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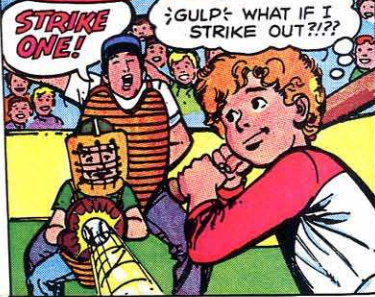
A Cracker Jack story

OKAY, SCOTTIE! THE SCORE IS TIED, BASES LOADED, AND TWO OUTS! GET IN THERE AND SHOW 'EM WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF.



STRIKE ONE!

GULP! WHAT IF I STRIKE OUT???



STRIKE TWO!

YOU CAN DO IT, SCOTTIE!

YOU'RE A CRACKER JACK.

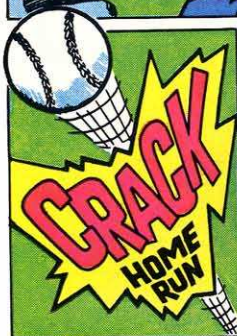


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ONE HOUR LATER...

SOMEBODY SURELY PULLED SOMETHING BIG THROUGH HERE? YOU'RE POSITIVE THAT NOTHING WAS STOLEN, MR. MENKEN?

AS FAR AS CAN BE DETERMINED, OUR INVENTORY IS COMPLETE.

I TELL YOU, THOUGH, THE UPPER MANAGEMENT OF OSBORN MANUFACTURING IS BECOMING VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THESE BREAK-INS.

THIS WASN'T THE FIRST SUCH INCIDENT, THEN?

NO, THERE'VE BEEN MAYBE A HALF-DOZEN BREAK-INS--NOTHING THIS BIG, THANK HEAVEN--IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS.

EACH HAS BEEN AT A DIFFERENT PLANT OF OURS, AND IN EACH CASE NOTHING APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN STOLEN--

--ALTHOUGH WE HAVE DISCOVERED SOME STOREROOMS THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD... EMPTY, OF COURSE.

I'VE CONTACTED ONE OF OUR MAJOR STOCKHOLDERS, IN HOPE THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SHED SOME LIGHT ON... AH! I BELIEVE THAT'S HIM NOW!

MR. OSBORN! THANK YOU FOR COMING! I APOLOGIZE FOR THE HOUR--

THAT'S OKAY, MENKEN. MY WIFE AND I WERE JUST WATCHING THE LATE SHOW.

WHAT THE DEVIL'S GOING ON HERE?

AND, AFTER THE POLICE TELL HARRY OSBORN WHAT LITTLE THEY KNOW...

WHEN! SOUNDS WEIRD, ALL RIGHT. YOU SAY YOU'VE FOUND A SERIES OF THESE SECRET ROOMS, MENKEN?

YESSIR, AND THEY WEREN'T ON ANY FLOOR PLAN.

BUT... WELL... ALL THE BREAK-INS HAVE BEEN IN PROPERTIES WHICH YOUR LATE FATHER, NORMAN OSBORN, HAD A HAND IN BUILDING OR ACQUIRING. COULD HE HAVE POSSIBLY--?

...HIDDEN SOMETHING THAT SOMEONE HAS DISCOVERED? IT'S NOT ONLY POSSIBLE, I'D SAY IT'S PROBABLE!

MY FATHER WAS A SECRETIVE MAN, MENKEN. IF HE HAD SOMETHING STASHED AWAY IN THERE, WE MAY NEVER KNOW WHAT IT WAS.

NEW YORK
CITY, THE
NEXT
MORNING...

G'MORNING,
SIR. YOU'RE
UP EARLY?
AIN'TCHA?

COULDN'T
SLEEP.

TOO BAD. TODAY'D
BE A GOOD DAY
TO STAY IN BED!

WELL, LOOK AT THIS. "MYSTERY
BREAK-IN IN JERSEY" MY
LITTLE ESCAPEDE MADE PAGE
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ON THE DAILY BUGLE!

