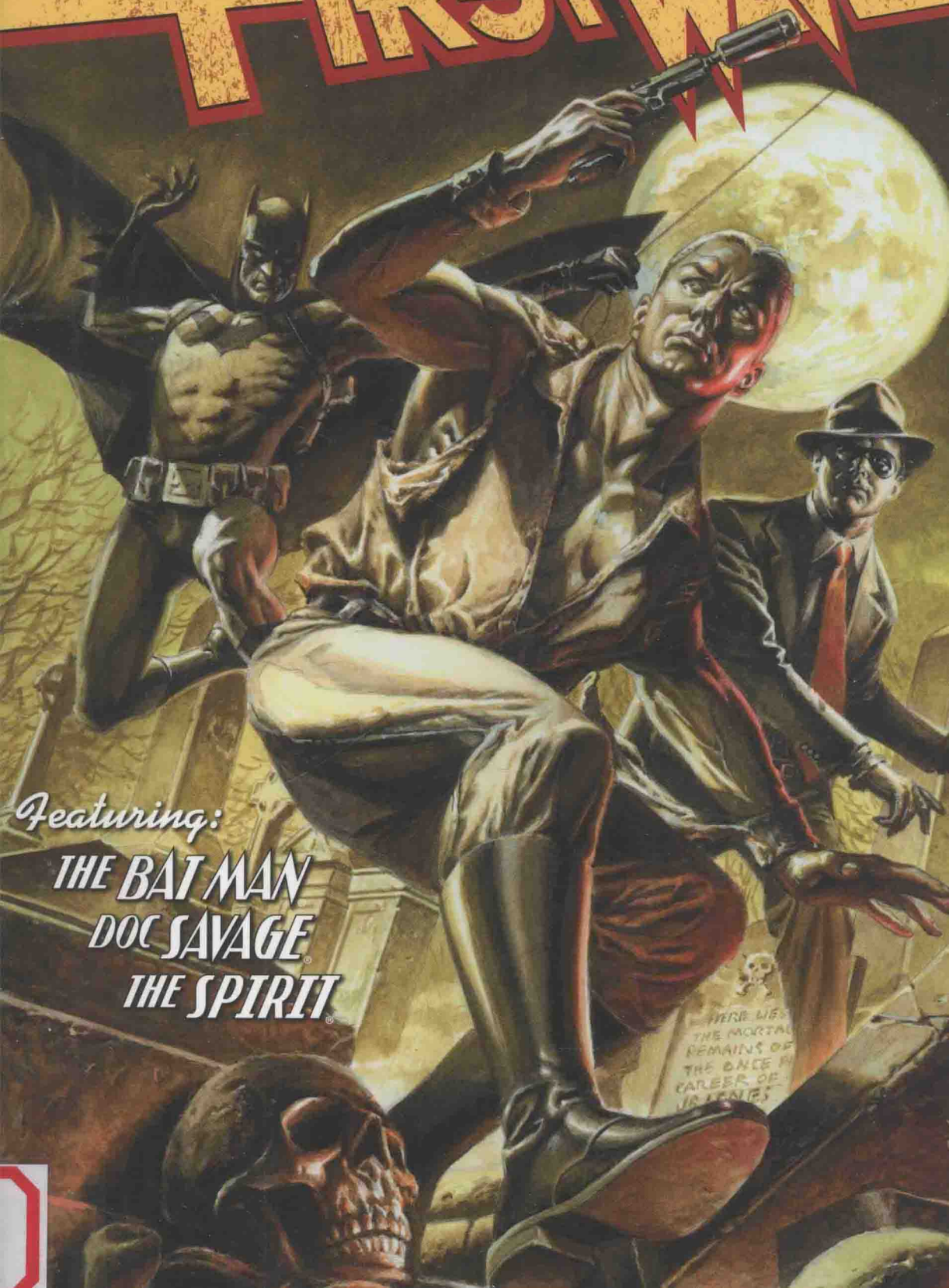




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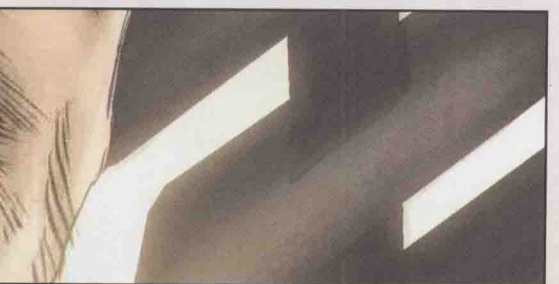
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