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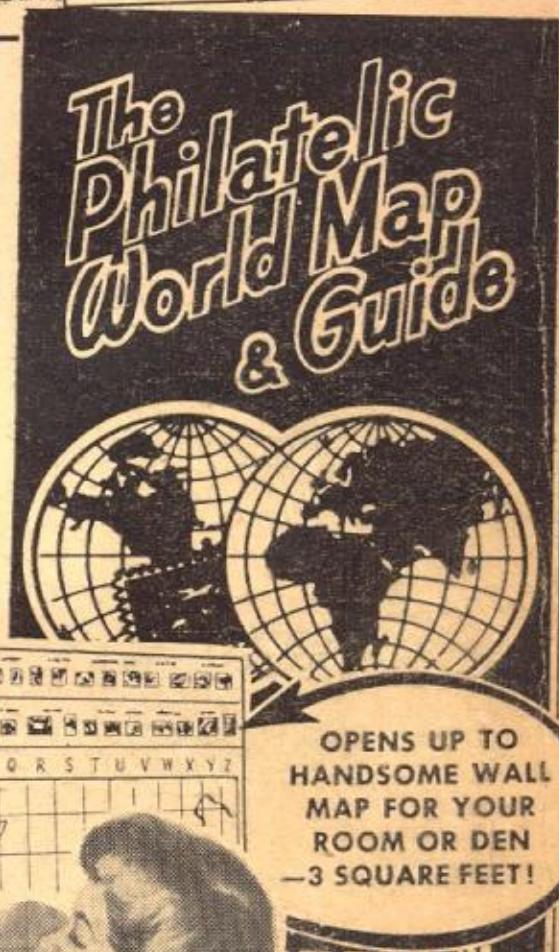
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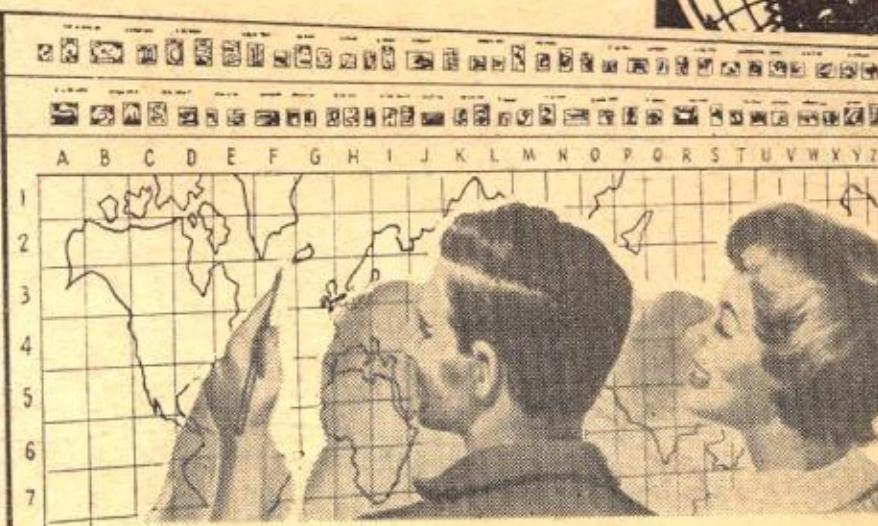
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# BATMAN

With  
**ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER

THE PEOPLE CAME FROM FAR AND NEAR, BEARING GIFTS FOR THAT GREAT CHAMPION OF THE LAW-- **BATMAN**. BUT, TO EVERYONE'S DISMAY, **BATMAN** SEEMED TO MOCK THEIR GENEROSITY BY DELIBERATELY SMASHING THEIR TOKENS OF ESTEEM! WHY? SEE IF YOU CAN SOLVE THE SECRET OF--

## THE **BROKEN BATMAN TROPHIES**



IN GOTHAM CITY, TO CELEBRATE THE ANNUAL **BATMAN DAY**, THE LOCAL TV STATION BEGINS A COAST-TO-COAST SPECTACULAR...

THIS IS BRUCE WAYNE, A CLOSE FRIEND OF **BATMAN** WHO HAS WORKED WITH HIM ON MANY CASES! I GUESS YOU KNOW **BATMAN** AS WELL AS ANYONE, MR. WAYNE!

THAT'S TRUE!

IT SHOULD BE-- SINCE I AM SECRETLY **BATMAN**!

AS BRUCE SPEAKS OF **BATMAN'S** PAST CASES, THE INEVITABLE QUESTION COMES...

MR. WAYNE, AT TIMES YOU WERE THOUGHT TO BE **BATMAN**! WHAT ABOUT THAT?

**BATMAN** HAS DISPROVED THAT THEORY OFTEN! **BATMAN'S** SECRET IDENTITY IS STILL HIS OWN SECRET!



SUDDENLY, THE TV AUDIENCE SEES A BOOM ACCIDENTALLY FALL AND...



MR. WAYNE, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? THAT'S A NASTY CUT YOU GOT ON YOUR CHIN!

JUST A GLANCING BLOW! NO REAL DAMAGE DONE!



LATER, BRUCE HURRIES TO HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, IN A DESERTED DRESSING ROOM...

NO TIME TO TREAT THAT CUT NOW, BRUCE! YOU'RE DUE AS BATMAN AT ANOTHER STUDIO IN EXACTLY TWO MINUTES!



MOMENTS LATER, IN ANOTHER STUDIO AT THE TV STATION, BATMAN IS BRIEFED BY THE DIRECTOR BEFORE GOING ON THE AIR...

EVERYTIME A CELEBRITY HANDS YOU A GIFT, THE CAMERA WILL COME IN FOR A CLOSEUP OF YOU!



THEN, THE SPECIAL TV PROGRAM CONTINUES WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF A VISITING MONARCH...

RAJAH VISHTI IS HERE TO TELL HOW HE FIRST MET BATMAN...

IT HAPPENED MANY MONTHS AGO WHEN I CAME TO YOUR COUNTRY TO VISIT A SPORTSMEN'S EXHIBITION...



WHILE I WAS ADMIRING THE HUNTING RIFLE EXHIBIT, TWO HOODED MEN SUDDENLY SPRANG FROM HIDING...



BATMAN, WHO WAS VISITING THE EXHIBIT, HEARD MY CRY AND ORDERED ALL EXITS CLOSED...

I DON'T SEE THE HOODED MEN ANYWHERE!



"As BATMAN CAREFULLY SCANNED THE VISITORS..."

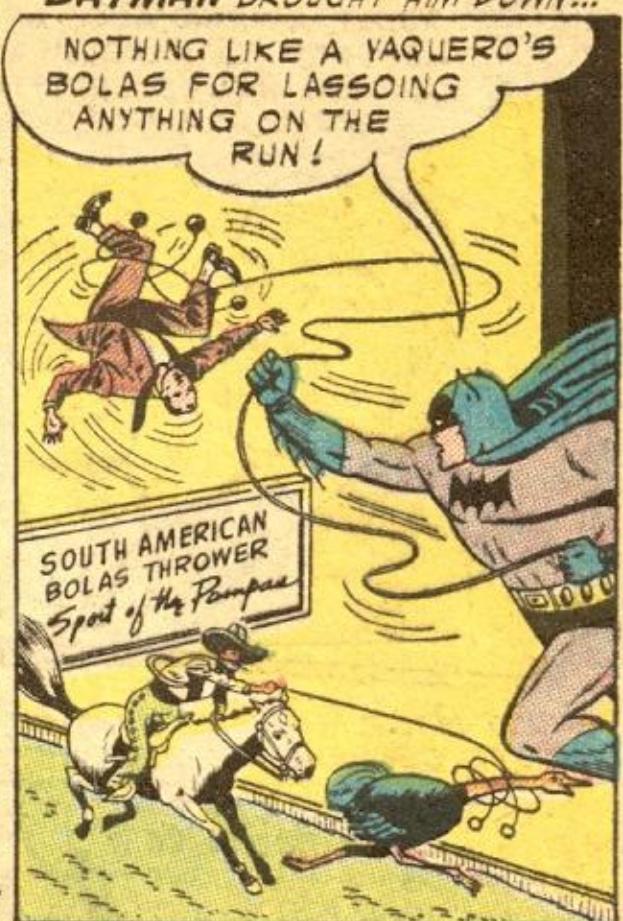
I'LL NEVER FORGET THE TIME I WAS STALKING A LION, WHEN SUDDENLY I HEARD A FRIGHTENED ZEBRA WHINNYING..."

FOR YOUR INFORMATION... ZEBRAS DO NOT WHINNY LIKE HORSES! THEY BARK-- LIKE DOGS!

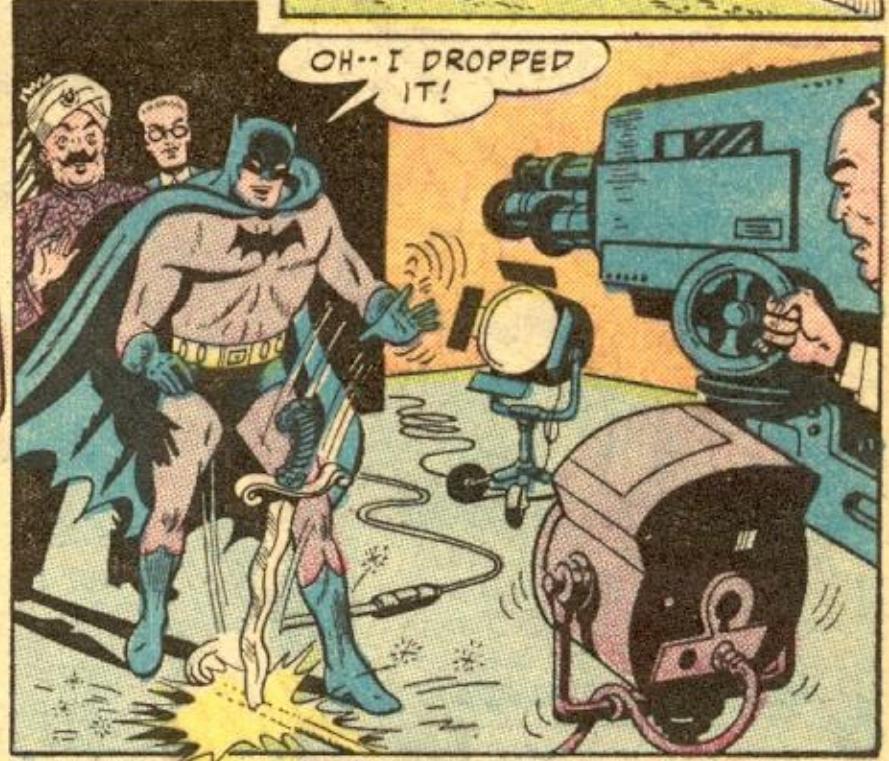
HE'S WISE TO US!

"THE OTHER BANDIT TRIED TO ESCAPE WITH MY DIAMOND, BUT BATMAN BROUGHT HIM DOWN..."

NOTHING LIKE A YAQUERO'S BOLAS FOR LASSOING ANYTHING ON THE RUN!



THE CAMERA MOVES IN FOR A CLOSEUP...



As THE STEEL BITES THROUGH THE CABLE RUBBER AND SHORT-CIRCUITS THE WIRE, THE SPOTLIGHT WINKS OUT AND BATMAN'S FACE CAN HARDLY BE SEEN ON THE DIM TV SCREEN..."

OH, WELL, I GUESS BATMAN MUST BE KIND OF NERVOUS!

IT'S ONLY NATURAL! I'D BE NERVOUS, TOO, IF THEY NAMED A DAY AFTER ME!



THE PROGRAM RESUMES WITH ANOTHER GUEST TO HONOR BATMAN--JUDGE ALBERT HAGEN...

ABOUT A YEAR AGO, AFTER I REFUSED TO PAROLE A VIOLENT CRIMINAL NAMED LEFTY REED, HE BROKE JAIL AND THREATENED TO KILL ME!

"I WAS GIVING A MASQUERADE PARTY THAT NIGHT, SO BATMAN AND ROBIN WERE UNSUSPECTED AS THEY MINGLED WITH MY GUESTS..."



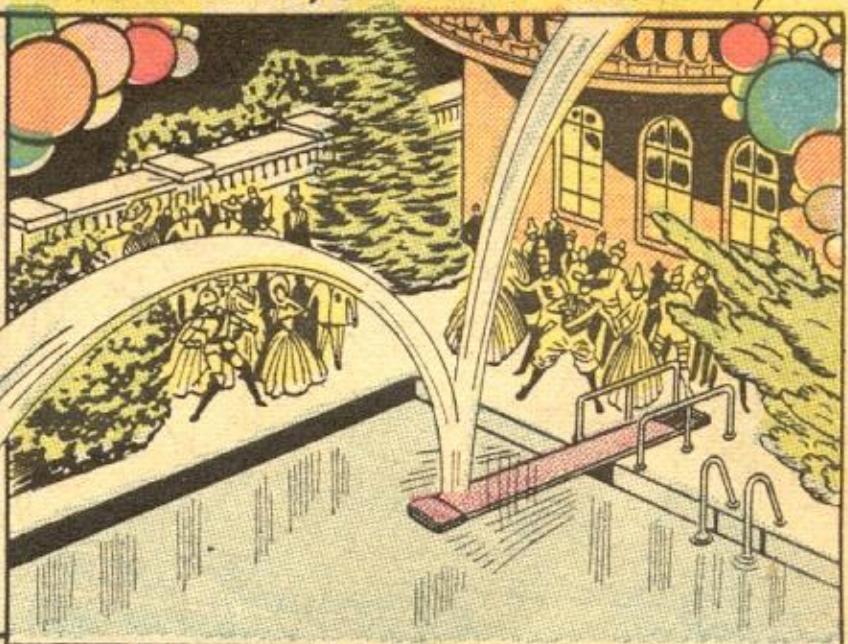
"FROM THE TOP FLOOR OF MY HOME, THEY WERE ABLE TO OBSERVE ALL MY GUESTS..."

LOOK,  
ROBIN--  
THAT  
"PILGRIM"!

BUT THAT CAN'T BE LEFTY REED! HE'S USING HIS RIGHT HAND FOR EVERYTHING!



"BUT BATMAN NEVER STOPPED WATCHING THAT MAN, AND WHEN HE SAW HIM HIDE BEHIND A SHRUB, BATMAN ACTED!"



"HIS AMAZING ACROBATIC FEAT BROUGHT HIM ATOP THE 'PILGRIM' WHO WAS JUST ABOUT TO AMBUSH ME WITH HIS MUSKET!"

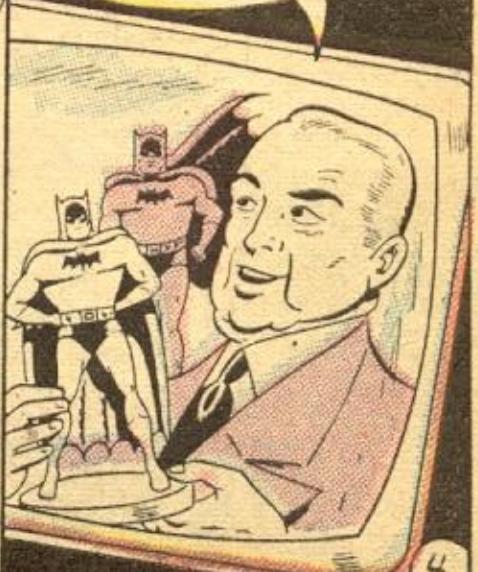
NOBODY INVITED YOU TO THE PARTY, LEFTY!



BUT I USED MY RIGHT HAND ALL THE TIME! WHERE DID I SLIP UP?

A RIGHT-HANDED MAN ALWAYS HAS HIS BELT BUCKLE FACING RIGHT--BUT YOURS IS FACING LEFT!

NOW, AS A TOKEN OF MY ESTEEM, BATMAN... MAY I PRESENT YOU WITH THIS STATUETTE OF YOURSELF!



AS THE CAMERA DOLLYS IN FOR A CLOSEUP,  
BATMAN SEEMS TO TRIP AND... LOOK OUT!

