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While attending a demonstration in radiology, high school student Peter Parker was bitten by a spider which had accidentally been exposed to radioactive rays. Through a miracle of science, Peter soon found that he had gained the spider's powers...and had, in effect, become a human spider! From that day on he was...

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

Peter Parker -
Spider-Man

Mary Jane
Watson -
Ex-girlfriend

Carlie Cooper -
Girlfriend

Mayor J. Jonah
Jameson

Norah Winters -
Daily Bugle
reporter

Fellow
Heroes

Co-workers at
Horizon Labs

Sajani
Jaffrey

Bella
Fishbach

Uatu
Jackson

Tyler
Stone

Grady
Scraps

Max
Modell

Shang-Chi and
Madame Web -
She can see
the future

Venom -
Symbiote-
powered secret
soldier

Anti-Venom -
Symbiote-
powered healer

Tarantula

Jackal

Spider-
King

The Jackal's
mysterious boss

Welcome
to
SPIDER-
ISLAND!

The Battle of Bryant Park.

THE HEROES OF NEW YORK VS.
TWO HUNDRED SPIDER-MEN.

KEE-YAHH!

SHANG-CHI!
BOY, AM I GLAD
TO SEE YOU. WE
CAN REALLY USE
THE HELP!

WHEN
DID YOU GET
HERE?

JUST NOW,
FIRESTAR, BUT
IF YOU'LL
EXCUSE ME...





UNK, JUST
GIVE ME
A SEC.

AND I'LL
JUMP IN AND
LEND A
HAND..

NO!



NO?
CAGE,
WHAT DO
YOU MEAN
"NO"?

YOU'RE
IN NO
CONDITION
TO FIGHT.

WHAM!

WELL, SURE!
NOT AFTER MS.
MARVEL DROP-
KICKED ME--

--AND THING
AND IRON FIST
PLAYED WHACK-
A-MOLE WITH
MY SKULL!



AND
WHY WAS
THAT?

'CAUSE
THERE'S TOO
MANY DAMN SPIDER-
MEN HERE ALREADY!
BEAT IT, KID. YOU'D
JUST GET IN
THE WAY.



IN THIS
SPECIFIC
SCENARIO, HE
DOES HAVE
A POINT.

YEAH. WE
CAN'T WORRY
EVERY TIME WE
SMACK ONE A'
THESE GUYS...

...WE
MIGHT
BE GIVING
IN YOUR
WEBBED
HEAD.

BUT...



FINE.
BE THAT
WAY. YOU
CAN ALL PLAY
YOUR LITTLE
REINDER
GAMES...

SPIDER ISLAND

PART TWO: PETER PARKER, THE UNSPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN

...I KNOW
WHEN
I'M NOT
WANTED.

HOW DID THIS
HAPPEN? SERIOUSLY?
THIS HAS TO BE THE
SINGLE WEIRDEST DAY OF
MY SO-CALLED SUPER
HERO "CAREER."

WE'RE IN THE
THROES OF
**SPIDER-
POCALYPSE**
OUT HERE...

...AND I
JUST GOT
BENCHED?!

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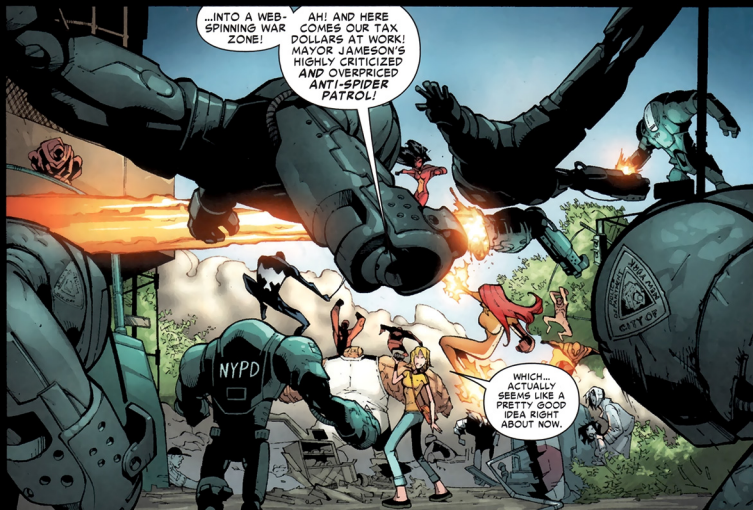
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YOU'RE WATCHING DAILY BUGLE ONLINE. THIS IS NORAH WINTERS WITH A LIVE FEED FROM BRYANT PARK...

...WHERE HUNDREDS OF SPIDER-MEN HAVE TURNED THIS FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD...