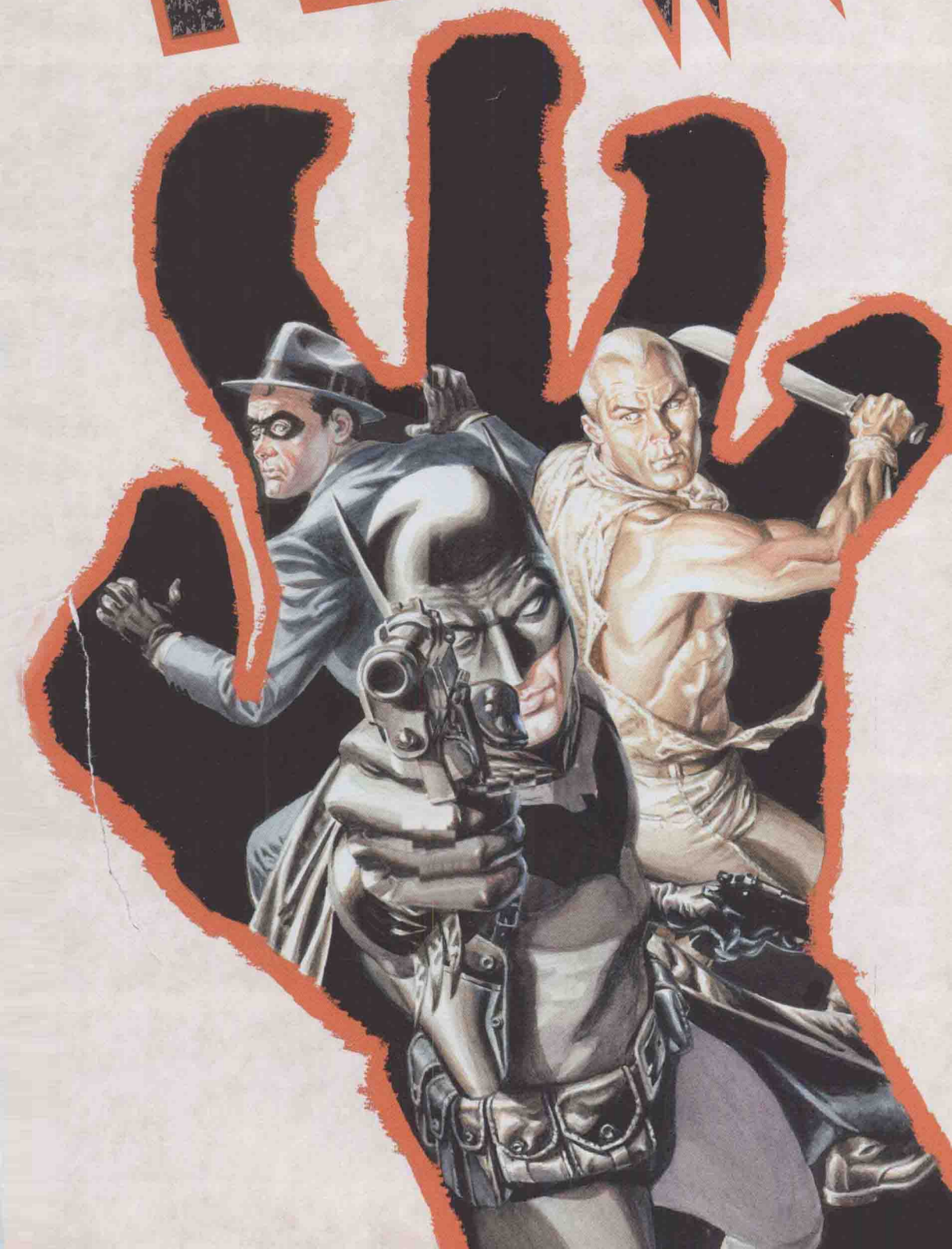
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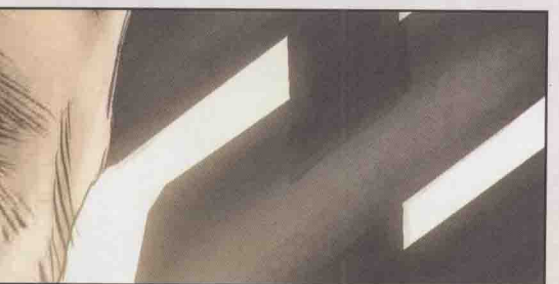
