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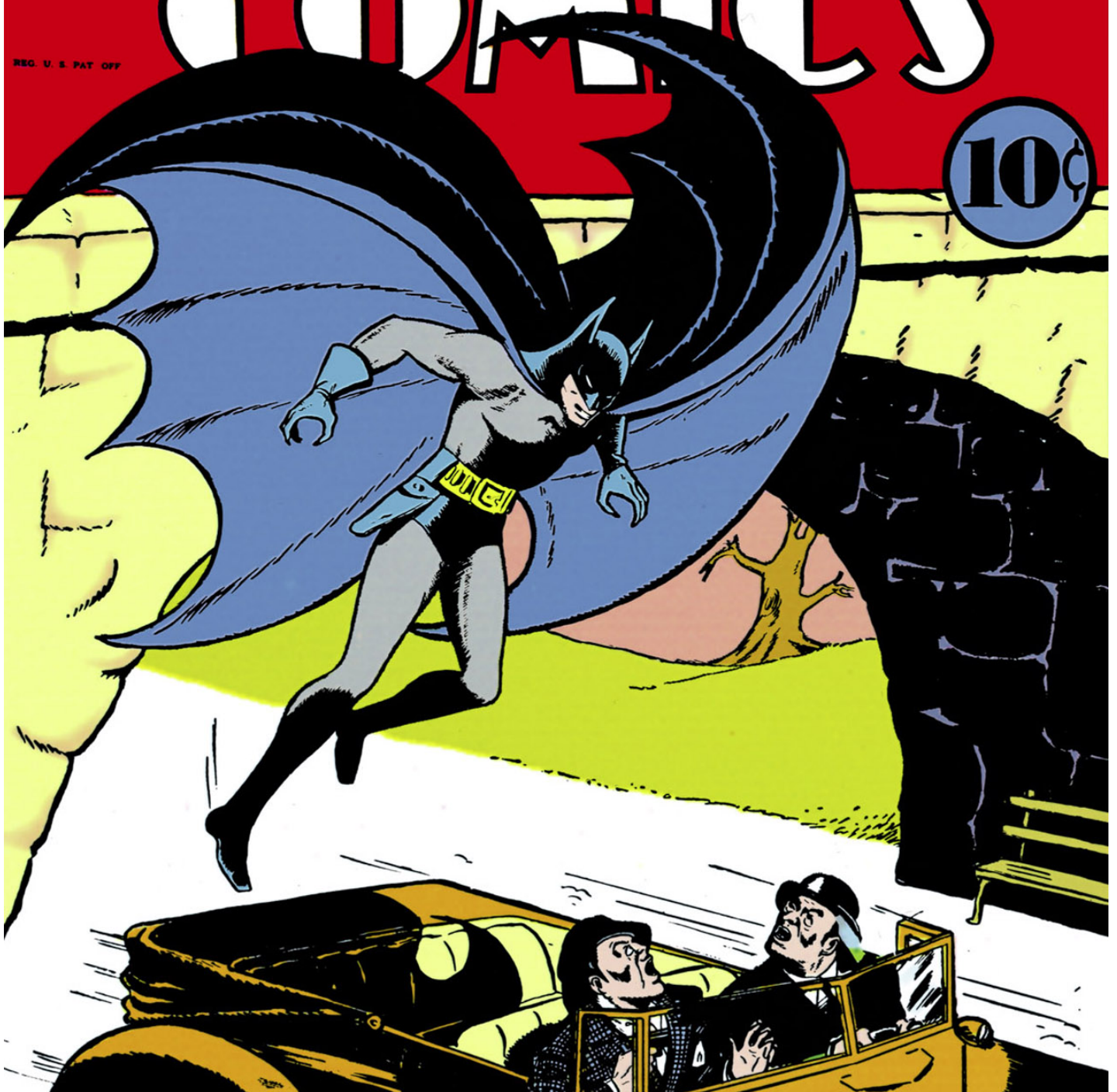
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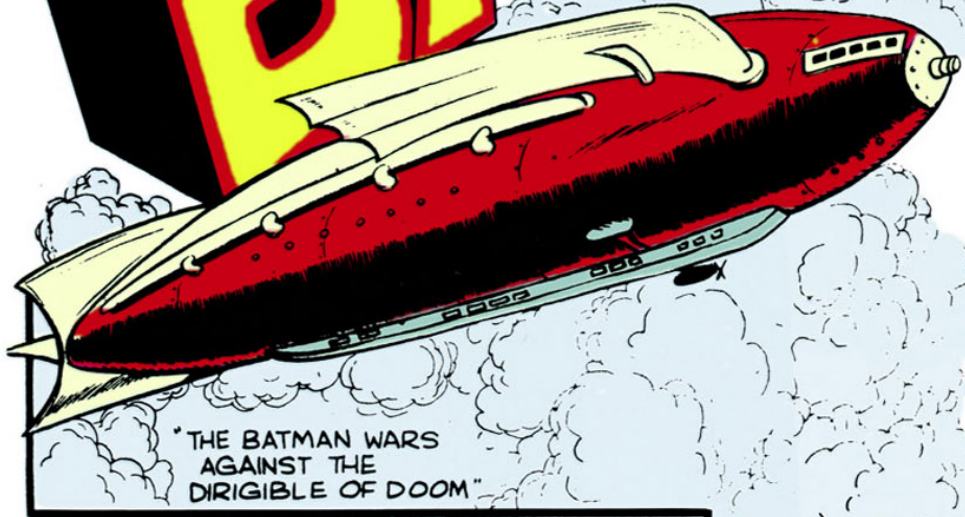
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BATMAN

BY BOB KANE

... EERIE FIGURE OF THE NIGHT - NEMESIS OF CRIME - THIS IS THE BATMAN!