...INTO A WEB-SPINNING WAR ZONE!

AH! AND HERE COMES OUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK! MAYOR JAMESON'S HIGHLY CRITICIZED AND OVERPRICED ANTI-SPIDER PATROL!

WHICH... ACTUALLY SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA RIGHT ABOUT NOW.

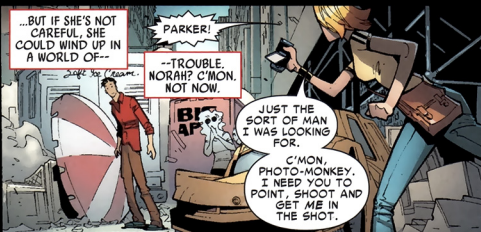


C'MON, PARKER, SHAKE IT OFF. DON'T FORGET THE REASON YOU RACED DOWN HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE!

HEY, PAL! STAY BACK! IT'S DANGEROUS OUT THERE!

DON'T I KNOW IT.

MY GIRLFRIEND GOT SPIDER-POWERS TOO, AND DECIDED TO CHARGE INTO THIS WEB-FIRST! SHE WANTS TO HELP...



...BUT IF SHE'S NOT CAREFUL, SHE COULD WIND UP IN A WORLD OF--

PARKER!

--TROUBLE, NORAH? C'MON. NOT NOW.

JUST THE SORT OF MAN I WAS LOOKING FOR.

C'MON, PHOTO-MONKEY. I NEED YOU TO POINT, SHOOT AND GET ME IN THE SHOT.



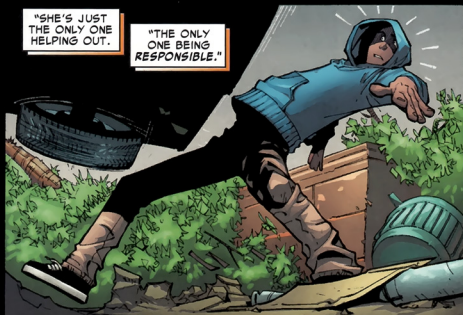
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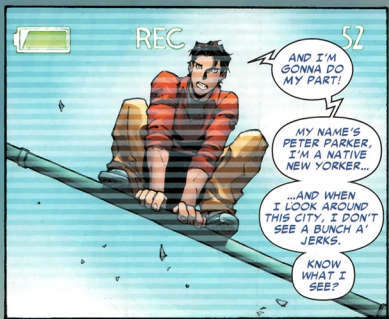
...I'VE BEEN BLACKLISTED FROM THE DAILY BUGLE, REMEMBER?

LIKE ANYONE'D KNOW WHO'S HOLDING THE CAMERA?

C'MON. ONE TAKE AND WE'RE DONE.









PARKER! I NEVER GET TIRED OF LOOKING AT THAT FACE. NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I'VE CLONED IT, MASKED IT, UNMASKED IT...

...LIQUEFIED IT...

...OR WORN IT LIKE A LITTLE HAT.

THIS SPECTACLE OF YOURS, THIS "FLASH MOB," IS WORKING.

The Jackal's Secret Lair.

MORE SPIDERS ARE COMING OUT OF HIDING. I CAN SENSE THEM.

YES. AND AS THEY ALL USE THEIR NEWFOUND ABILITIES...

...THE VIRUS INSIDE THEM WILL CONTINUE TO MUTATE, AND SPREAD.

WON'T BE LONG TILL THE WHOLE CITY'S CRAWLIN' UP THE WALLS.

AH, MANHATTAN...



...THAT WAS GOOD FOR A PRACTICE RUN. NOW IT'S TIME TO TAKE THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD.

WHUTT IZZ THIZZ?!

POOR SPIDER-KING. DIDN'T ANYONE EVER TEACH YOU ABOUT THE BIRDS AND THE BEES?

YOU SEE, WHEN A JACKAL LOVES A MAN-SPIDER VERY, VERY MUCH...



AARHHH!

...HE FILLS HIM WITH TWO THOUSAND MUTATED SPIDER EMBRYOS.

SORRY. THAT WAS RUDE OF ME. NEXT TIME I PROMISE I'LL TAKE YOU TO DINNER...

"...AND A
SHOW!
HA HA!"

THIS'S
INSANE!

WE'RE
WAY OUT-
NUMBERED!

DON'T THINK
ABOUT THAT, MS.
MARVEL! JUST
FOCUS ON TAKING
ONE DOWN AT
A TIME.

YEAH, FIST?
WELL, THIS
ARCHER'S ONLY
GOT SO MANY BOLTS
IN HIS QUIVER.
THEN WHAT?

