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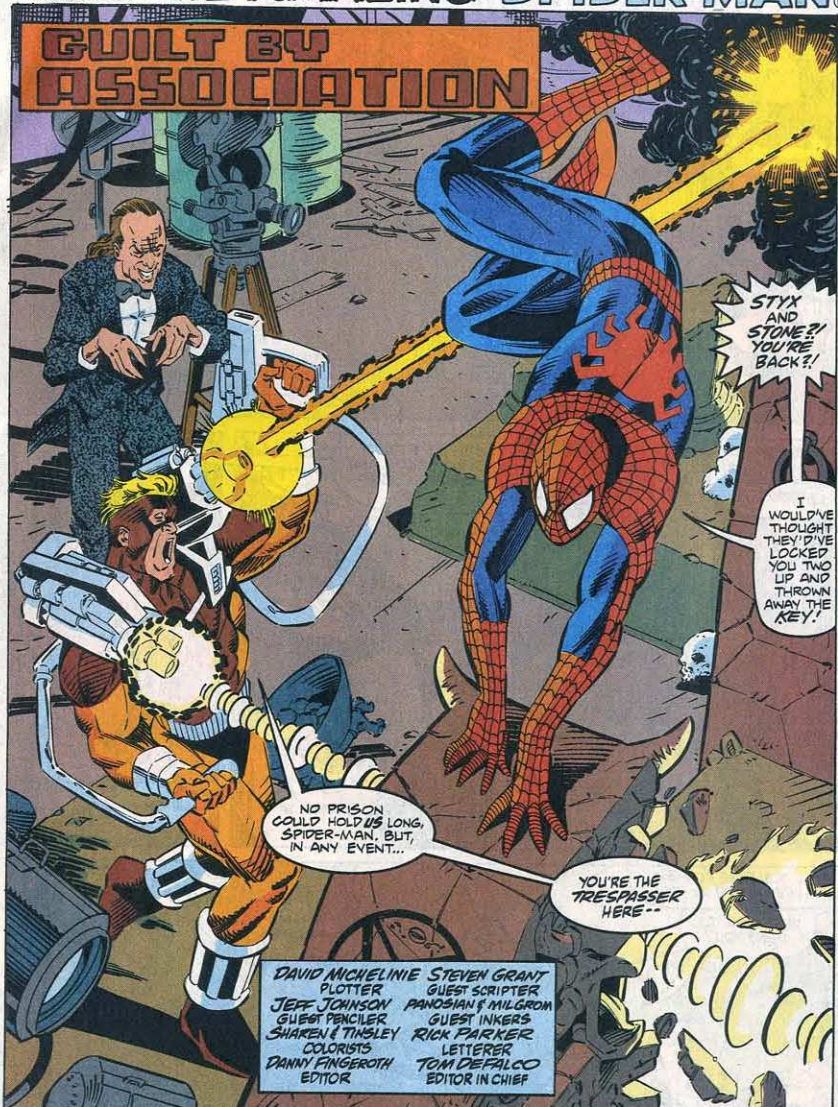


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BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, STUDENT PETER PARKER GAINED THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH AND AGILITY OF AN ARACHNID! ARMED WITH HIS WONDROUS WEB-SHOOTERS, THE RELUCTANT SUPER HERO STRUGGLES WITH SINISTER SUPER-VILLAINS, MAKING ENDS MEET, AND MAINTAINING SOME SEMBLANCE OF A NORMAL LIFE!

Stan Lee
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-- WITH SO MUCH DELICIOUS POTENTIAL--!

MY HAND! I CAN'T FEEL--! LET GO!

IT'S YOU WHO WILL LET GO--



YES! SUCH INDESCRIBABLE PLEASURE!

-- OF YOUR GUN--



-- OF YOUR LIFE!

YES!



YOU... YOU--

MONSTER!

HE WAS A LIVING BREATHING MAN-- AND YOU-- YOU SNUFFED HIM OUT!



FOR NO REASON!



ISN'T PLEASURE REASON ENOUGH?