OOPS! SORRY!

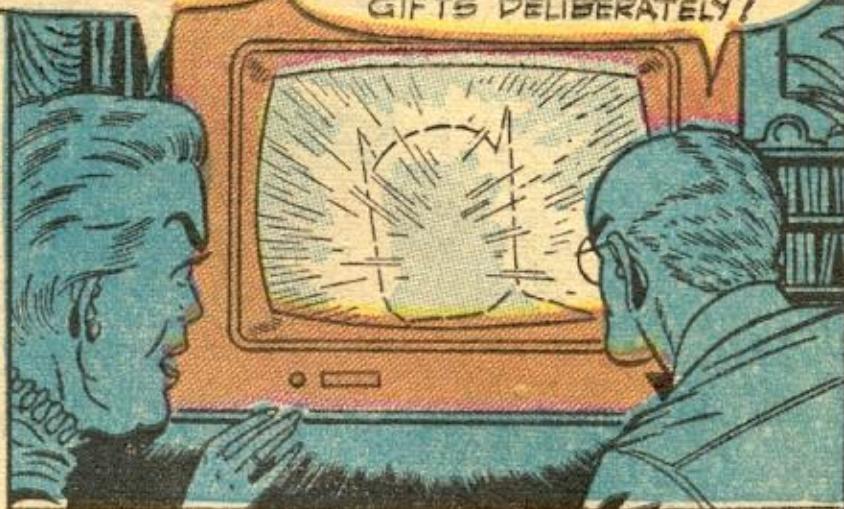
IT'S HITTING THE SPOTLIGHT!

SNAP!

THE IMPACT SWIVELS THE SPOTLIGHT SO THAT ITS  
DAZZLING LIGHT GLARES INTO THE CAMERA  
LENS, SPOILING THE TV PICTURE...

HOW COULD  
BATMAN  
BE SO CLUMSY?

ANYONE WOULD THINK HE WAS  
PRETENDING TO BE CLUMSY  
SO HE COULD BREAK THOSE  
GIFTS DELIBERATELY!



HASTILY, THE WORRIED ANNOUNCER  
INTRODUCES THE NEXT GUEST...

NOW--  
CAPTAIN  
HOBART  
OF THE  
HARBOR  
POLICE!

NOT LONG AGO, OUR  
HARBOR WAS PLAGUED  
BY MYSTERIOUS RIVER  
PIRATES WHO APPEARED  
AND DISAPPEARED  
WITHOUT A TRACE!

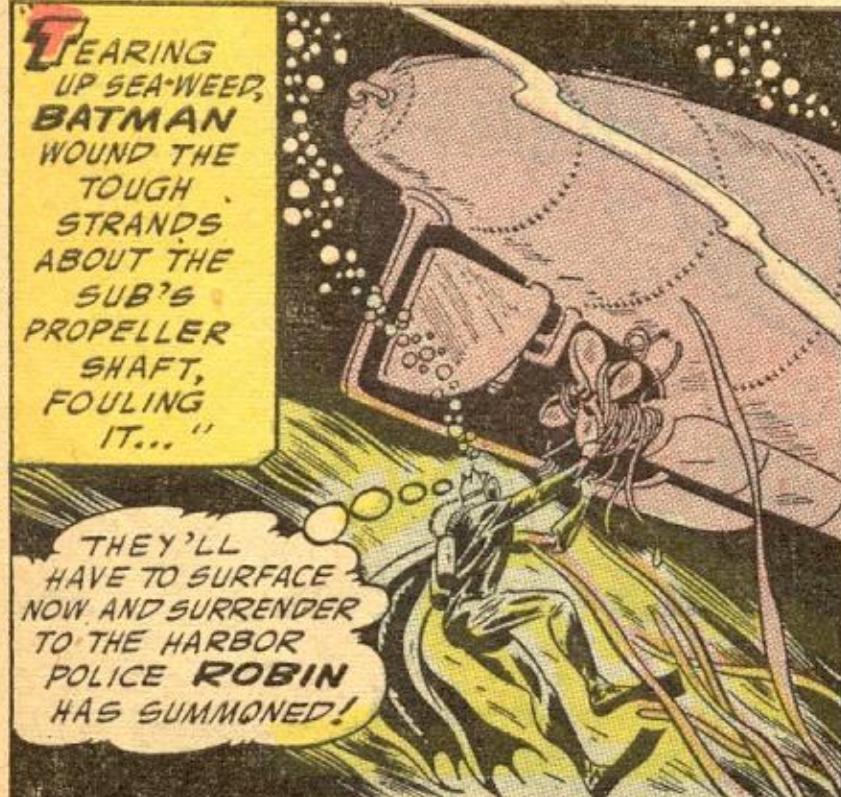
"BUT BATMAN AND ROBIN  
CEASELESSLY PATROLLED  
THE RIVER IN THEIR BAT-  
PLANE, AND ONE NIGHT..."

"MOMENTS LATER, WEARING A  
FROGMAN OUTFIT,  
BATMAN PLUNGED INTO  
THE RIVER'S CHILL WATER..."



TEARING  
UP SEA-WEED,  
BATMAN  
WOUND THE  
TOUGH  
STRANDS  
ABOUT THE  
SUB'S  
PROPELLER  
SHAFT,  
FOULING  
IT..."

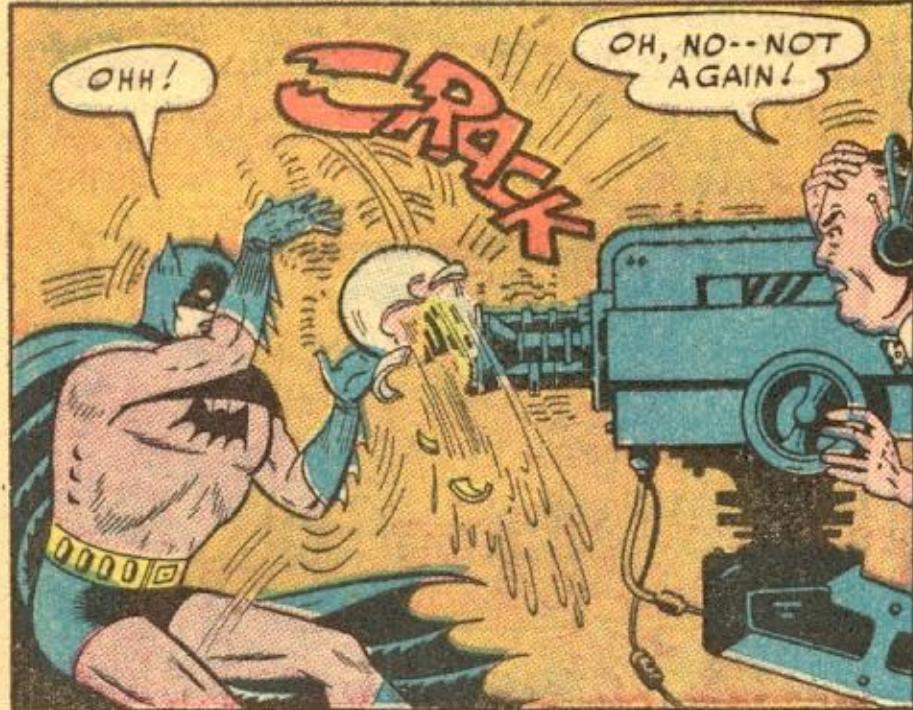
THEY'LL  
HAVE TO SURFACE  
NOW AND SURRENDER  
TO THE HARBOR  
POLICE ROBIN  
HAS SUMMONED!



NOW, THE HARBOR PATROL WISHES TO  
PRESENT BATMAN WITH THIS MODEL  
SCENE SYMBOLIC OF HIS WORK IN THAT  
CASE!

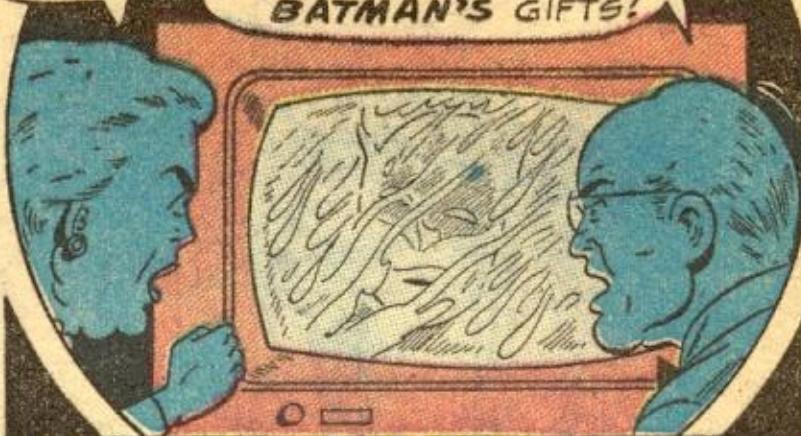


AS THE CAMERA MOVES IN FOR THE CLOSEUP...



WATER, CASCADING OVER THE LENS, DISTORTS THE TV PICTURE SO THAT BATMAN IS ALMOST UNRECOGNIZABLE...

I THINK THAT'S AN IMPERSONATOR, TRYING TO GET EVEN WITH THE REAL BATMAN BY BREAKING BATMAN'S GIFTS!



MAY I BE EXCUSED FOR A FEW MOMENTS? I--I SEEM TO BE A LITTLE SHAKY!

THAT'S AN UNDERSTATEMENT!

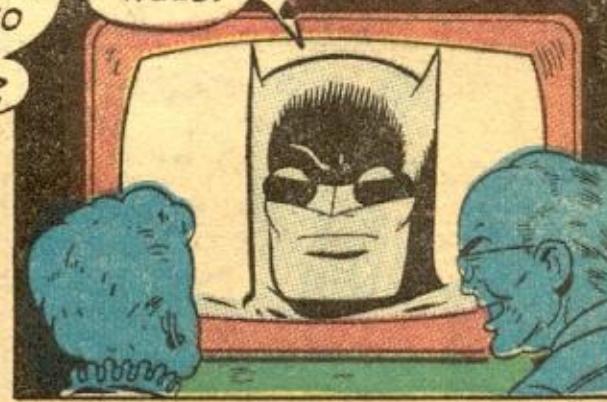
IN THE PRIVACY OF A DRESSING ROOM, ROBIN GOES SWIFTLY TO WORK...

I HAD TO SMASH THOSE GIFTS--TO RUIN ANY CLOSEUP OF THE CUT ON MY FACE! THE TV AUDIENCE WOULD HAVE RECOGNIZED IT AS BEING THE SAME ONE ON BRUCE WAYNE, AND GUESSED MY SECRET IDENTITY!

AFTER I COVER THE CUT WITH MAKEUP, HOW WILL YOU EXPLAIN YOUR STRANGE ACTIONS TO THE TV AUDIENCE?

LATER... HE MUST MEAN ROBIN! HE DID IT TO PROTECT ROBIN!

FOLKS, I CAN'T GO INTO DETAILS, BUT I DID WHAT I DID TO PROTECT THE CAREER OF SOMEONE I KNOW WELL!



GENTLEMEN, YOUR GIFTS MEAN MORE TO ME NOW THAN IF THEY WERE INTACT--BECAUSE BY BEING BROKEN THEY SERVED A GOOD CAUSE!

AND SO, IN THE FAMED BAT-CAVE, THREE BROKEN TROPHIES ARE DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY, FOR THEY SERVED TO SAVE THE CAREER OF SOMEONE BATMAN KNOWS WELL...



THE END.

# Binky shows "HOW TO SPEND A SUMMER WEEK!"

MONDAY...

COME ON,  
PETE, LET'S GO  
IN WITH BINKY  
AND THE REST  
OF THE CROWD!

NAAA--  
IT'S  
TOO HOT!

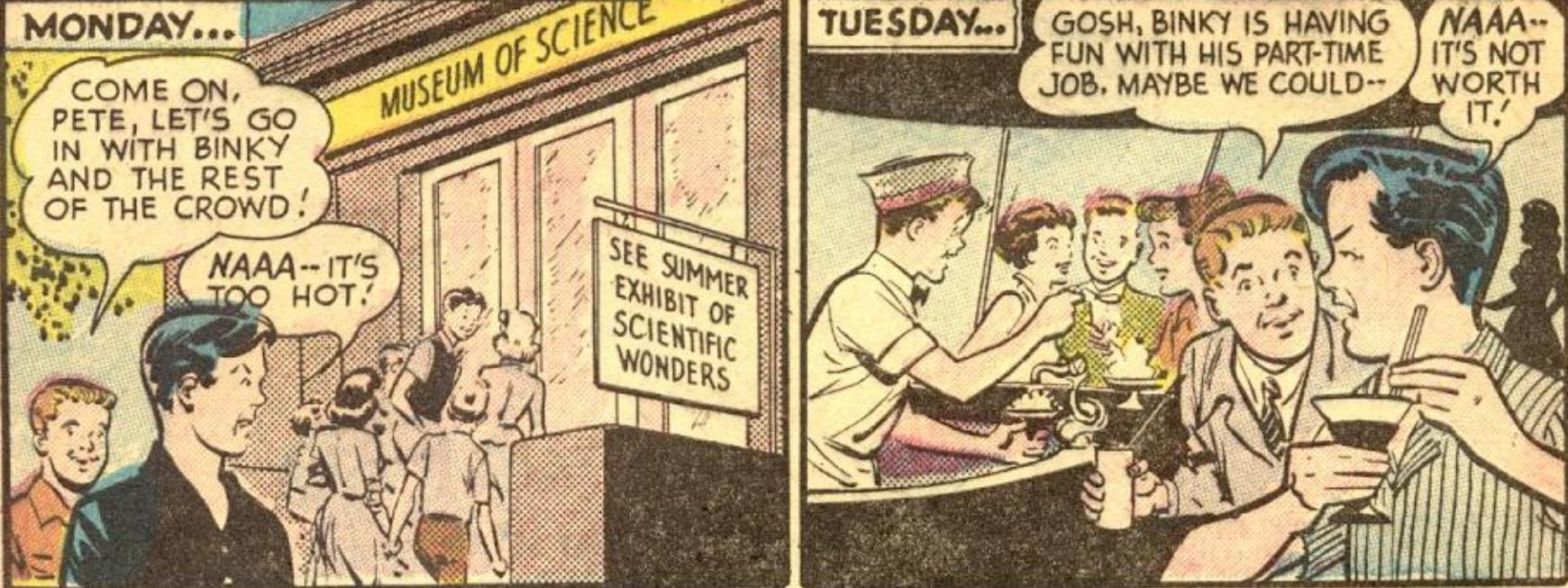
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SEE SUMMER  
EXHIBIT OF  
SCIENTIFIC  
WONDERS

TUESDAY...

GOSH, BINKY IS HAVING  
FUN WITH HIS PART-TIME  
JOB. MAYBE WE COULD--

NAAA--  
IT'S NOT  
WORTH  
IT!



WEDNESDAY...

HI, PETE, COMING IN  
WITH US?

NAAAAA--  
TOO  
NOISY!



THURSDAY...

WHY DON'T WE GET A  
GOOD BOOK TO READ,  
PETE?

NAAAAA--  
WHO WANTS  
TO READ?



FRIDAY...

HEY, PETE--MY  
MOTHER'S DRIVING  
OVER TO THE BEACH.  
WANT TO COME ALONG?

NAAAAA--  
TOO  
MUCH TROUBLE!

GOSH, SUMMER'S  
NO FUN WHEN YOU  
HAVE TO STAY HOME.  
NOTHING TO DO IN  
THIS OLD TOWN!



DON'T BE LIKE PETE.  
THERE'S SUMMER FUN IN YOUR  
OWN HOME TOWN! LOOK FOR  
IT AND YOU'LL FIND IT!



# CASEY THE COP

WANT A LIFT, CASEY?

IT ISN'T MUCH OF A CAR, BUT IT GOES!

IT HAS NO SPEEDOMETER.  
HOW DO YOU KNOW HOW  
FAST YOU'RE GOING?

