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THREE**

"IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER"

IT'S GONE~

--ALL OF IT...
JUST GONE.

EVERY HOPE AND DREAM
THAT I HAD FOR THE FUTURE--
ALL OF THE PLANS THAT I HAD
FOR MY SPIDER-MAN CAREER
... MY LIFE... MY MARRIAGE...

... OUR BABY...

... ALL OF IT GONE.
ALL THE THINGS
IN LIFE THAT ANY
MAN WOULD
GLADLY DIE FOR.

BUT I'M NOT
A MAN--NOT
HUMAN... I'M
A CLONE!

A BIOLOGY
EXPERIMENT
CREATED IN A
LAB. I'M A
COPY--A FAKE
--NOT DESERVING
OF THE LOVE
OF A REAL
WOMAN--A
FAMILY.

IT WAS RIGHT TO
JOIN WITH THE
JACKAL--COME
HERE WITH HIM TO
HIS BASE. THIS IS
WHERE I SHOULD
BE--WHERE I
BELONGS! *

... PETER?

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TODD DEZAGO
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BEN...?

...I... FOLLOWED
A LEAD THAT THE
JACKAL MIGHT BE
HERE... I...

...I DIDN'T
EXPECT TO
FIND...

...PETER
...I'M
SORRY...!

JACKAL'S
HERE IN THE
REGEN TANK.

HEALING--
MAYBE-- FROM
BULLETS HE TOOK
FOR ME!

THEN YOU
AND I CAN
TALK...

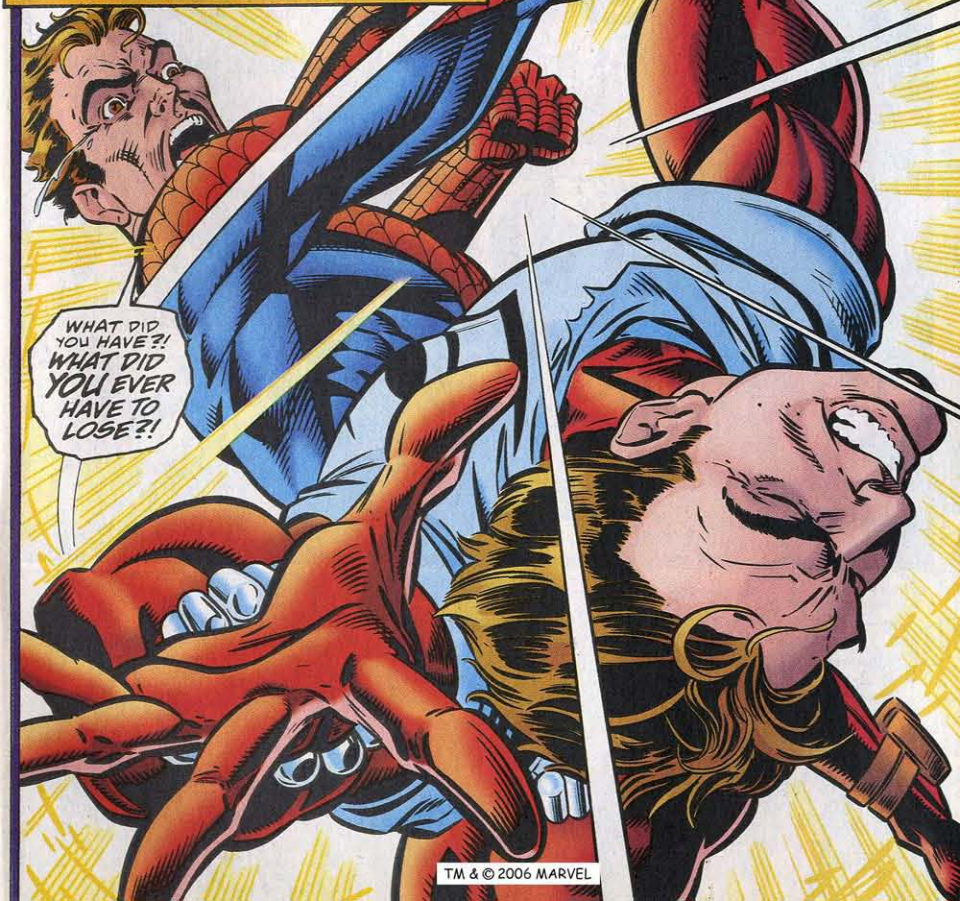
IF I COULD
MAKE THE
RESULTS OF THE
TESTS DIFFERENT
--MAKE ME THE
CLONE AND YOU THE
ORIGINAL-- I
WOULD!