"THE BATMAN WARS AGAINST THE DIRIGIBLE OF DOOM"



LEGEND
THE BATMAN AND HOW HE CAME TO BE
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SOME FIFTEEN YEARS AGO. THOMAS WAYNE, HIS WIFE, AND SON, WERE WALKING HOME FROM A MOVIE...



W. WHAT IS THIS?

A STICKUP, BUDDY! I'LL TAKE THAT NECK LACE YOU'RE WEARIN' LADY!



LEAVE HER ALONE, YOU. OH..

YOU ASKED FOR IT!



THOMAS! YOU'VE KILLED HIM. HELP! POLICE... HELP!

THIS'LL SHUT YOU UP!

THE BOY'S EYES ARE WIDE WITH TERROR AND SHOCK AS THE HORRIBLE SCENE IS SPREAD BEFORE HIM.



FATHER.. MOTHER !

... DEAD! THEY'RE D.. DEAD.



DAYS LATER, A CURIOUS AND STRANGE SCENE TAKES PLACE.

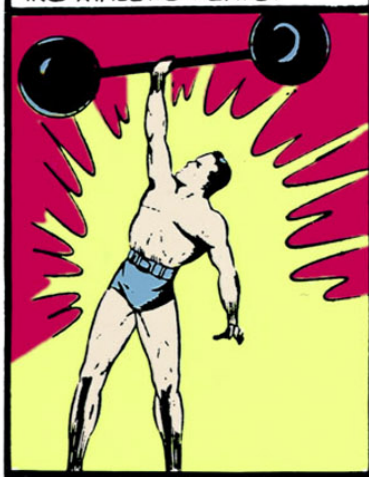
AND I SWEAR BY THE SPIRITS OF MY PARENTS TO AVENGE THEIR DEATHS BY SPENDING THE REST OF MY LIFE WARRING ON ALL CRIMINALS.



AS THE YEARS PASS, BRUCE WAYNE PREPARES HIMSELF FOR HIS CAREER. HE BECOMES A MASTER SCIENTIST.

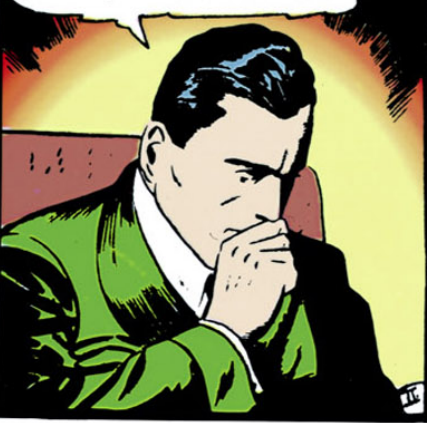


TRAINS HIS BODY TO PHYSICAL PERFECTION UNTIL HE IS ABLE TO PERFORM AMAZING ATHLETIC FEATS.



DAD'S ESTATE LEFT ME WEALTHY. I AM READY.. BUT FIRST I MUST HAVE A DISGUISE.

CRIMINALS ARE A SUPERSTITIOUS COWARDLY LOT. SO MY DISGUISE MUST BE ABLE TO STRIKE TERROR INTO THEIR HEARTS. I MUST BE A CREATURE OF THE NIGHT, BLACK, TERRIBLE... A.. A...

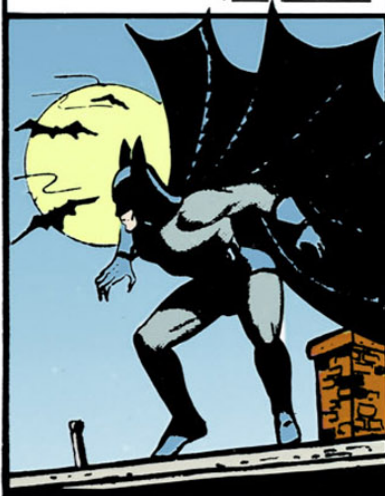


- AS IF IN ANSWER, A HUGE BAT FLIES IN THE OPEN WINDOW!



A BAT! THAT'S IT! IT'S AN OMEN. I SHALL BECOME A BAT!

AND THIS IS BORN THIS WEIRD FIGURE OF THE DARK... THIS AVENGER OF EVIL, 'THE BATMAN'



NIGHTFALL. BRUCE WAYNE WALKS THE CROWDED STREETS OF DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN.



A LITTLE BOY CRIES ALOUD AND POINTS TO THE SKY..



SUDDENLY RED BEAMS OF LIGHT SHOOT FROM THE SHIP.



AS THE RAYS STRIKE, THE BUILDINGS EXPLODE. HURLING THEIR WRECKAGE UPON THE CROWDED STREETS BELOW.



SUDDENLY FROM THE CRAFT..



THE DIRIGIBLE GONE. RESCUE WORK BEGINS. BRUCE WAYNE HELPS.



THE HOME OF BRUCE WAYNE.

-AND THE RESCUE WORK IS STILL GOING ON. THOUSANDS ARE DEAD.. ETC.. ETC..



BRUCE PASSES A PANEL AND PART OF THE WALL SLIDES AWAY.

I MUST STOP THIS SCARLET HORDE BEFORE THEY BECOME DICTATORS OF THE WORLD.

REVEALING A SECRET LABORATORY..

THOSE RED BEAMS FROM THE DIRIGIBLE. HM. MY FILE MIGHT HELP ME.