OH, THAT'S EASY. WHEN I GET  
TO DRIVING 15 MILES AN HOUR  
MY FENDERS START TO RATTLE;  
AT 25 THE DOORS RATTLE -

AT 30 THE MOTOR STARTS  
KNOCKING - AND THAT'S AS  
FAST AS SHE'LL GO!

END

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# BATMAN

WITH  
**ROBIN**  
-THE BOY WONDER-

IN ADDITION TO FIGHTING FOR LAW AND ORDER, BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE ALWAYS BEEN KNOWN FOR THEIR SENSE OF JUSTICE AND FAIR PLAY! SO IT'S NO SURPRISE WHEN THEY JOIN A MOVEMENT TO HELP THE VERY MEN THEY ONCE HELPED TO SEND TO JAIL! BUT THE SURPRISES COME LATER--AS FAST AS THE THRILLS--IN THE STORY OF BATMAN AND--

## THE LEAGUE OF EX-CONVICTS

HELP the EX-CONVICT REHABILITATE HIMSELF!  
BATMAN WANTS YOU TO GIVE 'EM JOBS!

BOY! IS BATMAN GONNA REGRET THE DAY HE TRIED TO HELP THOSE JAILBIRDS! HA-HA!



ONE MORNING, IN THE BAT-CAVE HIDDEN BENEATH THE PALATIAL HOME OF MILLIONAIRE BRUCE (BATMAN) WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK (ROBIN) GRAYSON...

AS SOON AS WE UNCRATE THIS NEW ELECTRONIC MICROSCOPE, WE'LL GET INTO OUR UNIFORMS, DICK. I PROMISED ED STINSON I'D CALL ON HIM...

STINSON. ISN'T HE THE EX-CONVICT WHO JUST OPENED AN EMPLOYMENT AGENCY?



YES. HIS AGENCY WILL SPECIALIZE IN PLACING REFORMED EX-CONVICTS ONLY. IT'S A SORELY NEEDED ENTERPRISE IN GOTHAM CITY...

I CAN SEE WHY, MOST PEOPLE HATE TO HIRE AN EX-CONVICT. YET LOTS OF THEM HAVE LEARNED THEIR LESSON AND MAKE EXCELLENT EMPLOYEES!



## BATMAN

SOON AFTER...



MANY EX-CONVICTS COME OUT OF PRISON WITH REAL SKILLS. WE HAVE WELL-TRAINED MACHINISTS, MECHANICS, PRINTERS, LIBRARIANS, WELDERS, BOOKKEEPERS, ETC...

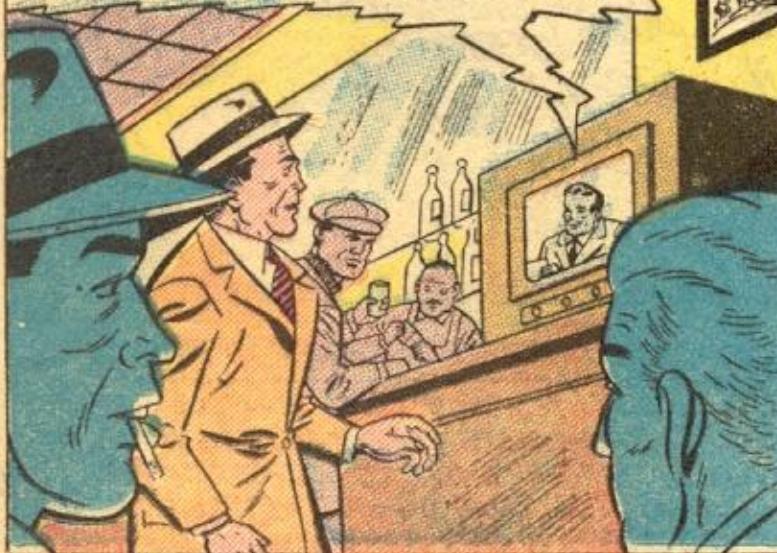
THEN, AS THE LAWMEN ENTER THE STINSON EMPLOYMENT AGENCY...

SHHH, ROBIN!  
HE'S ON CAMERA...

THE EX-CO-NVICT NEEDS HELP! IN THIS STATE, HE CANNOT APPLY FOR A CIVIL SERVICE JOB. HE CANNOT EVEN GET A JOB DRIVING A TAXI OR A TRUCK, BECAUSE HE IS PROHIBITED FROM OWNING A CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE!

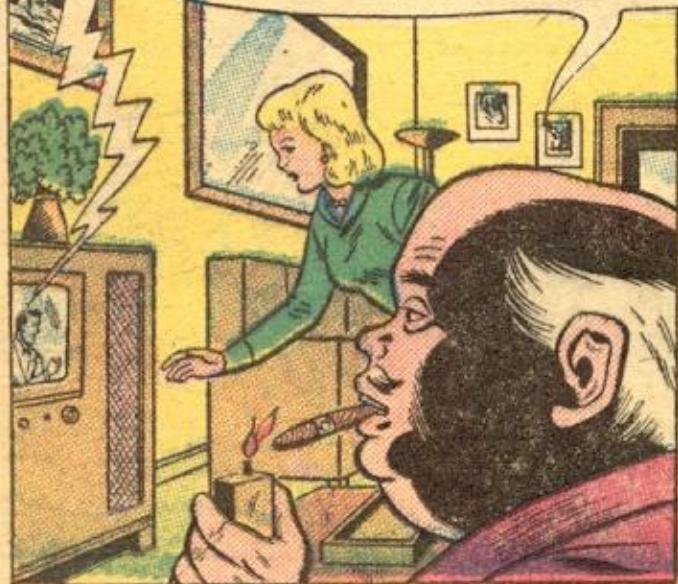
AND AS THE STINSON INTERVIEW CONTINUES, IT CATCHES THE EYE OF A GOTHAM CITY BUSINESS MAN NAMED RALPH BELLows...

NATURALLY, WE HAVE SCREENED OUR APPLICANTS VERY CAREFULLY. FOR THE MOST PART, THEY ARE MEN WHO COMMITTED MINOR CRIMES AND ARE ANXIOUS TO ATONE FOR THEIR MISTAKES!



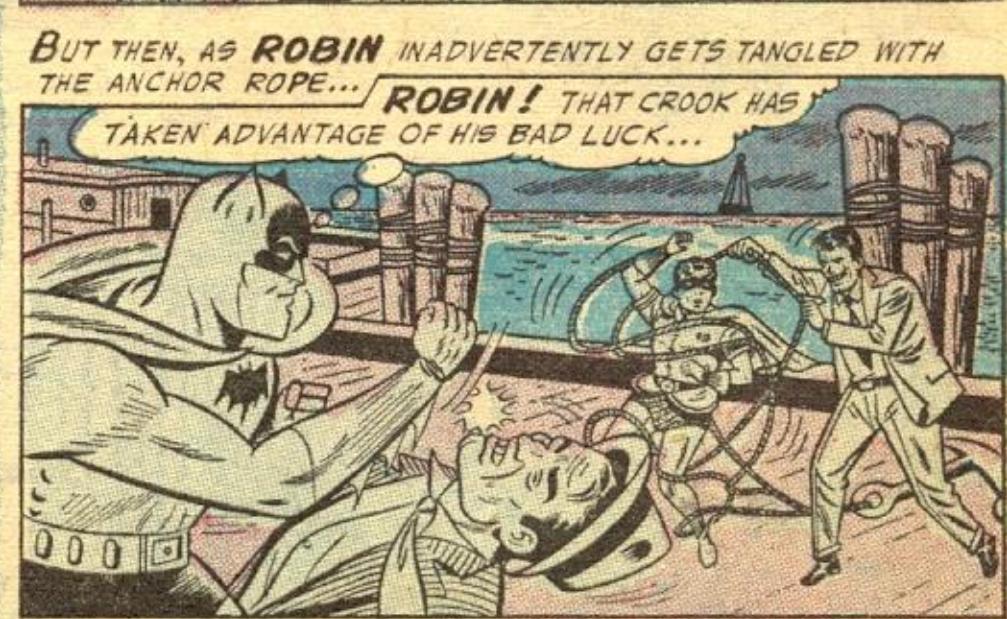
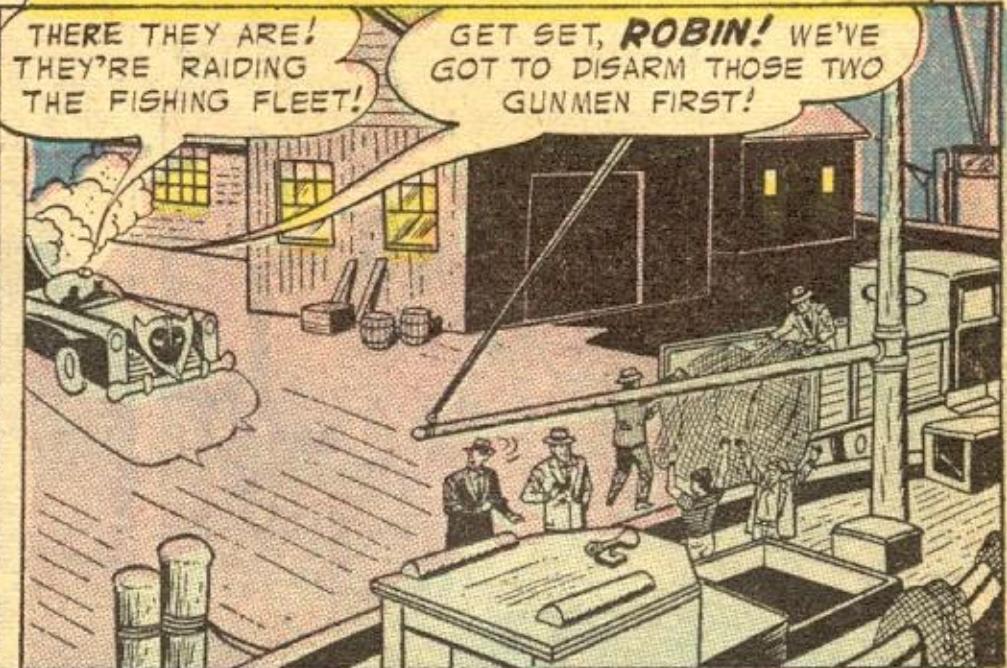
THANK YOU, I'M IMPRESSED! MISS WILLIAMS, TAKE A MEMO! WE NEED MR. ED STINSON! ANOTHER BOOKKEEPER HERE. CALL MR. STINSON AND MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS!

MEANWHILE, BACK AT STINSON'S OFFICE... BAT-SIGNAL! SORRY, ED--WE'VE GOT TO MOVE! THE BEST OF LUCK TO YOU! COME ON, ROBIN!



## BATMAN

MOMENTS LATER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS... AND AS THE **BATMOBILE** RACES TO THE NORTH DOCK...



BUT THEN, AS AN IDEA COMES TO THE LAWMAN!

BARNACLES! THERE AREN'T MANY SHARPER THINGS IN THE WORLD! THEY'LL SLICE THIS ROPE IN NO TIME!



IN A FEW MOMENTS, THE ROPE IS SEVERED, AND BATMAN HAULS ROBIN UPWARD TO SAFETY.

THEN...

THE CROOKS BEAT IT IN THEIR TRUCK, BATMAN! ALL THEY TOOK WAS OUR BIG NET. WONDER WHAT FOR? THEY CERTAINLY WEREN'T FISHERMEN!

THAT NET WAS TREMENDOUS. HMM...



SENDING ROBIN HOME TO RECUPERATE, BATMAN REPORTS BACK TO HEADQUARTERS WHERE...

WE'VE SENT OUT AN A.P.B. ON THAT TRUCK, BATMAN. MEANWHILE, I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR YOU FROM ED STINSON. AS A RESULT OF THE TELECAST, TEN OF HIS EX-COMVICTS WERE HIRED TODAY!

WELL, THAT'S GOOD NEWS, ANYWAY!

I'VE GOT A THOUGHT ON THAT FISH-NET THEFT. WOULD YOU NOTIFY ALL PAINT STORES TO RECORD THE SALES OF ANY LARGE QUANTITY OF PAINT-- PARTICULARLY BROWN AND GREEN?

PAINT?? WHY SURE, BATMAN.. ANYTHING YOU SAY...



AND AS DAYS PASS, AT A LARGE COUNTRY ESTATE...

NEXT MORNING IN THE OFFICES OF RALPH BELLWS...

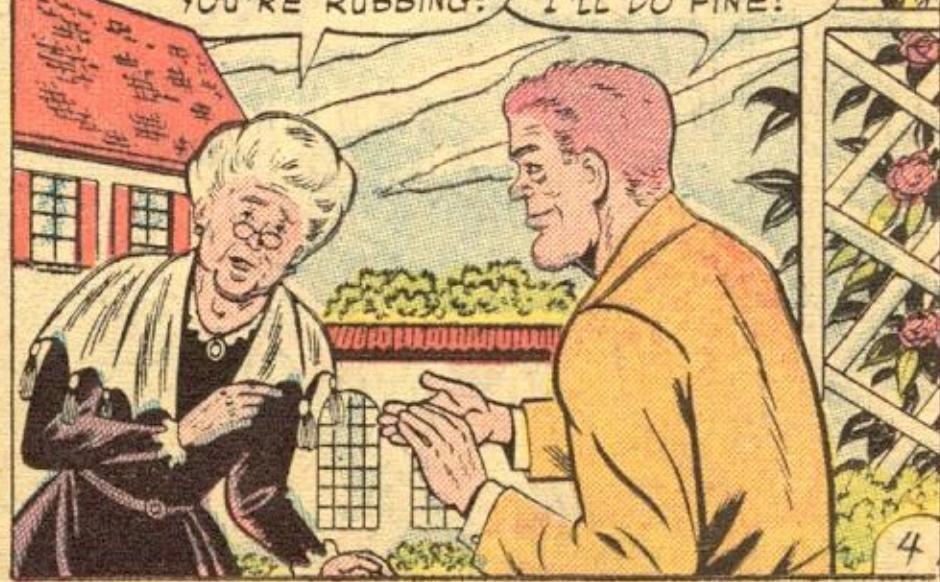
SO YOU'RE TOM BLICK-- THE MAN ED STINSON SENT US! WELL, BLICK-- IT'S UP TO YOU! PROVE YOUR ABILITY-- AND YOU CAN GO FAR WITH US!

THANKS, MR. BELLWS-- FOR EVERYTHING!



ED STINSON RECOMMENDS YOU HIGHLY AS A GARDENER, MR. DENNIS-- SO I'M HIRING YOU. IS THAT A RABBIT'S FOOT YOU'RE RUBBING?

YES, MA'AM! THEY CALL ME LUCKY DENNIS. LONG AS THERE ARE NO BLACK CATS AROUND HERE, I'LL DO FINE!



## BATMAN

AND IN THE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE OF A LARGE FACTORY...

MY NAME IS HARRY WESTON-- FROM THE ED STINSON EMPLOYMENT AGENCY!

OH, YES, MR. WESTON--WE'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU. YOU START YOUR NIGHT-WATCHMAN DUTIES TOMORROW AT 6 P.M.! REPORT TO THIS OFFICE!

THE GRAFF CO.--APPLIANCE DIVISION



DAYS PASS, AND THE ED STINSON EXPERIMENT SEEMS TO BE A GREAT SUCCESS. BUT THEN-- A BOMBSHELL...



AND AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

THIS IS DISGRACEFUL! STINSON-- I HOLD YOU PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE! YOU'VE UNLEASHED A PACK OF CRIMINALS UPON THE PUBLIC!

BUT--MAYBE IT'S ALL A MISTAKE. I KNOW TOM BLICK! HE JUST WOULDN'T DO A THING LIKE THIS!



BUT TWO DAYS LATER... POLICE?? THIS IS MRS. CARRUTHERS, OF EAST HILL ROAD! I'VE BEEN ROBBED-- ALL MY JEWELS! MY GARDENER DID IT (SOB)! I GUESS YOU CAN'T CHANGE A LEOPARD'S SPOTS!



SOON AFTER...

