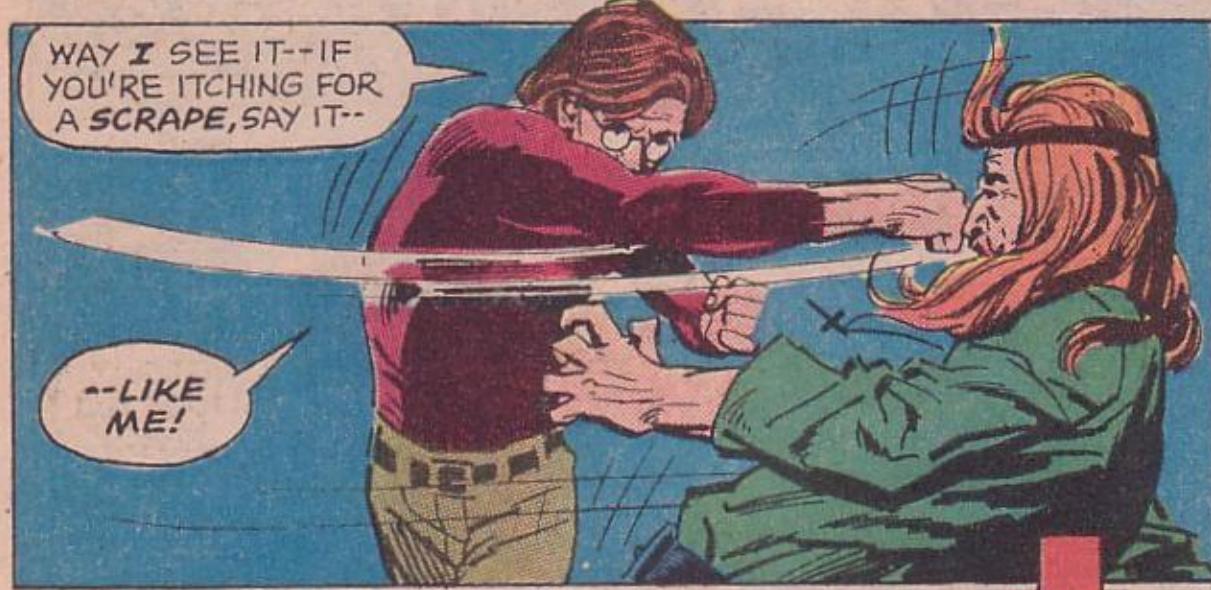
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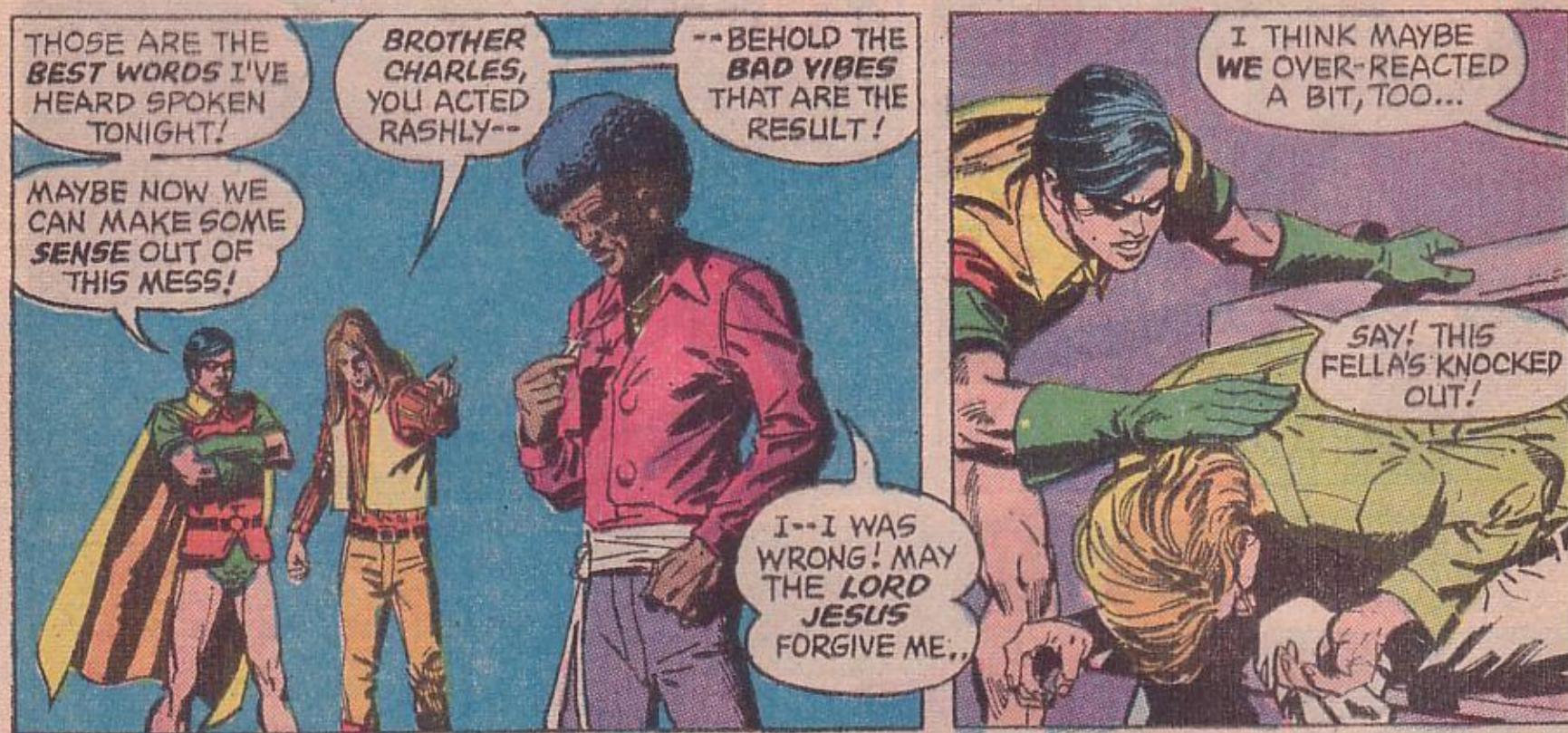
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MY MEDICAL PRACTICE  
-- WHEN I SAW THE  
LIGHT OF JESUS!