BRUCE COMES ACROSS A NEWSPAPER CLIPPING.

PROF CARL KRUGER RELEASED FROM INSANE ASYLUM. SUFFERED FROM NAPOLEON COMPLEX. NOW WORKING ON NEW TYPE DEATH-RAY..

DR. KRUGER MAY BE RESPONSIBLE. THIS LOOKS LIKE A CASE FOR THE BATMAN!

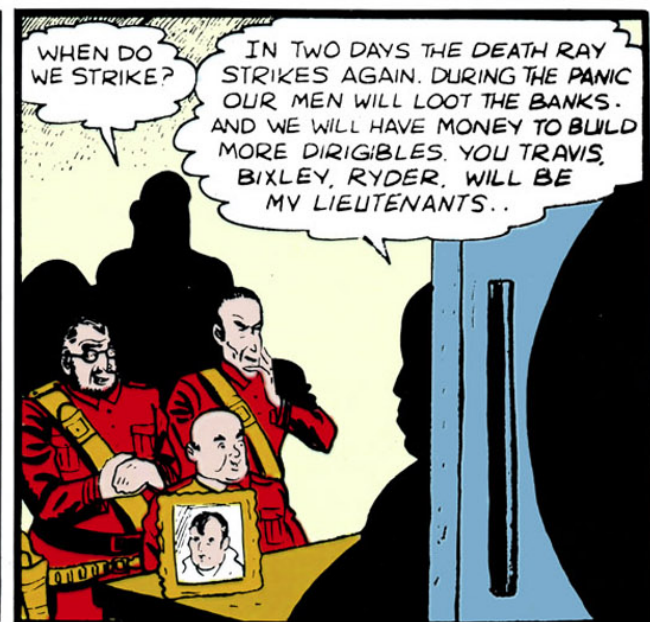
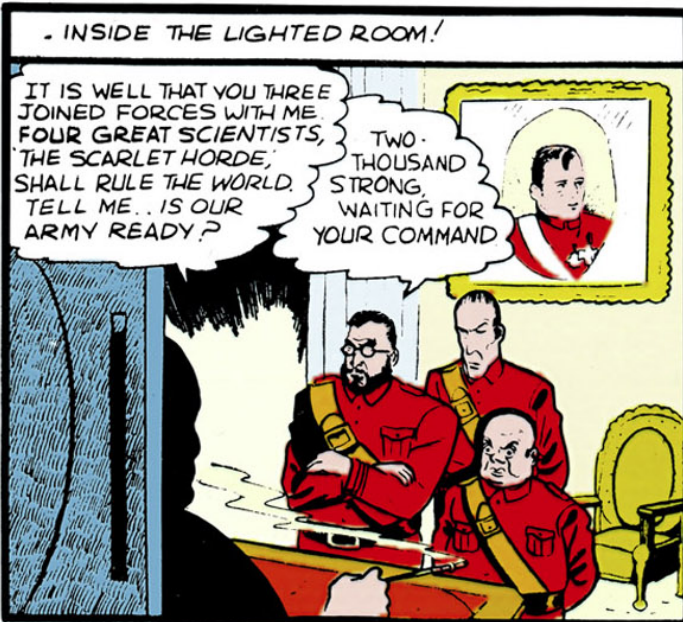
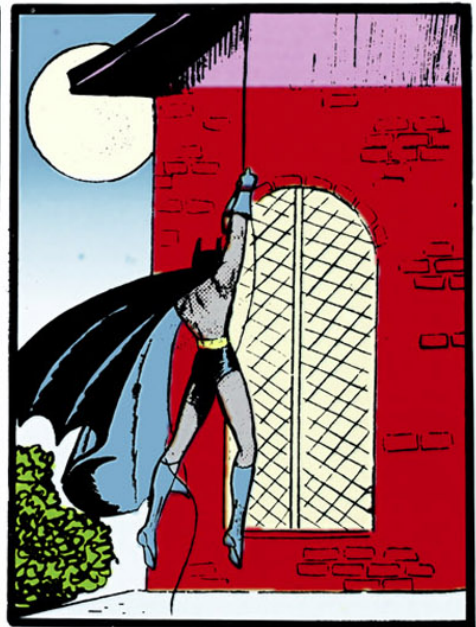
THE BAT-MAN PRE-PARES TO VISIT DR. KRUGER

AND NOW MY SILK ROPE AND I'M READY.

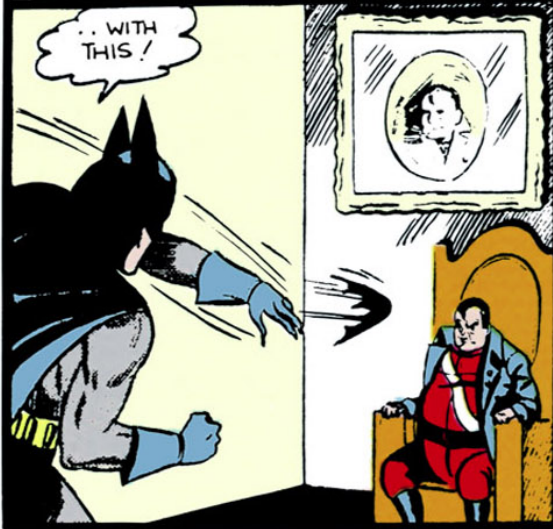
THE BATMAN'S HIGH-POWERED CAR SPEEDS TOWARD THE HOME OF DR. CARL KRUGER.

THE CAR WILL BE SAFE HERE. WHERE NO ONE CAN SEE IT.