UM. HAWKEYE?
SOMETHING
TELLS ME THAT'S
NOT GONNA BE
A PROBLEM.

CAVALRY'S
HERE.

KID? ARE
YOU OUTTA
YOUR FLAMIN'
MIND?

YO!



LET'S
SHOW THESE
GUYS HOW
WE DO THINGS
DOWNTOWN!

CAN'T
BELIEVE IT
WORKED!

I'M THE GUY WHO
COULDN'T GET
ANYONE TO COME
WITH HIM TO A
SCIENCE EXHIBIT.

BUT I PUT OUT THE
CALL--AND THEY CAME.
FROM ALL OVER TOWN.
FROM EVERY WALK OF
LIFE. AND NOW?

WE'RE ALL
GONNA KICK
SOME **SPIDER-
BUTT!**



THIS'S FOR MAKING US LOOK BAD! NEXT TIME, TAKE IT TO JERSEY!

THINK WE CAN HURRY THIS UP? I'M PAYING MY SITTER EXTRA.

WHATEVER. I'M MISSIN' OUT ON OVERTIME FOR THIS. BUT Y'KNOW WHAT? WORTH IT.

WANK

THOK POW



PETE?! YOU GOT SPIDER-POWERS NOW TOO?!

YEAH! AND I WASN'T GONNA--

LET'S JUST SAY, YOU REALLY INSPIRED ME, LADY.

AW! THANKS, HONEY. AND LOOK, WE FINALLY GOT OUT...



"...AND DID SOMETHING AS A COUPLE."

WANK WANK

THOK POW





Morning.

WHAT DO WE DO WITH 'EM ALL, STRETCH? SHIP 'EM OFF TO THE RAFT?

DEFINITELY NOT. THIS IS AN INFECTION. WE CAN'T RISK EXPOSING THE OTHER INMATES TO THESE MEN.

ABOUT TIME AVENGERS!

OF COURSE IT TOOK NEW YORK'S COMMON MAN TO FINALLY DEFEAT THE OVERWHELMING SPIDER-MENACE!



WHY IN ALL MY YEARS IN THIS CITY, I NEVER THOUGHT I'D--PARKER?! WITH SPIDER-POWERS?!

NOW I HAVE SEEN EVERYTHING.

SO? HOW'D I DO, SWEETIE?

YOU COULD USE SOME WORK. I'LL GIVE YOU SOME POINTERS LATER.



EVERYONE, LISTEN UP! I'M PROUD OF YOU! OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU!

FROM NEW YORK'S BRAVEST TO HER FINEST! FROM HER NATIONAL GUARD TO MY BRILLIANTLY FUNDED ANTI-SPIDER PATROL!

FROM ALL YOU NUTJOBS IN CAPES TO ALL OF THE UPSTANDING CITIZENS WHO STEPPED UP TODAY!

WHICH IS WHY, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME, I, MAYOR J. JONAH JAMESON, AM DEPUTIZING EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU!



"WHAT WE FOUGHT HERE TODAY WAS MERELY A SYMPTOM!"

"THIS CITY IS IN THE GRIP OF A SINISTER SICKNESS! A SPIDER-FLU!"

"AND THAT DEMANDS NOTHING LESS THAN A FULL QUARANTINE!"



"EVERY BRIDGE! EVERY TUNNEL! OUR SEAPORTS! OUR AIRPORTS! MUST BE SHUT DOWN! IMMEDIATELY!"

"NO ONE GETS IN! NO ONE GETS OUT! AND YOU MUST HOLD THE LINE!"



"OH, THERE WILL BE IDIOTS WHO'LL WANT TO EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO THIS EPIDEMIC!"

"SLACK-JAWED SIMPLETONS WHO THINK GETTING SPIDER-POWERS IS 'COOL'."

"WE MUST BAR THESE BRAIN-DEAD DIMWITS FROM OUR DOORS!"



"AND SEE TO IT THAT ANYONE WHO'S RECENTLY LEFT OUR FAIR CITY IS ISOLATED AND DETAINED--"

"-- WHEREVER THEY MAY BE."

"WHAT A TIME TO LEAVE NEW YORK, OH, I PRAY PETER'S OKAY."

"WE MUST CONTAIN THIS UNTIL A CURE CAN BE FOUND! AND I PROMISE YOU, MANHATTAN..."

...WEB-SWINGING MY WAY TO WORK AND **NOT** HAVING TO CHANGE. IT FEELS **SO** GOOD BEING OUT IN THE OPEN!

THAT LITTLE PERK ASIDE, I CAN'T OVERLOOK THE OBVIOUS...



...THAT SINKING SUSPICION THAT SOMEHOW THIS'S ALL **MY** FAULT.