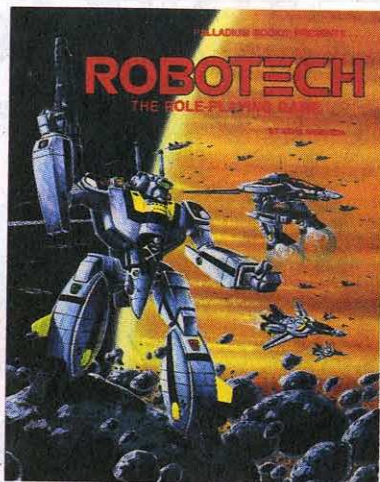
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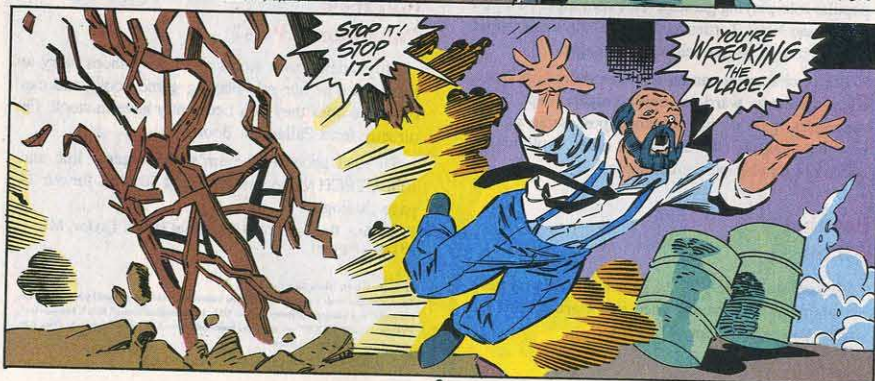
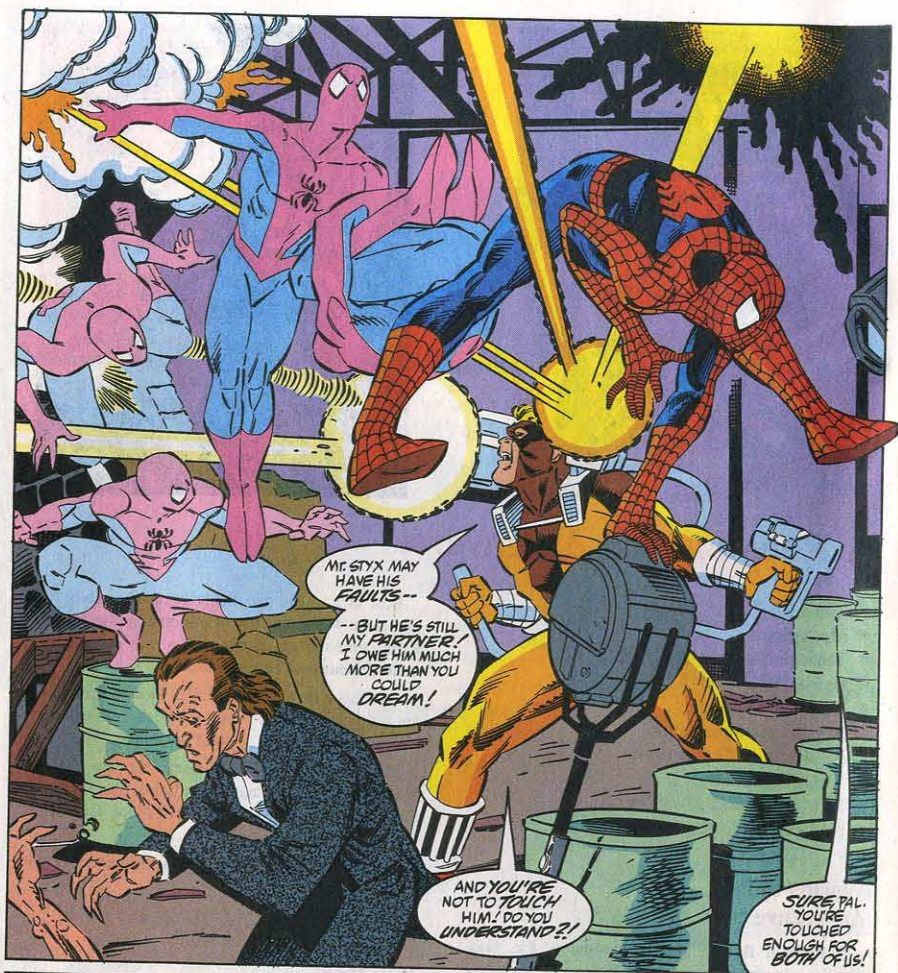
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BULLPEN BULLETINS

TOM TALKS

I happened to be perusing the racks in one of the comic book stores that I frequently haunt when a fellow four color culture-lover tapped me on the arm. He had recognized me — probably from those less than flattering cartoons that have been appearing in MARVEL AGE and on this very page — and was surprised to find the idiot in chief of the (ta-da) world's largest comic book company loaded down with a healthy batch of the latest beauties. He was real curious about my selections, and wanted to know exactly why I was buying them. After all, a guy in my position spends most of his day working on, thinking about, and reading comics. It was obvious to him that I couldn't possibly be buying this bundle for my own enjoyment, right?

Wrong! I happen to be one of the luckiest comic book fans of all! I see all of the Marvel Comics, receive freebies from lots of the other companies, and have access to a few well-stocked comic book stores and I still can't get enough of them!

I'm not alone! Most of the writers, artists, editors, production people and the countless others who are privileged to participate in this incredible industry all feel exactly the same! We're all here because of our love for this very quirky, but oh so entertaining, medium. (I forgot to mention that four of my fellow professionals were also shopping in the store at that very moment.)

On behalf of us all, I'd like to extend our sincerest gratitude to you, our loyal reader, for allowing us the unique opportunity to indulge in this fleshly delightful enterprise. We couldn't do it without your enthusiastic encouragement and continued support.

Thanks for being there!

Tom D.

Here at Marvel, we believe in togetherness. What else would you expect from the company that brought you MARVEL TEAM-UP, MARVEL TWO-IN-ONE, and MARVEL TRIPLE-ACTION? So naturally, Valentine's Day is one of our favorite holidays. In honor of this ultra-romantic day, we asked our Marveloids who their favorite couple is in all of Marveldom, and why.

♥ **DARKHAWK** penciler **Mike Manley** is a man whose heart is in the right place — but his spleen is slightly off-center. Mike chose Reed and Sue Richards, "because we all probably wish our wives would disappear sometimes!"