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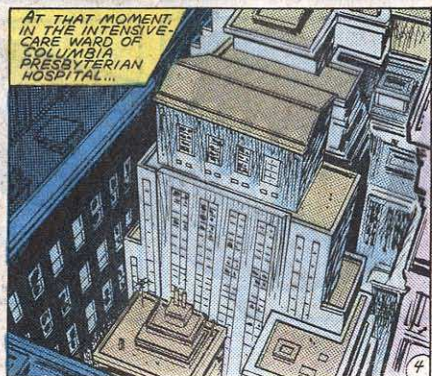
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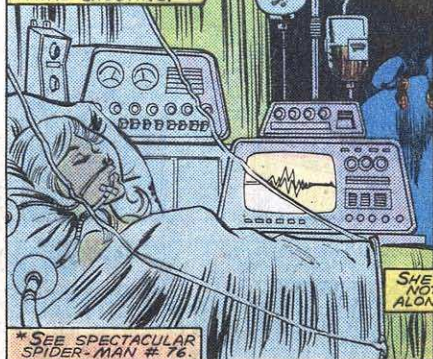
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I GUESS THAT MEANS I SAVED HER. YEAH... WISH I COULD HAVE SAVED HER FROM BEING GUNNED DOWN BY DR. OCTOPUS'S GOONS.



OCTOPUS! HE'S STILL OUT THERE SOMEWHERE... BY NOW HE'S PROBABLY EVEN REPLACED THOSE MECHANICAL ARMS I RIPPED OFF HIM. HE'S OUT THERE--FREE--

---WHILE FELICIA HERE IS JUST BARELY HOLDING ON TO LIFE THERE'S NO JUSTICE.



EH? MY SPIDER-SENSE IS BUZZING. SOMEONE'S COMING!

WHO WOULD DARE--?

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!



WHERE DO YOU THINK--? OH.

SORRY, CAPTAIN DEWOLFF I'M A LITTLE JUMPY.

NO KIDDING, LOOK, I TOLD YOU THAT THE N.Y. P.D. HAS EVERYTHING WELL IN HAND.

WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE, ANYWAY? GO HOME AND GET SOME SLEEP! FROM THE WAY YOU'RE WOBLING AROUND, YOU LOOK LIKE YOU COULD USE IT!





GUESS SHE'S RIGHT. I FEEL ABOUT HALF DEAD. IF DOG CACK TRIED ANYTHING NOW I WOULDN'T BE IN ANY SHAPE TO STOP HIM.

HELLO, THERE'S A FAMILIAR DOOR.



I'D ALMOST FORGOTTEN THAT SHE WAS IN THIS HOSPITAL. I SHOULD PROBABLY SEE HOW SHE'S DOING.



MADAME WEB--IT'S ME, SPIDER-MAN!

SPIDER-MAN, YOU SAY? COME IN... PLEASE.



SAY, YOU'RE LOOKING A LOT BETTER. DO YOU... REMEMBER ME?

I'M AFRAID NOT, YOUNG MAN, BUT THE DOCTORS HAVE MENTIONED YOU TO ME.

THEN SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER THAT I'M PETER PARKER. UNLESS...



HAVE YOUR MENTAL POWERS RETURNED?

MY PSYCHIC ABILITIES APPEAR TO BE AS DEAD AS MY VISION, BUT THANK YOU FOR CARING TO ASK.

I'M TOLD THAT YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE TO DEFEND ME FROM THAT JUGGERNAUT CREATURE. *

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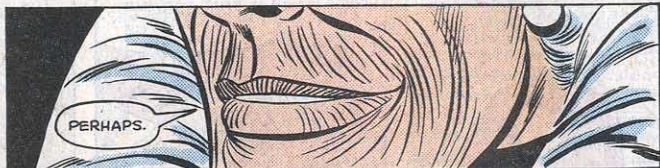
YEAH. SORRY I DIDN'T DO A BETTER JOB. I WISH I WERE A LOT MORE SUCCESSFUL AT SAVING FOLKS.



I'M SURE YOU DID YOUR BEST. OH, WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO TURN ON MY RADIO?

