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Wayne Manor.  
Gotham City.  
Now.

# ALFRED PENNYWORTH

BELoved FATHER  
AND GRANDFATHER

IT'S  
A BIG  
ASK.

THAT'S AN  
UNDERSTATEMENT.

WE WOULDN'T  
BE **ASKING** IF WE  
DIDN'T THINK IT'S  
WHAT'S **BEST**.

I'M NOT  
SAYING  
NO. I JUST  
WORRY...

"...ABOUT  
BLÜDHAVEN."

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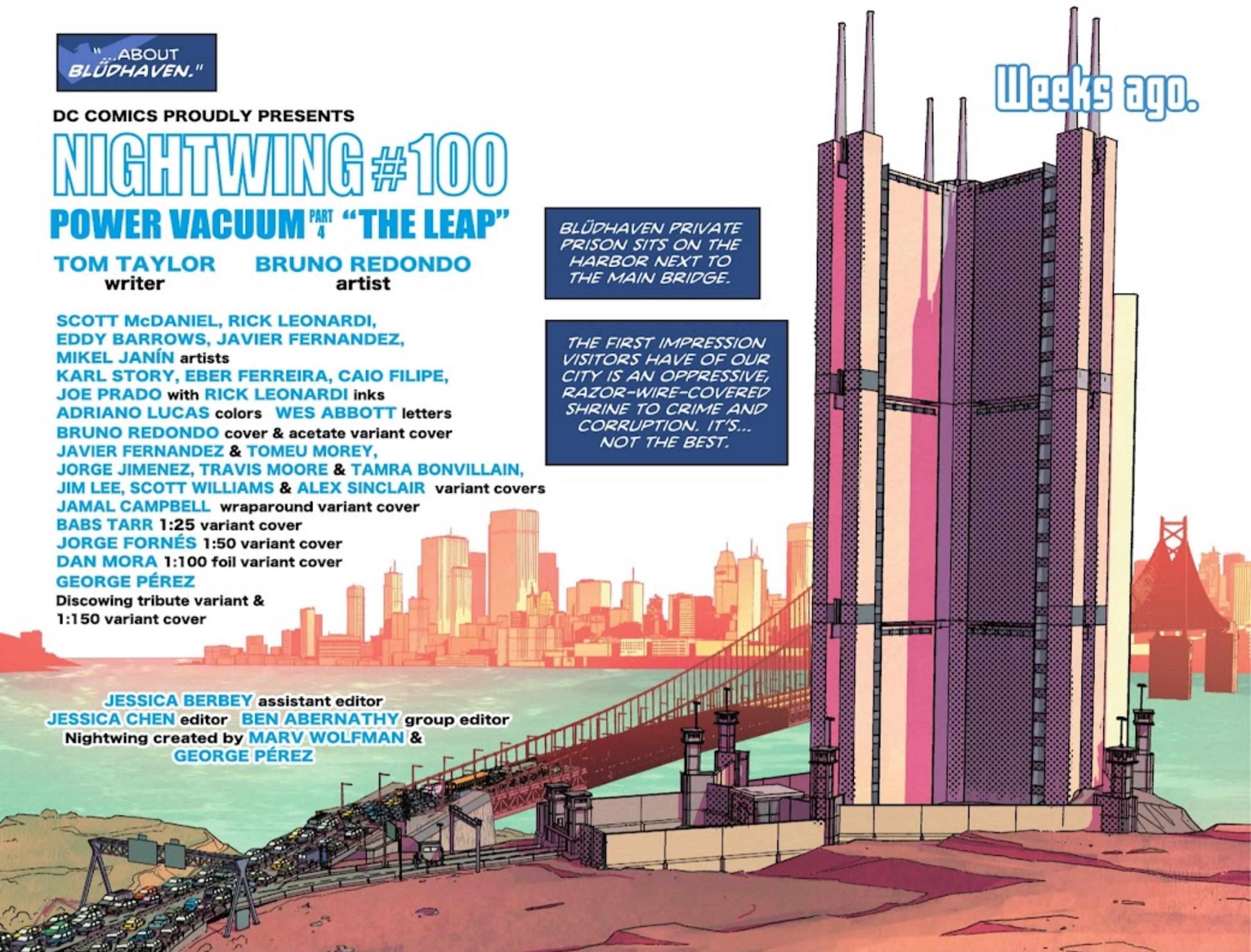
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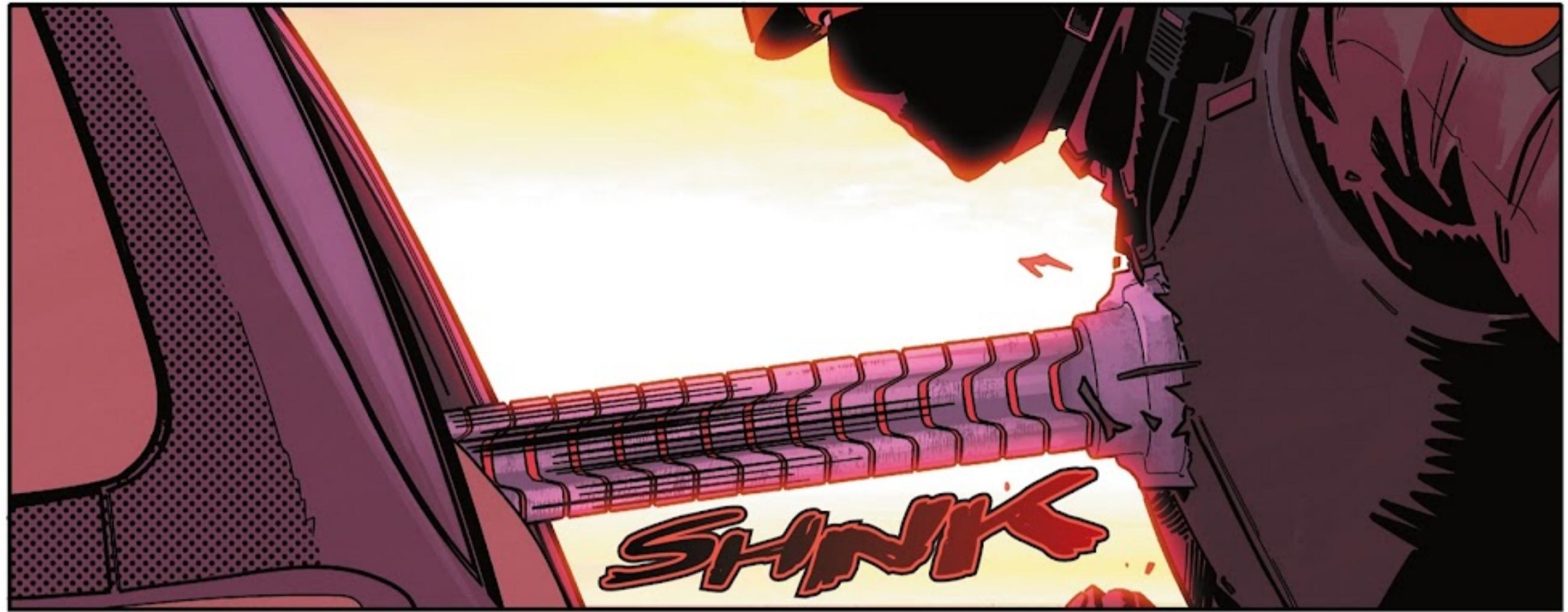
BLÜDHAVEN PRIVATE  
PRISON SITS ON THE  
HARBOR NEXT TO  
THE MAIN BRIDGE.