THE BULL'S EYE

by Barry Dutter & Rick Parker



♥ Letterer **Jack Morelli** once had his heart painted cherry red by his wife, colorist **Christie Scheele**. Jack picked Black Bolt and Medusa, "because he doesn't get to speak, either!"

♥ Editor **Bobbie Chase** reminds us that somebody out there really does love the Hulk. Said Bobbie, "I'd choose Hulk and Betty — Hulk's only relationship in which he has to be the passive one — or else!"

♥ **SLEEPWALKER** penciler **Kelly Krantz** also chose America's favorite gamma-irradiated couple, noting that "their relationship transcends the boundaries of physics!"

♥ **EXCALIBUR's** **Alan Davis**, who sends all his love from overseas, chose two of his own babies from that book. "I'd pick Captain Britain and Megan, for all the obvious reasons."

♥ **SPIRITS OF VENGEANCE** penciler **Adam Kubert**, who thinks love means never having

to say you're Spidey, chose Peter Parker and Mary Jane Watson. Explained Adam, "They're a couple of swingers!"

♥ **Rik Levins**, of CAPTAIN AMERICA-penciling fame, reminds us that love, like the stars and stripes, is forever. Rik chose Cap and his current flame, Diamondback. His explanation: "Diamondback's recently suffered a complete personality change. I like that because it's totally unpredictable. No one knows what's going to happen. I don't even think Mark Gruenwald knows!"

♥ **BARBIE** scripter **Trina Robbins**, who thinks math really is tough, went for the classic beauty and the beast relationship of Alicia Masters and Ben Grimm, noting "it's terribly romantic. Both are different. Both are misfits. Who could not like the Thing?"

♥ **DOOM** 2099 writer **John Francis Moore**, who believes in the power of love — but believes even more in the power of a Ghost Rider guest-appearance — chose Scott Summers and Jean Grey, because "in their reckless youth, they were the Dylan and Brenda of the Marvel era."

♥ Scott and Jean were also the couple of choice of X-MEN penciler **Brandon** (no relation to Brenda) **Petersen**, who said, "My favorite couple is Cyclops and whoever Jean Grey is this month. Whether she's the alien Dark Phoenix, Madelyne Pryor, or just herself, the two are always mutantkind's #1 couple!"

♥ **QUASAR** letterer **Janice Chiang**, picks another mega-odd couple. "I chose the Vision and the Scarlet Witch. If the eyes are the window to the soul, then the Scarlet Witch must be very perceptive."

♥ **NEW WARRIORS** penciler **Darick Robertson**, who admires Speedball's ability to bounce back from a bad relationship, picks Marvel Boy and Firestar, because "They're so darn cute. You can't miss out with the boy scout and the #1 girl scout of the super hero world!"

♥ **CONAN THE BARBARIAN** penciler **Michael Docherty**, who says "The greatest couple has to be Conan and the she-pirate Belit, the queen of the Black Coast. Even though Conan married Zenobia in later years, Belit remained the great love of his life. She swore she would return from death, and did indeed to aid Conan in his time of need. It ain't Richard Burton and Liz Taylor, but it ain't too shabby, neither!"

♥ Finally we have X-FACTOR penciler **Joe Quesada**, who has an achy-breaky heart condition, who said "My Valentine's Day couple would be Stan Lee and Jack Kirby, the greatest writer and artist team of all. What more could one ask for on Valentine's Day?"

HYPELINE: ON SALE THIS WEEK

- **ALPHA FLIGHT #119**: The Wrecking Crew comes to town! Where's Dean Martin?
- **AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #376**: Spidey wants to make a Cardiac arrest against Shy and Stone!
- **BARBIE #28**: Will you be Barbie's Valentine?
- **DARKHOLD #7**: It's Pearl Harbor Day with Dr. Strange and Modred the Mystic!
- **DEATH'S HEAD 2 #5**: It's death times two as Death's Head 2 takes on UnDeath's Head 2!
- **GHOST RIDER #36**: GR's after Mr. Hyde's hide, and he's hiding from Succubus!
- **GROO THE WANDERER #100**:

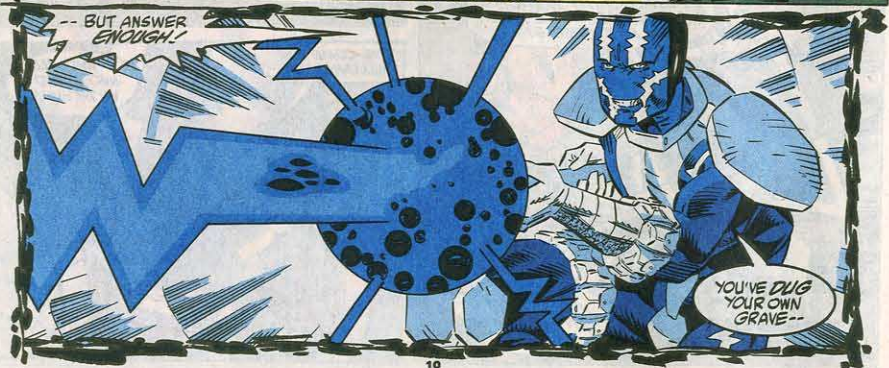
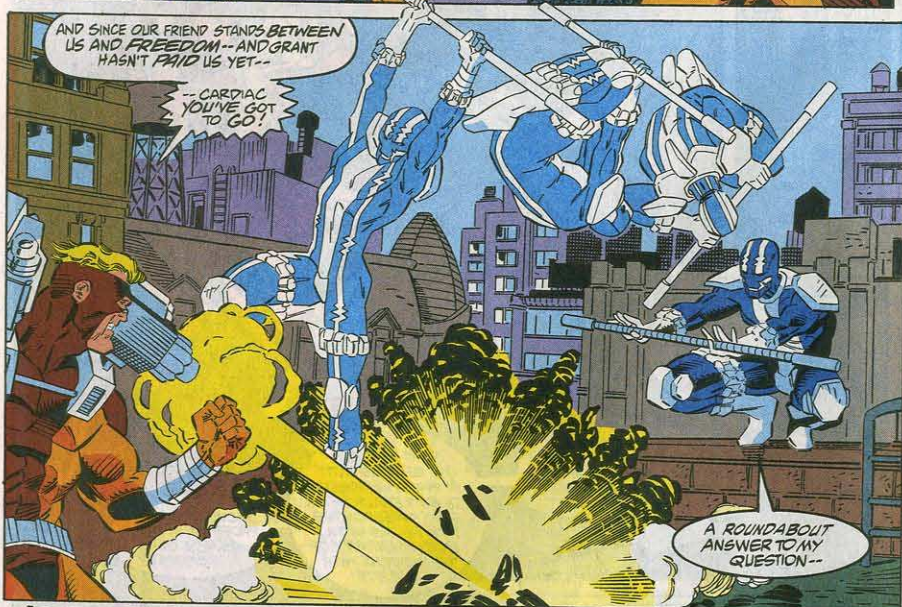
- **CHEESE DIP! MUNCH! Hidden Message!** Face it — this is the big one!
- **GROO TPB: EXPOSE**: Classic Groo reprints, in case you didn't get the joke the first time!
- **GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY #50**: The Galactic Guardians are trying to avoid Bionicubus like the plague!
- **KANCE BARNES, POST-NUKE** **DICK #1** of 4: Lance accidentally triggers nuclear holocaust! Like they say on Fox, "Woops!"
- **MARVEL SUPER-HEROES #13**: It's an all-iron Man extravaganza!
- **PENORASON 2 #10**: When Baron Blood returns, Union Jack's life is at stake!

- **PUNISHER WAR ZONE #14**: Frank strikes a town of killers! Bet on Frank!
- **QUASAR #43**: Antibody, Presence, & Neutron vs. Quasar and the all-new Shock Troop!
- **RAVAGE 2099 #5**: Caught between a nitro-bomb and a hard place!
- **SECRET DEFENDERS #2**: Who, or what is... Macbeth?
- **SILVER SABLE #11**: When HYDRA shows up, you just know there's gonna be trouble!
- **SLEEPWALKER #23**: You'll be wide awake as Sleepy walks through a

- **UNCANNY X-MEN MASTERWORKS**: Software reprint of the 1960's X-MEN #1-5. Classic mutant mayhem!
- **WILD THING #1**: Embossed cover! It's not the real Carnage and Venom, but an incredible simulation — kind of like Beethoven!
- **WOLVERINE #68**: The X-Men guest-star as Wolverine takes on Espion Red!
- **WONDER MAN #20**: LA is under siege, and Wondy is on stage doing MacBeth!
- **X-MEN ADVENTURES #6**: It's a Saturday morning showdown between Wondy and Sabretooth!









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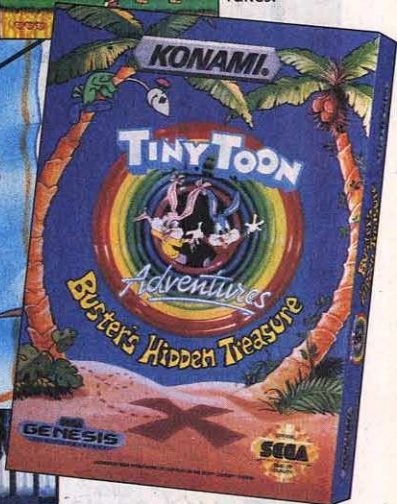


The Plains! The Plains! This fantasy island is fraught with freaky flatlands. Before they flatten you, watch out for unidentified falling objects, electric zappers, moving walls, levers and misplaced rakes.



Happy Spelunking! No, it's not a Swedish holiday, save your greeting cards. You're going to

be exploring the Deepdark Caverns. Some caves flow with molten lava. Talk about a hot foot!





I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT'S SUPPOSED TO MEAN--

-- BUT IF POWER WON'T STOP YOU, MAYBE GAS WILL SLOW YOU DOWN--!



COUNT YOURSELF LUCKY NO ONE'S PAID FOR YOUR DEATH--



--OR I WOULDN'T SETTLE FOR GETTING YOU OUT OF OUR HAIR!

I WAS LUCKY! THAT COULD HAVE BEEN FATAL RATHER THAN MERELY PAINFUL.



NOT MUCH DAMAGE. MY COSTUME AND MY ARTIFICIAL SKIN ARE BOTH TORN, BUT THEY'LL REPAIR.