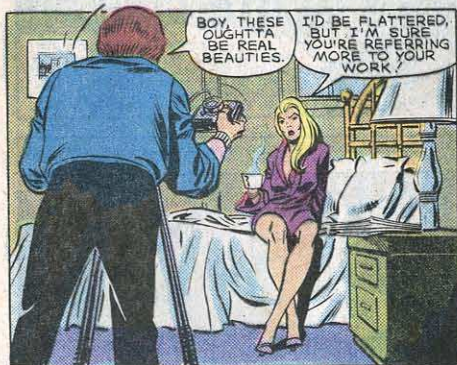
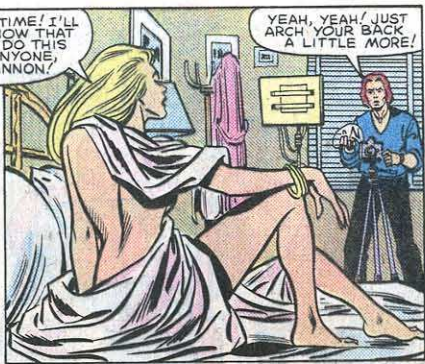
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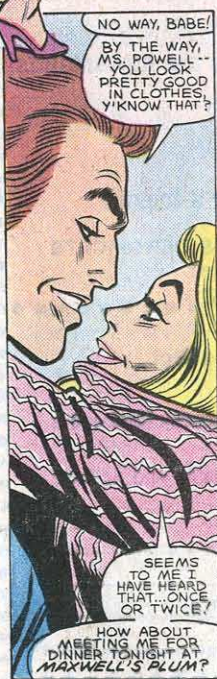
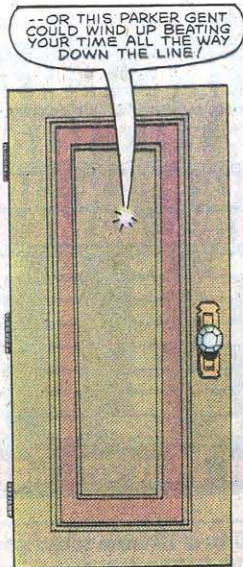
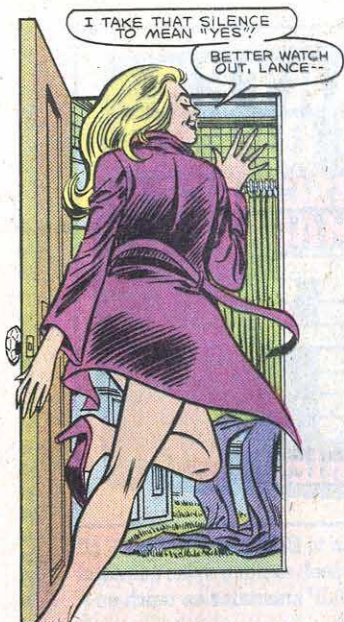
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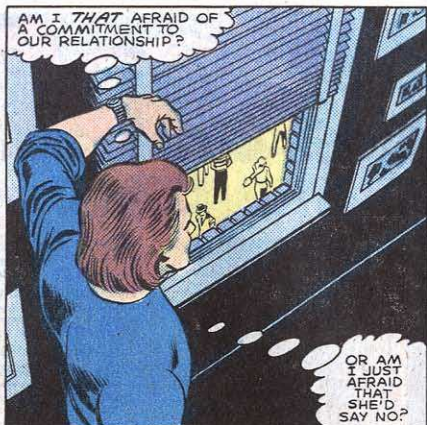
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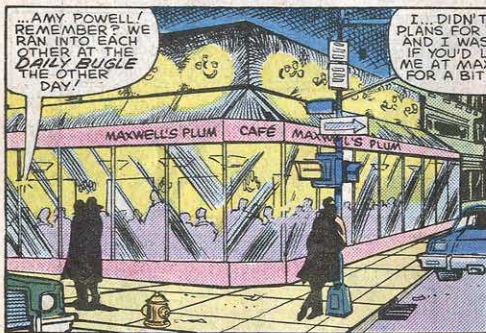
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MUST'VE BEEN MORE WORN OUT THAN I THOUGHT! HEAD STILL FEELS LIKE BEES ARE LIVING IN IT!

AND MY STOMACH THINKS MY THROAT'S BEEN CUT!

I'LL HAVE TO GET BY WITH A SANDWICH AND A BLAST OF MILK... NO TIME FOR ANYTHING MORE!



BOLTING DOWN HIS MAKE-DO DINNER, THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN IS SOON SWINGING OVER THE CITY STREETS TO THE CLOSER OF HIS DESTINATIONS...



...AN OLD, ILL-KEPT WAREHOUSE JUST OFF 23RD STREET AND NINTH AVENUE.



THIS PLACE IS BOARDED UP TIGHTER THAN A DRUM, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING. AFTER THAT ARTICLE IN TODAY'S PAPER, ANYONE WHO'S BEEN LIFTING OSBORN'S OLD EQUIPMENT--

--WOULD START PLAYING THINGS A LOT MORE CAUTIOUSLY, BLAST IT!

WHOEVER IT IS HAS ALREADY BEEN HERE! THE PLACE HAS BEEN PICKED CLEAN... AND RECENTLY, FROM THE MARKS ON THE FLOOR!