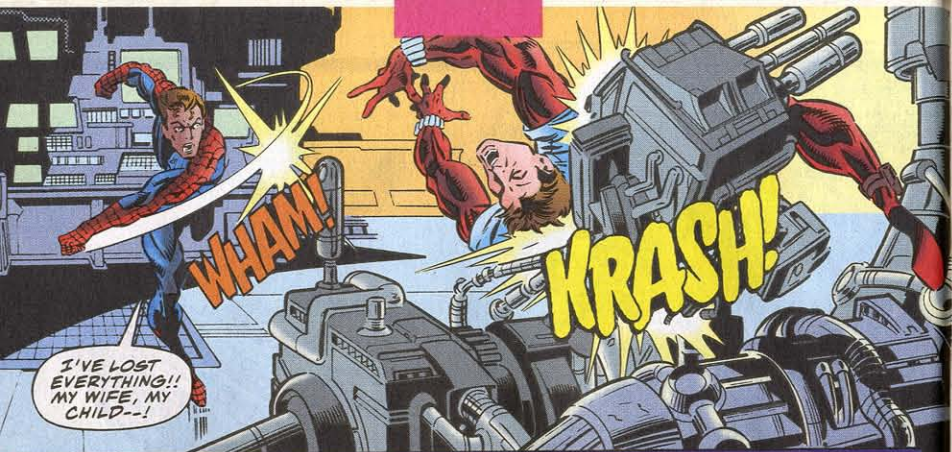
I'D BEEN
LIVING THE LAST
FIVE YEARS OF MY
LIFE BELIEVING I
WAS YOUR CLONE!
I LIVED WITH IT--
ACCEPTED IT--
BUT BELIEVE
ME--

--IT'S
NOT AS
BAD AS
YOU
THINK!

DON'T PUSH ME AWAY,
PETER-- DON'T
ALIENATE YOURSELF!
I'VE BEEN THERE! I
KNOW WHAT YOU'RE
GOING THROUGH--

--I
KNOW
HOW YOU
FEEL...!









--BUT I
DON'T THINK
YOU BELONG
HERE!



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3. _____

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_____ 0 _____ 1 _____ 2-3
_____ 4-5 _____ 6-9 _____ 10 or more

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_____ Yes _____ No

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_____ Yes _____ No

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_____ 0 _____ 1 _____ 2-3
_____ 4-5 _____ 6 or more

- 7** Do you like the current Spider-Man "clone" storyline?

_____ Yes _____ No

- 8** How many comics do you buy per month?

_____ 1-2 _____ 3-5 _____ 6-10
_____ 11-20 _____ 21-50 _____ 51 or more

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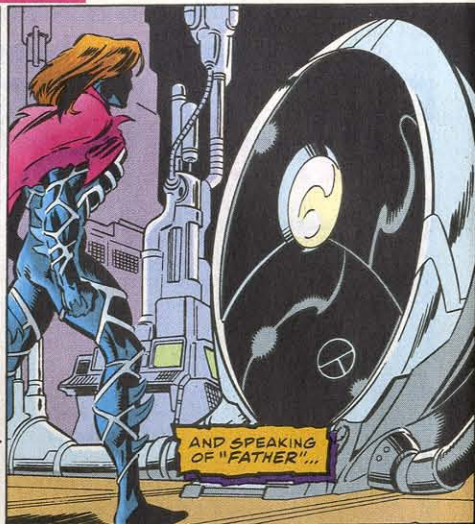
--LET HIM DIE--!!

AFTER ALL THE YEARS I SPENT
BADGERING
REILLY-- MAKING
HIS LIFE
UNBEARABLE--

--LATELY, HE'S
BEEN MORE
OF A CURSE TO
ME THAN A
"HOBBY"! I'LL
BE HAPPY TO SEE
HIM CRUSHED--



--EVEN IF IT IS BY
THE HANDS OF THE
JACKAL'S NEWEST
PUPPET!!



AND SPEAKING
OF "FATHER"...



...IT'S TIME THE
JACKAL WAS
MADE TO PAY...

KRINK!

GWORSH!

...FOR WHAT
HE'S DONE
TO PETER!!

HE HAD
EVERYTHING,
YOU FILTH!

EVERYTHING!!

HE WENT
BEYOND EVEN
YOUR WILDEST
DREAMS OF WHAT
A CLONE COULD
ACCOMPLISH--





--AND YOU TOOK IT ALL AWAY FROM HIM!!