A WEIRD FIGURE RACES THROUGH THE NIGHT.



THE BATMAN HURLS HIS BATERANG AT KRUGER...



..WHICH STOPS IN MID-AIR.

FOOL! DO YOU THINK I'D LEAVE MYSELF NO PROTECTION FROM MY ENEMIES! THERE IS A SHEET OF THICK GLASS BETWEEN US.



SUDDENLY THE PAINTING OF NAPOLEON MOVES ASIDE...



HE IS SECURELY BOUND.

MEDDLER! YOU MUST DIE! IN FIVE MINUTES AN INCANDESCENT BOMB WILL GO OFF, SETTING THE HOUSE AFIRE. WHEN YOUR CHARRED BODY IS FOUND, THEY WILL THINK ME DEAD, LEAVING ME TO DO AS I PLEASE HA-HA..

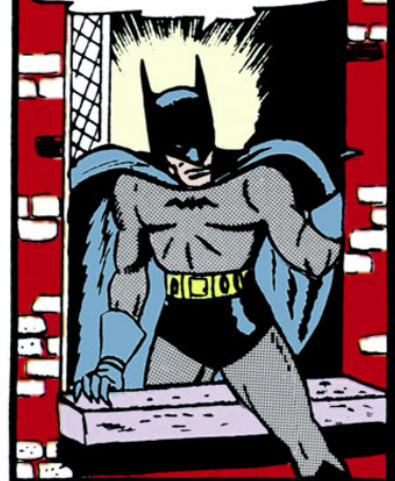


AS KRUGER LEAVES, THE BATMAN ROLLS OVER AND DRAWS FORTH A STEEL BLADE FROM HIS BOOT.



AND HE IS SOON FREE.

GOT TO GET OUT BEFORE THAT BOMB GOES OFF.

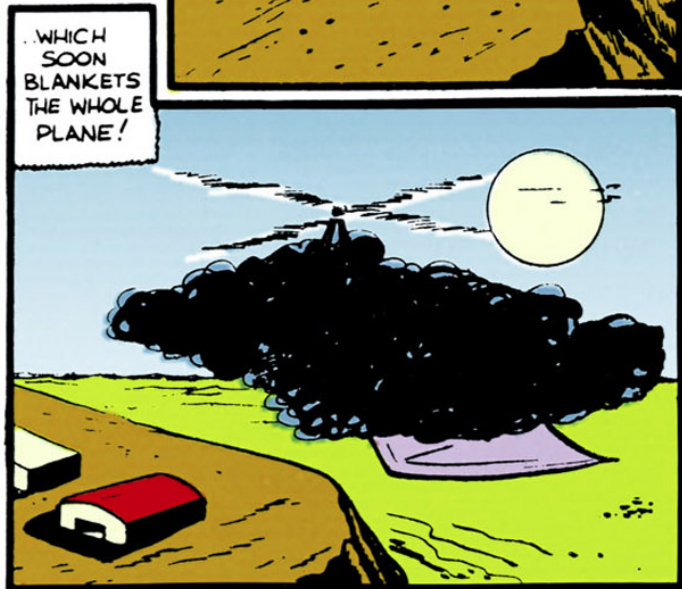
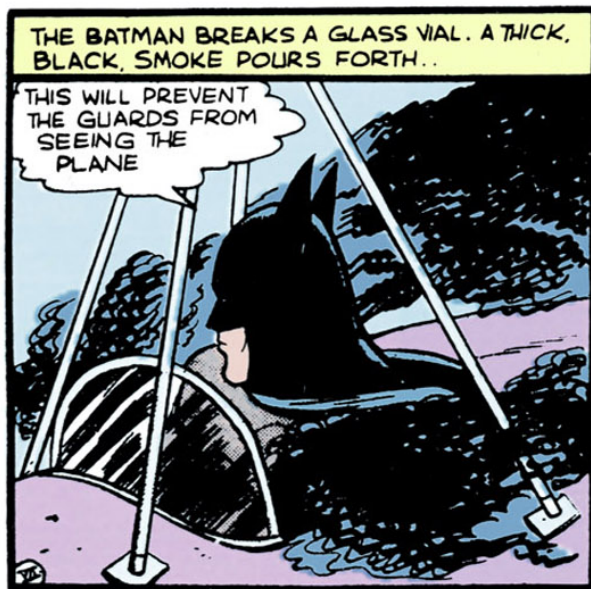
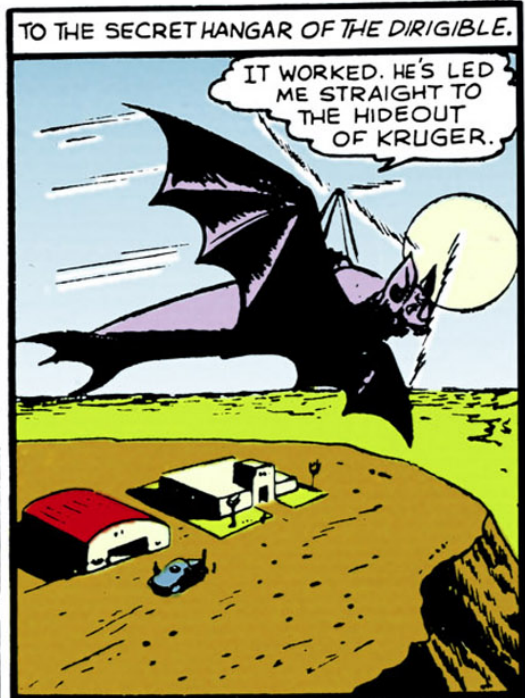


AS HE REACHES THE GROUND, A TERRIFIC BLAST BLOWS UP THE HOUSE!

