



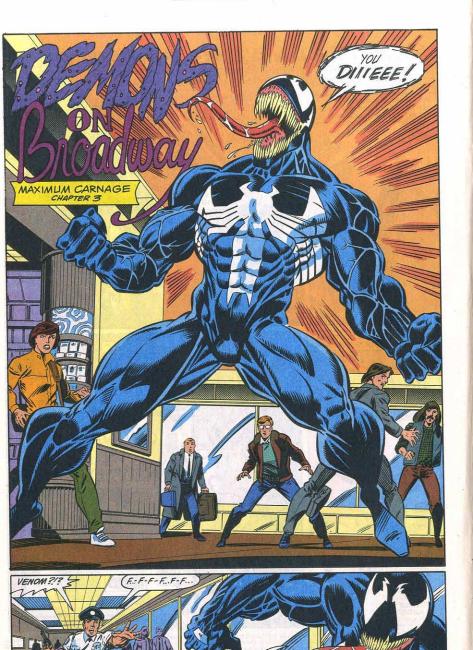
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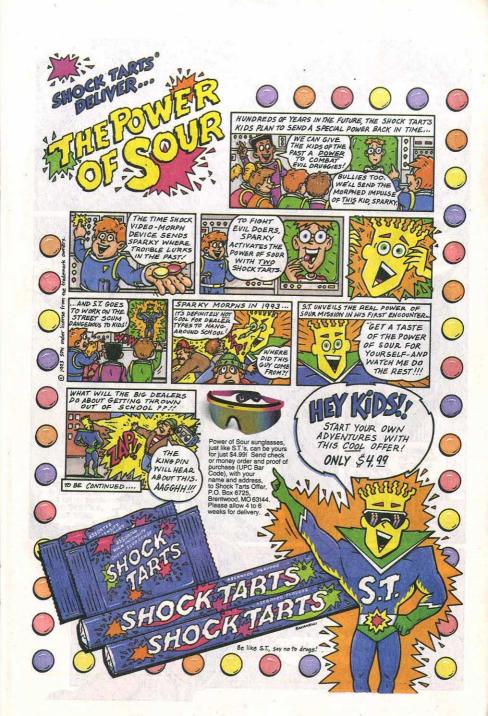


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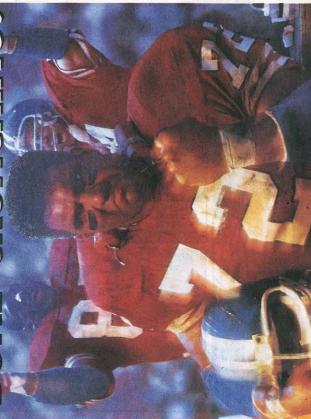














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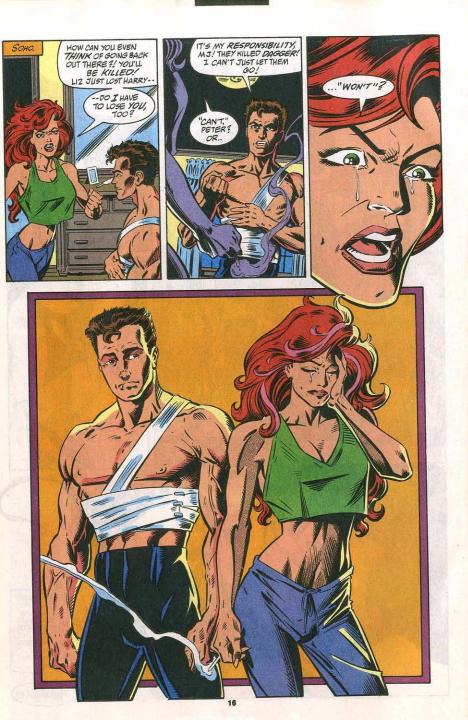




















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NEL TELLS

Over two years ago executive editor Carl Potts, VP Publishing Mike Hobson and VP Direct Sales Carol Kalish and I chowed down at a local eatery and laid the groundwork for what was to be the most ambitious comic book project ever undertaken.

The long-awaited and much talked about result will hit the shops in April. We're calling it EPIC BATTLES OF THE CIVIL WAR and it is, I assure you, unlike any comic book you have ever

held in your hands.

For me, editing this series became an incredible eye-opening journey down the darkest corridors of American history. A period when brother fought against brother; when former classmates stood opposite one another across the blood-soaked battlefields of a torn

Working with a team of writers and artists who lived the many months of research and execution side-by-side with me and assistant editor Richard Ashford was historical heavyweight, American Heritage, which acted as consultant and opened its over-flowing library files for our use.