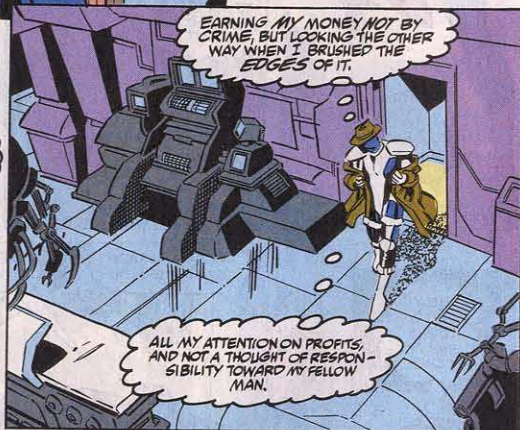
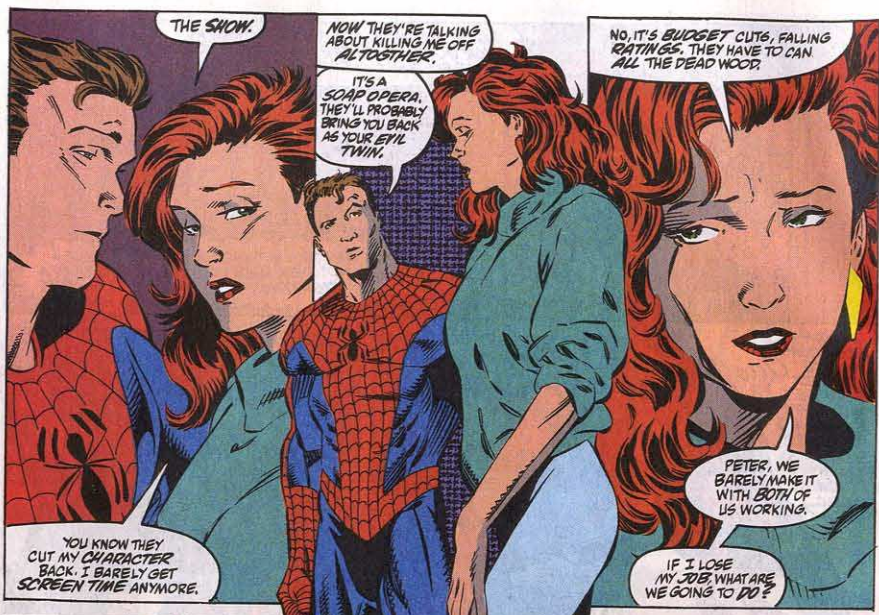
AS FOR THIS STUPID, NO ONE WILL BE MAKING FILMS HERE FOR SOME TIME.



WILLIAM GANT'S WORK AND THE ATROCITIES IT ENCOURAGES ARE ENDED-- FOR NOW.

BESIDES THERE ARE OTHER PROBLEMS TO CONCERN ME NOW.







COMPASSION I LEARNED --
AND GRIEF -- AND THE NEED
FOR RESPONSIBILITY.

OUR
MOTHER
TAUGHT US TO
LOVE OUR
NEIGHBORS--



-- BUT I WAS
SMARTER
THAN THAT.

I KNEW HOW THE WORLD
REALLY WORKED -- AND I
WAS TOO STUPID TO SEE
SHE WAS TELLING US
THINGS HAD TO CHANGE.

UNTIL
JOSH
DIED



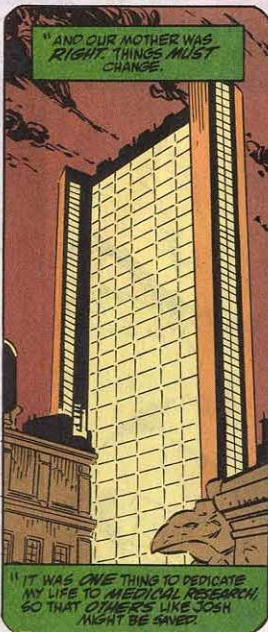
BECAUSE A CURE
FOR HIS DISEASE WASN'T
"COST-EFFECTIVE."

BECAUSE INSURANCE
COMPANIES REFUSED TO
PAY FOR "EXPERIMENTAL
TREATMENTS."



"BECAUSE THEY FOUND
BURYING MY BROTHER
THE FAVORABLE TO GIVING UP
ONE PENNY OF PROFIT."

"SO I SAW THE WORLD
IT'D CONSPIRED WITH.



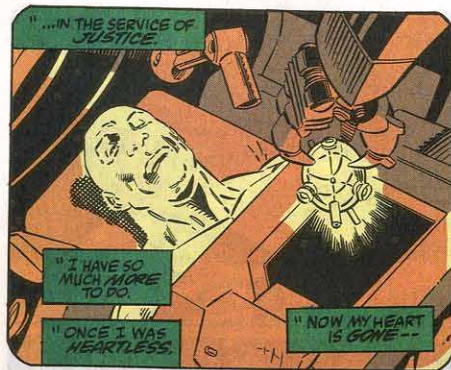
"AND OUR MOTHER WAS
RIGHT THINGS MUST
CHANGE.

"IT WAS ONE THING TO DEDICATE
MY LIFE TO MEDICAL RESEARCH,
SO THAT OTHERS LIKE JOSH
MIGHT BE SAVED.



"BUT THAT WAS NOT
ENOUGH. NO.

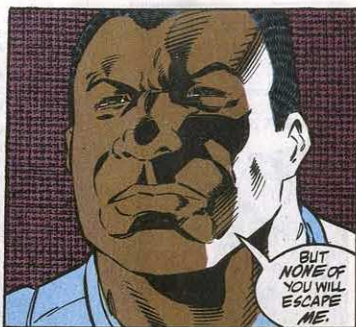
"WITH THE AID OF CLOSE ASSOCIATES,
I PUT MY RESEARCH, MY KNOWLEDGE
TO WORK...