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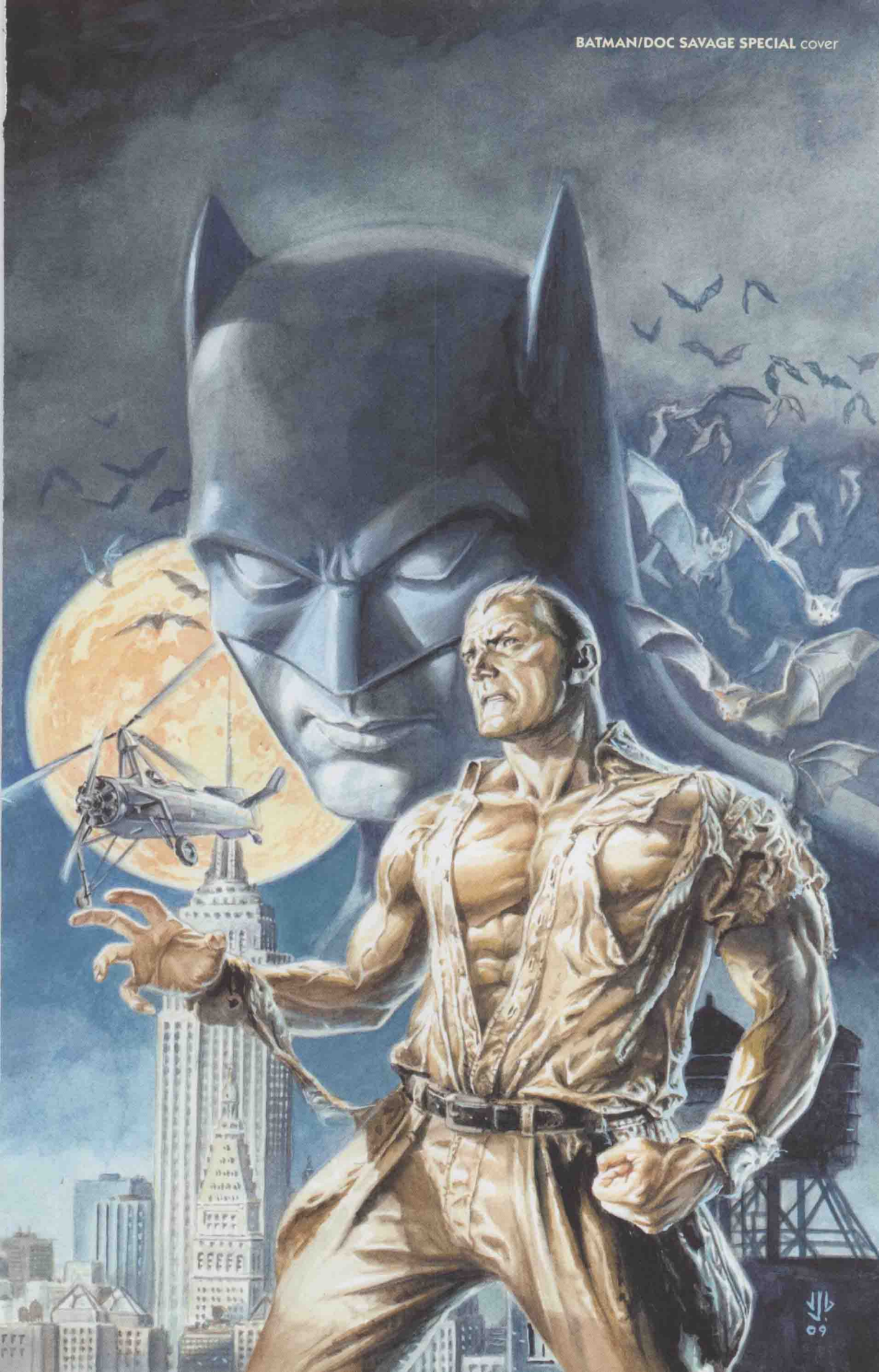
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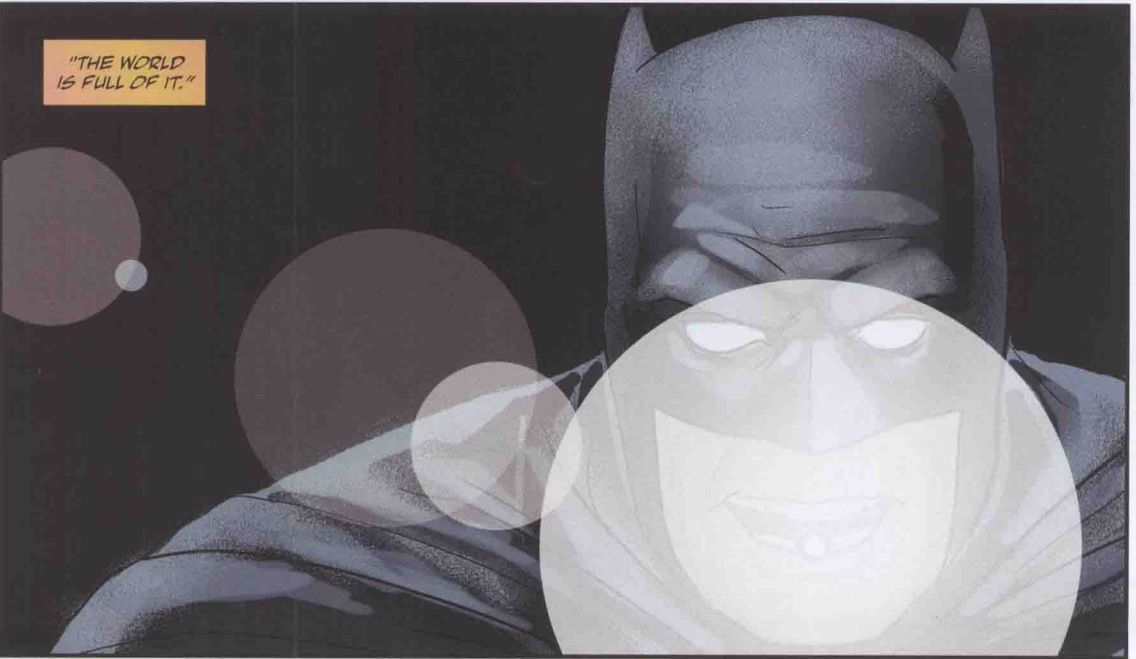