THE FIRST IMPRESSION  
VISITORS HAVE OF OUR  
CITY IS AN OPPRESSIVE,  
RAZOR-WIRE-COVERED  
SHRINE TO CRIME AND  
CORRUPTION. IT'S...  
NOT THE BEST.

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Weeks ago.











THE PRISON IS ALSO HOME TO SOME OF THE MOST DANGEROUS CRIMINALS.

CAN YOU HEAR ME IN THERE?

I CAN HEAR YOU.

I'M GOING TO LET YOU OUT, BUT I'D LIKE YOU TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME IN RETURN.

WHAT?

YOU'VE BEEN STUCK IN A VERY SMALL SPACE FOR A VERY LONG TIME. YOU MUST BE RESTLESS AND ANGRY.

YES.

ALL I WANT YOU TO DO IS TAKE OUT YOUR FRUSTRATION ON THE CITY.

GLADLY.

YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, BOSS?

I'M SURE.

RELEASE HIM.

"RELEASE  
THE BEAST."

KROOOOM



I KNEW  
THIS WOULD  
HAPPEN.

WELL, NOT THIS,  
SPECIFICALLY.

I DIDN'T PREDICT A  
CITY FLOODING WITH  
MASKED PRISONERS...

...AND A RAMPAGING  
ELEPHANT MAN.

TOOOOM



BUT AS SOON AS HEARTLESS KILLED BLOCKBUSTER, I KNEW OTHERS WOULD SEE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY. SEE THIS AS A CITY FOR THE TAKING.

ORACLE, WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF ARMED PEOPLE MOVING OUT FROM THE PRISON ALONG EVERY ROAD.

I SEE IT ALL. EVERYTHING YOU'RE SEEING.

AND NIGHTWING, I ACCESSED THE PRISON SECURITY CAMERAS.

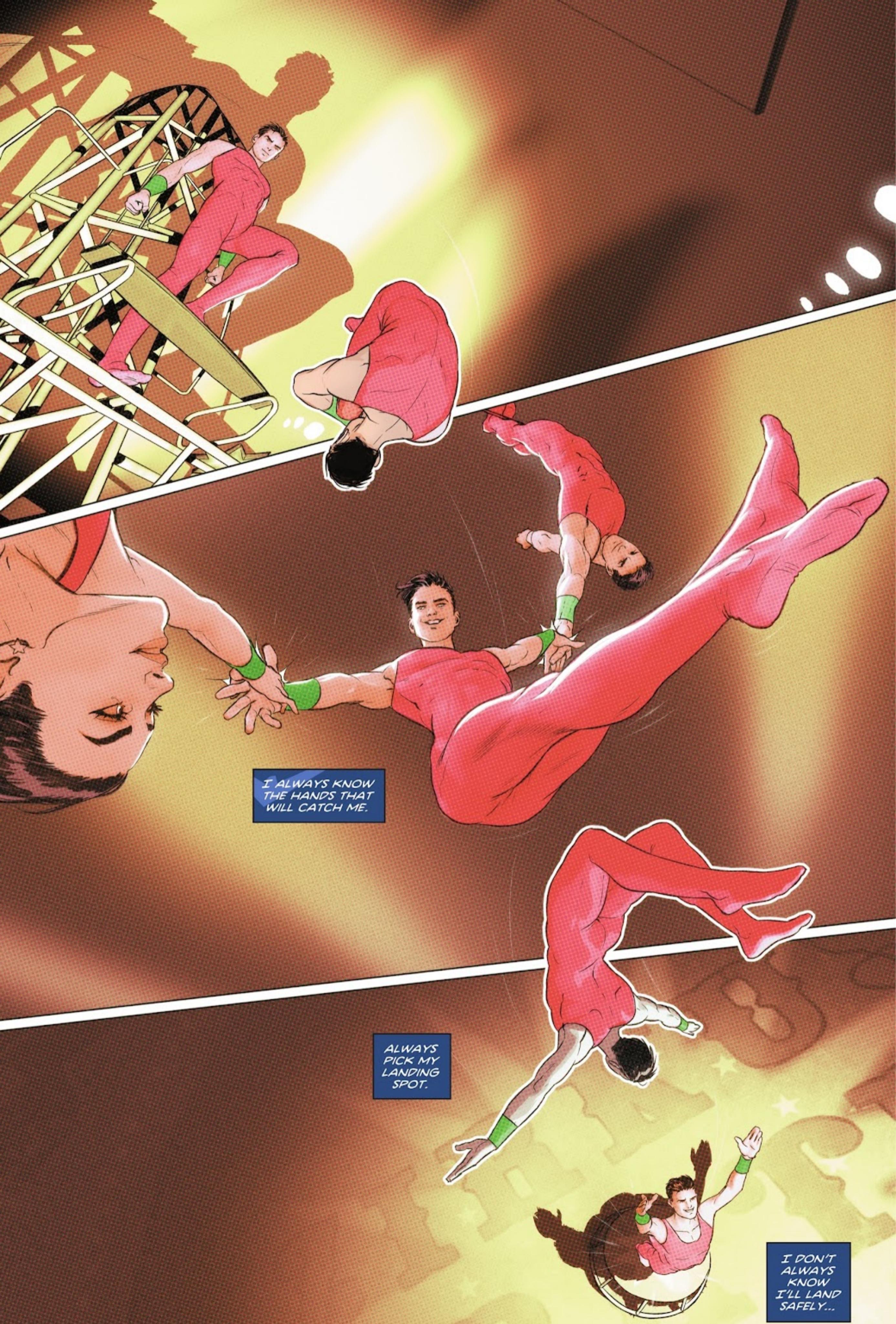
...IT'S HEARTLESS.