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popular joke on the Blue Area of the Moon goes like this:

1st Inhuman: It's raining cats and dogs out there

2nd Inhuman: How do you know?

1st Inhuman: I just stepped on Lockjaw!

The joke is a lot funnier if you're an Inhuman. Actually, Lockjaw is a great dog. He's been working his tail off lately so we thought we'd throw him a skeleton (a bone just wouldn't cut it)

Just about the only thing a dog can't do is et into the new Clive Barker art exhibit at the Bess Cutler Gallery in Manhattan. The exhibit started on March 19 and runs through April 24. Association of America wouldn't allow me to put up on the screen." Clive is hard at work on his latest HELLRAISER sequel, as well as launching the all-new "Barker-verse" here at Marvel, and a monthly series featuring of Needle-Nose himself ... Pinhead! Pinhead will be practicing his own brand of attackupuncture starting this July. But don't worry about him - he's paper-trained.

A few Marveloids may have to do some paper-training of their own as they recently added some new puppies to their litters. First up is INVADERS artist Dave Hoover, whose wife Karen gave birth to a lovely daughter, Lauren, a few months back. The baby showed up seven weeks early, and

Dave's been workin' like a dog ever since, putting in many hard day's nights - and a few dog-day afternoons.

Pit-Bullpenner Ariane Lenshoek-Pinheiro (no relation to Pinhead) also recently celebrated the arrival of a new Invader into her home. Ariane left staff in December, so that she and her lovely husband, Orlando, could welcome little Jade into the world. (With a daughter named Jade, you can tell Ariane works as a colorist!) In addition to-adding her magnificent hues (no relation to Adam Hughes) to IRON MAN each month, you can also find Ariane's inking in this year's AVENGERS ANNUAL.

Another hot dog who bolted from staff like a greyhound out of the gate is "Big" Barry Dutter, who recently had some book or other about television published with Rick Parker. The name of the book escapes us at the moment. These days, Barry is getting so much writing work, he's living in the deadline doghouse! Now that

Barry is off the leash, Mike Rockwitz has collared a new assistant, Joe Andreani which only goes to show that every dog will have his day and every cat gets nothing. Joe is perhaps best known as the intern who had his ankle broken under mysterious circumstances during a Marvel/DC softball game a year or so ago. Reports of Kryptonite on the field are still being investigated

Those are all the bones we have to pick with you this week. Be here next time for another look into the Doghouse of Ideas!

THE BULL'S EYE AT THE CLIVE BARKER EXHIBIT... TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PIN-HEAD PAINTING! NOTICE THE SURREALISM... THE ABSTRACT NATURE ... OF ...

By now, some of you may think we're Barkering up the wrong tree by talking about Clive's artwork. Not at all. In addition to tearing your soul apart with his literary and cinematic mas-terpieces, like HELLRAISER and NIGHT-BREED, Clive is also a very talented artist! Now is your chance to follow Clive from the netherworld to the art world, and see his original drawings of everyone's favorite Cenobite, Pinhead. Clive promises that all the drawings in the show are "fantastical," adding "there are things in the show that the Motion Picture

ALPHA FLIGHT #121: Alpha heads

- to the U.S. so Spidey and Wolverine can guest star!

 AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #378: Venom is spewing venom at Carnage, and Shriek thinks it's a
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- Battle of Gettysburg!

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 ... it's technical ... it's a MyS-TECH wars cross-over!

- - gets his memory back! Let's see ... I remember killing some criminals ...

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 - Rider, Punisher and Sleepwalkel are on the road to find Roadkill!

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 - unleashes her rage against Cage!

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- Javron! WONDER MAN #22: Simon is fighting Death! Hint to Simon: challenge him to a game of Twister!

 X-FACTOR #91: X-Factor battles
- Armageddon! As Def Leppard once asked, Armageddonit?

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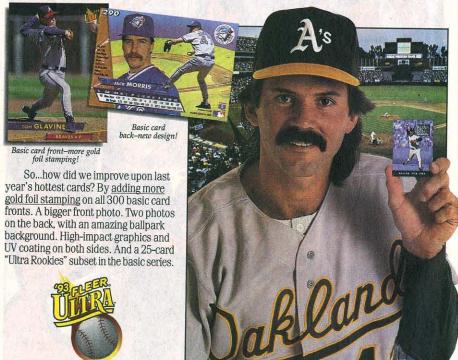
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