I WENT TO BED AT MIDNIGHT-- EVERYTHING WAS FINE. THEN, THIS MORNING, I FIND--THIS! MY JEWELS GONE-- AND MY GARDENER, TOO!

LUCKY DENNIS, YOU SAY? I REMEMBER HIM-- I HELPED SEND HIM TO PRISON...



AND HERE'S A NEWS FLASH! THAT POLICE REPORT A ROBBERY AT NIGHT... THE GRAFF COMPANY'S APPLIANCE DIVISION. PRIME SUSPECT IS A NIGHT WATCHMAN-- A RECENTLY-HIRED EX-CONVICT!



MEANWHILE, SOMEONE ELSE HEARS THE SAME NEWS BROADCAST--OBVIOUSLY WITH MUCH MORE PLEASURE!

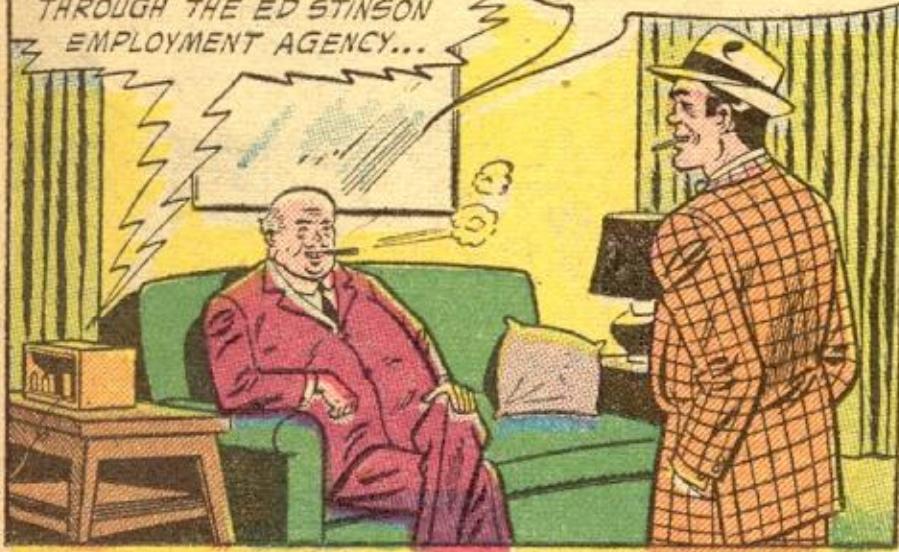
THIS IS THE THIRD CRIME IN WHICH POOR STINSON! THE MAJOR SUSPECT IS AN EX-CONVICT WHO GOT HIS JOB THROUGH THE ED STINSON EMPLOYMENT AGENCY...

MR. BELLows, I HAVE TO HAND IT TO YOU! EMBEZZLING MONEY FROM A BUSINESS THAT WAS ON ITS LAST LEGS-- AND I BRANCHED OUT, WITH A SMART THEN PINNING THE RAP GANG! VERY ON A SUCKER!

I COULDN'T RESIST THE OPPORTUNITY STINSON SET UP!

HA-HA! THE PAPERS WILL ROAST HIM GOOD!

SIMPLE, PULL A JOB, KEEP THE EX-CONVICT IN HIDING-- AND EVERYBODY BLAMES HIM!

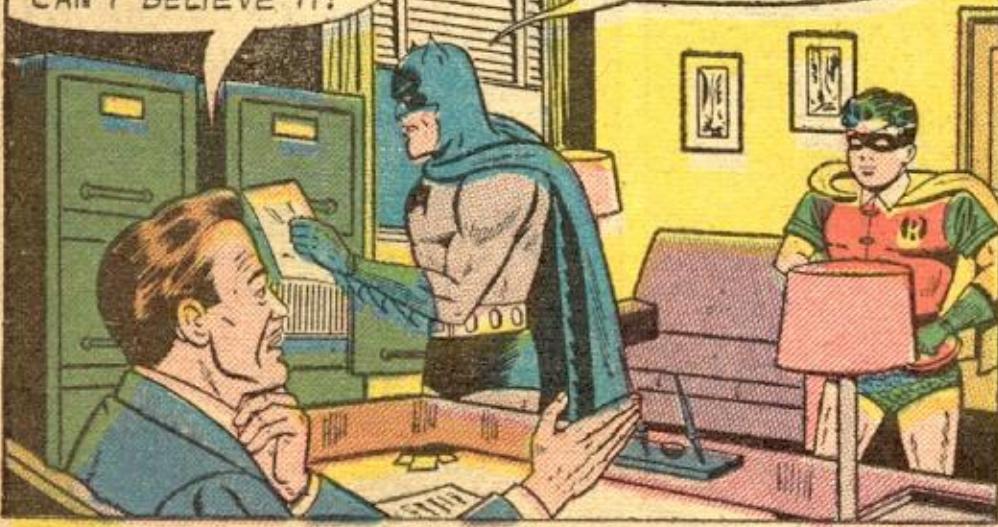


NOT EVERYBODY, MR. BELLows! FOR, THE VERY NEXT EVENING...

WHAT'S HAPPENING?? I WOULD HAVE STAKED MY LIFE ON THOSE EX-CONS, BATMAN-- I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

I DON'T BLAME YOU-- I DON'T BELIEVE IT AT ALL! SOMEONE IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUR CLIENTS!

FOR INSTANCE: IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT LUCKY DENNIS, SUPERSTITIOUS AS HE IS, WOULD HAVE PULLED A CRIME ON A FRIDAY, THE 13TH!



BUT--BUT WHO WOULD DO A THING LIKE THIS?

THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO FIND OUT! RIGHT NOW THE BAT-SIGNAL IS CALLING US!

MOMENTS LATER, IN FRONT OF POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

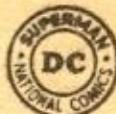
YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT THAT PAINT, BATMAN. THE BELL PAINT COMPANY RECEIVED A LARGE ORDER FOR BROWN AND GREEN PAINT LAST WEEK. AND HERE'S AN ODD ONE: IT WAS SHIPPED TO RALPH BELLows!

AHA! NOW WE'RE GETTING SOMEWHERE!





# BATMAN



SOON AFTER, IN THE BAT-CAVE...

BUT WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT THE PAINT??

NO TIME TO EXPLAIN NOW. I'VE GOT TO SLIP INTO A DISGUISE AND DELIVER SOME MORE PAINT TO RALPH BELLOWS. YOU FOLLOW IN THE BATPLANE--AND BE READY TO PICK ME UP!

A FEW HOURS LATER, AS A DISGUISED BATMAN REACHES THE HOME OF RALPH BELLOWS...

RUSH ORDER OF PAINT?? AT THIS HOUR??

BELLOWS IS OUT. YES, SIR! FROM A PHONE CALL FROM THE BELL PAINT CO. ESTABLISHED THAT!

APPARENTLY IT'S IMPORTANT. I WAS TOLD TO RUSH RIGHT OUT HERE!



THEN, AS BATMAN SHEDS HIS DISGUISE AND IS PICKED UP BY ROBIN...

IF MY RUSE WORKS, A CAR OUGHT TO LEAVE THAT HOUSE RIGHT AWAY. WE'LL FOLLOW IT--AND MAYBE STRIKE PAYDIRT!

I DON'T GET IT! IF YOU THINK BELLOWS IS YOUR MAN, WHY DON'T YOU ARREST HIM?

WE NEED PROOF, ROBIN!

WAIT! THERE'S A CAR NOW! STICK WITH IT!



SOME TIME LATER... THAT'S NO THICKET,

WHY--THE CAR DROVE INTO THAT THICKET AND NEVER CAME OUT!

ROBIN! THAT'S CAMOUFLAGE--AS USED IN WARFARE! THE KIND YOU MAKE WITH LEAVES, BRANCHES, LARGE NETS AND BROWN AND GREEN PAINT!



AND AS THE LAWMEN SWOOP INTO THE CLEVERLY CONCEALED HIDEOUT...

THERE'S THE NET, ROBIN-- STOLEN FROM THE FISHING FLEET!

AND LOOK! A LOG CABIN! YOU'D NEVER KNOW IT, UNLESS YOU CAME UP REAL CLOSE!

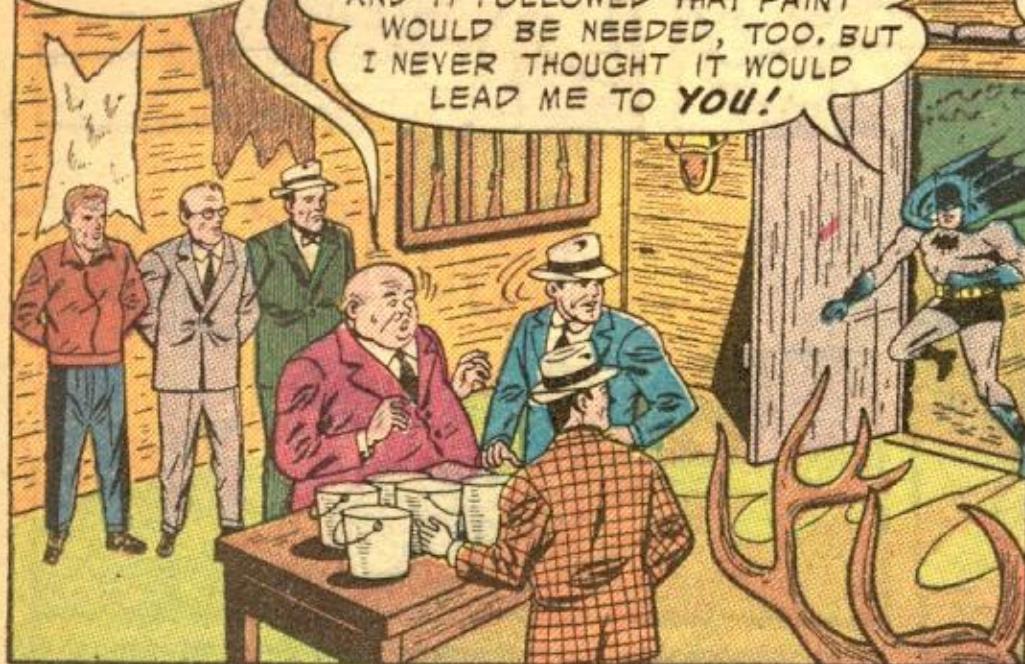


A MOMENT LATER...

BATMAN!

IT WAS A LONG SHOT,  
GUESSING THAT THE FISH-NET  
WOULD BE USED FOR CAMOUFLAGE.  
AND IT FOLLOWED THAT PAINT  
WOULD BE NEEDED, TOO. BUT  
I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD  
LEAD ME TO YOU!

LOOK, BATMAN! THIS IS WHAT  
HAPPENS TO A MAN WHEN A  
**BUCK GOES TO HIS  
HEAD!**



THOSE HUNTING RIFLES!  
GOT TO STOP HIM!

SOME MORE CAMOUFLAGE, BELLows!  
WHY--ARE YOU SICK?? YOU'VE  
SUDDENLY TURNED **GREEN!**



AND SOON AFTER...

GOSH, BATMAN -- I

HERE, ROBIN -- TIE  
THEM UP WITH ROPES  
THAT BOUND THE  
CAPTIVES!

NEVER THOUGHT THE  
DAY WOULD COME  
WHEN I'D BE SO HAPPY  
TO SEE YOU!

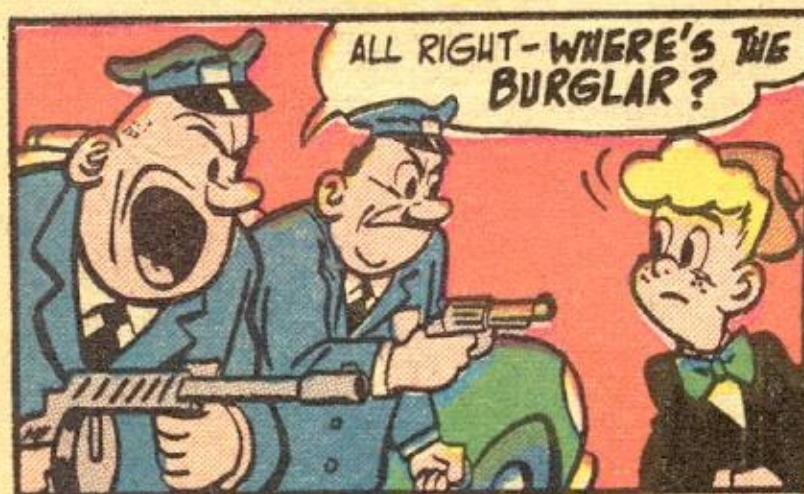
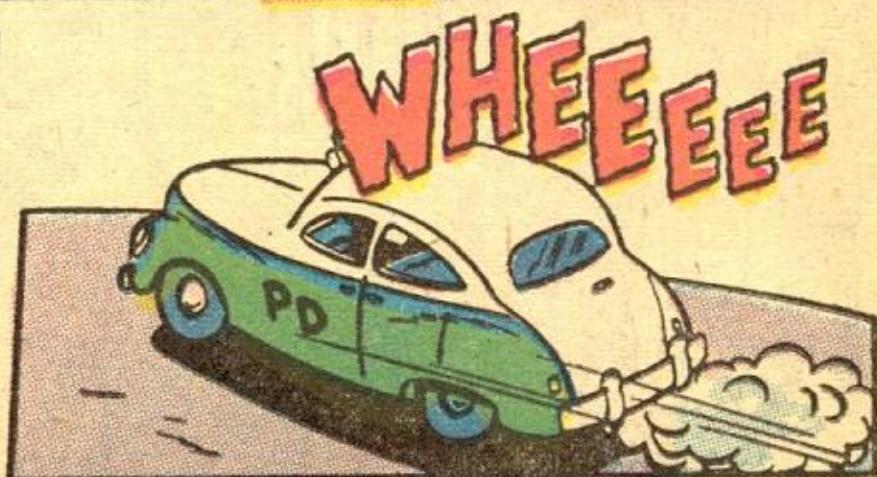
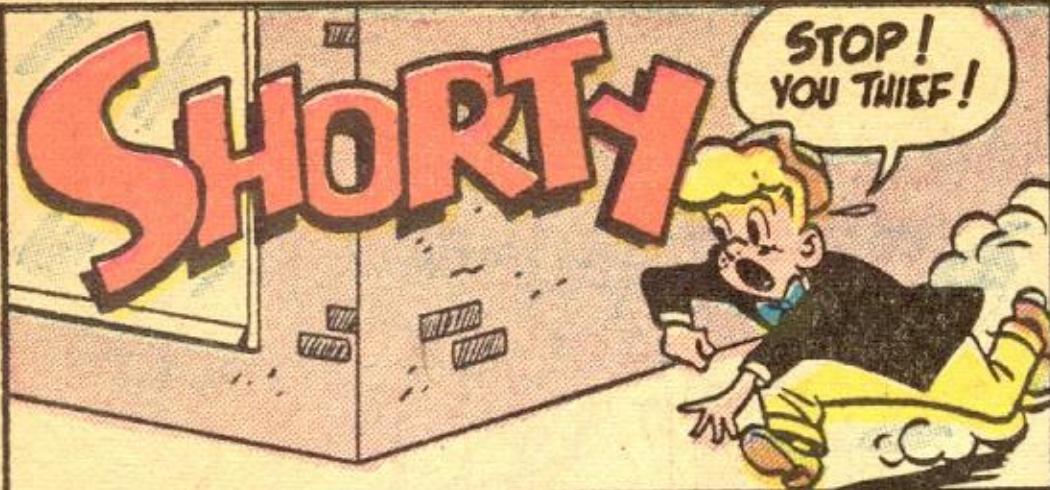


LATER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

AND SO, KNOWING  
BELLows WASN'T  
HOME, I HOPED  
THE RUSH ORDER  
OF PAINT WOULD PANIC  
A HENCHMAN INTO  
RACING IT TO THE  
HIDEOUT. THE  
TRICK WORKED!

GOOD POLICE WORK,  
BATMAN. AS EVER,  
YOU REMAIN A MOST  
VALUABLE ADJUNCT TO  
OUR FORCE. AND I'M  
SURE MR. STINSON HERE  
AGREES! YOU'VE PUT  
HIM BACK IN  
BUSINESS!