AND HE'S NOT HIDING.

MAKE THE CALL.  
OPERATION POWER SHIFT.

I'LL DO WHAT I CAN UNTIL THEY GET HERE.

I ALWAYS LOOK BEFORE I LEAP.



I ALWAYS KNOW  
THE HANDS THAT  
WILL CATCH ME.

ALWAYS  
PICK MY  
LANDING  
SPOT.

I DON'T  
ALWAYS  
KNOW  
I'LL LAND  
SAFELY...



...BUT I  
ALWAYS  
LEAP.



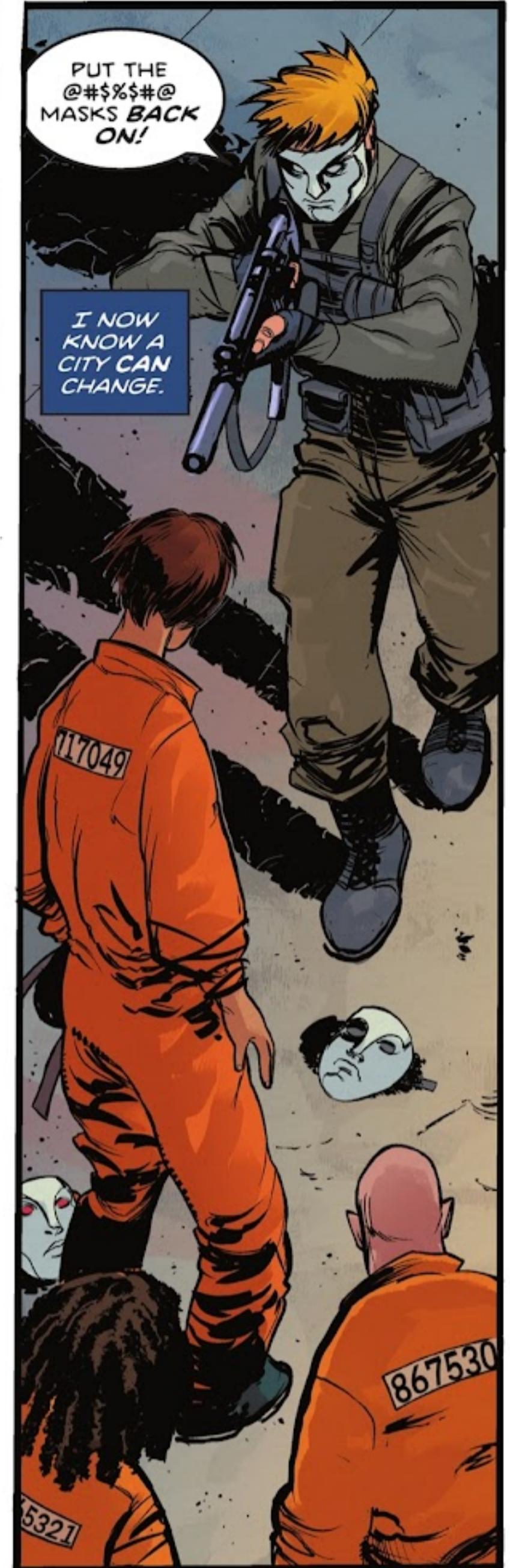




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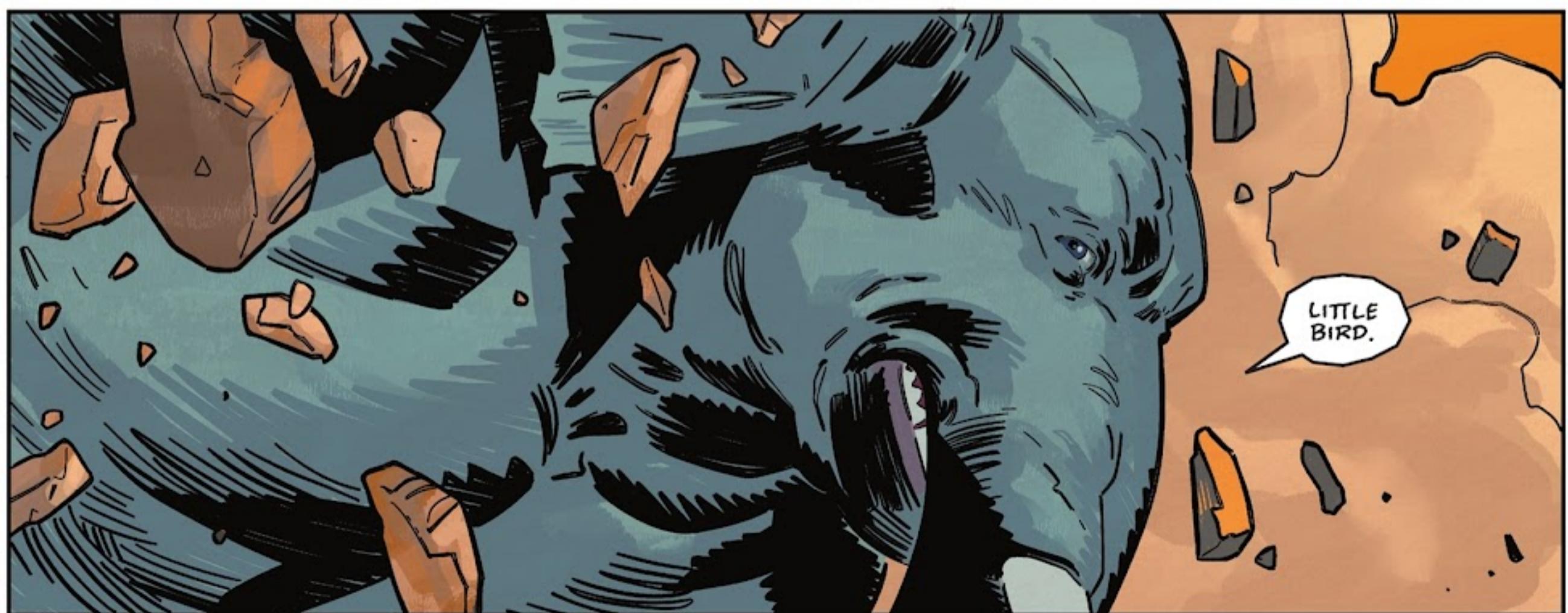