I MEAN, IT'S NOT LIKE EVERYONE IN MANHATTAN IS GETTING **WOLVERINE** POWERS, RIGHT?

AND IF IT'S TRUE, IF I AM "**PATIENT ZERO**"...



...THEN THERE'S NO BETTER PLACE TO FIND AN ANSWER THAN HERE AT **HORIZON LABS**.

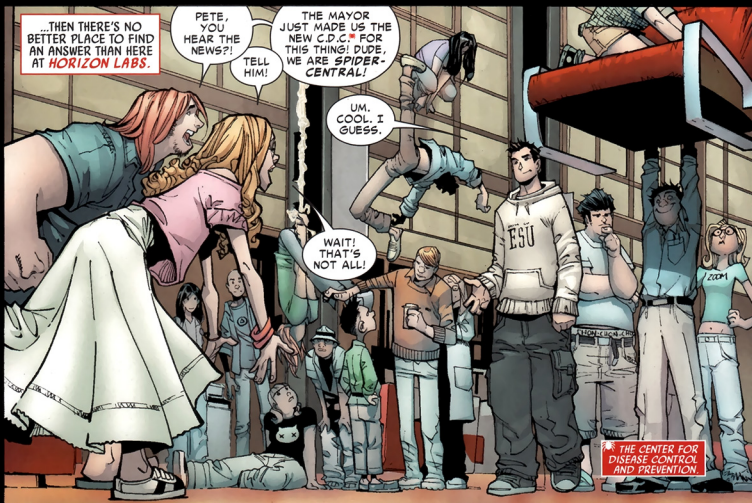
PETE, YOU HEAR THE NEWS?!

TELL HIM!

THE MAYOR JUST MADE US THE NEW C.D.C.* FOR THIS THING! DUDE, WE ARE **SPIDER-CENTRAL**!

UM. COOL. I GUESS.

WAIT! THAT'S NOT ALL!



THE COOL PART IS THAT **HE'S** HERE.

"HE"? WHO'S HE?

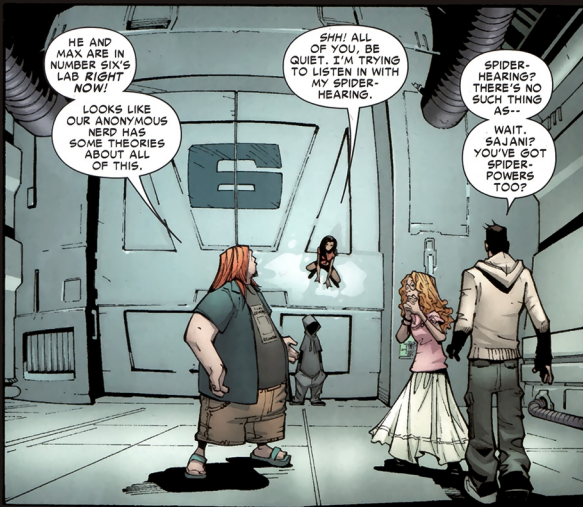
ONLY THE GREATEST LIVING SCIENTIST ON THE PLANET!

WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EPIDEMIC...

...AND MY CO-WORKERS ARE GEEKING OUT OVER SOME VISITING SPECIALIST.

GOD, I LOVE THIS PLACE.





HE AND MAX ARE IN NUMBER SIX'S LAB RIGHT NOW!

LOOKS LIKE OUR ANONYMOUS NERD HAS SOME THEORIES ABOUT ALL OF THIS.

SHH! ALL OF YOU, BE QUIET. I'M TRYING TO LISTEN IN WITH MY SPIDER-HEARING.

SPIDER-HEARING? THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS--

WAIT. SAJANI? YOU'VE GOT SPIDER-POWERS TOO?

YEAH? WHO DOESN'T?

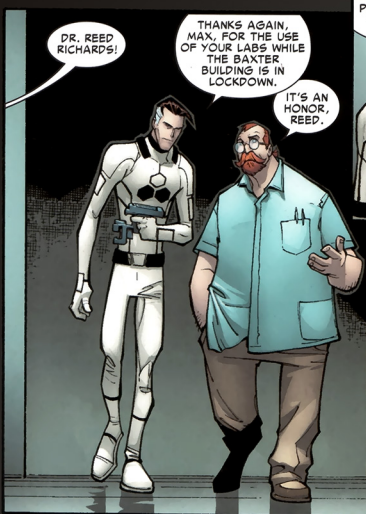
IT'S JUST NOT ALL OF US FEEL THE NEED TO BROADCAST IT OVER THE INTERNET. YOU'RE SUCH A TOOL, PARKER.