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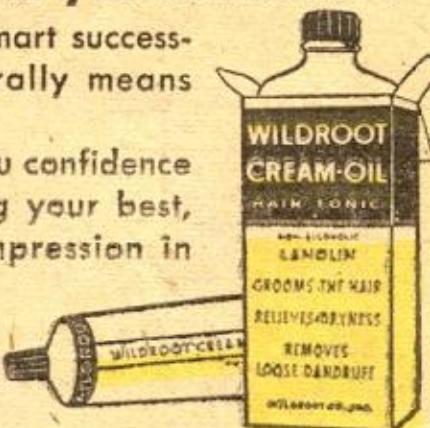
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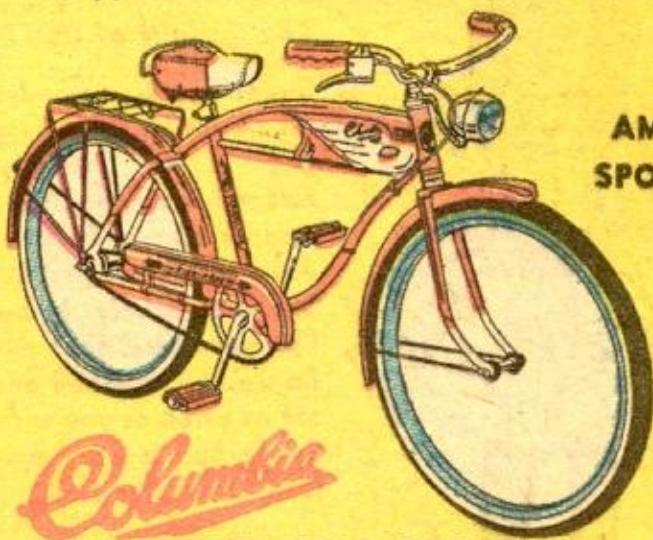
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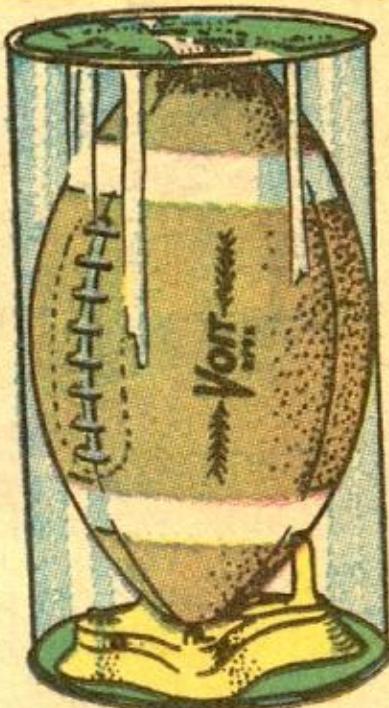
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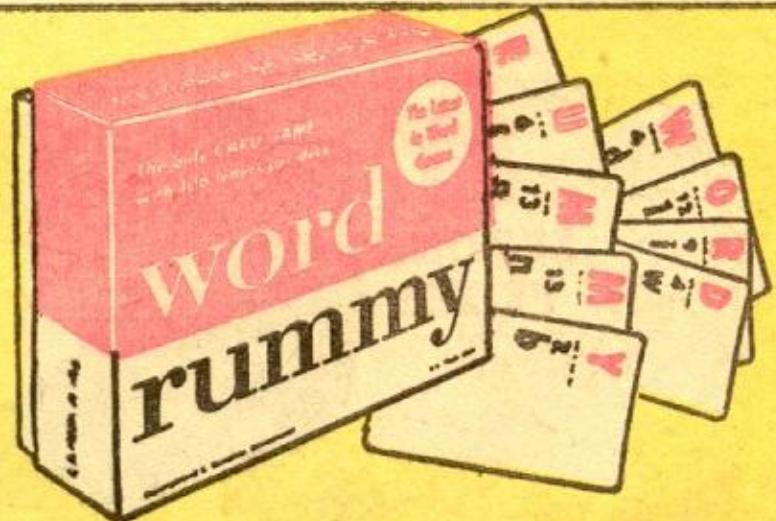
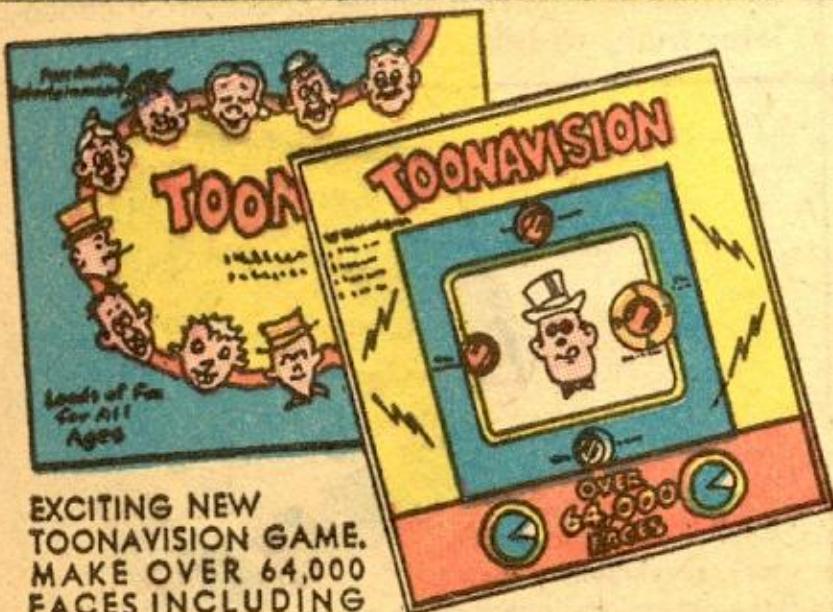
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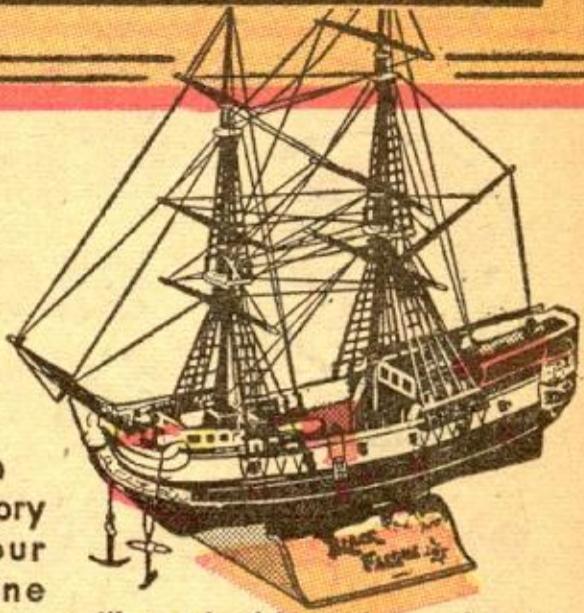


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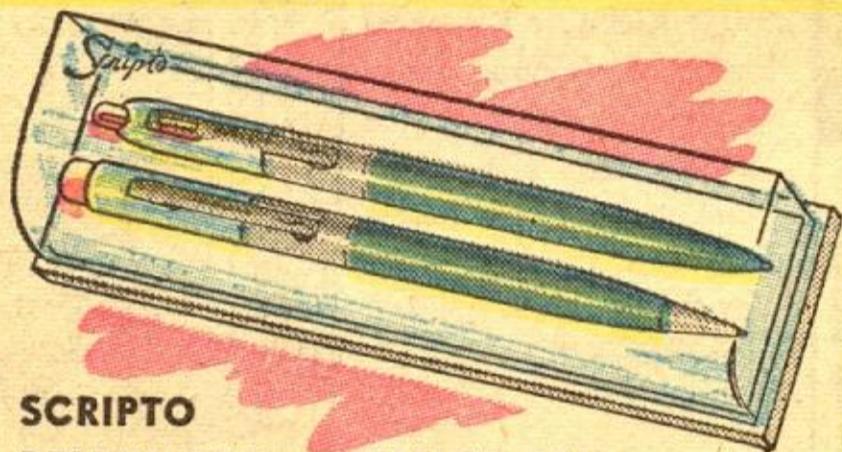
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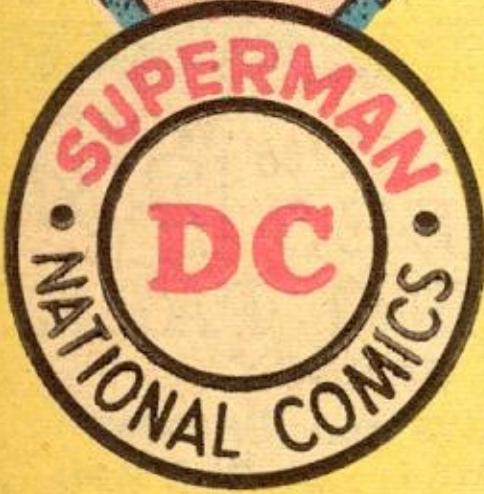
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# TROUBLESHOOTERS IN UNIFORM

A New Type of Service Helps Owners

## To Burglar-Proof Their Properties

NOT long ago, two uniformed police officers stealthily moved into the alley adjoining a warehouse. One of them began to work on the frame of a cellar window.

The old wooden frame creaked noisily, its rotting wood giving way entirely next moment to slightly more pressure.

One of the policemen nodded with satisfaction to his partner. In a low whisper, he said, "This place is easy to break into!"

"Sure is," said the other.

The two men made no further attempt to break in, and left.

In a different city, more recently, a pair of uniformed sleuths clambered over several rooftops, slipped through a dozen supposedly-locked doors, and eventually found themselves in the reception office of a well-known wholesale jewelry firm.

The two police officers then combined their strength to force open a bolted door leading to the company's vault.

"Now all we have to do is break into the vault," said one; and the other agreed.

Who were these policemen?

Strange as it may seem, they were members

of a new type of police service squad. This squad offers its expert help to owners of buildings who want to burglar-proof their properties.

The police officers place themselves in the identical position of burglars, and try to act exactly as burglars would in gaining access to a building.

In the first case, recounted above, the police had discovered that all of the window frames would have to be replaced if the warehouse owner wanted to make certain that he was leaving no welcome mats around for burglars.

In the second case, the police experts recommended a change of locks and the installation of a steel door leading to the vault.

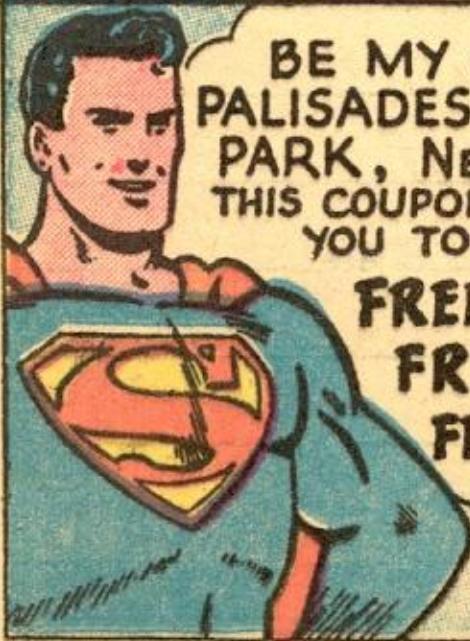
The police troubleshooters probe for soft spots in the building or place of business. Some concerns are advised to change their locks, others to employ a night watchman, still others to seal off an entire entrance.

The policemen of this new type of squad, which exists in many large cities, and is fast spreading throughout the country, don't mind playing the roles of burglars as long as it cuts down actual burglaries. And you can be sure that it has!

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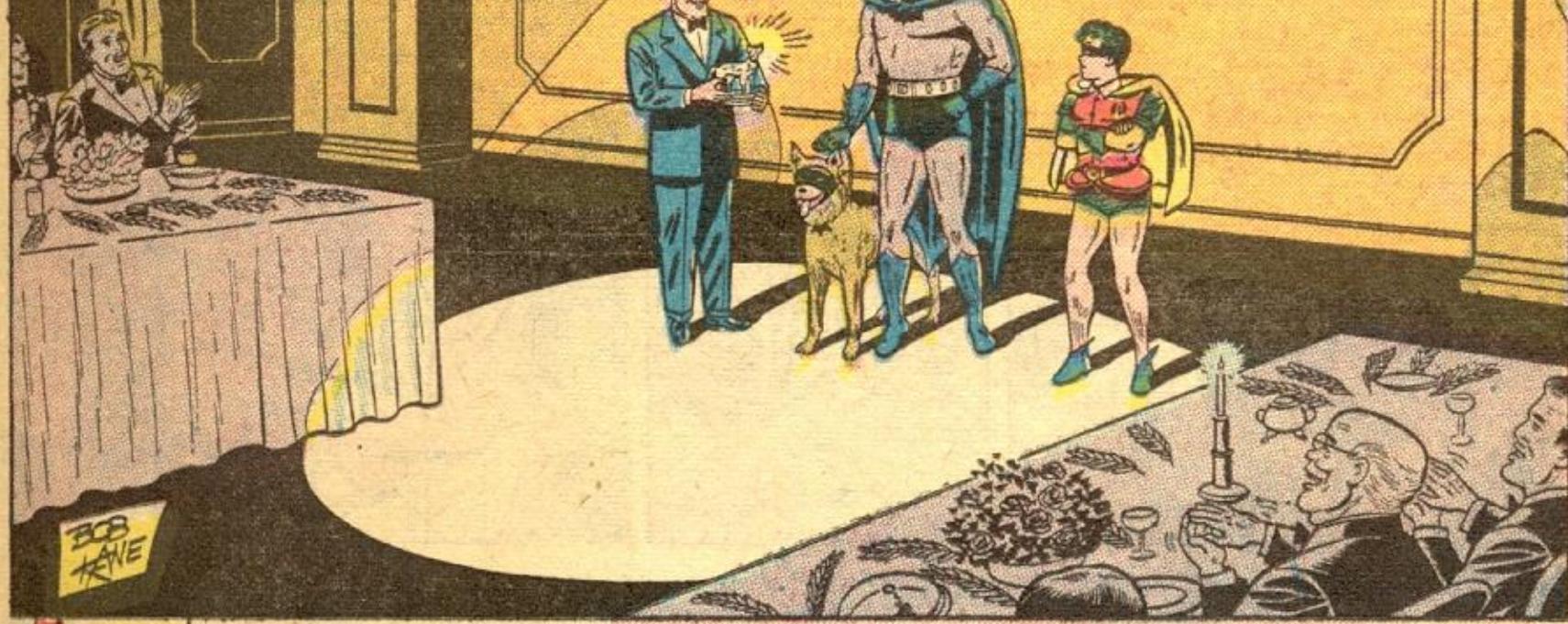
# BAT-MAN

With  
**ROBIN**  
THE BOY WONDER

IT'S LIGHTS, CAMERA, AND PLENTY OF ACTION WHEN BATMAN AND ROBIN'S FAVORITE FOUR-LEGGED FRIEND, ACE THE BAT-HOUND, JOINS THEM IN ANOTHER ADVENTURE! ONLY THIS TIME, THEY'VE GOT TWO MISSIONS TO COMPLETE, AS A DESPERATE CRIMINAL TRIES TO WIPE OUT THE DYNAMIC DUO AT THE SAME TIME THAT HOLLYWOOD FILM-MAKERS RECORD THE AMAZING ANTICS OF...