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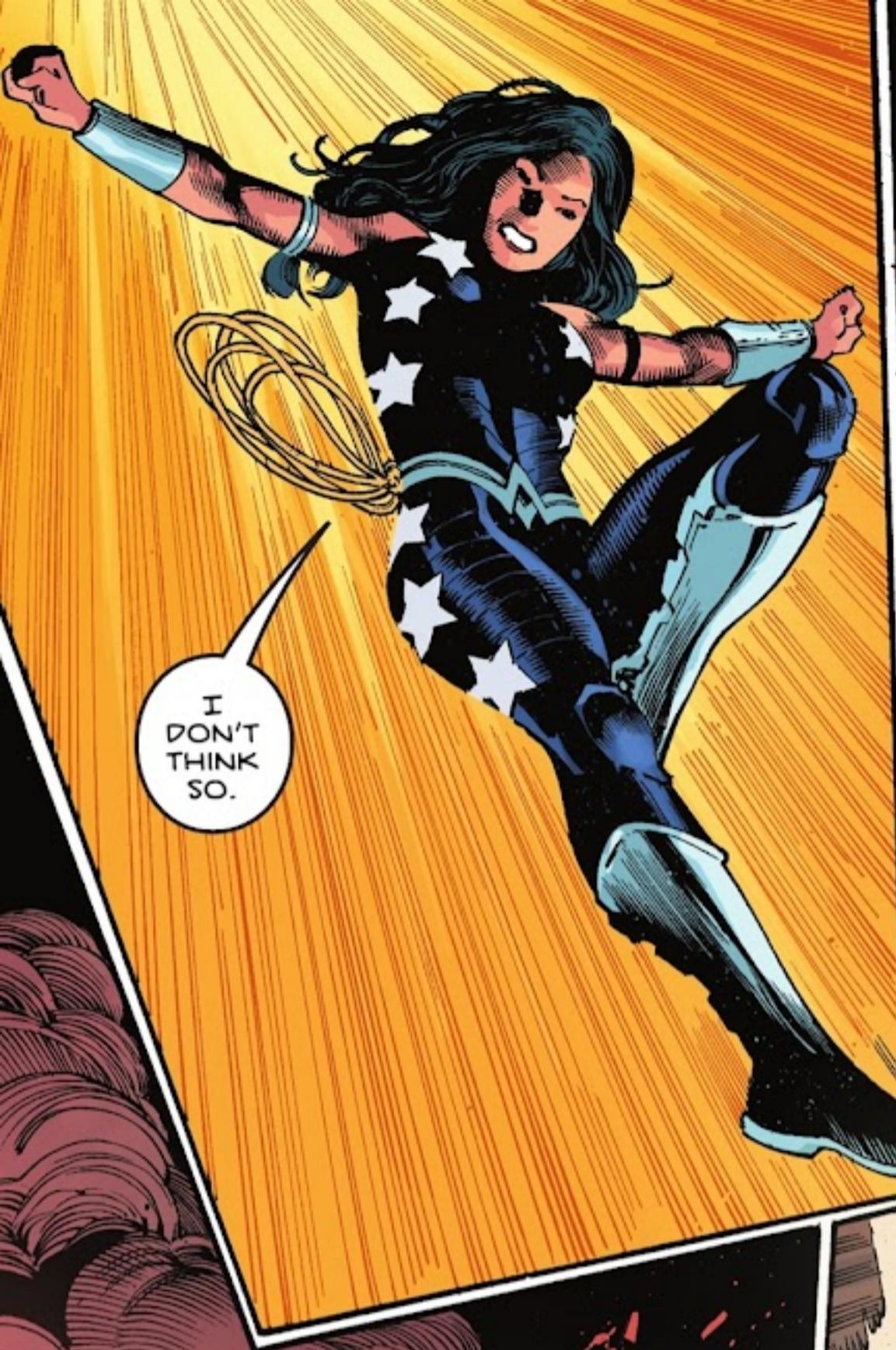














THIS, MR. ZUCCO?

IT'S JUST A BIT OF FUN, AND A REMINDER THAT BLÜDHAVEN CAN'T BE CONTROLLED. BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO CHANGE ANYTHING TODAY.



ORACLE,  
I HAVE  
HEARTLESS IN  
MY SIGHTS. HE'S  
WITH TONY  
ZUCCO.

THAT'S  
CONCERNING.

YEAH.  
I'M GOING  
TO BREAK IT  
UP BEFORE  
AN UNHOLY  
ALLIANCE IS  
FORMED.

IT'S  
NIGHTWING!

I HAVE  
A PLAN FOR  
DICK GRAYSON,  
AND I THINK  
IT WOULD BE...  
EXCITING TO  
HAVE YOU  
INVOLVED.

HE'S COMING.  
HE'S RIGHT  
THERE.  
DON'T  
WORRY...

"...NIGHTWING  
WILL BE TAKEN  
CARE OF."

KGBEAST  
WEIGHS ABOUT  
280 POUNDS.

I'VE STRENGTHENED  
THE CABLE OVER  
THE YEARS.

HNF!

THUD



POP

BUT THE FAIL POINT  
OF MY SHOULDER  
HASN'T CHANGED.

HNNG.



ESSHHH



**ANATOLI KNYAZEV IS CYBERNETICALLY ENHANCED.**

**FAST.**

**STRONG.**

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THIS GREAT STRATEGIST. WAS YOUR PLAN REALLY TO FALL THREE STORIES ONTO A PARKED CAR?

HE'S ONE OF THE GREATEST FIGHTERS IN THE WORLD.

**HRAARGH!**

AND ONE OF THE MOST RUTHLESS KILLERS.

AND I'M DOWN TO ONE ARM.