YEAH, ABOUT THAT, IT WAS A SPUR OF THE MOMENT--

AH! LOOK, THEY'RE COMING OUT!

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?! IT'S HIM! REALLY HIM! IN OUR LAB!



DR. REED RICHARDS!

THANKS AGAIN, MAX, FOR THE USE OF YOUR LABS WHILE THE BAXTER BUILDING IS IN LOCKDOWN.

IT'S AN HONOR, REED.



PARKER, GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN.

YOU'VE MET?

YEAH. FOR A COUPLE WEEKS I WAS DR. RICHARDS' COLLEGE INTERN.

NO...

...WAY!

AS ONE OF THE FF, I SEE REED **ALL** THE TIME. IT'S EASY TO FORGET THAT TO THE REST OF THE WORLD...

...HE'S LIKE ALBERT EINSTEIN AND INDIANA JONES ROLLED INTO ONE.

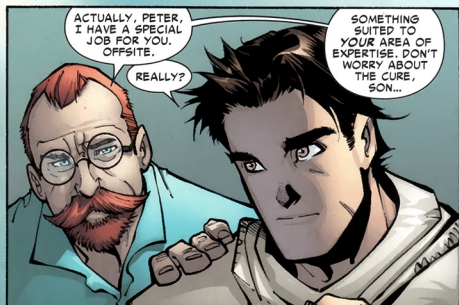
YOU WERE IN THERE WITH NUMBER SIX, HUH? SO? GUY? GIRL? BIGGER THAN A BREADBOX?

THEIR IDENTITY'S A SECRET. AND I'M VERY GOOD AT KEEPING SECRET IDENTITIES... PETER.

TOUCHE.

WHILE YOU'RE HERE, I'D LIKE TO TAKE A SAMPLE OF YOUR DNA.







YOU ARE
AFFLICTED!
DISEASED!

AND ONLY
MY TOUGH
CAN SAVE
YOU!

WHA--?

WHAT HAVE
YOU DONE?
I WAS ALL LIKE
SPIDER-MAN AND
EVERYTHING!
AND NOW...?

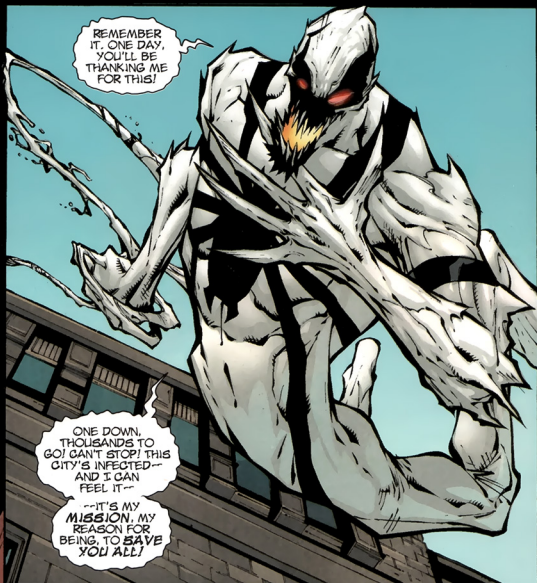
IT'S
GONE!



AWW, MAN!
WHOEVER
YOU ARE--

--YOU
SUCK!

THE
NAME'S
BROCK.



REMEMBER
IT. ONE DAY,
YOU'LL BE
THANKING ME
FOR THIS!

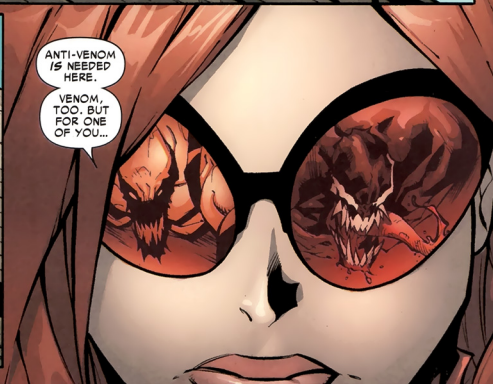
ONE DOWN,
THOUSANDS TO
GO! CAN'T STOP! THIS
CITY'S INFECTED--
AND I CAN
FEEL IT--

--IT'S MY
MISSION, MY
REASON FOR
BEING, TO SAVE
YOU ALL!



OH, YOU
DEFINITELY
HAVE A ROLE TO
PLAY IN THIS
TALE, EDWARD
BROCK.

I CAN
SEE THE
FUTURE.



ANTI-VENOM
IS NEEDED
HERE.

VENOM,
TOO. BUT
FOR ONE
OF YOU...

"...THIS IS
WHERE YOUR
STORY ENDS."