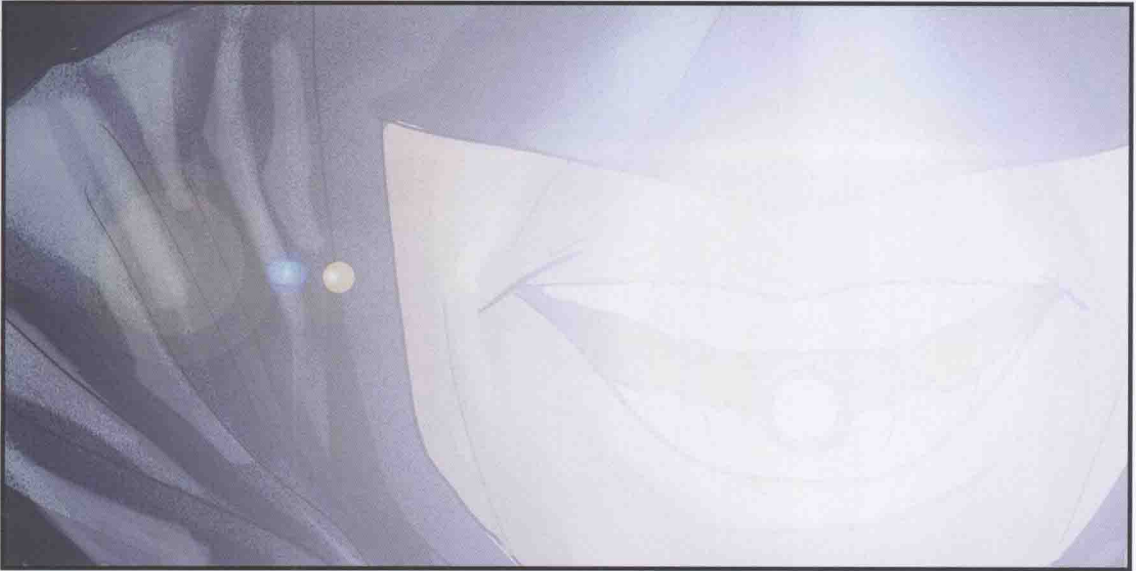
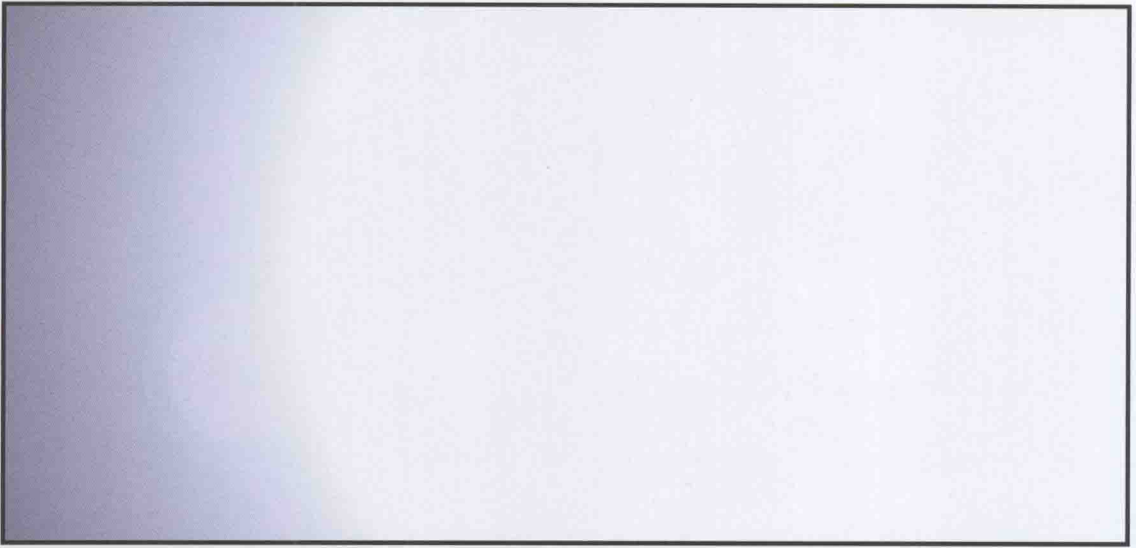
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"THE WORLD
IS FULL OF IT."



AN OLD MAN SAID THAT TO ME, BACK
IN THE WAR. BLOOD WAS PUMPING OUT
OF HIS CHEST, SEEPING BETWEEN HIS
DIRTY, POWDER-BURNED FINGERS.



I WAS STANDING
OVER HIM, A GUN
IN MY HAND.