BECAUSE AS STRATEGIES GO, CHOOSING ONE WHERE YOU SUFFER BLUNT-FORCE TRAUMA SEEMS PRETTY STUPID.

YOU ALWAYS TALK SO MUCH.

I'M GOING TO SILENCE YOU.

SURE, KGBEAST TENDS TO SPEAK IN CLICHÉS, BUT HE'S NOT TO BE UNDERESTIMATED. I KNOW...

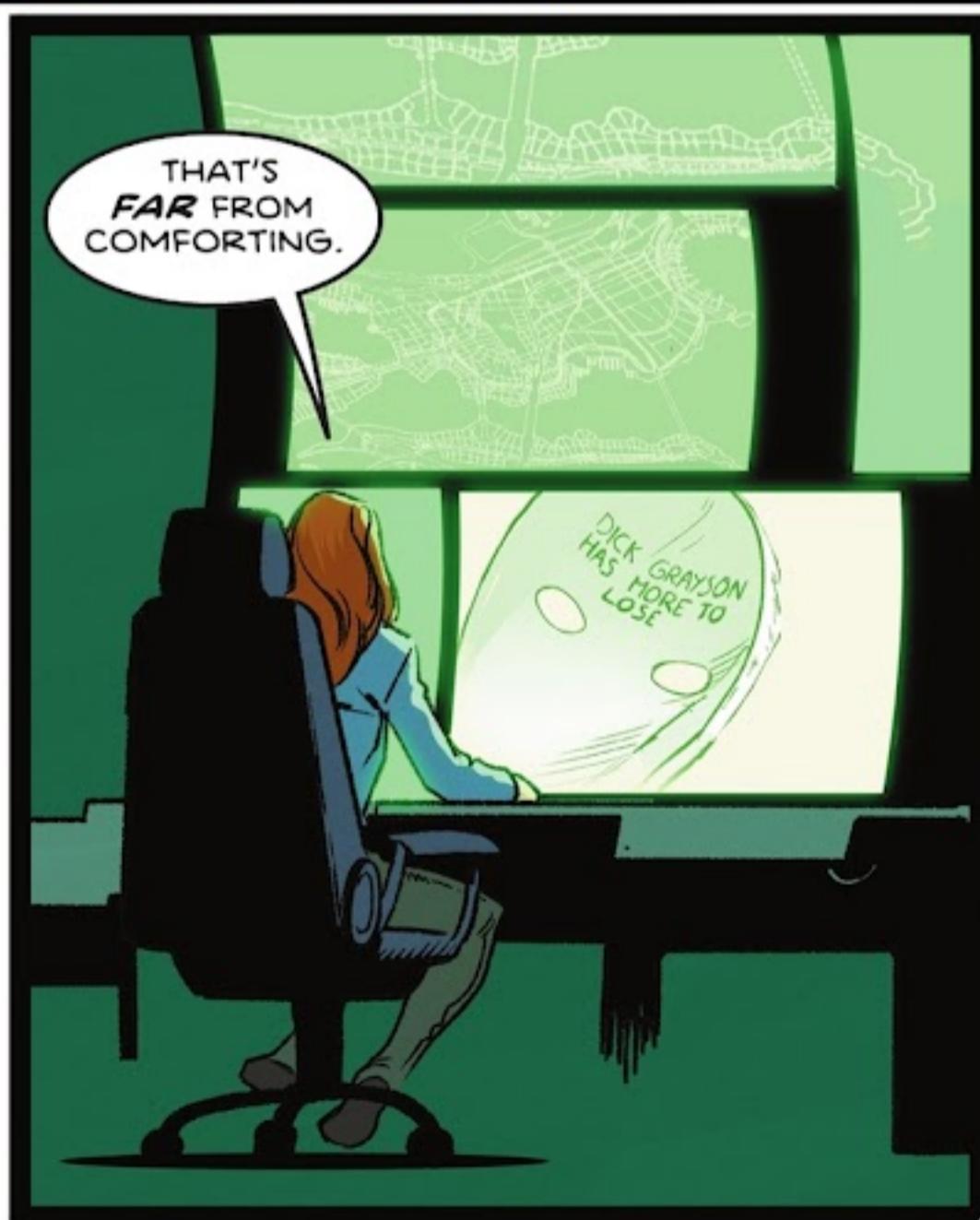