WELL, NOW I'M GOING TO TAKE IT ALL AWAY FROM YOU!!



BWOK!

SO THAT'S HOW IT'S GOING TO BE, EH?

FATHER AGAINST SON?



KRAKK!

YOU--THE FRUIT OF MY LOOMS--I GAVE YOU LIFE--

--ALBEIT A MISERABLE AND LONELY ONE--



--AND THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY ME???



FINE.



I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS...



...FOR A LONG, LONG TIME!





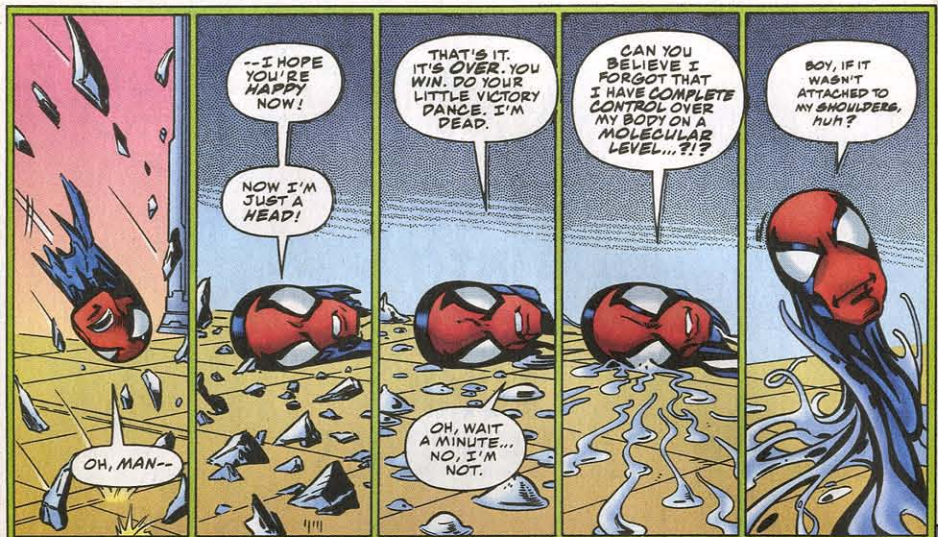
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THAT
RIGHT...

...PETER?

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IN THE SHADOWS,
TRYING TO
COLLECT MY
THOUGHTS...

...BUT WHAT
ARE MY
THOUGHTS...?

AS MUCH AS I DESPISE
BEN... UM, PETER?... I
WASN'T ABOUT TO LET
THAT... SPIDERHULKTHING
KILL HIM!

THE JACK--BT, PRO-
FESSOR WARREN--
LOOKS PRETTY SPY
CONSIDERING HE
CAUGHT TWO SLUGS
IN THE CHEST THIS
MORNING...*

* IN WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #127,
MAXIMUM CLONAGE, PART 2--Denny

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

THIS IS
WONDERFUL!
WONDERFUL!!

ALL MY
BOYS TO-
GETHER!!
ROBBIE,
CHIP, ERNIE
AND...

...WELL, I
SUPPOSE YOU'LL
HAVE TO BE UNCLE
CHARLIE!

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- ☐ FAN Fantastic Four
- ☐ FWK Force Works
- ☐ GAR Gargoyles
- ☐ GHR Ghost Rider
- ☐ G99 Ghost Rider 2099
- ☐ INC Incredible Hulk
- ☐ IRM Iron Man
- ☐ NWR New Warriors
- ☐ PUN Punisher
- ☐ P99 Punisher 2099
- ☐ PWJ Punisher War Journal
- ☐ ZON Punisher War Zone
- ☐ REN Ren & Stimpy
- ☐ SIL Silver Surfer
- ☐ THR Thor
- ☐ WMC War Machine

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- ☐ CAB Cable
- ☐ EXC Excalibur
- ☐ GEN Generation X
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- ☐ XME Uncanny X-Men
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WHAK!

YOU BEAR
ME NO
GRUDGE...?!?
YOU STOLE
MY LIFE!!

YOU BURIED
ME ALIVE FOR
FIVE LONG
YEARS!!

YOU TOOK
ME AWAY FROM
EVERYTHING AND
EVERYONE I EVER
LOVED... YOU
STOLE MY VERY
SELF!!

YOU EVEN
ROBBED ME OF
MY AUNT'S
DEATH!! SHE
NEEDED ME
THERE, BY HER
SIDE--AND
WHERE WAS
I--?!?

YOU EVIL,
MANIPULATIVE--!