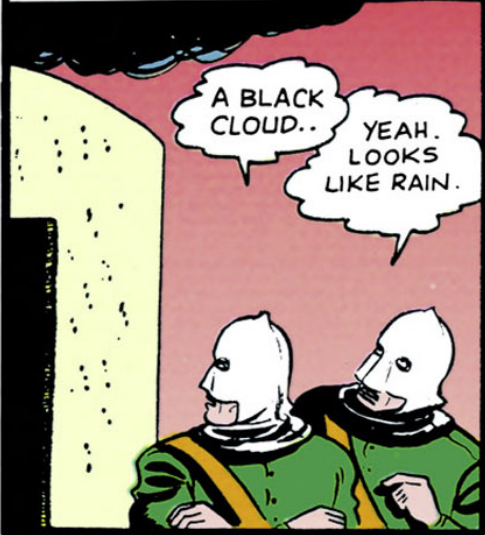


THE BATMAN MIRACULOUSLY ESCAPES DEATH..



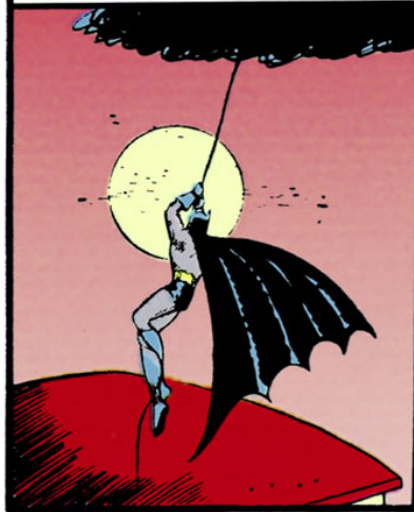


LIKE A GREAT BLACK CLOUD THE BAT-PLANE FLOATS OVER THE HANGAR.



A BLACK CLOUD..
YEAH. LOOKS LIKE RAIN.

THE BATMAN FIXES HIS AUTOMATIC CONTROLS AND LOWERS HIMSELF ONTO THE HANGAR.



A ROOM INSIDE THE HANGAR.



WHAT ARE OUR INSTRUCTIONS MR. BIXLEY?
THESE SMALL DEATH-RAY MACHINES WILL BE MOUNTED ON TRUCKS. IF THERE IS ANY RESISTANCE BY THE PEOPLE TURN THE MACHINE ON THEM!

SUDDENLY, GAS FILLS THE AIR..



I'M CHOKING!
GAS.. OH!!

THAT GAS WAD DID THE TRICK.



HE ENTERS THE ROOM..

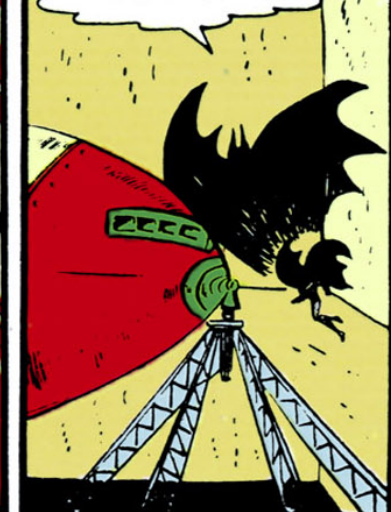


WELL, HERE GOES. I HOPE I DON'T GET BLOWN UP.

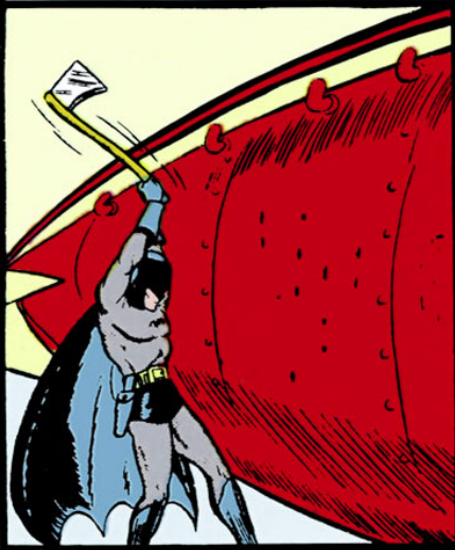
THERE IS A BLAST AS A MACHINE GOES OFF, AND BLOWS UP THE OTHERS.



THOSE RAY MACHINES ARE DESTROYED. NOW FOR THE DIRIGIBLE!



THE BATMAN PICKS UP AN AXE ..



SUDDENLY, A SECRET DOOR OPENS. KRUGER POINTS HIS GUN.. FIRES!!

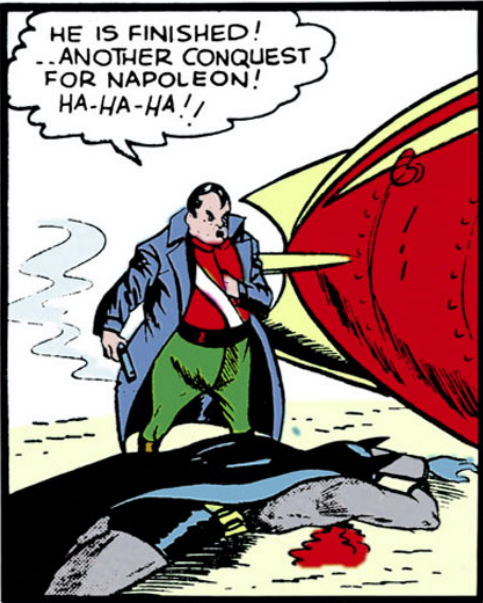


YOU ARE TOO LATE MY FRIEND- TOO LATE!