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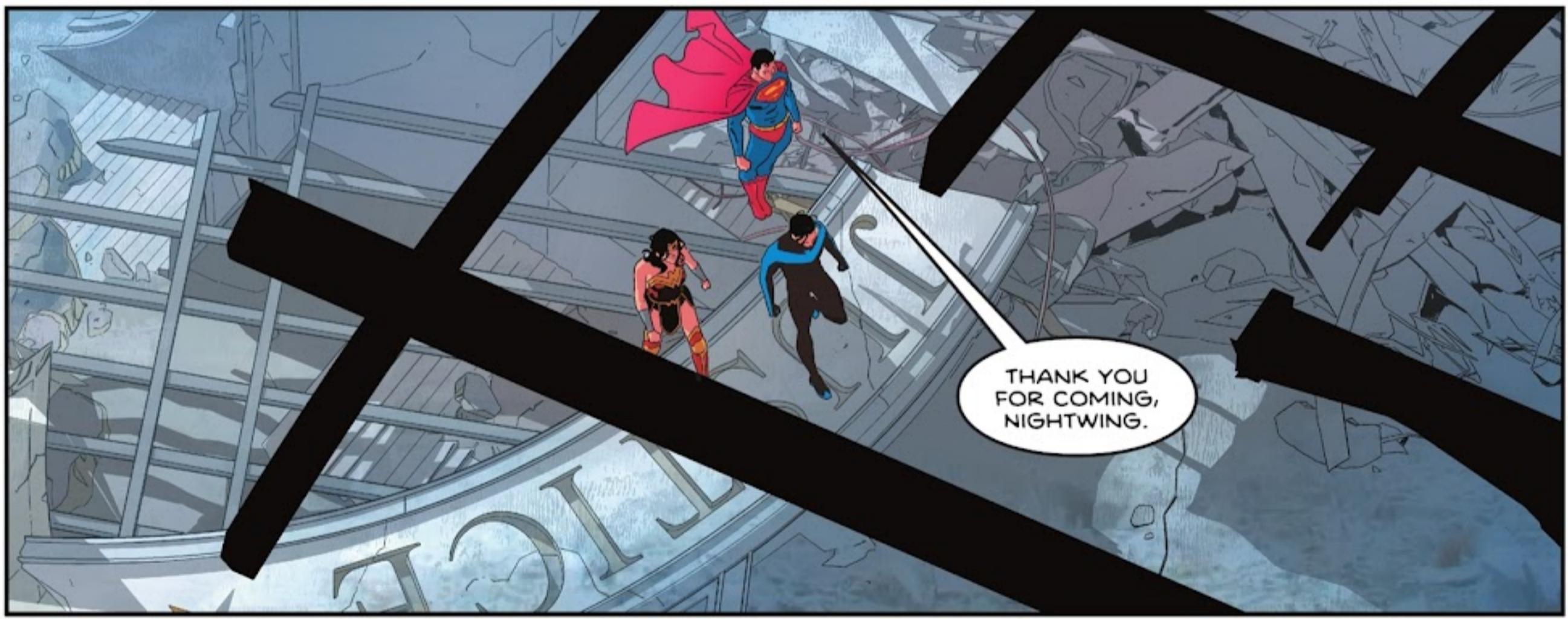
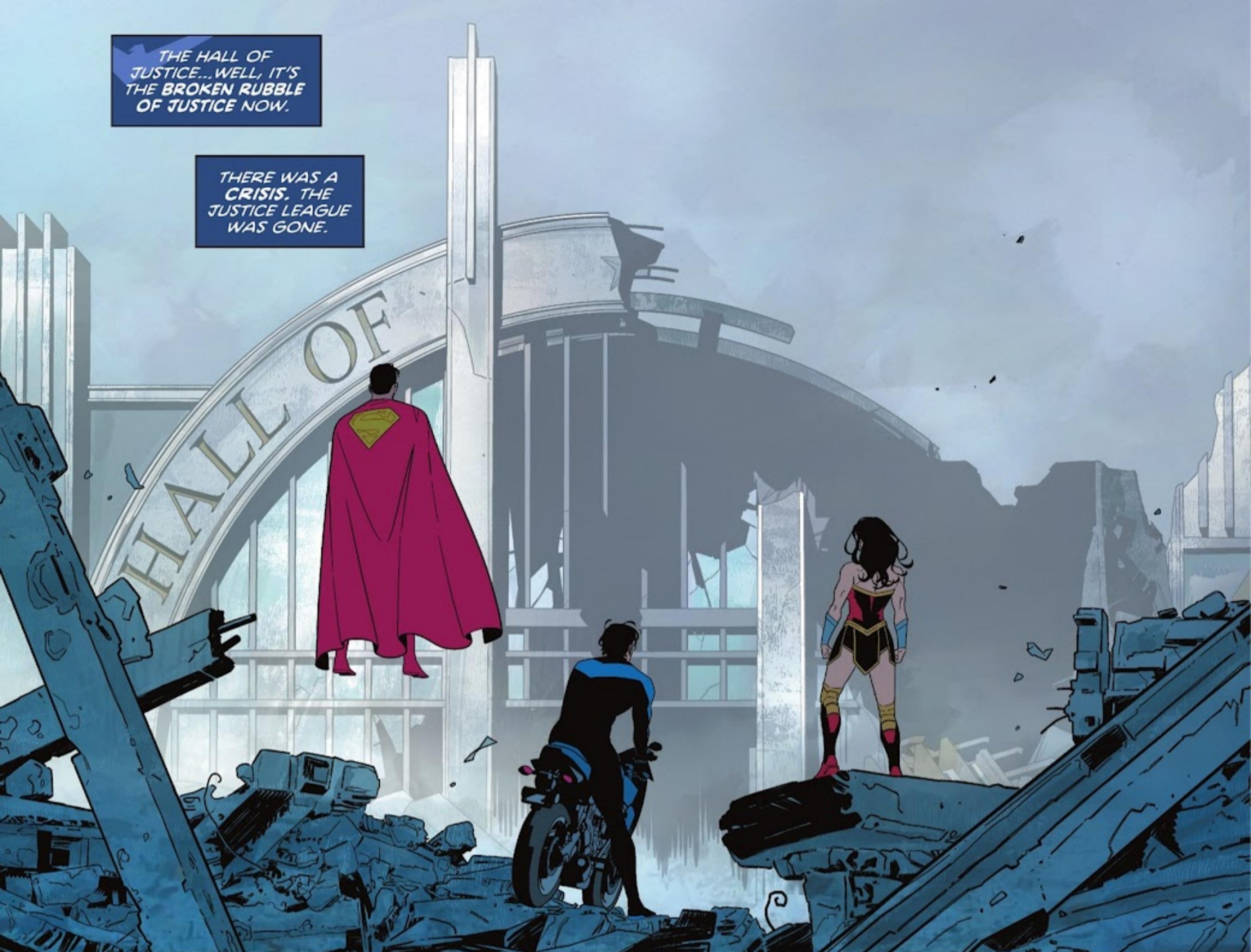






THE HALL OF  
JUSTICE... WELL, IT'S  
THE BROKEN RUBBLE  
OF JUSTICE NOW.

THERE WAS A  
CRISIS. THE  
JUSTICE LEAGUE  
WAS GONE.



I APPRECIATE THE SYMBOLISM, BUT I MIGHT WAIT UNTIL IT'S NOT MOLTEN METAL BEFORE I SIT DOWN.