THAT'S BAD... REAL BAD. I'M LEFT WITH ONLY ONE PLACE TO CHECK, AND HE COULD HAVE STRUCK THERE, ALREADY, TOO.

THE GOBLIN HAD A LAIR IN THE BACK OF THE OLD VILLAGE THEATER, OFF SECOND AVENUE. THERE HASN'T BEEN A PRODUCTION THERE SINCE I WAS AN UNDERGRAD...



...SO WHY IS THE STAGE DOOR LIGHT ON?



MY SPIDER-SENSE IS BUZZING A FULL-SCALE WARNING. THIS MUST BE--



...THE PAYOFF!

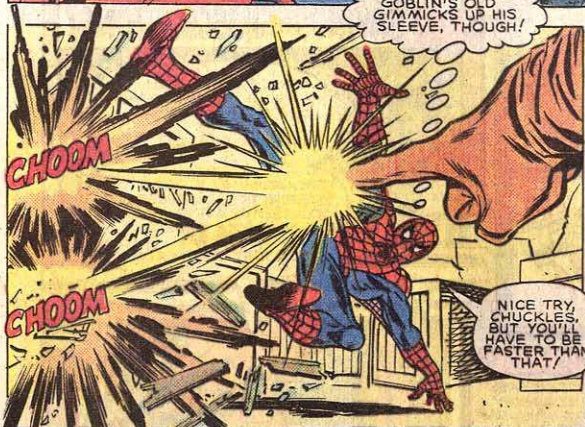


RIGHT AS RAIN,
FRIGHT-FACE,
WHO ARE YOU
SUPPOSED TO BE?

THE COSTUME
IS FAMILIAR, BUT
IF YOU'RE TRYING
TO BE THE GREEN
GOBLIN, YOU'RE
USING THE WRONG
COLOR SCHEME.

HE SURE HAS THE
GOBLIN'S OLD
GIMMICKS UP HIS
SLEEVE, THOUGH!

I MUST GET OUT OF HERE! I'M
NOT PREPARED TO DEAL WITH
HIM, YET! BESIDES--



NICE TRY,
CHUCKLES,
BUT YOU
HAVE TO BE
FASTER THAN
THAT!



--THERE'S
NOTHING
OF VALUE
HERE
FOR ME!

HEY, DON'T FLY OFF IN
A HUFF! I'VE HARDLY
HAD A CHANCE TO
SAY, "HI!"

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IF THIS CHARACTER
THINKS HE CAN LOSE
ME THAT EASILY, HE'S
DEAD WRONG!



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DON'T TELL ME
THAT YOU'RE
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GETTING
DESPERATE--

--TOSSEING THESE CORNBALL
BATS AT ME! THEY CAN'T
BE MORE THAN A MOMENTARY
ANNOYANCE.

SO HOW COME MY SPIDER-
SENSE IS TINGLING?

YOWTCH!
THERE'S
THE ANSWER...
THESE
BABIES ARE
RAZOR SHARP!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT KEEPS
'EM AIRBORNE, BUT THEY'RE
SWARMING AROUND ME LIKE
FLIES AROUND OVERRIPE FRUIT!

I'M FAST ENOUGH TO AVOID ALL
BUT THE MOST SUPERFICIAL
NICKS AND CUTS.

OKAY, HOBBY,
YOU JUST
MADE ME
MAD, AND
THAT WAS
A BIG
MISTAKE!

REALLY?

IT WAS A MISTAKE,
ALL RIGHT, FOR ALL
I TELEGRAPHED THAT
LEAP BY A MILE!

ME AND MY
BIG MOUTH!

A FOOLISH MOVE,
MY FRIEND. FORTUN-
ATELY, I HAVE AN
ITEM IN MY BAG
OF TRICKS--

--WHICH WILL ENABLE ME TO TAKE
GREATER ADVANTAGE OF YOUR ERROR!

WHOOSH

THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN...
BIG DEAL! RIGHT NOW I
FEEL MORE LIKE THE AMAZING
DOOFUS!

AFTER ALL I'VE BEEN
THROUGH IN THE PAST FEW
DAYS, MY MIND MUST STILL
BE ON HOLD! I'D BETTER
SNAP TO IT BEFORE--!

UH-OH,
THERE GOES
MY SPIDER-SENSE
AGAIN! BUT IT'S
SUCH A MILD BUZZ,
WHAT COULD IT BE
THIS TIME?