THE BATMAN IS HIT-



HE IS FINISHED! ..ANOTHER CONQUEST FOR NAPOLEON! HA-HA-HA!!



I WILL DESTROY HIS BODY WITH A DEATH-RAY MACHINE. GUARD! WATCH THIS BODY. I AM GOING TO GET THE ONE THAT IS LEFT!

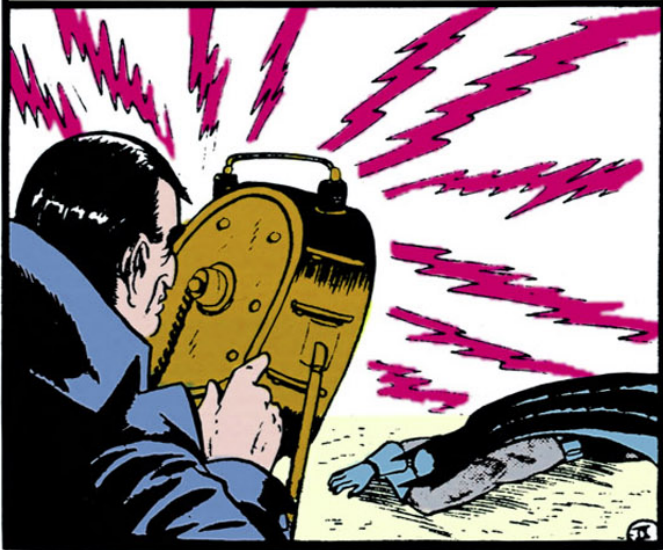


KRUGER SOON RETURNS!

IT IS IRONICAL THAT HIS BODY SHALL BE DISPOSED OF WITH THE VERY MACHINE HE TRIED TO DESTROY!

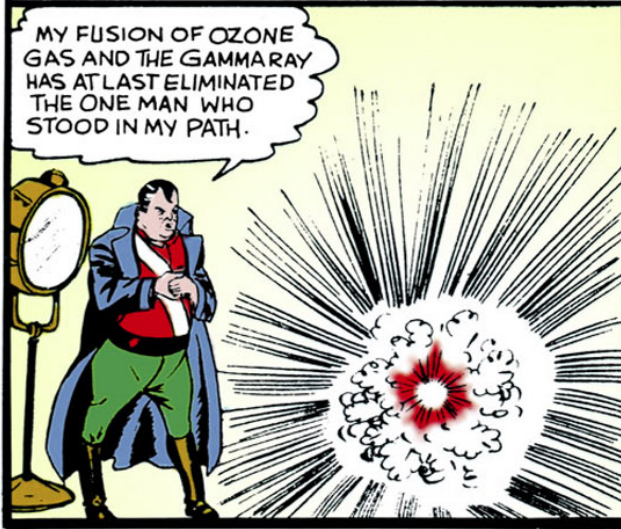


THE DEATH RAY STRIKES THE BATMAN-



THERE IS A BLAST. AND WHERE ONCE HAD BEEN THE BODY OF THE BATMAN- A HEAP OF ASHES.

MY FUSION OF OZONE GAS AND THE GAMMARAY HAS AT LAST ELIMINATED THE ONE MAN WHO STOOD IN MY PATH.



SOME TIME LATER. A FIGURE CLIMBS THE ROPE TO THE BATPLANE.

IT IS BRUCE WAYNE, THE BATMAN!

LATER. THE WAYNE MANSION.

IT WAS A GOOD THING MY BULLET-PROOF VEST STOPPED THOSE BULLETS... JUST A FEW FLESH WOUNDS. LOST SOME BLOOD THOUGH!

WHEN I OVERPOWERED THAT GUARD AND CHANGED INTO HIS CLOTHING, MY RESCUE WAS COMPLETE... AND NOW TO WORK!

THROUGH THE NIGHT HE WORKS IN HIS SECRET LABORATORY.. MIXING .. PROBING...

A MYSTERIOUS CHEMICAL IS SPRAYED OVER THE BATPLANE.

THE NEXT DAY...

LOOK! THE DIRIGIBLE.

...IT'S BACK!

WE'LL ALL BE KILLED!!

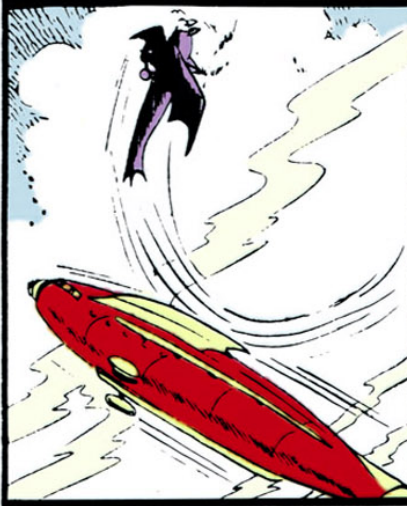
WHEN SUDDENLY.. THE BATPLANE APPEARS.

THOSE RUTHLESS MURDERERS.. TAKING INNOCENT LIVES!