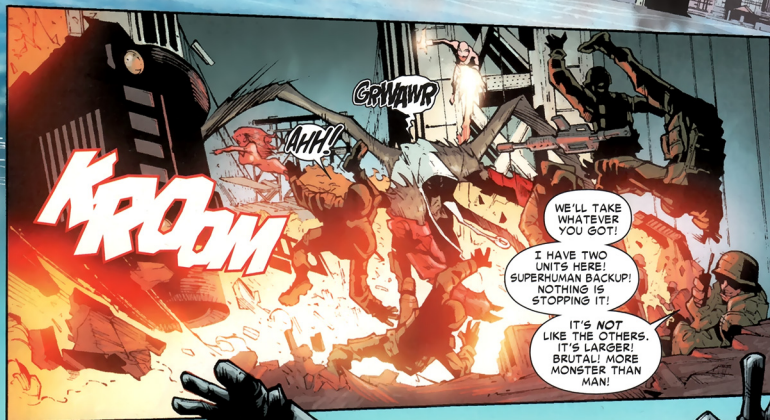
SECTOR 4
TO COMMAND!
WE HAVE A BREACH!
I REPEAT, WE
HAVE A
BREACH!

THE CORDON'S
BEEN BROKEN! ONE
OF 'EM'S GETTING
THROUGH! WE ARE
LOSING THE GEORGE
WASHINGTON
BRIDGE!

REINFORCEMENTS
ARE ON THE WAY.
COPY!

The Hudson River.

SEPARATING MANHATTAN
AND NEW JERSEY.



I SHOULD BE
OUT THERE! ON
THE FRONT LINE...



...OR IN THE LAB. AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT MY GUT'S TELLING ME. ANYWHERE BUT **HERE**.

AT MY GIRLFRIEND'S OFFICE.

PETE?
YOU DOWN THERE?



PETE?

HELLOOOO??

(WOW. THAT'S SOME ECHO.)

REAL CUTE, CARLIE. Q. KEEP HEADING TOWARDS THE SOUND OF MY VOICE.

IF YOU HIT THE MOLE MAN'S SUBTERRANEAN KINGDOM, YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR.



WOW. WE SURE BURIED YOU DEEP, HUH?

YEAH. THE SUPERHUMAN EVIDENCE LOCKER. WELCOME TO MY NEW "OFFICE."

I GUESS MAX THOUGHT SINCE I DESIGN ALL OF SPIDEY'S TECH...

...I'D BE THE RIGHT GUY TO RETOOL ALL OF THIS GEAR FOR JAMESON'S ANTI-SPIDER PATROL.

UM, ACTUALLY, THAT WAS MY IDEA.

WHAT?!



WELL, I WAS THINKING ABOUT HOW CAPTAIN WATANABE USED SOME OF THIS TO BECOME THE WRAITH, AND--

WHOA! ARE THESE DOC OCK'S OCTOBOTS?

YEAH, THERE ARE CRATES OF 'EM. BUT BACK UP...

...I GOT BENCHED AND BURIED 'CAUSE OF YOU? THANKS, HONEY. THANKS A LOT.



OH, DON'T BE LIKE THAT. LOOK, WE GET TO WORK TOGETHER NOW. AND THIS WAY I KNOW YOU'RE SAFE. WITH ME.

I KNOW THAT FEELING.

ALL RIGHT, OFFICER COOPER. CAN I OFFER YOU ANYTHING IN SPIDER-RELATED WEAPONRY TODAY?

ACTUALLY? I COULD DO WITH SOME WEB-SHOOTERS. I'M... WELL... RUNNING A LITTLE DRY.



AH, RIGHT! ORGANIC WEBS.

DRINK MORE FLUIDS AND EAT STARCHIER FOODS. YOU'LL "FILL UP" FASTER.

IN THE MEANTIME, HERE'S A SET OF CHAMELEON'S SHOOTERS. PRETTY GOOD DESIGN.



"STARCHIER FOODS"? HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?

FRIENDS WITH SPIDEY, REMEMBER? SO...WHY ARE YOU SUITING UP?

GOT A LEAD I WANT TO FOLLOW. I KNOW WHO'S BEHIND ALL THIS.

REALLY?

YEAH. OLD SPIDEY VILLAIN. THE JACKAL. IT MAKES SENSE, RIGHT?

YEAH. IT DOES.

IDIOT! OF COURSE IT'S MILES WARREN! WHY DIDN'T I SEE THAT?!

GENETIC TAMPERING!
SPIDER/HUMAN DNA!
IT ALL FITS! CARLIE, WHY
DO YOU HAVE TO BE
SO GOOD AT THIS?!