BUH-WHAM

GAS! THAT FIGURES. THE GREEN
GOBLIN HAD A WHOLE RANGE OF
GAS-BOMBS IN HIS ARSENAL.

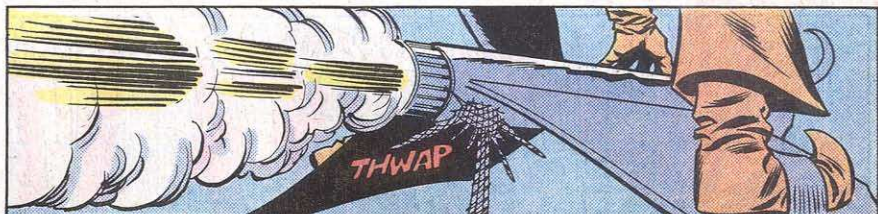
UNFORTUNATELY FOR OL' HOBBY,
I GOT MYSELF A GOOD LUNGFUL
OF AIR BEFORE HIS LITTLE
PARTY-FAVOR WENT OFF! THIS
STUFF WON'T EVEN SLOW
ME DOWN!

WHAT'S MORE,
I CAN USE IT
AS GROUND
COVER FOR THE
NEXT FEW
MOMENTS!

--WITH NO TROUBLE!

HOBGOBLIN
CAN'T SEE ME, BUT IF
I CONCENTRATE ON
THE OL' SPIDER-SENSE, I
OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO
DRAW A BEAD ON HIM--

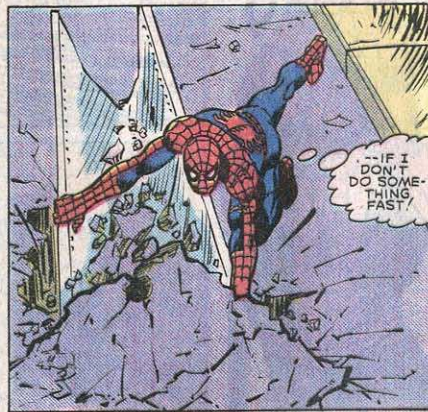
THWIP



THAT'S IT!
COME TO
EARTH,
BABY!

PLANTING HIS FEET FIRMLY ON THE PAVEMENT, SPIDER-MAN CALLS UPON HIS UNCANNY CLINGING ABILITY TO STAND HIS GROUND. HIS WEBBING STRETCHES TO THE END OF ITS ELASTIC POINT--AND HOLDS! SO THAT...





Dear Tom,

Being an unshakable collector of the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, I must congratulate Roger Stern, John Romita, Jr., and Dan Green for the job they did on issue #234. "Now Shall Will-O-The-Wisp Have His Revenge" is probably the best Spider-yarn I've ever laid my eyes on.

I just knew that Peter Parker's run of good luck couldn't hold out through the entire story. I mean, he first meets a beautiful young woman, then he gets to harass J. Jonah Jameson, and then Mr. Pincus defrosts his refrigerator and gives Pete a complete meal! It had to end sometime, right? And unfortunately for the ol' Web-head, it ended with the transformation of the Tarantula from man into monster. I can't wait to see how Spider-Man gets himself out of this mess!

Also, I wish to thank everyone involved for the Marvel Guide to Collecting Comics. It told me a few things about comics I never knew.

Brian Toms
3209 Jenks Avenue
Panama City, FL 32405

Me, too!

Dear Tom,

To tell the truth, the only reason I bought AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #234 was to get the Marvel Guide to Collecting Comics. The Guide shed some light on a number of things for me, but mostly — now — I'm glad that there was an issue of SPIDER-MAN attached to it.

I never read AMAZING SPIDER-MAN that much before, but you can bet I will from now on! From that great scene on page two, where the bullets passed right through Will-O-The-Wisp, I knew that I'd picked up one action-packed issue. The story was so interesting and the art so fabulous, who else but Marvel could have done it?

Is Will-O-The-Wisp a friend of Spider-Man's or an enemy? From the way he acted, it was a little hard to tell.

Finally, I hope that the Tarantula doesn't stay in that form for long, as that could mean big trouble for Spider-Man.

Matthew S. Flemming
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Is the Wisp a friend or foe? Good question, Matt, and it's one that Spider-Man has asked himself almost every time he's run into the glowing man! They've recently parted on good terms, though!