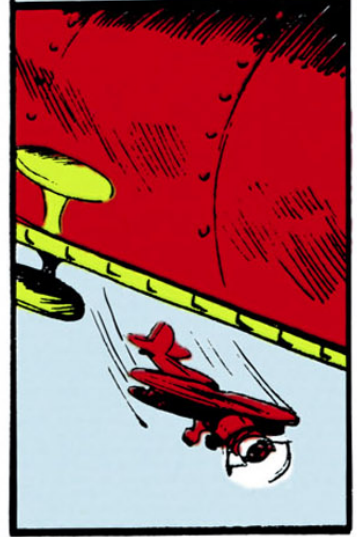
THE BATMAN PLUNGES HIS SHIP FOR THE DIRIGIBLE, WHOSE DEATH-RAYS STRIKE THE PLANE.



BUT IT IS UNSCATHED. THE CHEMICAL SPRAY HAS COUNTER-ACTED THE DEATH RAY.



A CATAPULT-PLANE IS RELEASED FROM THE AIRSHIP.



SUDDENLY THE BATMAN DIVES..

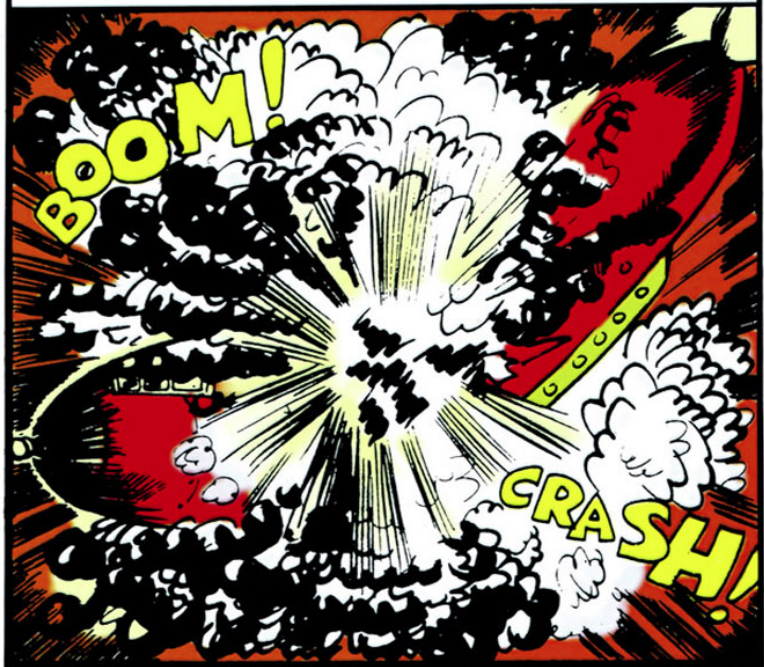


HE'S HEAD-ING STRAIGHT FOR THE DIRIGIBLE.

HE'S DOING IT DE-LIBERATELY.

THEY'LL CRASH!

A TERRIFIC BLAST AND THE DIRIGIBLE AND BAT-PLANE ARE BLOWN TO SMITHEREENS.

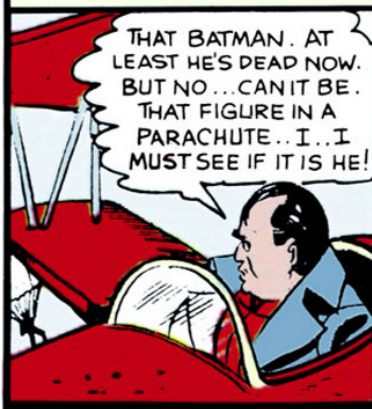


- BUT THE BATMAN IS SAFE IN A PARACHUTE.



I JUST JUMPED IN TIME. THAT WAS A NARROW ESCAPE.

IN THE CATAPULT-PLANE .. KRUGER!

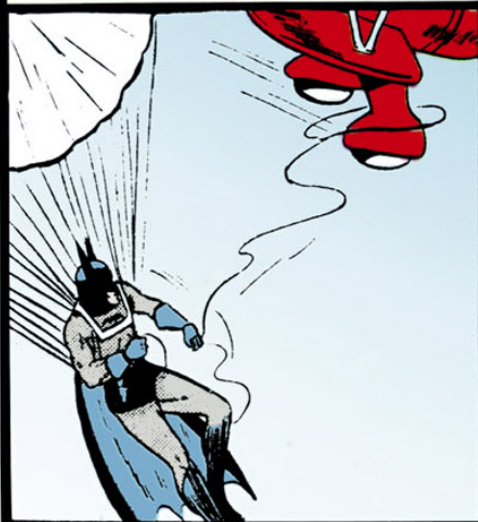


THAT BATMAN. AT LEAST HE'S DEAD NOW. BUT NO...CAN IT BE.. THAT FIGURE IN A PARACHUTE.. I..I MUST SEE IF IT IS HE!



THE BATMAN!!

AS THE PLANE GOES PAST.. THE BATMAN FLINGS HIS SILKEN CORD.



WHICH CATCHES UPON A WHEEL/ HE UNBUCKLES HIS CHUTE, AND HANGS IN SPACE.



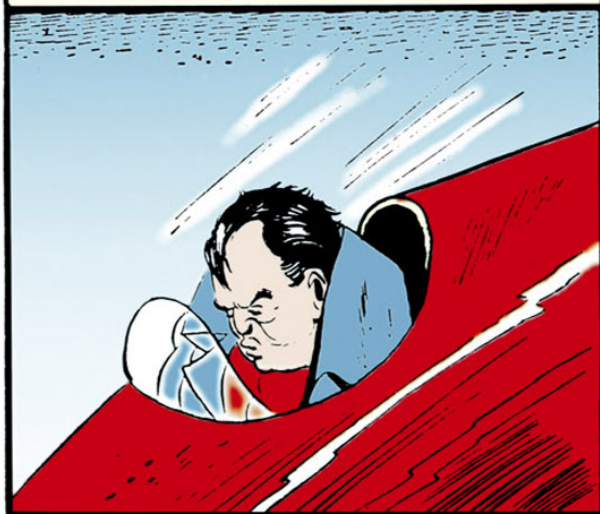
HE GAINS THE WING WHERE..