ON THE
ROOF!! HIDING
AWAY LIKE SOME
WORTHLESS
SHADOW-MAN!!
SOME PATHETIC
FRAUD!!

KRACK!

WHAT YOU'VE
DONE TO ME-- WHAT
YOU'VE DONE TO ALL
OF US--!!

THASH!



HOW MANY LIVES HAVE YOU DESTROYED, YOU JACKAL?!

SLAK!

HOW MANY ?!?

PWAM!

LEAVE HIM ALONE! THIS ISN'T YOUR BUSINESS ANYMORE!



YOU'VE GOT YOUR IDENTITY BACK-- TAKE IT!! TAKE YOUR LIFE BACK! YOU CAN HAVE IT!!

YOU'RE NOT ONE OF US! YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND OUR WORLD! YOU'RE AN INTRUDER HERE!!

DON'T GO TEMPORARILY INSANE ON ME HERE, PETER-- YOU DON'T--



YOU DON'T BELONG HERE!!

WAKT!

THIS IS OUR WORLD!!

MEANWHILE, IN A
REMOTE AND
SHADOWED WING
OF THE LAB...

HAD TO GET
AWAY FROM
THERE... MY
HEAD... SUDDENLY
SPINNING...
SWIMMING...

SOMETHING
CALLING TO
ME FROM DEEP
INSIDE... MY...
SOUL...? LIKE
I'M BEING
DRAWN HERE...

...SUMMONED...

I--I
KNOW
YOU...

...DO
I?

HIS NAME IS
SCRIER--

--A BEING MORE MYSTERY
THAN MAN! AN AGELESS,
TIMELESS ENTITY WHOSE
PURPOSE, IF REVEALED,
WOULD BE UNFATHOMABLE
TO THE MORTAL MIND!

AND WHILE HE CANNOT
RECALL A PREVIOUS
MEETING, * SOMEHOW
SPIDERGIDE KNOWS
HIM-- COMPREHENDS
HIS GRANDEUR--

--VAGUELY
RECOGNIZING
A BOND-- A
CONNECTION
BETWEEN
THEM.

TELL ME
WHO YOU
ARE-- WHO
I AM!

*IT HAPPENED
IN MAXIMUM
CLONAGE:
ALPHA.--Denny

HIS RESPONSE
IS SILENT--
BRIEF--



--ENLIGHTENING!!

I... KNOW!!



I KNOW WHO
I AM -- WHAT I
AM! IT'S ALL SO
CLEAR--

--IT'S
ALL SO
RIGHT!!



ELSEWHERE...



IT BREAKS MY
HEART, BEN... TO SEE OUR
FAMILY TORN LIKE THIS.
THE TRUTH IS, I DON'T
WANT YOU TO GO... JOIN
US! BE ONE OF US!!

I CAN DO FOR
YOU WHAT I DID FOR
MYSELF! RE-GROW
YOUR BODY IN THE
CELLULAR REGENERA-
TION TANKS!

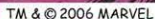
I'LL
MAKE YOU A
NEW AND
BETTER
MAN!!

YOU CAN WORK WITH
ME... WITH YOUR
BROTHERS... HELP
US CREATE A NEW
AND BETTER
WORLD!!



A NEW AND
BETTER WORLD...?
IS THAT WHAT
YOU CALL IT?!
ALL I SAW IN
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WAS DEATH!!





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...CAN'T YOU SEE MY PAI--

...PLEASE
...DON'T DO THIS...
...DON'T ABANDON ME...

...AGAIN.

I WAS...
A FOOL TO BELIEVE... THAT
YOU'D EVER HELP ME.



~hmmph!~

I
THOUGHT
HE'D NEVER
LEAVE.

IS IT ME, OR WAS HE,
LIKE, A MAJOR DOWNER?
OH, AND HOW'S YOUR
HEAD, BEN? STARTING
TO FEEL A LITTLE, I
DON'T KNOW...

...WOZZY?

I'LL
KILL
YOU
SOME
OTHER
TIME.



S-SOMETHING
ON YOUR... CLAWS
... WHEN YOU
SWIPED ME...

...SOME
DRUG...

YOU ARE SO
PERCEPTIVE...

BUT THAT'S NOT
GOING TO SAVE YOU
RIGHT NOW!

I'M VERY
DISAPPOINTED WITH
YOUR BEHAVIOR,
YOUNG MAN... YOU
HAVE NO RESPECT
FOR ME, AND NO
RESPECT FOR YOUR
FAMILY--!