I BREAK OUT THE
WEB-SHOOTERS
THAT SPIDEY'S
"LETTING ME
BORROW" AND
TAG ALONG...

MAYBE
THIS WASN'T
THE BEST
IDEA.

IT'S OKAY,
PETE. I KNOW
YOU WANT TO
HELP...

...BUT I THINK
YOU SHOULD
HANG BACK. WITH
MY TRAINING, I'M
BETTER EQUIPPED
FOR THIS,
OKAY?

LOOK, THIS'S JUST
A THEORY. BUT I
FIGURE, IF THERE IS
A BAD GUY AT
WORK HERE...

...A MAD
SCIENTIST, WITH
BIO-ENGINEERING
SKILLS, AND A HISTORY
WITH SPIDER-MAN...
IT ADDS UP.

OR MAYBE
IT'S A LITTLE
TOO ON THE
NOSE?

WELL, IF BY
"ON THE NOSE"
YOU MEAN STARING
ME IN THE FACE...
THEN YEAH.

THIS IS **MY**
FAULT.

KRUNG

C'MON. THIS'S
ONE OF HIS
LAST KNOWN
HIDEOUTS.

HMM. WELL,
NOTHING TO SEE
HERE. LET'S GO.

MADAME WEB, CAGE,
REED, MAX, AND
NOW CARLIE. I'VE LET
EVERYONE LEAD ME
BY THE NOSE TODAY.

CAN'T DO THIS
ANYMORE. I HAVE
TO TAKE CONTROL
OF THIS...

...BEFORE THINGS
GET REALLY OUT
OF HAND!

CUT
IT OUT.
LET'S KEEP
LOOKING...

...YOU
NEVER KNOW
WHEN YOU'LL
TURN OVER A
CLUE...
...OR
SOMETHING
WILL LEAP
OUT AT
YOU.

To Be Continued...

TELL US ISLAND



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As we end month one of Spider-Island, I'm amazed at the response so far. We've already sold out of the Prelude issue #666 just as it went on sale! From Singapore to San Diego, from Naples to New York City, the whole comics world can't stop talking about what Dan, Humberto and the rest of the crew are cooking up. All of us in the Spider-Office thank all of YOU for the support so far.

And amidst everyone's very busy summer, the letters just keep rolling in. Let's see what you're on about:

Amazing Spider-Mail.

I just finished reading ASM #663 and there's no praise I can give to the current creative team that hasn't already been given, but I just wanted to say that I like that you don't shy away from mentioning Spidey's team commitments. I can't say I'll ever be too thrilled to see him in FF and two Avengers titles, but so long as he acknowledges that in his own title and doesn't act like he's got all his time to himself, then I'm content. It gives continuity and cohesion to the rest of the Marvel line.

And I'll give a little praise: Dan Slott is fast becoming a Spidey legend!

John Turner
Liverpool, England

Thanks, John. Spidey time on the various Marvel teams is certainly starting to take its toll as you've seen in recent issues, but I'm glad you've liked the cohesion we've started to build with those other books. You'll see more of that cohesion across our line in books like the recent relaunches of Daredevil and Punisher as well.

And though technically Dan's been on the book since 2008 (as part of the legendary "Spidey Braintrust"), he's made a ton of new fans with the dawn of Big Time. Truth is, I've been working with Dan since 2000 when we were both working on *Justice League Adventures* over at the Delightful Competitors, but I've never seen Dan on fire the way he is on Spidey right now. He's got plans well into ASM's 700s and he can't wait to bring them to you.

Dear Steve,

I have a few questions.

In ASM #664 Spidey pulls out his Avengers ID card with his picture on it, but it has Iron Man's name listed as the cardholder. Also, William Clinton is listed at the bottom where it says, "United States President". Ummm. Was that a joke, or an old image reused assuming no one would actually notice that?

I LOVED "Spider-Man: The Other" and I really thought we'd see Spidey's powers work in those new and cool ways throughout the series. Did they disappear at the end of One More Day? Or will they make their return (not sure how I felt about the stingers, but everything else was way past cool)?

Okay, I have to ask...since Spidey now has Eddie Brock (Anti-Venom) on his side (sort of), one of his best friends (Flash Thompson) is Venom, Carnage has returned from the grave and spawned (Scorn), are we ever going to see Pat Mulligan (Toxin) again? I LOVE Toxin!

Yes, there's a lot of love going on here for Spider-Man (as well as the parenthetical).

I've been a fan of Spidey since I could crawl. Can't wait for what comes next!

Josh Quack
Middleborough, Ma

PS: My fraternity, Pi Kappa Phi, has a saying that is similar to Uncle Ben's famous words. "Excellence is a choice."