Dear Mr. DeFalco,

Congratulations on your new, more upbeat Spider-Man. You have replaced the dull, stagnant "Spidey" with a much more enjoyable Spider-Man. You have put much of the fun and spunk back into this book, and we applaud you.

Unfortunately, we cannot applaud the appearances herein of Nathan Lubensky. With his presence in the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, one can only assume that we will be seeing still more of the unhealthiest lady in comics — Aunt May. You may like Aunt May, but we feel that she has out-lived her

usefulness to the series. After all her illnesses and heart attacks, it is simply amazing, not to mention very improbable, that she is still alive!

The AMAZING SPIDER-MAN has always been the magazine for change and innovative ideas. Well, let's reaffirm that tradition with the death of Aunt May. Aunt May has given us so many subplots that she has no more to give... alive. Her death, however, opens up infinite possibilities. What would Peter do without his aunt? What would he do with the windfall of money that would result from no more medical bills? Would Peter Parker finally become the happy-go-lucky Spider-Man?

So what do you say? Let's put it to Marvel-Assembled as to whether or not May Parker should live.

Mike and Doug Gessell
25 Anderson Avenue
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Aw, gee, guys! Isn't that just a little on the bloodthirsty side? Do you really want me to condemn sweet old May Parker to death? Do you really think you know all there is to know about the lady? (If you do, you'd best think again!)

Besides, May's been the picture of health, ever since she had that coronary by-pass operation ("way back in ASM #179") ...and Nathan Lubensky entered her life. You might say the lady's started life anew... and that sounds pretty good to me! How about you?

Dear Tom, Roger, and John:

As I finish reading each issue of the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, I think that there's just no way you could top yourselves. Then, I read the next issue and find out that you can! I really can't believe how fantastic this book is becoming. Keep up the great work, guys!

And now, for some general question/comments:

- 1) Since Dr. Jonas Harrow created the Will-O-The-Wisp, does that mean he worked for the Brand Corporation?
- 2) After the Tarantula reverts to normal, why not have him go to work for the Kingpin?
- 3) Bring back Doc Ock!
- 4) Have Spider-Man get a re-match with the Cyclone, Lightmaster, the Grizzly, the Shocker, Mysterio, the Prowler, or Beladonna.
- 5) Keep on producing top-notch entertainment like this, and I'll renew my subscription!

Andrew Krepela
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Okay, Andy, taking them in order:

- 1) Nope! Jonas Harrow didn't create the Wisp, he only used him. It was the Wisp who had worked for Brand, as we saw in issue #235.
- 2) Since the Tarantula was on a one-way transformation, employment from the Kingpin has become an impossible option in this reality.
- 3) You got 'im! See recent issues of SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN.
- 4) Aside from Lightmaster — who lost

his powers in MARVEL TEAM-UP #113 — and the Shocker (who recently was used by the Masters of Evil in the AVENGERS), anything is possible!

5) Deal!

Dear Tom,

The all-new, all-different, all-terrific Captain Marvel — in the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL #16 — was just that.

Admittedly, when I heard that there was going to be a new Captain Marvel, I thought, "Oh, great! He's probably another Kree Warrior... here we go again!" Then I found out that he was a she, Well, I just read her origin... and, boy, was it different!

I have to say that Monica Rambeau is one of the best-looking women I have seen in comics... or real life, for that matter! I certainly don't blame Parker for wanting to follow her! I would have, too!

The story in this year's ANNUAL had one nifty scene after another. I laughed my head off when that kid at the Empire State Building wouldn't give Spider-Man a quarter for the viewer. And his parents' reaction to his "meeting" with Spider-Man was too much! The running chase was very exciting; it had me on the edge of my seat, right to the very end when Web-head and Iron Man managed to save Captain Marvel from her power overload. The Thing's difficulties with finding a cab contributed to another good laugh. And it was a joy to see Liz and Harry again. I hope we see more of them soon — and let's see this Brenda gal that Liz wanted to set Peter up with! I mean who knows...?

Back to the lovely Captain Marvel, I hope enough fans like her and support her. (I for one would like to see the lady get her own book.) I am waiting with bated breath for AVENGERS #227 to hit the stands.

Mark Stanislawski
117 Cornflower Drive
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NEXT ISSUE: Our story reaches from the heart of the Sun Belt to the less balmy climes of Forest Hills, as the high-flying *Vulture* returns to bedevil our amazing web-spinner! And wait! You see their battle to the finish in the middle of the New York Coliseum... and we do mean finish! It all jumps off the pages of AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #240, on sale in just thirty days! Reserve your copy now!