THEY'RE MONSTERS. I HAVE
COME FACE TO FACE WITH
MONSTERS.

YOU ARE A
MONSTER,
STONE.



BUT
NONE OF
YOU WILL
ESCAPE
ME.



THERE ARE ALWAYS TRAILS
TO BE FOLLOWED...

YOU'RE
KIDDING,
RIGHT?

MY BUSINESS IS IN
ASHES! YOU WERE
SUPPOSED TO
PROTECT IT!

WE AGREED
ON AN ADULTRY
WAGE, MR. GANT.
PAYMENT WAS
NEVER MADE
CONTINGENT ON
SUCCESS.

THEN THERE'S
THE MATTER OF
MISREPRESENTATION...



WHAT?! WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING ABOUT?

YOU DIDN'T WARN US
SPIDER-MAN WOULD
BE INVOLVED.



WHY WOULD SPIDER-MAN
BE INVOLVED?! I DON'T
KNOW HIM! HE'S YOUR
ENEMY!

SOMETHING
ELSE I
SHOULD HOLD
YOU RESPONS-
IBLE FOR!

HOW MUCH
LONGER,
MR. STONE?



I'M GETTING
BORED...

...AND I'D
REALLY LIKE
TO SINK MY
FINGERS
INTO SOME-
THING
JUICIER...

I'LL GET MY
CHECKBOOK.

EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY.

SORRY I'M LATE, DAD -- TRAFFIC. YOU READY? WHERE'S MOM?

INSIDE.

FOR TWENTY YEARS, I HOPED SOME DAY I'D BE HERE FOR YOU TO CALL ME "DAD!"

NOW I'M AFRAID YOU'LL SEE ME HUMILIATE MYSELF.

IT WON'T BE THAT BAD, RICHARD-- AND WE CAN USE THE FEE THEY'RE PAYING...

BUT, MARY... ALL WE DID WAS SURVIVE... WE'RE NOT HEROES. WE DIDN'T ESCAPE.

I BET YOU WILL IN THE TV VERSION.

TV--?! OH, THAT WAS A JOKE, WASN'T IT?

YOU NEVER KNOW, DAD.

JUST TELL YOUR STORY. PEOPLE PAID TO HEAR IT.

YOU'RE GOING IN THERE A NOBODY... BUT YOU'RE COMING OUT A STAR!

HELLO... AH... WELCOME... PLEASE EXCUSE ME, I'M NOT USED TO PUBLIC SPEAKING...

MY NAME IS RICHARD PARKER. FOR TWO DECADES, MY WIFE MARY AND I WERE PRISONERS IN THE SOVIET PENAL SYSTEM--

YOU'RE A NATURAL, DAD.

WE'VE ALL HAD A BUMPY LIFE, AND SURVIVAL'S SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

I'M PROUD OF YOU...

I JUST WISH I WERE
PROUD OF MYSELF
TODAY.



BLUNDERING INTO
STYX AND STONE
LIKE THAT WAS BAD
ENOUGH, LETTING
THEM GET AWAY
WAS WORSE.

IT'S TIME THOSE
KILLERS WERE PUT
AWAY FOR GOOD--
AND I KNOW JUST
WHO CAN HELP...

FIVE
MILLION?!
FOR
INSURANCE?!



PUT THE
PHONE
DOWN,
GANT.

BUT IF THE
PROJECT ISN'T
INSURED,
I CAN'T FILM!

OH, IT'S
YOU.

IF YOU WANT THEIR
ADDRESS, IT'S IN
MY RECEPTIONIST'S
ROLODEX.

YOU'RE GIVING THEM UP
JUST LIKE THAT? BUT
I THOUGHT--



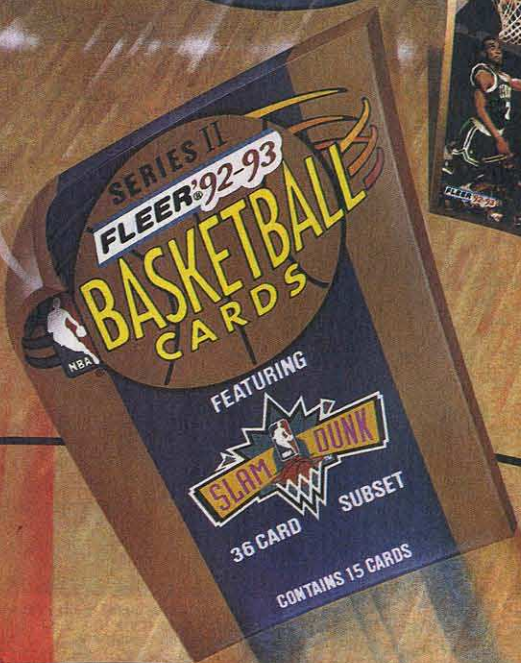
WHAT?
THAT I'M
SOME MAD
CULTIST?

I MAKE MOVIES, THAT'S ALL.
ARE YOU ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE
WHO BELIEVE DISCUSSION IS
AUTOMATICALLY ADVOCACY?



YOU'RE
WELCOME TO
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"Total D" subset card.