SO I WANT
YOU TO GO TO
YOUR ROOM AND
THINK ABOUT THAT...
AND DON'T COME
OUT 'TIL YOU'RE
SORRY!!

WHAT AM I
DOING?

WHAT AM I
DOING
HERE...?

NOT TO WORRY, PETER.
BELIEVE ME WHEN I TELL
YOU THAT THIS IS FOR HIS
OWN GOOD! TOUGH
LOVE!!

AT LEAST
THAT'S WHAT
THEY CALL IT
ON OPRAH...

WHY AM I IN LEAGUE WITH
PROFESSOR WARREN? HE
NEEDS ME-- HE WANTS
ME-- TO WORK WITH HIM. HE
WAS WILLING TO SACRIFICE
HIMSELF FOR ME...

...BUT AM I DOING
THE RIGHT THING?

TELL HIM,
JACKAL! TELL
HIM WHAT
YOU'RE REALLY
PLANNING!!

HE'S
TRICKED
YOU, PETER!
HE'S--

CAN I TRUST
A JACKAL?

CAN I STAND
IDLY BY AND
WATCH AS MY
BROTHER--

--AS BEN--

--IS DRUGGED...
DEFEATED?!



IS THIS MY WORLD NOW?--



--IS THIS WHERE
I BELONG...?

YOU
BOYS READY
FOR SOME
LUNCH?



...UGH... HEAD
POUNING...

...HAVE TO
SHAKE THIS
OFF... EVERY-
THING HAPPENING
SO FAST... SO
WRONG...

I'VE
REGAINED MY
HUMANITY
ONLY TO FIND
THAT I'VE LOST
PETER...

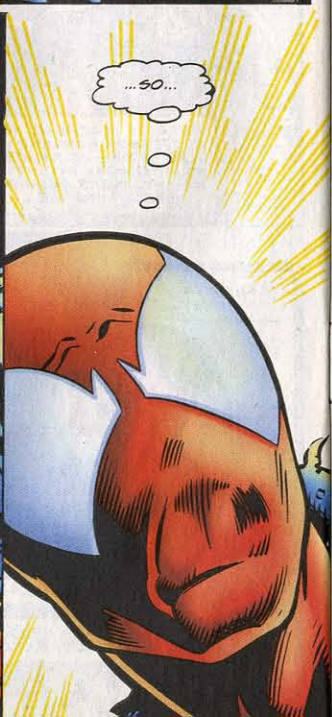


NO... CAN'T
THINK THAT WAY...
PETER IS STILL--

--HUM... WHAT
DID THE JACKAL
USE ON ME?

THUNDERING
IN MY EARS LIKE...
A STAMPEDE...

...DEAFENING--
IT SOUNDS SO...



...SO...



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Dear Danny and Mark,

First of all, I want to compliment the way Spidey's trip over the edge has been handled. Through it all, he still retains a shred of Peter Parker.

I have read ASM #397 and have a few questions:

1) Who is this Stunner, and what is her background?

2) What is up with Aunt May? Please update us on her condition! If she dies, it could send Peter even further into seclusion. On the other hand, if she recovers, it may be the factor that brings Peter Parker out of his "Spider" persona, and back to reality!

As always, I was pleased with the excellent writing, artwork, lettering, coloring, editing, and all the other stuff that went into this book. I eagerly await part two in SPECTACULAR! Keep up the good work!

Patrick Stockstill
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A big "thank you" from the entire creative crew, Patrick. And as for your questions:

1) We've been dropping a few more hints about Stunner lately, especially during the "Trial of Peter Parker" storyline. Now it's up to you to put 'em together! But fear not; revelations are forthcoming... after we get done with the major revelations in the current storyline, that is!

2) By now, you know the sad fate of Aunt May. Fortunately, Peter Parker had already made his way back from the edge when his beloved aunt passed away, and was able to accept her death with dignity. However, if you've read this issue, you've seen that events are once again conspiring to push him past the brink of sanity!

Dear Spider-Men,

Your whole staff deserves kudos! The plotlines, ever since "Power and Responsibility," have been extremely exciting, and the quality has been top notch.

I think that Doc Ock trying to save Spider-Man is a very plausible theme. Doc Ock regards Spider-Man as the one unchanging measuring stick in his life. As Ock put it, "I've always looked upon you as the last

decent man..." Doc Ock has come to identify himself with everything that Spider-Man isn't. With Spider-Man changing, Ock realizes that he himself might lose his own path. He's faced with the dilemma of "Who am I without my enemy?" Great stuff!