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BATMAN,  
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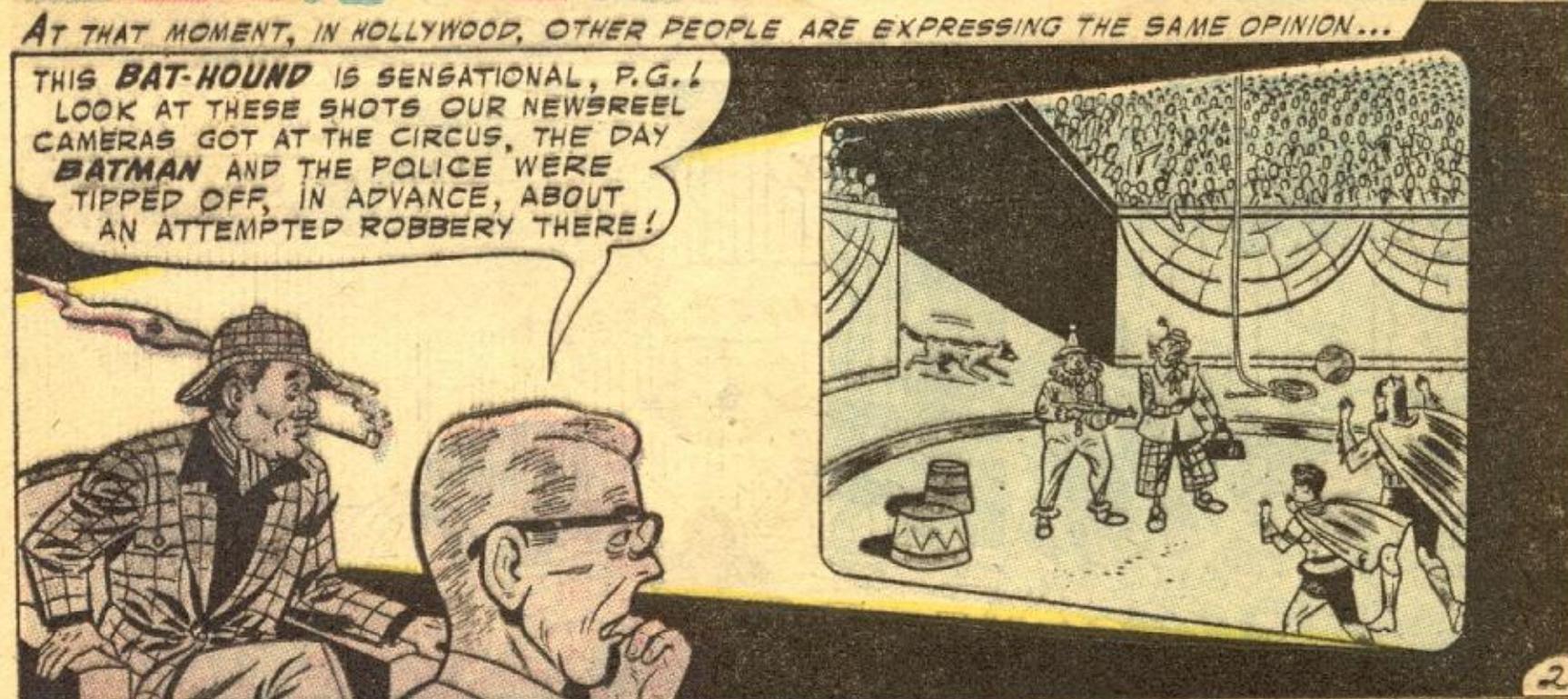
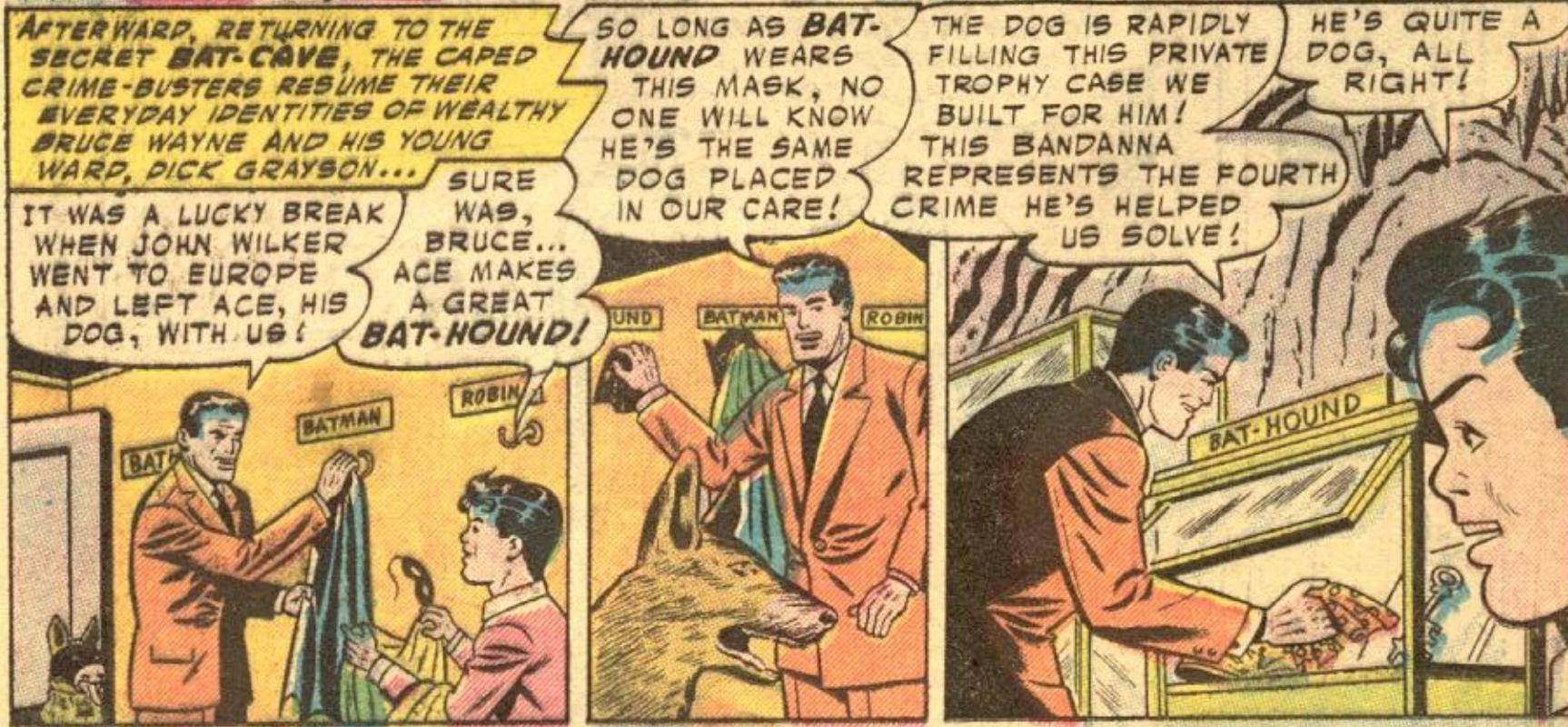
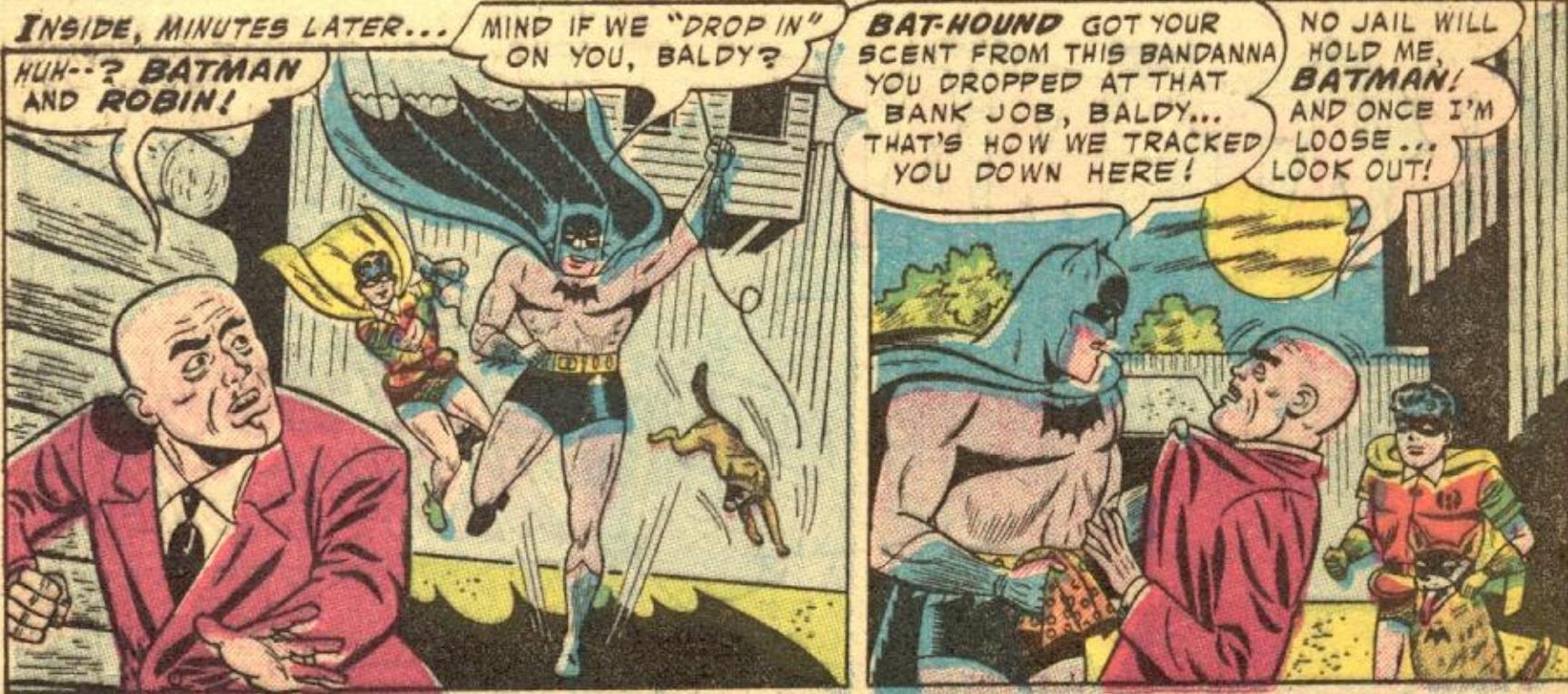


EVENING--  
AND AT  
THE SITE  
OF A  
FAINED  
NATIONAL  
SHRINE  
OUTSIDE  
GOTHAM  
CITY...

SO THIS IS WHERE BALDY  
GORE'S HIDING OUT, EH?  
NICE WORK, BAT-HOUND!

OLD FORT  
DEVER

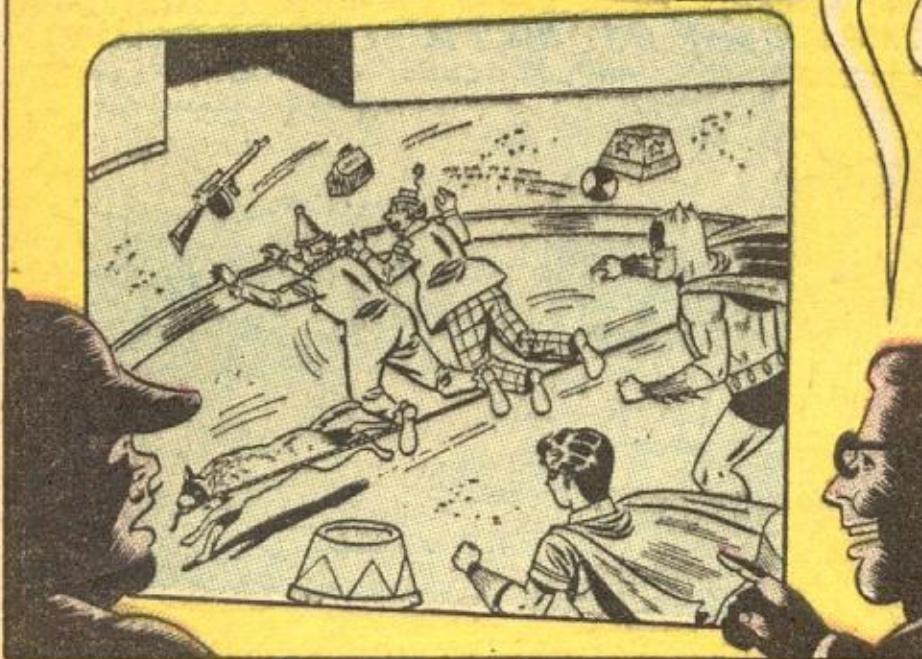




SEE HOW THE DOG TRIPPED UP THOSE CROOKS SO BATMAN AND ROBIN COULD DISARM THEM?

STOP THE MACHINE... I'VE SEEN ENOUGH! I MUST HAVE THIS DOG IN MY NEW PRODUCTION! WITH BATMAN, ROBIN AND BAT-HOUND IN ONE FILM, IT CAN'T FAIL!

I'LL SEND A TELEGRAM TONIGHT! YOU'RE A GENIUS, PG.!



IT'S 48 HOURS LATER WHEN THREE FAMILIAR FIGURES ENTER THE WORLD OF CELLULOID MAKE-BELIEVE...

BUT WHEN THE BUSY LITTLE MAKEUP MAN ATTEMPTS TO DO HIS JOB...

I KNEW YOU'D AGREE TO THE FILM WHEN WE PROMISED THAT BIG DONATION TO CHARITY, BATMAN! I'M HAVING PERCY ELWIN, OUR TOP MAKEUP MAN, WORK ON BAT-HOUND!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT WITH ME, IF IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH THE DOG!

I HAVE JUST THE THING FOR THIS MAGNIFICENT BEAST... A POODLE HAIRCUT! JUST A LITTLE SNIP HERE AND... WHAT--? H-HE DOESN'T SEEM TO LIKE ME!



STOP! STOP! HA, HA... THEY'LL NEVER MAKE A LAP DOG OUT OF BAT-HOUND!

BUT BATMAN WOULD HAVE LITTLE CAUSE TO LAUGH IF HE WITNESSED THIS SCENE TAKING PLACE BACK AT GOTHAM PENITENTIARY...

IT'S BALDY GORE... HE PULLED THE FIRST ESCAPE HERE IN TEN YEARS!



WHILE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN...

HA, HA... IT WAS A MILLION-TO-ONE SHOT, BUT I MADE IT! NOW TO DITCH THESE PRISON DUDS AND HEAD OUT TO HOLLYWOOD... I GOT A SCORE TO SETTLE THERE-- WITH BATMAN!



SO ONE WEEK LATER, AS WORK BEGINS ON THE FILM...

NOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS FIRST SCENE, BATMAN?

YES... I SWIM OUT IN THE RIVER, WHERE I'M HIT BY A LOG! BAT-HOUND SEES MY DIFFICULTY, AND RESCUES ME--RIGHT?



CORRECT! OF COURSE, THE LOG IS A HOLLOW ONE... IT CAN'T POSSIBLY HURT YOU! LET'S GET STARTED... WHERE'S THAT NEW PROPERTY MAN MIMS HIRED?

HERE I AM, SIR... THE LOG'S IN THE TRUCK! I'LL GET IT...

INSIDE THE TRUCK, HOWEVER, THE "NEW PROPERTY MAN" UNDERGOES A STARTLING TRANSFORMATION...

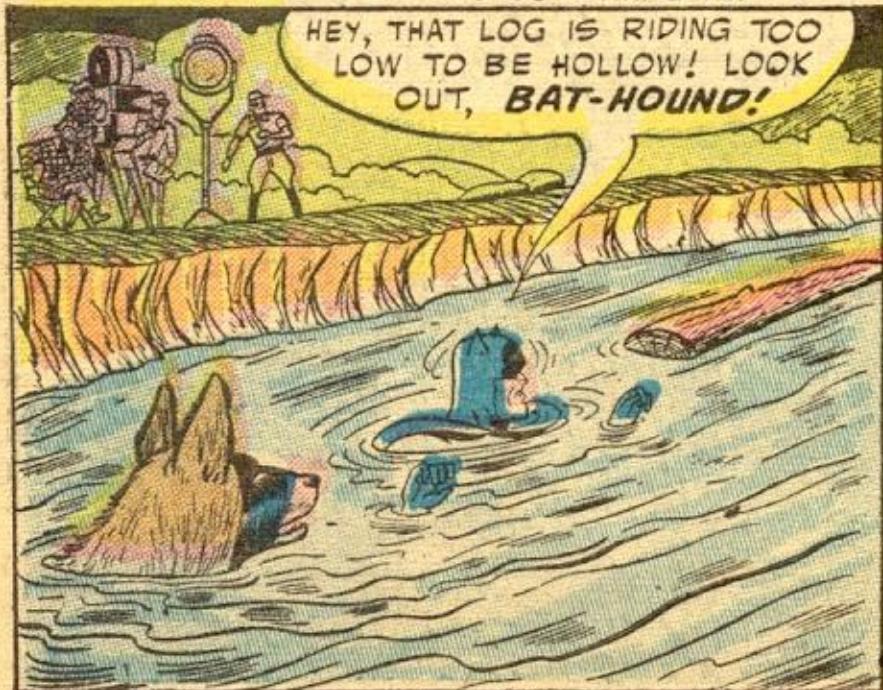
WHEN IT'S HOT AS BLAZES IN HERE, AND THIS WIG DON'T HELP EITHER! THERE'S THE LOG I PREPARED FOR THE NEXT SCENE...