Bye for now...

Tom DeFalco



BULPEN BULLETINS

I'M BACK!

I hope you enjoyed last month's guest column by David Michelinie, who happens to be the brilliant, superstar scripter of *The Further Adventures of Indiana Jones*, among other things. And, in case you've forgotten me, I am Jim Shooter, Editor in Chief of Marvel Comics. That means I'm the boss here, folks! Neat, huh?

REQUEST OF THE MONTH

Ever since I mentioned *Shooter's Law of Mail* in one of my columns, I've been asked again and again if I've established any other "laws" governing Marvel Comics, and, if so, what are they. Okay. You asked for it, you got it. Here are some of...

SHOOTER'S LAWS

The First Law of Fair Play

No one works for free. Anyone who does any work assigned by a Marvel Editor will be fairly paid. No exceptions.

The Second Law of Fair Play

A creator's time is valuable. If we waste any of it, we pay fairly for it.

The Third Law of Fair Play

All creative people will be treated equally and fairly. There will be no caste system — no elite with special privileges and unfair advantages over other creators. Every person has equal rights. Editors will make creative judgements based upon a creator's work, not upon his name, or reputation. No one "deserves" special rights or privileges. Any special treatment granted to one creator is a stab in the back to all others.

The First Law of Mail

All mail must be opened and read by the person to whom it is addressed. No exceptions.

The Second Law of Mail

Mail from readers and fans should be treated with interest and respect. Those letters are from the people we work for. They're our bosses.

The Law of Dealing With Readers and Fans In Person

This should be done as often as possible, at conventions, comics stores, and anywhere else. Again, we work for these people, and they should be treated accordingly.

The Law of the Creation of Comics

There are no rules governing or limiting creativity. There is nothing which must be done and nothing which cannot be done. All things are possible. If something works, it works. If it doesn't work, never say it can't. There is a way. Try everything.

That's a few of them. There are others, of course. Maybe someday I'll list some more.

WORK HAS REACHED ME...

...that in a poll of British fans conducted by *Worlds Collide*, a classy British fan magazine, Marvel titles, series, and creators won every single category for which they were eligible. As you might expect, *Daredevil* and *The X-Men* were the big vote-getters. Thanks, Britain!

THAT'S IT...

...for now. Next month, be sure to tune in for a special feature — the first (and quite possibly the last!) interview to be published in this column. I'm going to be asking probing questions of the man who has more copies of his work in print than any other human being in the history of the world. That's right, the most widely published creator (of anything) in history — and, no, folks, it isn't Stan Lee. Not even close.

Till then,

Jim Shooter
Jim Shooter

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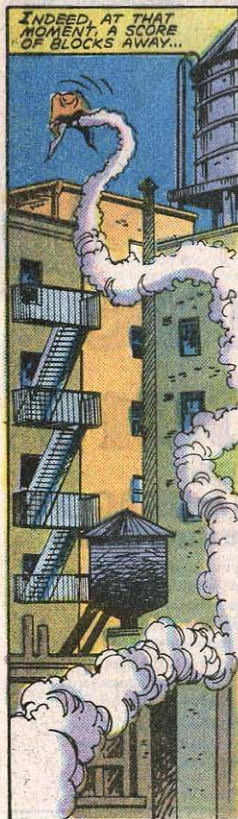
IT WORKED! THE
DANGER'S OVER

NO, SCRATCH
THAT...



THE FIRE
IS OUT. THAT'S
ALL.

HOBGOBLIN GOT AWAY.



INDEED, AT THAT
MOMENT, A SCORE
OF BLOCKS AWAY...