KRUGER'S SHOT GOES WILD. THE BATMAN HOLDS HIS BREATH AND FLINGS A GAS PELLET!



AS KRUGER SLUMPS UNCONSCIOUS.. THE PLANE PLUNGES DOWNWARD TOWARD THE BAY!

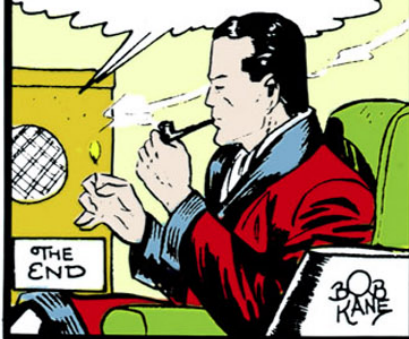


THE BATMAN DIVES AS THE PLANE HITS THE WATER, TAKING KRUGER WITH IT..



A FEW HOURS LATER.. THE HOME OF BRUCE WAYNE.

.. AND THE BODY OF KRUGER WAS RECOVERED FROM THE WATER. BUT THAT OF THE BATMAN HAS NOT YET BEEN FOUND. LATEST DISPATCHES REPORT THE CAPTURE OF THE ENTIRE SCARLET ARMY..



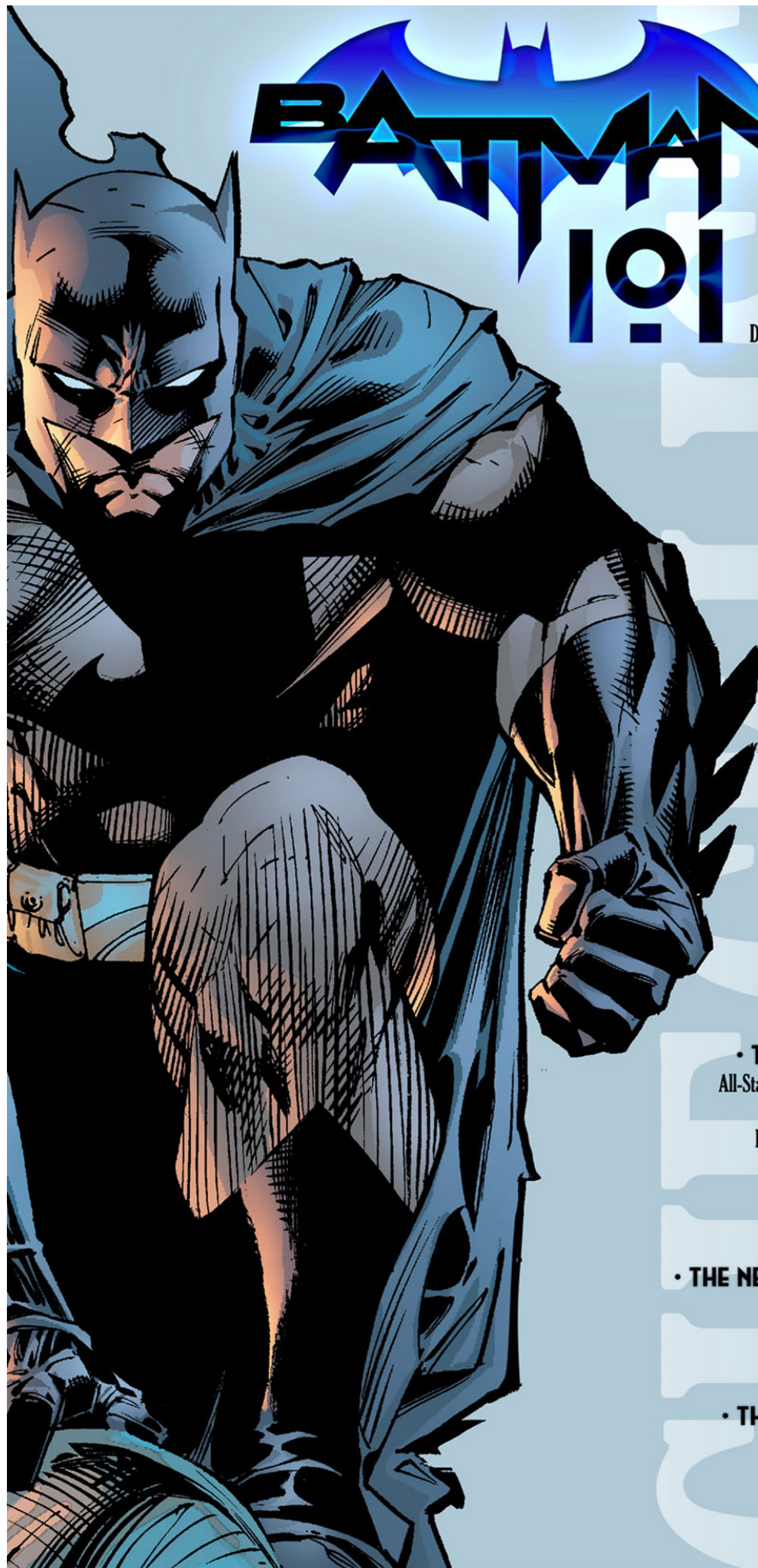
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