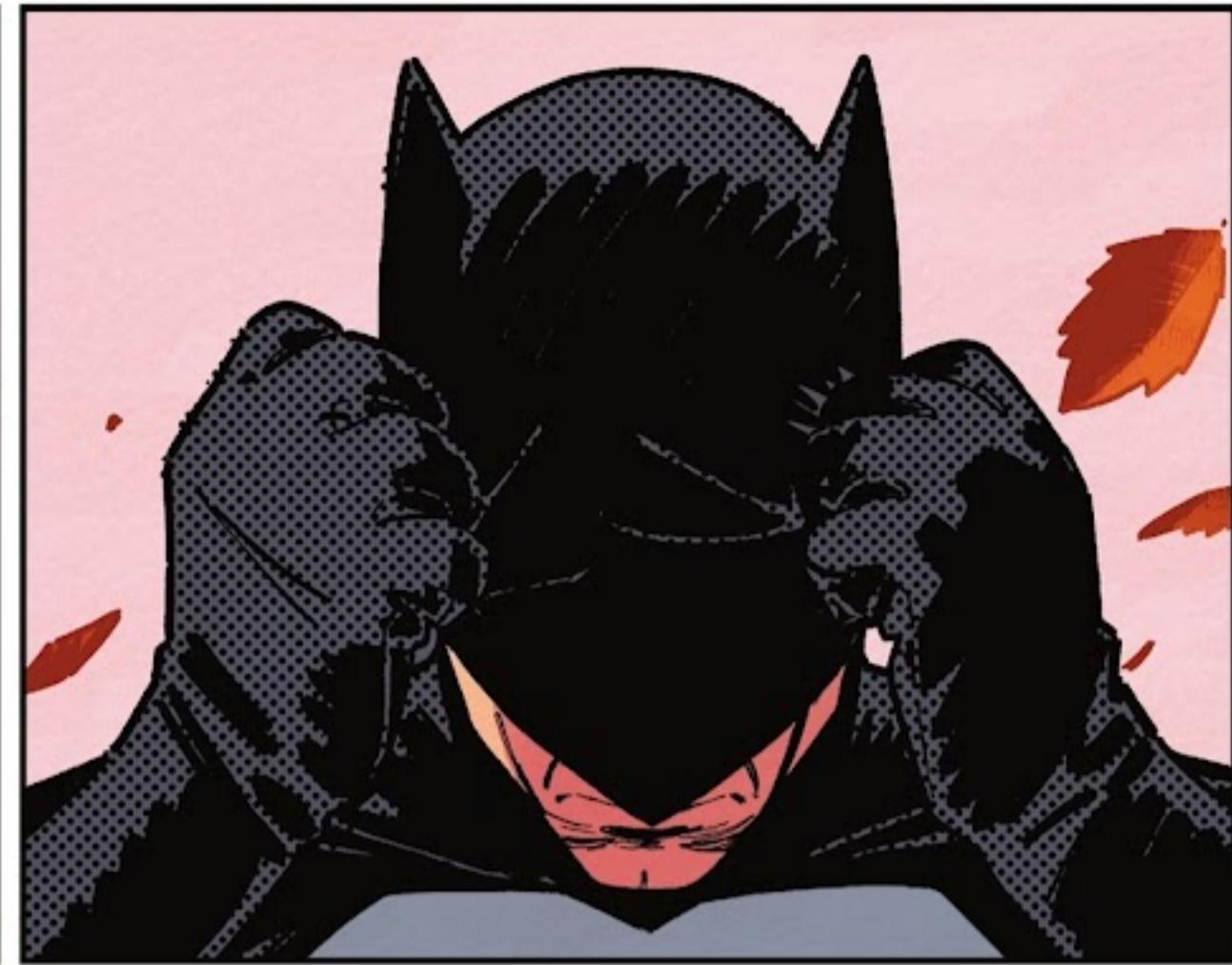
THAT'S FAIR.





Now.