Keep up the good work and make #400 the best it can be! Just don't kill anyone off! See ya in thirty!

Lloyd Balch
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Well, Lloyd... Aunt May did die in issue #400. We still thought it was the best it could be. We hope you agree.

Very interesting psycho-analysis of the Spidey/Ock relationship. Hey, maybe Doctor Kafka's looking for an intern over at Ravenscroft! We'll warn you, though, the job could get a little dangerous...

Dear Spider-Creators,

Despite the temptations you've placed in front of me for the past year, I've waited until now to write. I've been following Spidey's adventures since ASM #185, and now that #400 is practically at my doorstep, I have to say a few words.

I've been really worried about the dark, brooding Spidey you've been showing us for the past several months. I've been missing the more light-hearted Spidey who had a flippant remark for every villain and every situation. When Spidey did his joyful "Yahoo!" recently, I did too, because the hero I knew, loved and missed was back. Everything isn't perfect, but hey, we're talking about Spider-Man here, the original hard-luck hero. If everything was perfect, we'd be wondering what was wrong.

It was sad to see Doc Ock bite the dust, since I agree with him that he and Spidey have had a symbiotic relationship over the years. Neither would be exactly who they are today without the other. It was fitting, I think, that Doc learned that Pete was Spidey before the end. My only complaint was how little trouble Kaine had in killing Doc Ock. He just walked up and snapped his neck. It seemed too easy, too sudden.

Speaking of Kaine, I think that he is either the real Peter Parker, or else he is the son of Peter and MJ,

traveling back in time from the future to prevent his own death. Either way, he is a fascinating character that I can hardly wait to learn more about.

Finally, if Peter and MJ's baby is a boy, I think he should be named either Stan or Steve. If it's a girl, it should be Mary or May. Or better yet, how about twins??

Ivan A. Martin
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Great overview of "Web of Death," Ivan! Though we can't promise twins, we are planning to address the issue of Peter and Mary Jane's child in a big way real soon.... if they all survive this current mess with the Jackal, that is!

The relative ease with which Kaine killed Doc Ock (and we think that Otto actually put up quite a fight for being up against a foe whose powers and capabilities he knew absolutely nothing about) was to show that Kaine was truly a formidable threat. Judging from the mail (for this mag and SPECTACULAR), that scene made a lot of you sit up and take notice of the newest major player in the Spideyverse!

NEXT WEEK: "Maximum Clonage," goes literal in SPIDER-MAN #61, as the Scarlet Spider faces an army of Spider-Man clones! Plus, Spider-Man is drawn deeper into the Jackal's web of deceit, and Mary Jane gets a shocking visit from Kaine! And how does the returning Gwen Stacy clone fit in to all this?! The madness continues courtesy of Howard Mackie, Tom Lyle, and new spider-inker Chris (GHOST RIDER) Ivy!

NEXT ISSUE: "Exiled," part two! In the wake of the big decision in WEB #128, one Peter Parker is in New York, and one is on the road. We can't tell you who goes where... but we can tell you that we will learn some major secrets from Ben Reilly's past... and the last panel alone is sure to bring in an outraged torrent of mail!! See what we mean next month! It's by DeMatteis, Mahlstedt, and special guest penciler Darick (NEW WARRIORS) Robertson!

WELCOME TO THE WEBNET

the new forum for the Spider-Man family of books! The WEBNET is the place to go for the latest info about everyone's favorite wall-crawler and his friends. Features on new books, old villains, major storylines, the talented people working behind-the-scenes and much, much more will fill this page every month. Is there something about the world of Spider-Man that's on your mind? Write us and let us know. Maybe we'll do an article about it in the future. After all, anyone who reads a comic book from the Spider-Man Group is automatically part of the WEBNET. Address all inquiries to: Spider-Man's WEBNET, c/o Marvel Entertainment Group, 387 Park Avenue South, New York City, NY 10016.

This WEBNET not only marks a beginning, but an ending as well. Long-time Spider-Man Group Editor Danny Fingeroth is leaving the Spider-Man family to pursue other opportunities. Danny has been at the helm for some of the greatest of Spider-Man's adventures, and will be sorely missed. Good luck to you, Danny, and as Spider would say, "Wherever you may swing, may your web-line never break!"

BOB BUDIANSKY
EDITOR IN CHIEF, SPIDER-MAN GROUP



AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #404

THE FUTURE BEGINS NOW

This month marks the culmination of the Jackal storyline that's been building up for so many months. "Maximum Clonage!" A month-long multi-part saga that unfolds over all the core Spider-Man titles, along with NEW WARRIORS and several one-shot specials, "Maximum Clonage" has been discussed, debated, praised, ridiculed and just plain eagerly awaited long before it was even written! Make no mistake, this is one of the most crucial storylines ever to hit the Spider-books, one that will affect them for all time!