Good eye, Josh. I added the card at the last minute and grabbed the first one I could find. I figured some eagle-eyed fan would spot the name of the President. You guys are too good not to.

I've learned to love Toxin, too. Keep checking out *Venom* every month as well as the new *Carnage USA* book in January. I think you'll be happy with our symbiote plans.

The "Other" powers do seem to be gone for now...but it's got nothing to do with One More Day. It's just the nature of those powers to disappear until the time calls.

Dear Marvel,

Here are a few of my current questions about ASM:

1) Does anything happen between Mary Jane and Peter during Spider-Island? If so, it would be a miracle if something happens that might reboot their relationship (or even marriage)?

2) Is anything bad going to happen to Carrie soon because Carrie is not Peter's best match for a girlfriend?

3) Will the events of Spider-Island be forever or change things indefinitely like the events of OMD?

4) Is Flash good or bad? Because I think sooner or later, Flash will turn evil and try to use the symbiote like Eddie did back in the late '80s.

5) Last but not least: I know I've already mentioned this, sort of, but are Peter and MJ ever going to get married (again) any time in the next couple of months (no rush)? I'd love to see them get back together during the events of Spider-Island. I have seen bunches of preview images from Spider-Island, and found one with Reed Richards and Mary Jane. What's that all about? Maybe just Peter sending Mary Jane to the Baxter building so she will be protected by the FF?

If you would be interested in hearing any more of my ideas for future issues of ASM, please feel free to E-mail me. I'm hoping to become a comic book writer someday. As of right now, I'm only 12 years old.

Thank you for your time.
Jared Closterman
Seminole, FL

Jared, this editor LOVES lists of questions. Let's dig in!

1) LOTS happens between Pete and MJ in Spider-Island. As for romance...that MAY not be possible.

2) Carrie and Pete are a great match...particularly since she now has Spidey powers! She's smart, brave and beautiful. Anyone would KILL for a girlfriend like Carrie.

3) Spider-Island will definitely change things forever.

4) Ooooh. That's a good idea. Check out *Venom* for the answers, but I can tell you that Flash is about to take a MUCH more

prominent role in the Marvel Universe.

5) Phew. That one's a lot! You're asking too much, my man! We gotta SAVE something for the stories! I can tell you that there's no marriage in the CARDS.

And finally, while I'm sure you have a ton of ideas for cool Spidey stories, Marvel does not accept submissions from untested writers. I recommend putting your own comics together with your own characters, showing them around, taking some criticism and practicing your writing and art until all of us at Marvel can't HELP but have you work on our books. At twelve years old, you have a lot of time to get great. You may even be the next Dan Slott!



Now it's time for another episode of HIRSCAW (Hey, I'm Reading Spidey Comics At Work) where we find Spidey fans who really shouldn't be reading our comics at work (especially in this economy)...but ARE!

Hey Steve and Ellie!

I work at Cineteca Nacional, the Mexican movies archive, as the person in charge of a research group. So, as you can imagine, I have to see movies, and read magazines and books about movies all day for my work: so you can see my suffering! And, at lunch time, I always find some minutes to read a few comics. *The Amazing Spider-Man* being one of them, as you can see.



I'm certain that my job is a cool one...if you don't think that, ask Stan "The Man" Lee himself (I don't know why, but I think that he will believe the same, and his word is the law at Marvel!), he will approve it.

Excelsior! Oops, sorry...I've always wanted to write that.

Mauricio Matamoros Duran
Mexico City

Well done, Mauricio. It does look like a pretty cool job. Unfortunately, I don't speak Spanish, so I can't understand one thing you wrote.

Congrats on being this issue's HIRSCAW winner though!



Outta room, folks. See you in September for the next deadly chapter of SPIDER-ISLAND!

Viva Macchio!
Simperin' Steve

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(FEATURING HOBGOBLIN AND THE JACKAL)

☒ VENOM #6

☒ SI: DEADLY HANDS OF KUNG FU #1

☒ SI: SPIDER-GIRL #1

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SEPTEMBER

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☐ SI: AVENGERS #1 (ONE-SHOT)

☐ HERC #7

☐ ASM #669 — PART 3

☐ SI: SPIDER-GIRL #2

☐ VENOM #7

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☐ HERC #8

☐ SI: SPIDER-WOMAN #1 (ONE-SHOT)

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☐ SI: I  NEW YORK CITY #1 (ONE-SHOT)

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☐ SI: HEROES FOR HIRE #1 (ONE-SHOT)

☐ SI: CLOAK AND DAGGER #3

☐ BLACK PANTHER #524

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☐ SI: SPIDER-GIRL #3

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IT'S CONTAGIOUS!

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