ONLY IT'S NO HOLLOW LOG... IT MUST WEIGH GO ROUNDS! AND WHEN IT CONNECTS WITH BATMAN'S SKULL... LOOK OUT!



BUT AS THE CAMERAS START ROLLING, BATMAN'S SHARP EYE QUICKLY SPOTS SOMETHING AMISS...

HEY, THAT LOG IS RIDING TOO LOW TO BE HOLLOW! LOOK OUT, BAT-HOUND!



WHEN MADE IT... BUT THE DOG COULDN'T DUCK IN TIME!



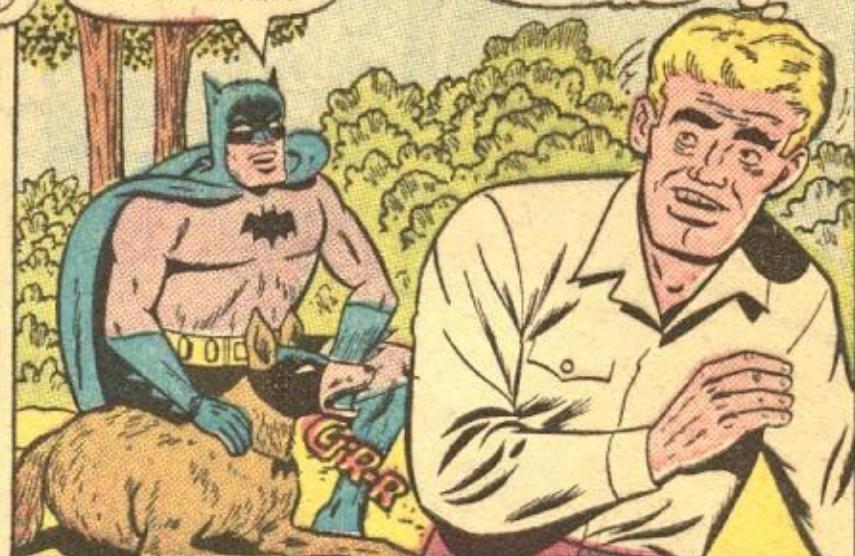
A POWERFUL OVERHAND STROKE BRINGS A SWIFT RESCUE...

THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL! WHAT DO YOU PEOPLE PUT IN YOUR HOLLOW LOGS--CEMENT?

THAT... ER... WASN'T THE PROP LOG, BATMAN! A REAL ONE MUST HAVE GOTTEN LOOSE UPSTREAM, AND-- UH-- NOBODY SPOTTED IT! SORRY...

WELL, I GUESS BAT-HOUND IS ALL RIGHT... BUT HE DOESN'T SEEM TO TAKE TO YOU, PROP MAN!

GUESS NOT... I'LL--ER--GET BACK TO WORK NOW!  
GOTTA BEAT IT... THAT MUTT RECOGNIZES MY SCENT!

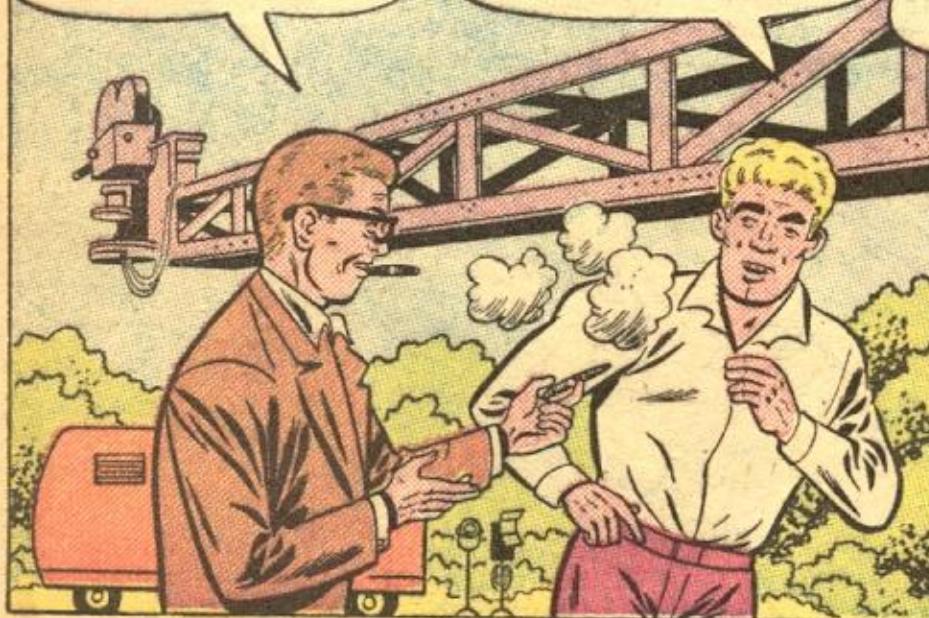


WHAT'S THE HURRY, PROP MAN? PLENTY OF TIME TILL THE NEXT SCENE! HERE, HAVE A CIGAR!

UGH!... I HATE CIGARS! I-- WAIT A MINUTE--ON SECOND THOUGHT, MAYBE I WILL HAVE ONE!

AND BALDY HAS GOOD REASON FOR CHANGING HIS MIND...

BAT-HOUND "SAW" THROUGH MY DISGUISE BECAUSE HE KNOWS MY SCENT... BUT FROM HERE ON THE SMELL OF THIS CIGAR WILL COVER MY TRAIL!



SHORTLY, AS BAT-HOUND RECOVERS FROM THE BLOW AND THE FILM COMPANY GOES INTO ACTION ONCE MORE...

YOU FELLOWS ALL SET FOR THE BIG FIRE SCENE?

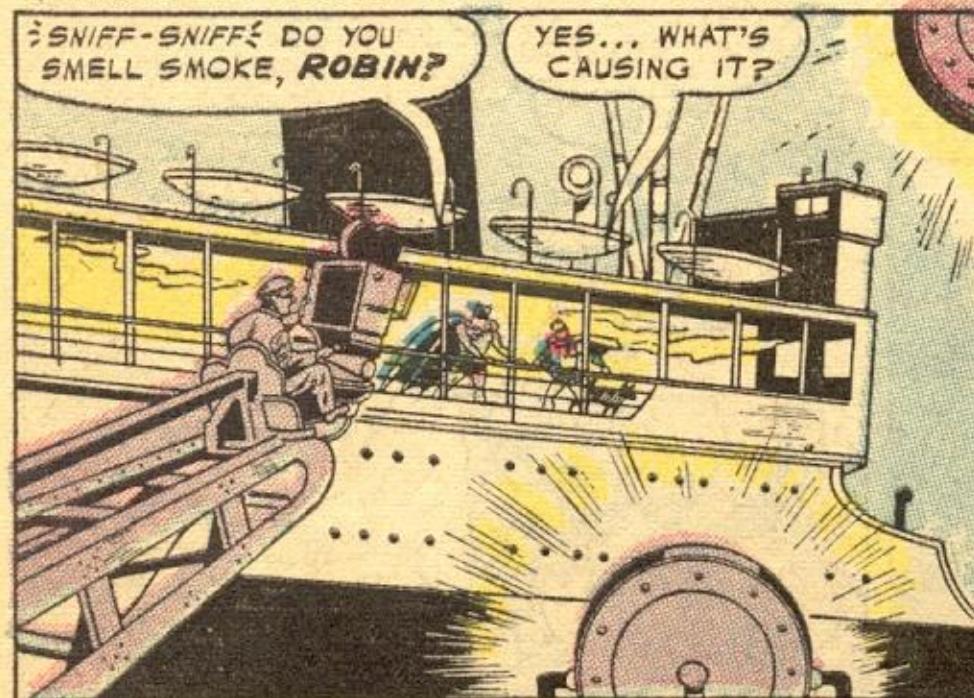
SURE... ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS WAIT TILL THE SHIP'S FIRE STARTS, THEN PUT IT OUT WITH THE EXTINGUISHING POWDER FROM OUR UTILITY BELTS!

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE FINALLY MADE FRIENDS WITH BAT-HOUND!

YEAH... AND THAT'S QUITE A COMPLIMENT, 'CAUSE DOGS HAVE GOOD INSTINCTS ABOUT PEOPLE, YOU KNOW! HA, HA, HA!



POWERFUL LAMPS CREATE ARTIFICIAL "SUNLIGHT," AS BATMAN AND ROBIN GO INTO THEIR REHEARSAL LINES...

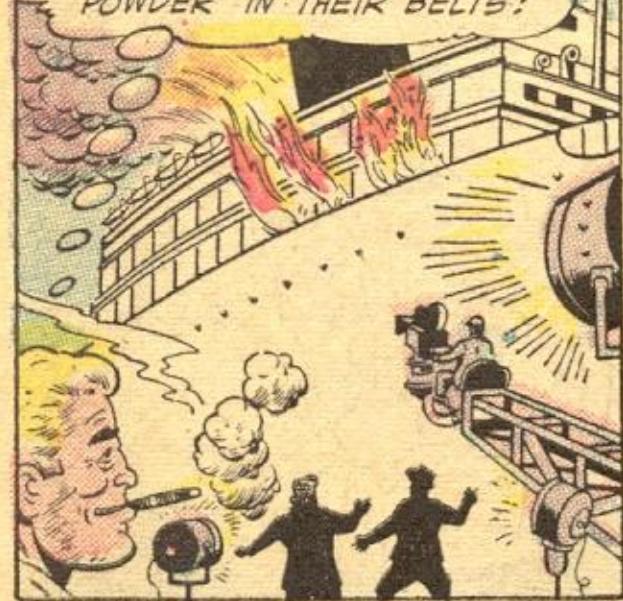


BUT ONE DELIGHTED ONLOOKER HAS OTHER IDEAS... / HA, HA... THEY'RE FINISHED-- AND THEY'LL NEVER KNOW IT WAS ME WHO SWITCHED THE POWDER IN THEIR BELTS!

SURE ENOUGH, AS THE PAIR ATTEMPTS TO DOUSE THE BLAZE...

SOMETHING'S WRONG! THIS POWDER ISN'T AN EXTINGUISHER-- IT'S AN INFLAMMABLE! WE'RE TRAPPED!

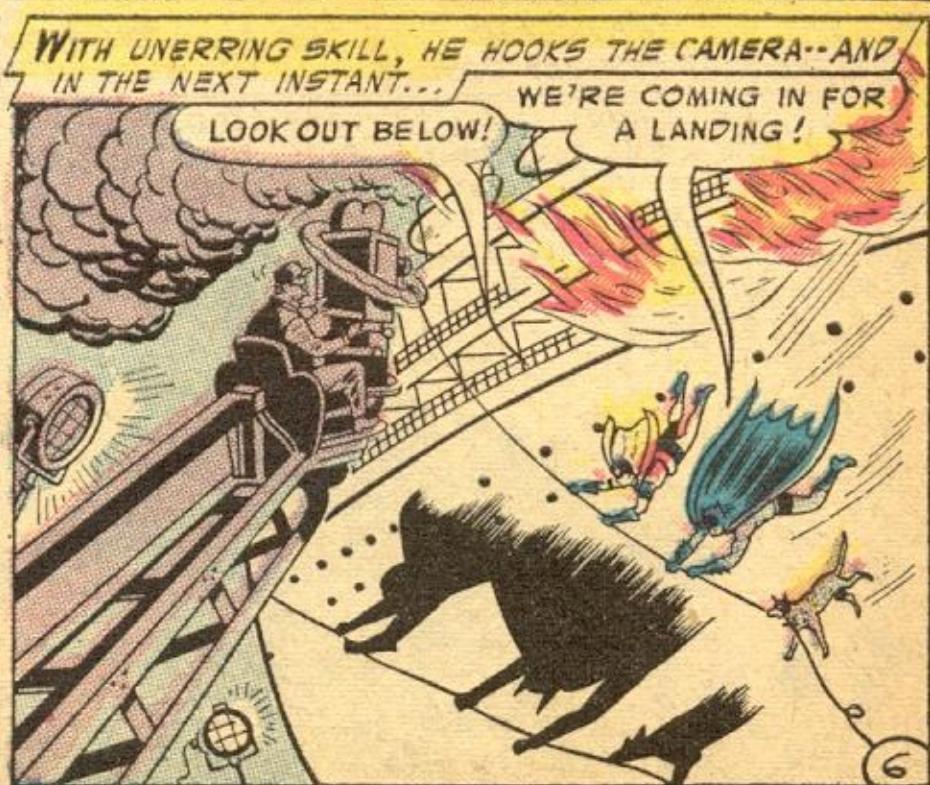
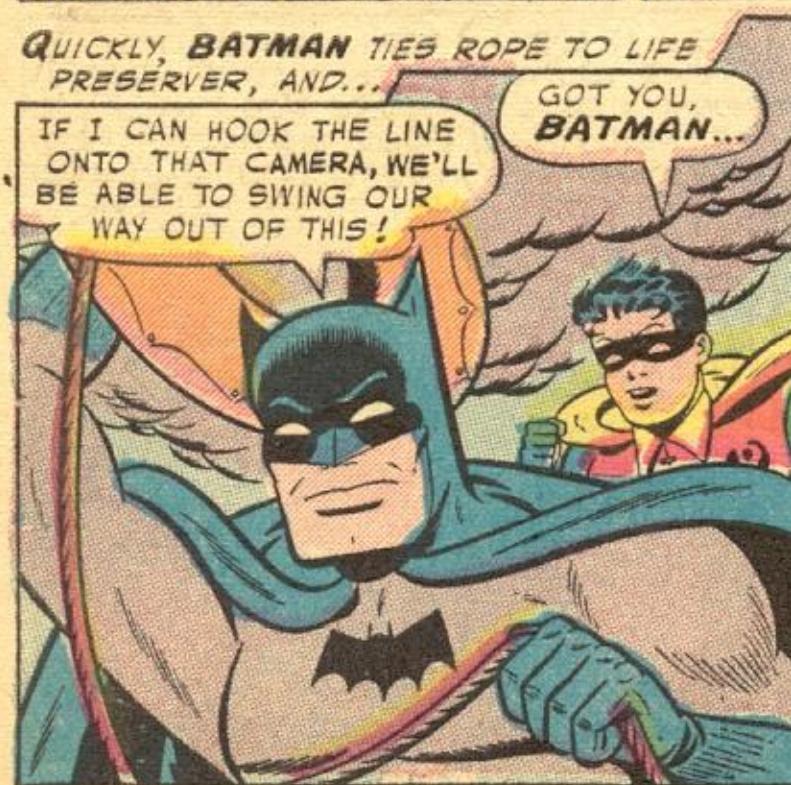
NOT YET, ROBIN... THAT ROPE MAY BE OUR LIFELINE!



QUICKLY, BATMAN TIES ROPE TO LIFE PRESERVER, AND...

IF I CAN HOOK THE LINE ONTO THAT CAMERA, WE'LL BE ABLE TO SWING OUR WAY OUT OF THIS!

GOT YOU, BATMAN...



## BATMAN

AN EXCITED PRODUCER IS ON HAND TO GREET THE TERRIFIC TRIO...