HOW IT CAME TO PASS

The news was revealed last month! Ben Reilly is the real, original, one and only Peter Parker! The guy we've known as Spider-Man ever since AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #150 has really been the Spider-clone! How do you top a storyline like that? Well, you raise the stakes and start wrapping up all the loose ends, bringing everything to a dramatic, definite conclusion!

Since this story called for the Jackal to literally go clone-crazy, creating an entire army of Spider-Clones, Associate Editor Eric Fein jokingly suggested that it be called "Maximum Clonage," a wry pun on the "Maximum Carnage" storyline of several years ago. Well, wouldn't you know it? The name stuck. After all the groans and grimaces that it generated at first died down, of course.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN

You'll have to read all the chapters of the saga to get the full story, but here's what you can expect to see. The hard choices that Spider-Man and the Scarlet Spider will have to make now that they know the truth about themselves! The final execution of the Jackal's master plan! The wrath of Kaine! The reappearance of the third Peter Parker! The stunning return of the Punisher! The Scarlet Spider's connection to the New Warriors! And that's just scratching the surface!



VENOM: SINNER TAKES ALL #1

WHERE TO FIND IT

"Maximum Clonage" kicks off in SPIDER-MAN: MAXIMUM CLONAGE ALPHA, a special 48-page one-shot, and will then continue in this month's issues of WEB OF SPIDER-MAN, AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, SPIDER-MAN, and SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN. Then, at the end of the month comes the conclusion, SPIDER-MAN: MAXIMUM CLONAGE OMEGA, another 48-page one-shot.

SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #227



But don't forget the tie-ins! SPIDER-MAN: THE JACKAL FILES serves as a prologue to the saga, and gives new readers all the information they need to know about Spider-Man, his friends, his enemies, and his universe.

And then there's the NEW WARRIORS! When this team of young heroes find themselves drawn into the Jackal's master plan, they encounter the Scarlet Spider and the strange being known as Helix, both will affect them forever!

Don't take our word for it, though! See for yourselves all this month, as "Maximum Clonage" heats up the comic stands!

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COMING IN JUNE:

SPIDER-MAN: MAXIMUM CLONAGE ALPHA

Maximum Clonage - Part 1 of 6: A 48-page extravaganza! The Jackal's horrifying scheme is revealed, kicking off one of the most important sagas in Spider-Man history! Starring Spider-Man, the Scarlet Spider and Kaine! Featuring a beautiful clear chromium cover! By Tom DeFalco/Todd DeZago/Ron Lim/Al Milgrom

WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #127

Maximum Clonage - Part 2 of 6: The Punisher's back, crazier than ever, and he's got Spider-Man in his sights! And has one of our heroes actually sided with the Jackal? By Todd DeZago/Steven Butler/Randy Emberlin

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #404

Maximum Clonage - Part 3 of 6: The Scarlet Spider goes head to head with Spider-Man! What could have caused this rift between the Spider-Men? By J.M. DeMatteis/Mark Bagley/Larry Mahlstedt

SPIDER-MAN #61

Maximum Clonage - Part 4 of 6: Only the one true Peter Parker can stop the Jackal's insane scheme—but he's too busy fighting an army of Spider-Clones! And lurking in the shadows: Kaine! By Howard Mackie/Tom Lyle/Scott Hanna

SPIDER-MAN: THE JACKAL FILES #1

Maximum Clonage Tie-In: Get a glimpse into the twisted mind of the Jackal, the madman behind the entire clone saga! Featuring stunning artwork by some of the hottest names in comics! By Todd DeZago/Various

SPIDER-MAN: THE LOST YEARS #1 (of 3)

The hidden past of Ben (SCARLET SPIDER) Reilly revealed at last! Featuring one of his earliest encounters with Kaine! In the Marvel Select format, with a gorgeous foil-enhanced cover! By J.M. DeMatteis/John Romita, Jr./Klaus Janson

SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #227

Maximum Clonage - Part 5 of 6: The stakes are raised even higher as the conflict between Spider-Man, the Scarlet Spider, Kaine and the Jackal approaches its explosive climax! By Tom DeFalco/Sal Buscema/Bill Sienkiewicz