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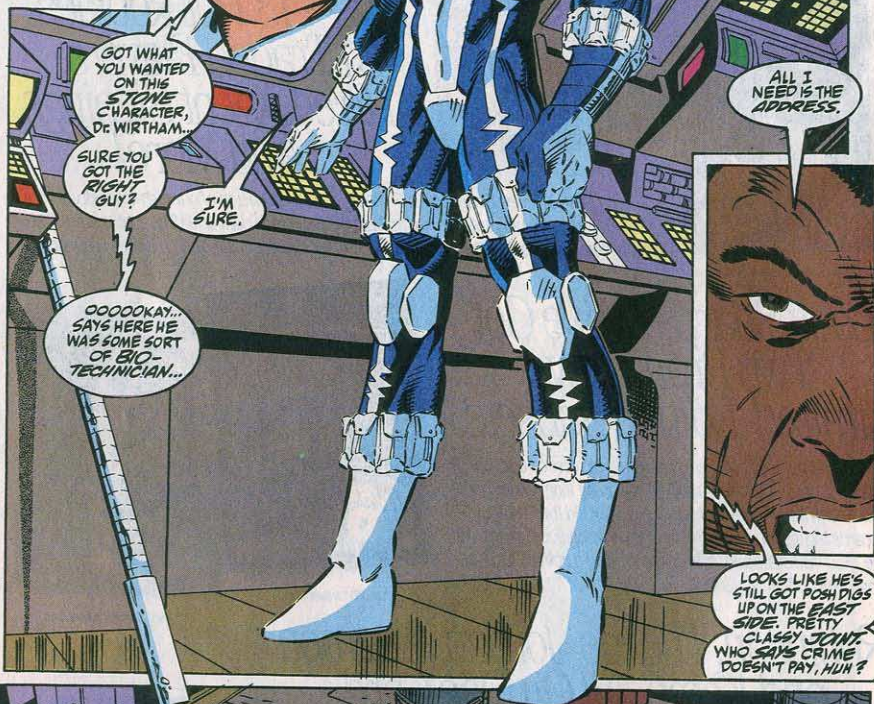
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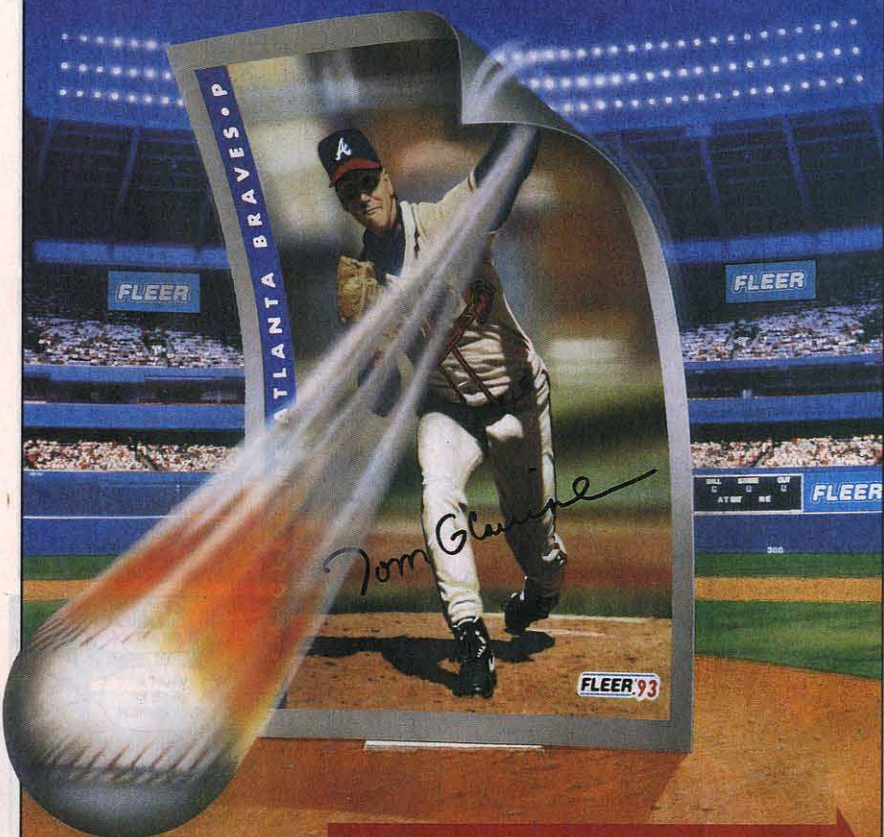
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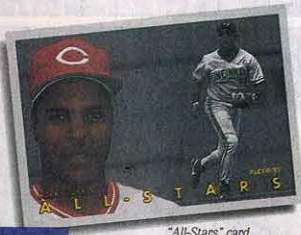
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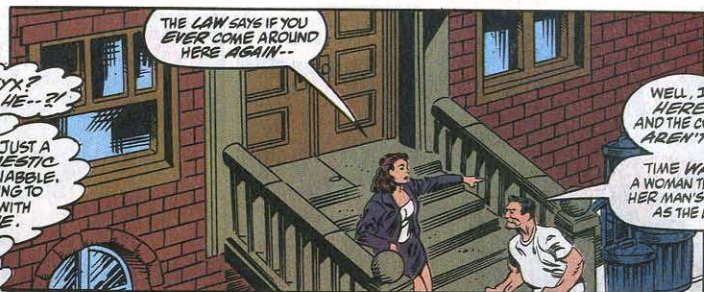
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THE SPIDER'S WEB

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Attention correspondents: All letters considered for publication must include your name and address, though we will withhold that information upon request.