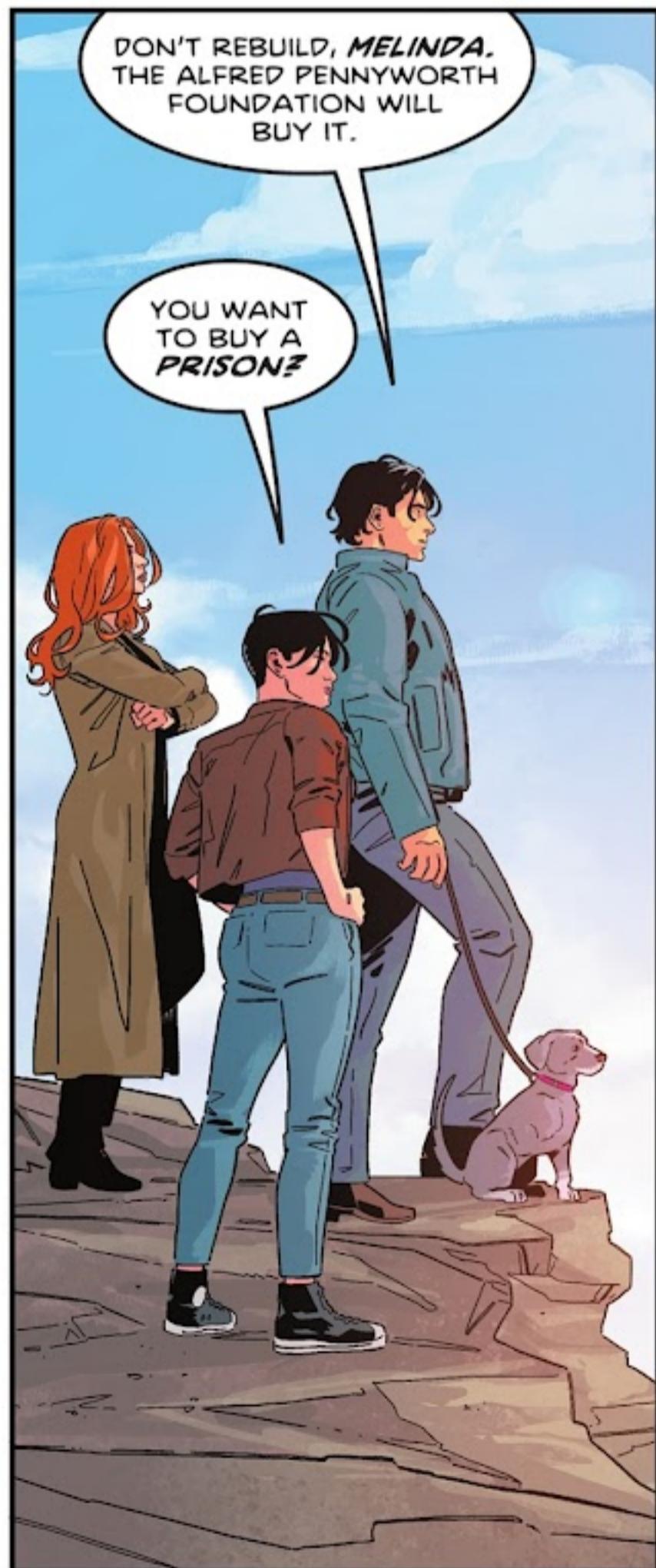
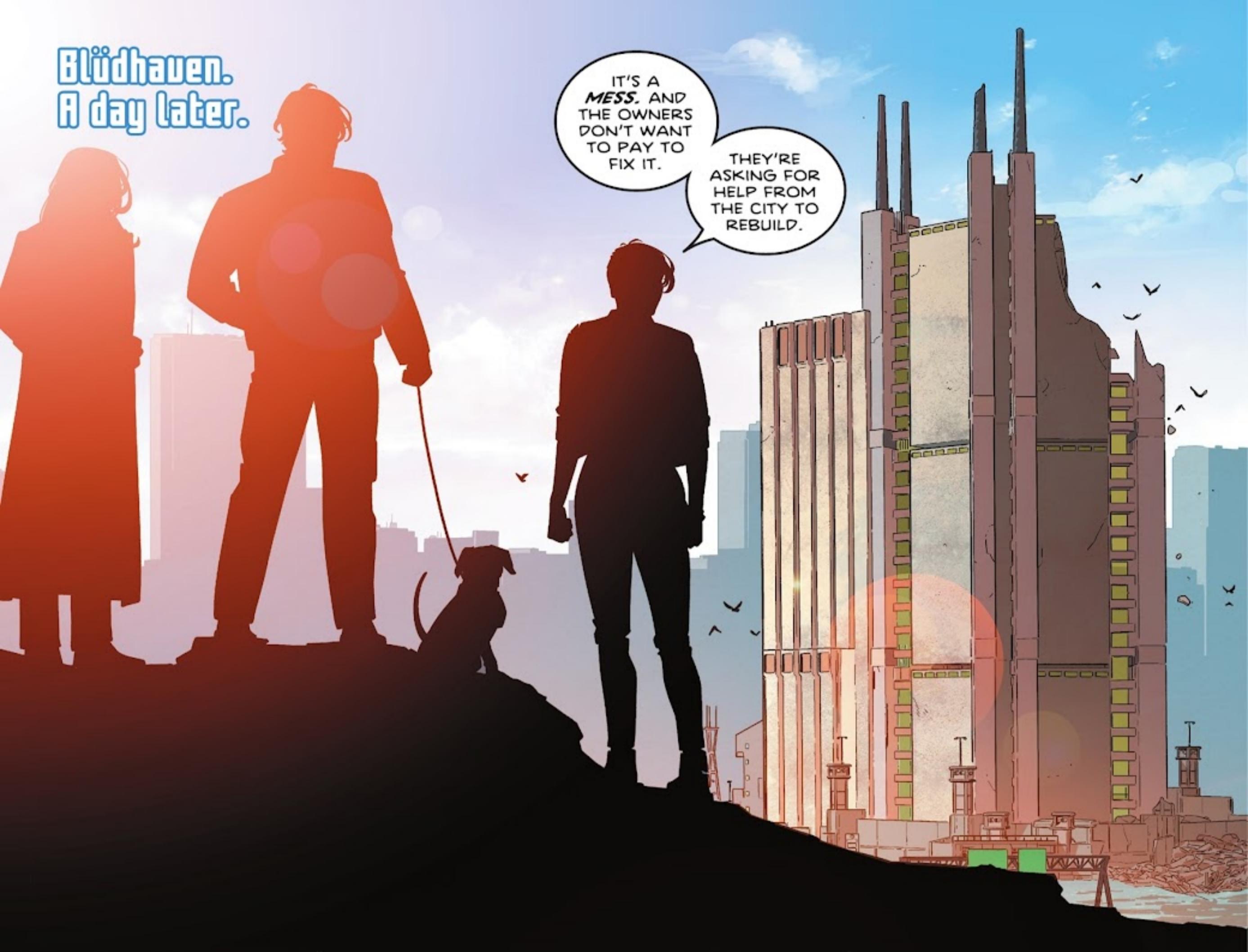








Blüdhaven.  
A day later.



THIS PRISON  
IS A **BLIGHT** ON  
THE CITY. THE **FIRST**  
THING ANYONE SEES OF  
BLÜDHAVEN IS A  
**DARK STAIN.**

WE  
CAN DO  
BETTER.

THERE WERE PEOPLE  
HELD HERE **WITHOUT**  
BEING FOUND **GUILTY**,  
WHILE THEY WAITED  
FOR THEIR CASES TO  
BE HEARD. THEY JUST  
COULDN'T AFFORD  
THE **BAIL**.

OTHERS WERE  
HELD BECAUSE THEY  
COULDN'T PAY PETTY  
FINES HANDED OUT BY  
ONE OF THE MOST  
**CORRUPT** POLICE  
FORCES IN THE  
COUNTRY.

THE CITY SHOULD  
HAVE ENDED BAIL  
LONG AGO.  
AND AS  
MAYOR OF  
THE CITY,  
I CAN  
CERTAINLY  
LOOK TO  
FORGIVE THE  
FINES.

I DON'T WANT THIS TO BE  
A CITY THAT **PUNISHES**. I  
WANT IT TO BE A CITY THAT  
**HELPS**. WE SHOULD DO  
JUSTICE RIGHT.

DON'T  
REBUILD. LET  
ME WORK  
WITH THIS.

OKAY.

I'LL START  
PUTTING THINGS  
IN MOTION.



...AND I KNOW WHERE I WANT TO LAND.

# A month later.

I USUALLY WORK NIGHTS.

BUT I WANTED TO STAND AT THE ENTRANCE TO BLÜDHAVEN TO SPEAK TO YOU ALL AT THE START OF A NEW DAY.

CRIMINALS AND SUPER-VILLAINS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR CONTROL OF THIS CITY, THINKING THEY CAN BECOME THE POWER.

THEY CANNOT.

THERE'S ALREADY A NEW POWER IN BLÜDHAVEN.

BLÜDHAVEN HAS BECOME A PLACE THAT HELPS, RATHER THAN HURTS.

WE'RE HOPING TO EXTEND THIS.

I'M READY TO LEAD, BUT I WON'T DO IT ALONE. I AM READY TO GUARD THE WORLD, BUT I WON'T ABANDON MY CITY.

IT IS TIME FOR NEW GUARDIANS.

IT IS TIME FOR BLÜDHAVEN TO HELP THE WORLD.

BUT THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR THE JUSTICE LEAGUE.

THIS IS THE TIME FOR SOMETHING ELSE.



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