SENSATIONAL! SUPER-COLOSSAL! IT WAS BETTER THAN THE SCRIPT! WE FILMED EVERY FOOT OF IT!

GOOD... BUT I'D GIVE

A LOT TO KNOW WHO SWITCHED THE CHEMICALS IN OUR BELTS!

A QUESTION YOU'LL HAVE TO PUT ASIDE, BATMAN--FOR THE SHOW MUST GO ON!

NOW DO IT JUST AS WE PRACTICED, ROBIN... THE SPACE BETWEEN EACH BRICK IS YOUR TOE HOLD!

OKAY, BATMAN--LET'S START CLIMBING...

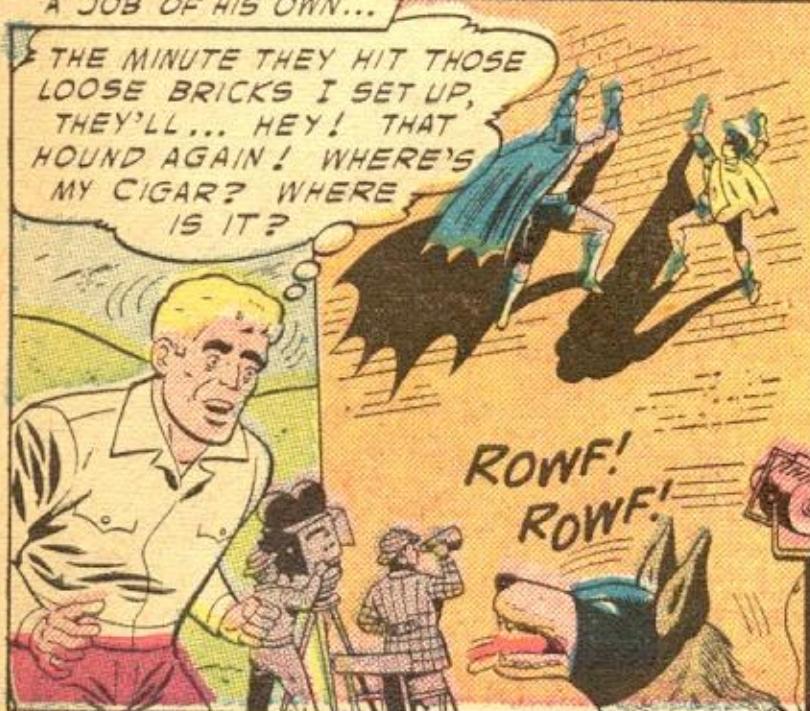


BAT-HOUND, MEANWHILE, HAS EMBARKED ON A JOB OF HIS OWN...

THE MINUTE THEY HIT THOSE LOOSE BRICKS I SET UP, THEY'LL... HEY! THAT HOUND AGAIN! WHERE'S MY CIGAR? WHERE IS IT?

BATMAN! DID YOU HEAR THAT?  
BAT-HOUND IS SIGNALLING US!  
WHAT CAN HE WANT?

I DON'T KNOW, BUT IT'S A GOOD THING HE BARKED! HIS WARNING KEPT ME FROM GRABBING THIS BRICK-- WHICH JUST FELL RIGHT OUT!



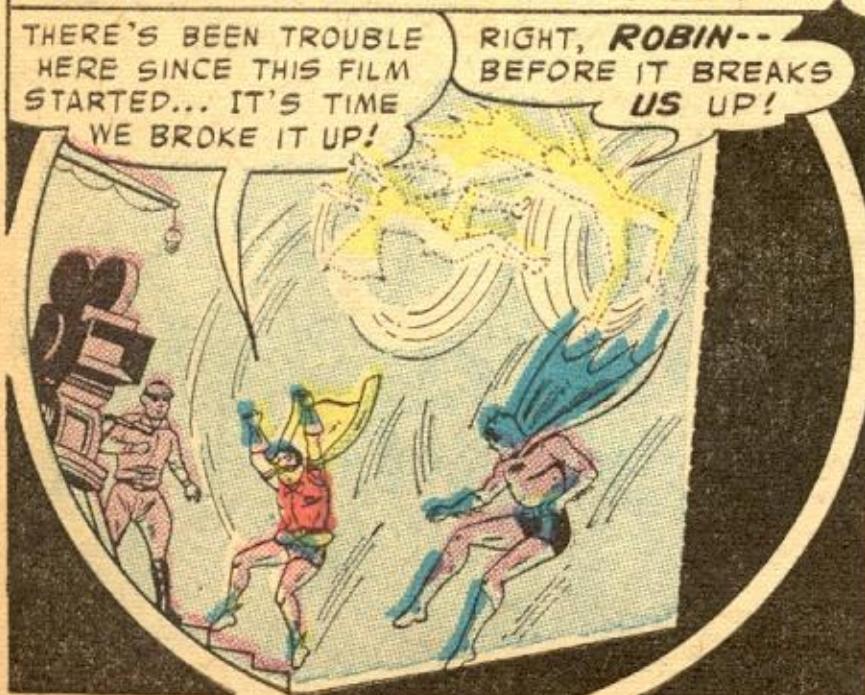
WITH TWIN THRUSTS, THE ACROBATIC CRIME-CRUSHERS BACKFLIP TO THE GROUND BELOW...

THERE'S BEEN TROUBLE HERE SINCE THIS FILM STARTED... IT'S TIME WE BROKE IT UP!

RIGHT, ROBIN-- BEFORE IT BREAKS US UP!

LOOK! UNDER THAT PHONY HEAD OF HAIR... BALDY GORE!

BAT-HOUND SPOTTED HIM!  
GOOD DOG!

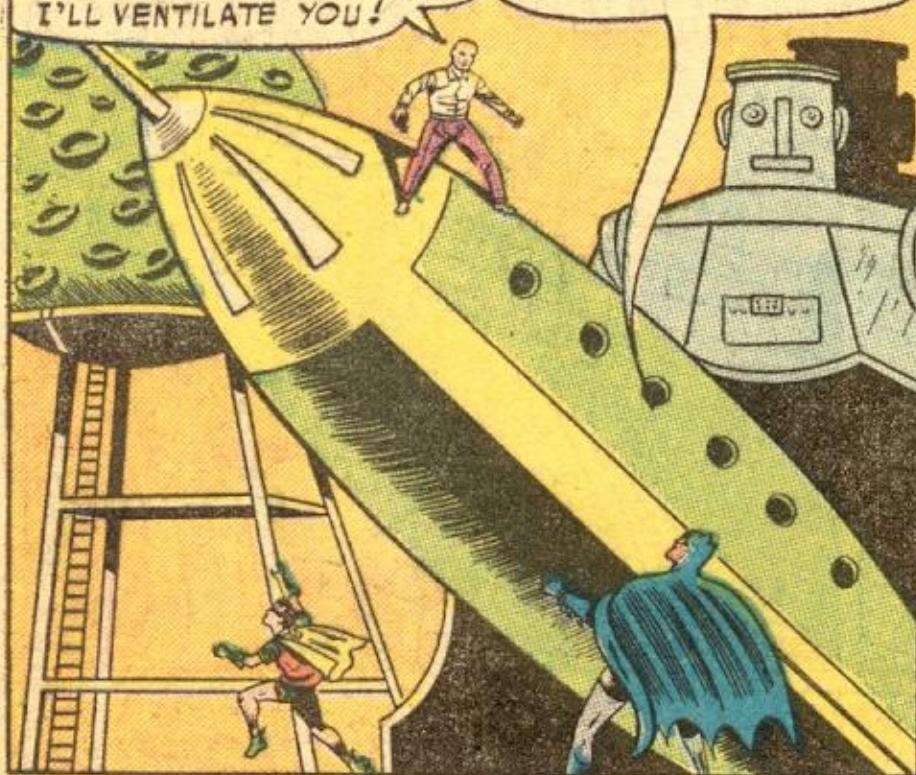


THE CHASE LEADS TO ANOTHER STUDIO SET, WHERE...

ALL RIGHT, BATMAN, GUESS YOU'VE GOT THE  
STAY WHERE YOU ARE OR DROP ON US, BALDY...  
I'LL VENTILATE YOU!

...FOR THE TIME BEING,  
THAT IS!

UGH!



ABRUPTLY, FROM THE EYES OF THE GREAT  
ROBOT...

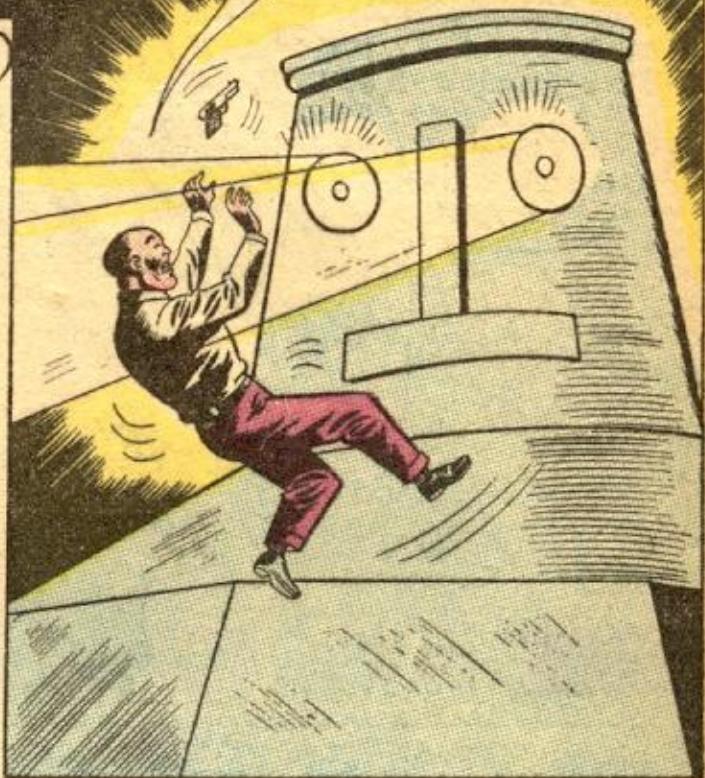
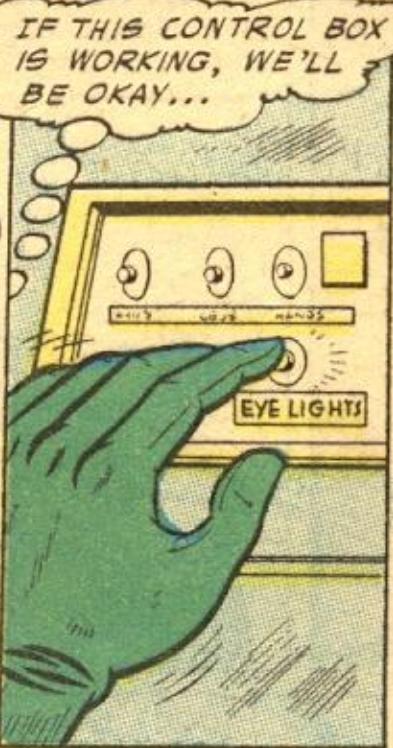
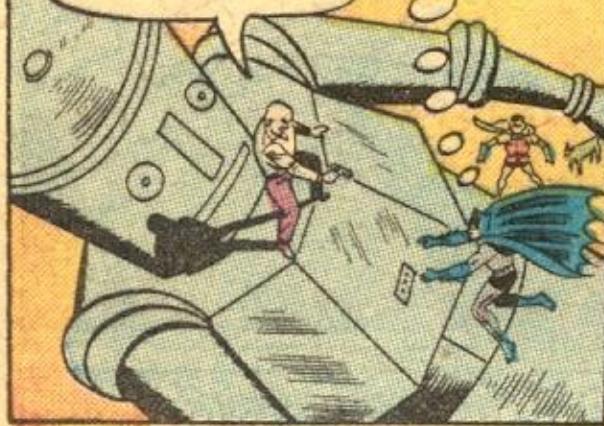
THAT LIGHT... I CAN'T SEE!  
I'M LOSING MY BALANCE!  
AH-H-H-H...

IN FULL FLIGHT, THE GANGSTER  
SCRAMBLES UP THE SIDE OF THE  
GREAT ROBOT...

DON'T COME ANY  
CLOSER, BATMAN!  
YOU'VE RUN OUT OF  
TRICKS, BUT I'VE  
STILL GOT A LOAD  
OF BULLETS!

HMM--  
HE'S  
RIGHT,  
UNLESS...

IF THIS CONTROL BOX  
IS WORKING, WE'LL  
BE OKAY...



AND SO, WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVE...

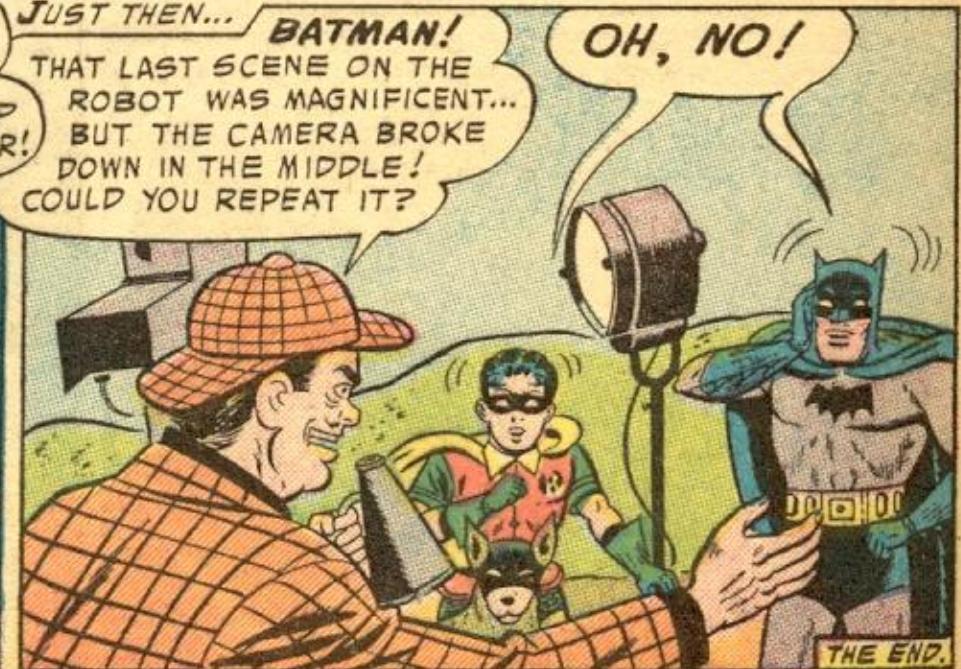
BALDY GORE, EH? THERE'S  
A GENERAL ALARM OUT  
FOR THIS MAN! THEY'RE  
JUST GONNA LOCK HIM UP  
AND THROW AWAY THE KEY!

AND WE  
WON'T DO A  
THING TO STOP  
THEM, OFFICER!

JUST THEN...

THAT LAST SCENE ON THE  
ROBOT WAS MAGNIFICENT...  
BUT THE CAMERA BROKE  
DOWN IN THE MIDDLE!  
COULD YOU REPEAT IT?

OH, NO!



THE END.

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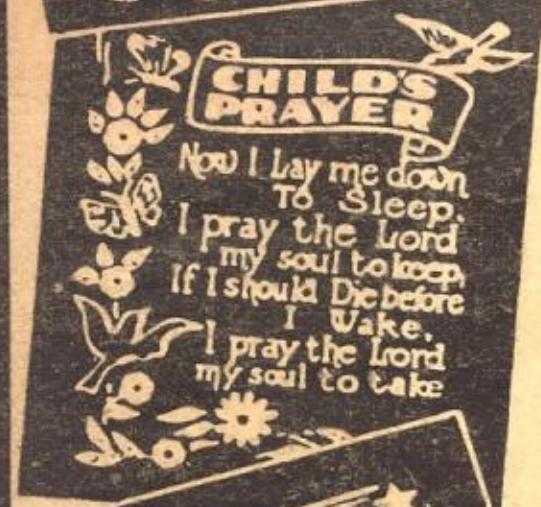
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