To Amazing Spider-Folks,

To start with, I'm enjoying every issue of the Spider-Slayers. As you have stated, things are changing for Peter Parker and his relationship with Mary Jane. In the latest issue, Mary Jane is shooting a scene for a soap opera. She feels threatened by Peter's parents. She has started smoking and is terribly insecure about her future with Peter if he should develop a relationship with his parents. I don't understand why she is so insecure. Peter has had a long-standing relationship with his Aunt May and still finds the time for her as well as his extra duties as a super hero. Granted, it's probably not as much time as a non-hero could give, but she accepted this going into the marriage.

As far as Peter goes, he really needs to put being a super hero on hold to find out if he can accept or reject his newfound parents. This might also help his relationship with MJ and strengthen her confidence about the two of them. I guess what I'm trying to say is that both sides need to look at where they have been and where they might be headed in the future. They don't want to drag each other down by being selfish, each thinking they are the only one in the relationship that matters.

Just a few thoughts. Please keep up the fine work.

David W. Atkinson
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You bring up a lot of valid points about Peter and MJ, David. Maybe having to "compete" for Peter's attention with three other people is getting to MJ. Then again, she's constantly nervous about the danger her husband faces as Spider-Man. As for Peter, he's tried to quit the super hero biz before, but that all-consuming sense of responsibility has always lured him back.

Dear Spider's Web,

I think issue #369 was excellent! It was nice to see Electro again. I have a question. In "More Bad News," Green Goblin broke his metal strait jacket. How can he break metal? On his trading card his strength is listed as 2. Anyway, it's nice to see the Green Goblin again.

Is the Black Cat going to use that gizmo from the Tinkerer on Spidey? Also, why doesn't Spidey's spider-sense tingle when the camera spots him? The robots get tougher every issue. Thanks for a great story!

Alan Codd
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As you know by now, Alan, the Black Cat's "gizmos" were actually implants that heightened her balance and agility, as well as a nifty new costume that compensated for her lost powers. As for Harry Osborn's increased strength, we'll answer that for our next letter writer...

Dear Amazers,

I really mean that! I just read #369 and I loved it, even the part with my least favorite super-villain, the Green Goblin! I never knew

he was super-strong. Does he have any other super powers?

I think the mystery person is Midnight. But if so, how did he get his arm back? Anyway, until Cardiac and Venom join forces, Make Mine Marvel!

David Estigoy
2732 N. Nansemond Dr.
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As you know by now, David, the mystery villain was not Midnight. Good guess, though! As for the Green Goblin, in recent issues of SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN, it's been shown that he has consumed his father's strength-enhancing formula.

Dear Web-weavers,

What can I say to describe this issue? It was totally interesting and excellently drawn! Mark did a great job and Bob made the drawings really stand out with superbly colored pictures. It was great to see Electro back in AMAZING. You've only been casting him alongside the Sinister Six lately and that had me quite peeved. But that has all changed with this ish. I enjoyed it thoroughly and the robots you've been putting out in the last two issues are great. Just a thought about Spidey's parents—don't let them be spies or robots or something. I think Spider-Man has enough troubles and his parents could fill a void and give ol' web-head a much needed boost.

Also, cut the smoking idea out of Mary Jane's life. Like I said, Spidey's got enough problems.

Jared Michalski
37 Cider Brook Rd.
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Mary Jane has problems too, Jared, and smoking is just an outward expression of those problems. How will she deal with it? Stick around and see.

Dear Danny and Mike,

"Invasion of the Spider-Slayers" is beginning like a much better bi-weekly storyline than last year's "Round Robin," which was just an excuse to gather many other Marvel heroes into this title rather than focus on Spidey himself. Thanks for learning from your mistakes and making this bi-weekly storyline start out much better.

Also, something is seriously wrong with MJ. There's no way she would normally snap at that bystander like she did. Peter had better wake up and realize that all is not well with his wife.

And finally, the back-up features scripted by J.M. DeMatteis have been very good these past two issues. Harry Osborn is one very disturbed man, and something big is going to happen between him and Spidey before too long. You can bet on it!

James Evans
6622 Sutton Road
Madison, WI 53711

We'll bet on it, all right! Check out SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #200 to witness the climactic confrontation between the Green Goblin and the webbed wonder!

Dear Web-heads,

Bring Carnage back! Have Doc Doom reincarnate him or something.

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Thanks, Louie. We'll get those suggestions right out to the Coast.

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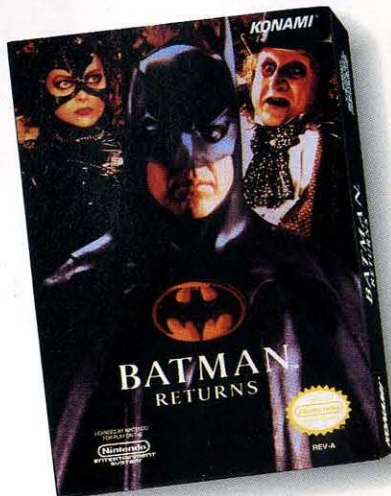
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