THE YOUNG  
MAN WILL BE  
OKAY AFTER  
SOME REST!

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INSIDE...

WE SHOULD  
PRAY FIRST TO  
THE HOLY SPIRIT,  
PEOPLE--

ESUS  
SAVES

--FIRST, FOR OUR  
EXHAUSTED VISITOR...  
SECOND, FOR OURSELVES,  
THAT WE MAY HAVE THE  
HUMILITY AND STRENGTH  
HE HAD IN SPREADING  
HIS WORD!

THERE IS  
A SPIRIT  
HERE--I CAN  
SENSE IT!

JUST THEN, THE SMALL, LOW-WATT  
BULBS WINK OUT BEFORE ROBIN'S  
EYES AND ALL BECOMES HAZY, CLOUDY,  
MYSTERIOUS!



SUDDENLY, BEFORE THE TEEN  
WONDER'S INNER EYE...

TERRI!  
WHAT--?

I-I DON'T  
KNOW! WHEN  
I SEEK MY  
COUSIN...

...I FIND YOU!  
SOMEHOW OUR MINDS  
ARE LINKED!

ROBIN'S  
MIND  
BOGGLES!  
IT CAN  
NEITHER  
UNDER-  
STAND --  
NOR STOP--  
THE VISION...

SEE--THERE'S SOMEONE  
ELSE WITH US--PERHAPS  
IN MY SEARCH I MUST  
AGAIN STOP TO GIVE AID  
TO ANOTHER!

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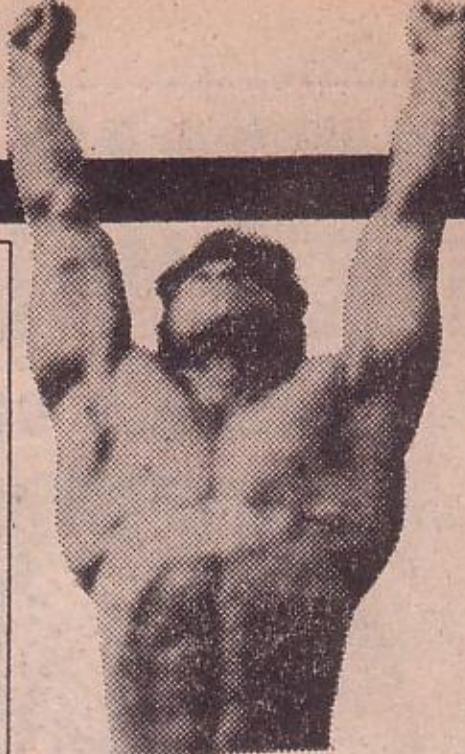
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AW, HONEY,  
I'M BUSHED.  
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OF MINE...

PLEASE, DEAR. BESIDES,  
WE DON'T GET OUT  
THAT OFTEN...

OH,  
ALL RIGHT

SAY, JIM AND HELEN HAVE  
A NICE PLACE HERE.  
WONDER WHERE HE GETS  
THE MONEY?

OH, JIM  
IS IN  
**ELECTRONICS**  
NOW

YOU SEEM  
MIGHTY HAPPY  
IN ELECTRONICS,  
JIM. LEVEL  
WITH ME - HOW'D  
YOU BREAK IN?