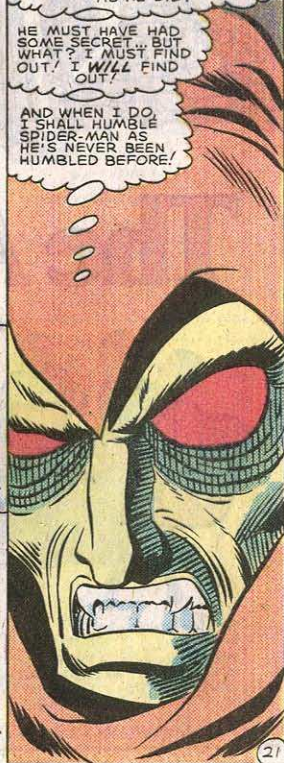
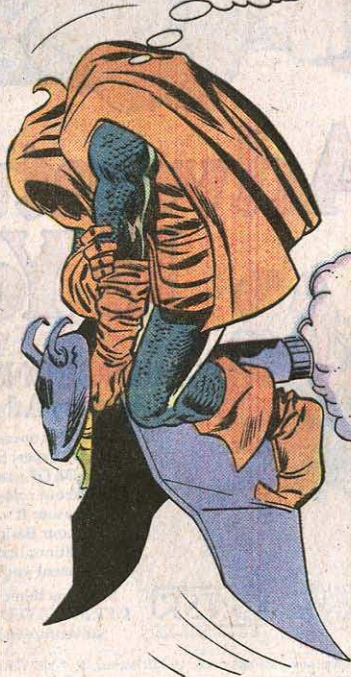
I-I KNEW THAT
SPIDER-MAN WOULD
BE A DIFFICULT
OPPONENT, BUT I
NEVER IMAGINED
HE WOULD BE
LIKE THIS!

I FEEL AS THOUGH
I'VE JUST RUN
IN A MARATHON...
HEART'S POUNDING,
EVERY MUSCLE
ACHES, IT'S ALL I
CAN DO TO HANG
ONTO MY JET-
GLIDER

HOW ON EARTH WAS THE GREEN
GOBLIN ABLE TO STAND UP TO
SPIDER-MAN AS MANY TIMES
AS HE DID?

WE MUST HAVE HAD
SOME SECRET, BUT
WHAT? I MUST FIND
OUT! I WILL FIND
OUT!

AND WHEN I DO,
I SHALL HUMBLE
SPIDER-MAN AS
HE'S NEVER BEEN
HUMBLED BEFORE!



AND BACK IN
GREENWICH
VILLAGE...

BRO-THER!
TODAY'S BEEN
A TOTAL
WASH-OUT!

I SLEPT MOST OF
THE DAY AWAY... I
LET THE HOBGOBLIN
GET AWAY FROM ME...
AND I THINK I MAY
HAVE BURNT MY HAND
IN THE PROCESS!
WONDERFUL!

AT LEAST I
KNOW WHAT I'M
UP AGAINST IN
THE HOBGOBLIN!
OF COURSE, I
STILL DON'T
KNOW WHO HE
IS... OR IF HE
KNOWS WHO
I AM!

THAT SHOULD
BOTHER ME
MORE--

--BUT RIGHT
NOW, WITH
DR. OCTOPUS
STILL ON THE
LOOSE AND
THE BLACK CAT
ON THE CRITICAL
LIST, I JUST
CAN'T MUSTER
ENOUGH ENERGY
TO WORRY.

WHAT
A
LIFE!

THINK I'LL
GO HOME, PUT
ON MY SPARE
COSTUME, AND
GO SEE IF FELICIA'S
IMPROVED ANY.
YEAH... AND
MAYBE GRAB A
DONUT ON THE
WAY.

THERE'S ONE
GOOD POINT
ABOUT ALL
THIS... THINGS
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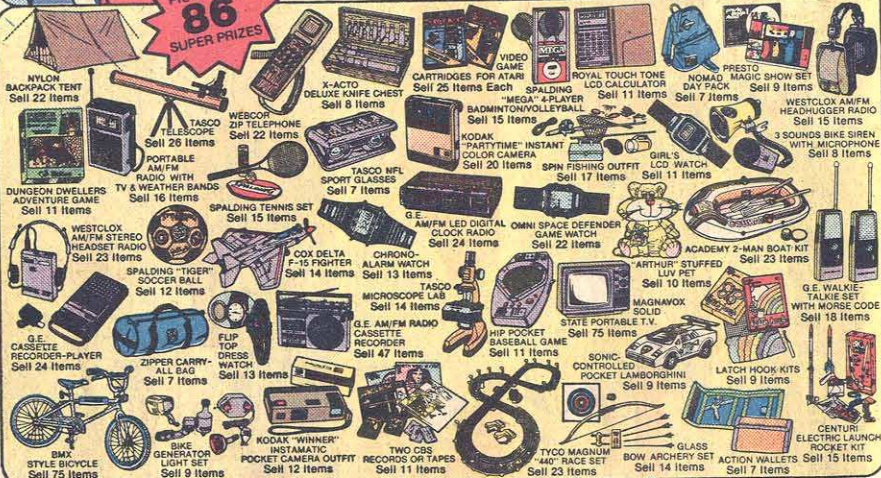
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