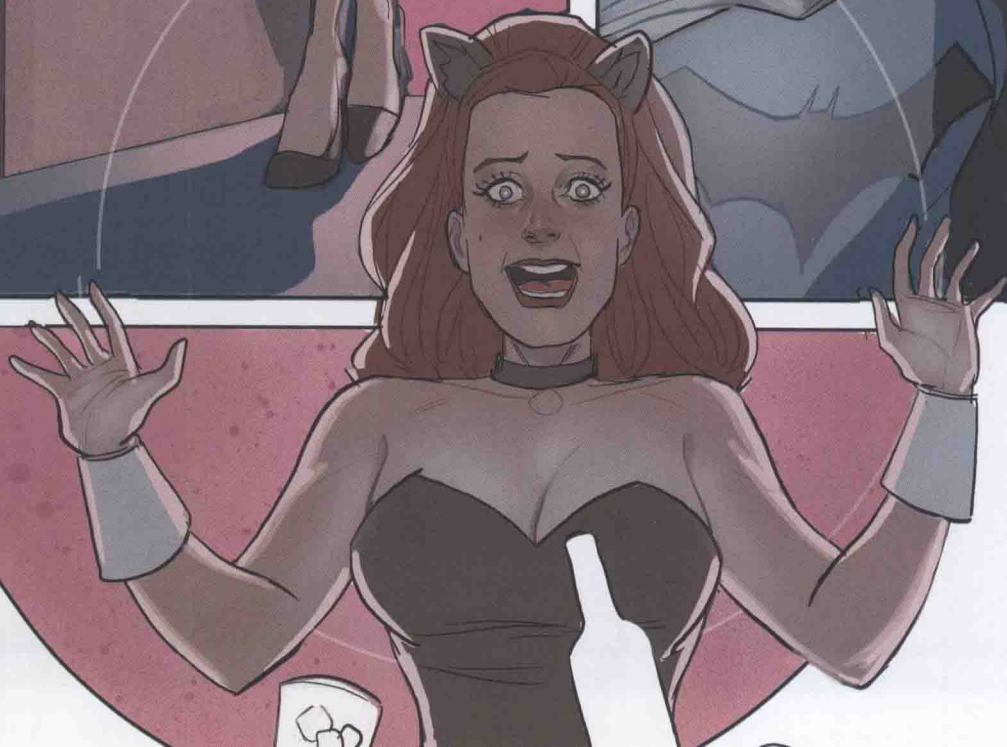
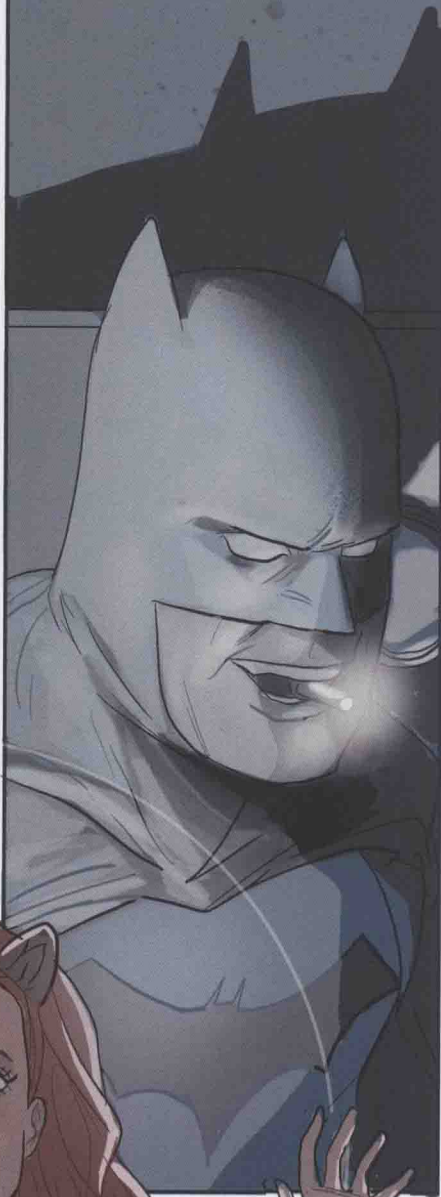
I DON'T THINK IT
WAS MY BULLET
THAT WOUNDED HIM,
BUT IT COULD HAVE
BEEN. THAT'S THE
THING ABOUT WAR.

AND I DO
THINK ABOUT
THAT.

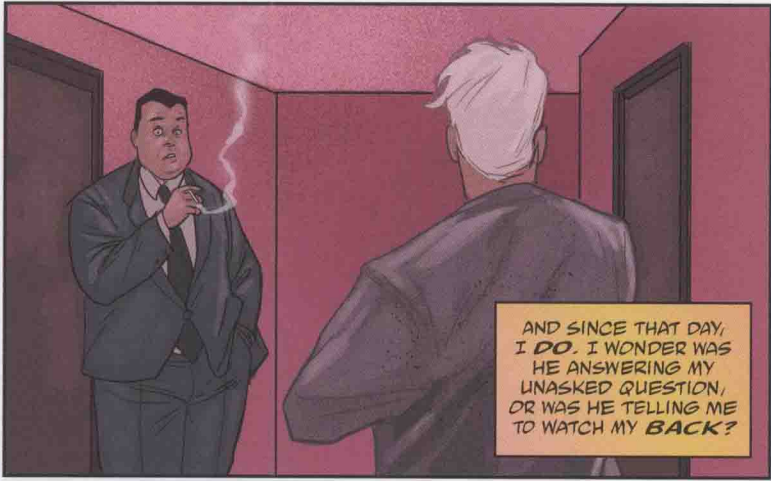
BEFORE I
COULD ASK HIM,
"FULL OF WHAT?"