SPIDER-MAN: MAXIMUM CLONAGE OMEGA

Maximum Clonage - Part 6 of 6: Another 48-page masterwork! The storyline of the year comes to a soul-shattering conclusion as the final fates of Spider-Man, the Scarlet Spider, Kaine and the Jackal are revealed at last! By Tom Lyle/Robert Brown

NEW WARRIORS #62

Maximum Clonage Tie-In: From the pages of SPIDER-MAN: MAXIMUM CLONAGE ALPHA comes: Helix! Will he befriend the Warriors... or destroy them? Plus: the Scarlet Spider joins the New Warriors! No heli by Evan Skolnick/Patrick Zircher/Andrew Pepoy

SPIDER-MAN: CLONE GENESIS

A 92-page trade paperback collecting the entire original clone saga, from AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #114-151! Learn how it all started, and witness the birth of the clone who would change Spider-Man's life... forever! By Gerry Conway/Ross Andru/John Romita/Mike Esposito

VENOM SUPER SPECIAL #1

In "Planet of the Symbiotes" part three, Spider-Man, the Scarlet Spider and Venom are transported to a horrific world completely overrun by symbiotes! And in the Scarlet Spider flip feature, our hero faces the newly evolved Lizard! By Michelinie/Kavanagh/Holtz/Gil/West/Collazo

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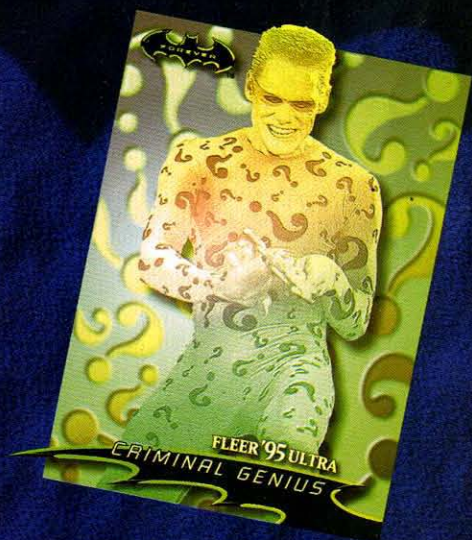
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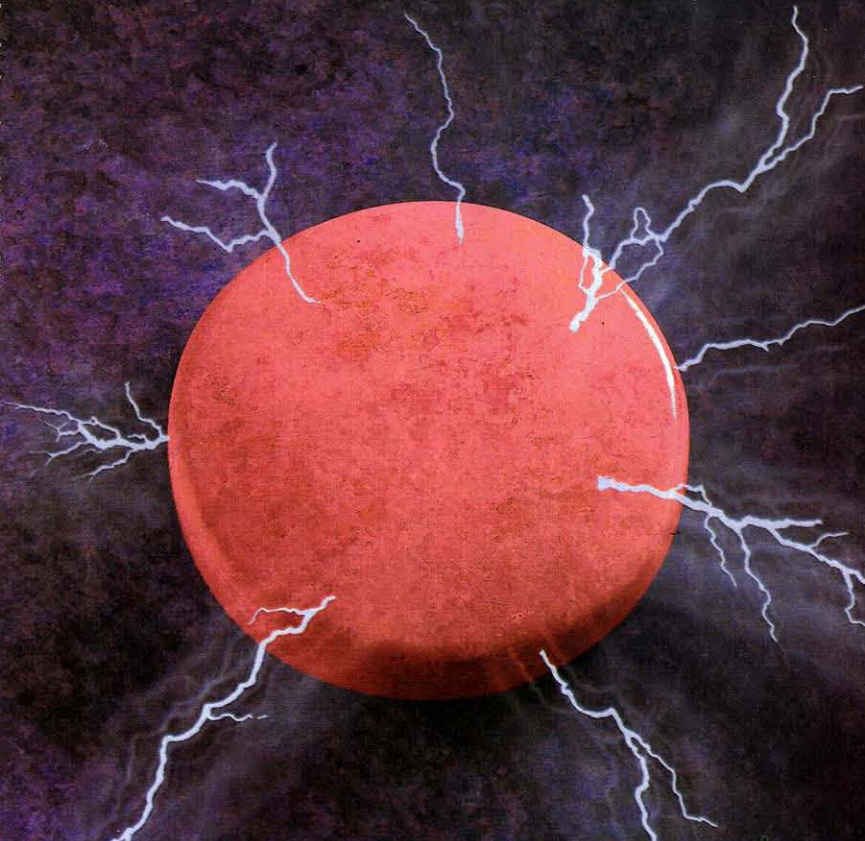
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