EASIER THAN YOU MIGHT  
THINK. WITH **CIE**  
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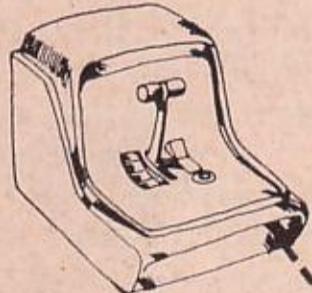
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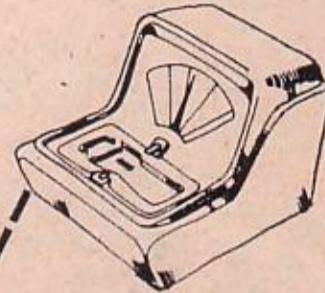
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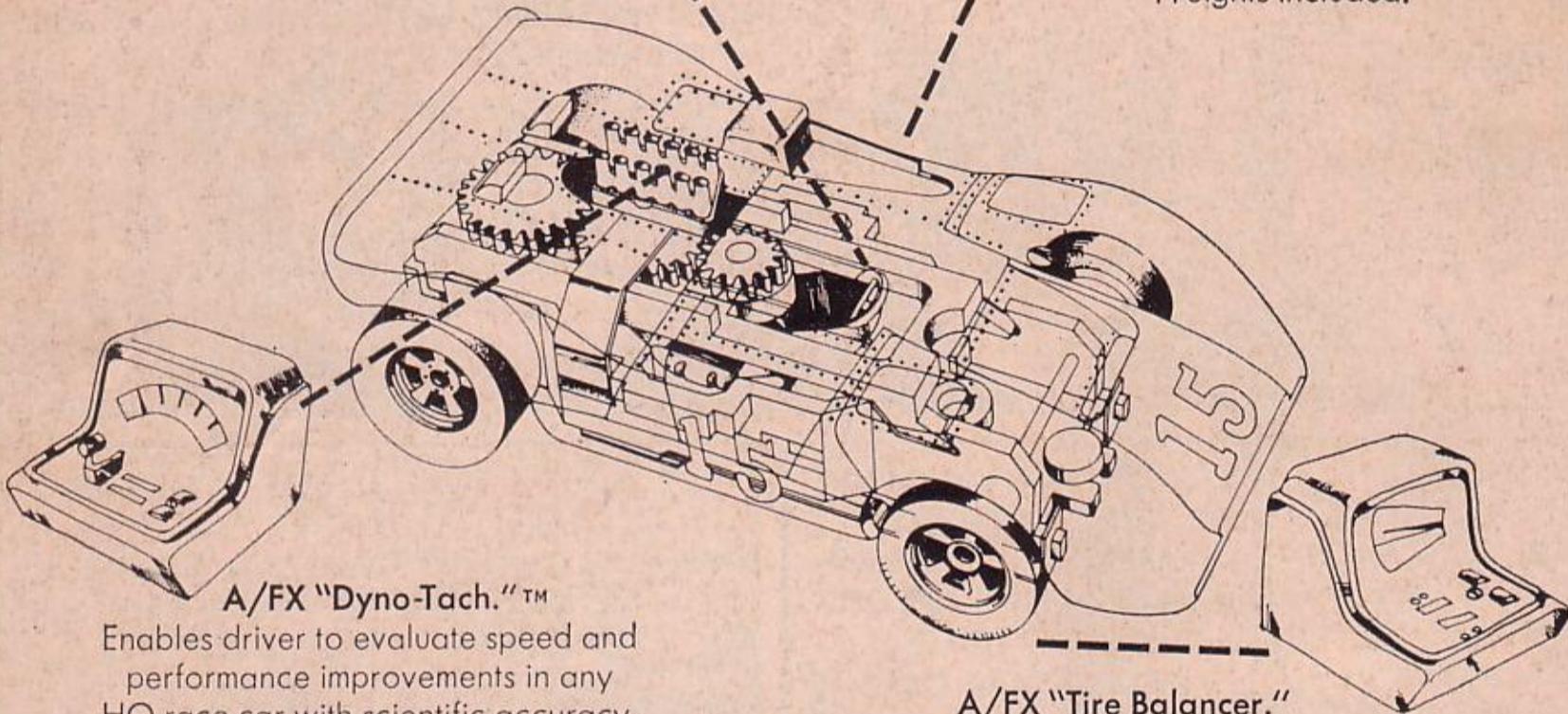
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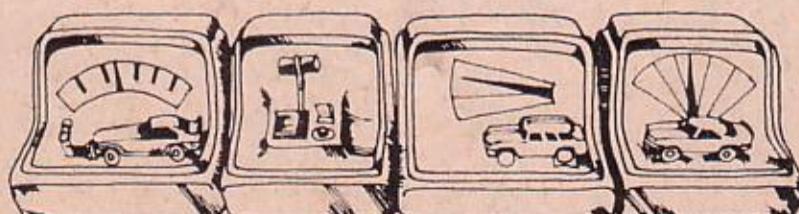
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