HE LOOKED ME
IN THE EYES
AND SAID...



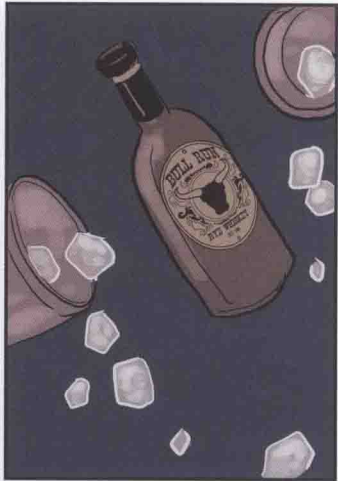
"WONDER."



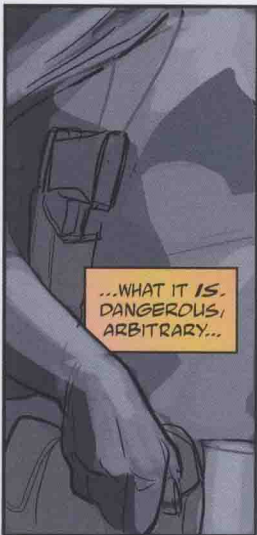
THEN
HE WAS
GONE.



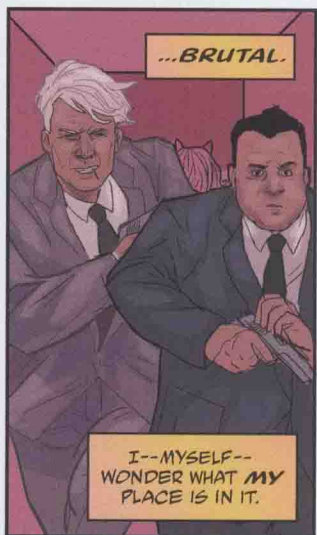
AND SINCE THAT DAY,
I *DO*. I WONDER WAS
HE ANSWERING MY
UNASKED QUESTION,
OR WAS HE TELLING ME
TO WATCH MY *BACK*?



EITHER WAY,
IT DOESN'T
MAKE THE
WORLD
WONDERFUL.
IT JUST
MAKES IT...



...WHAT IT *IS*—
DANGEROUS,
ARBITRARY...



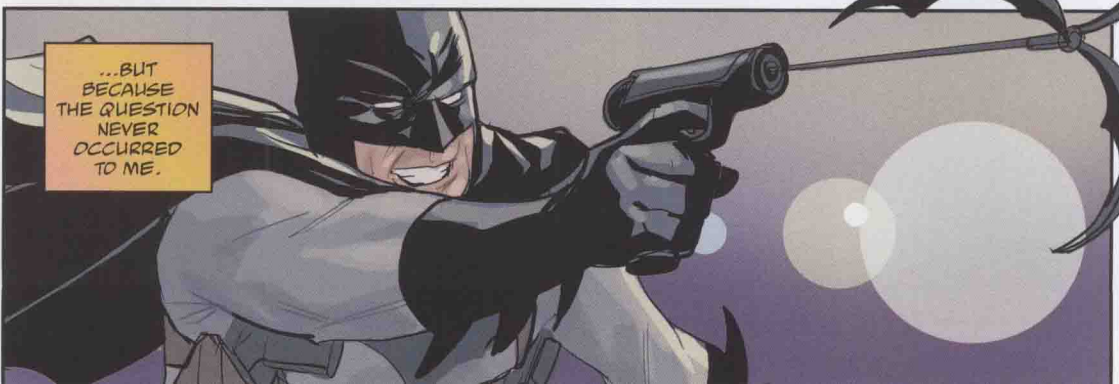
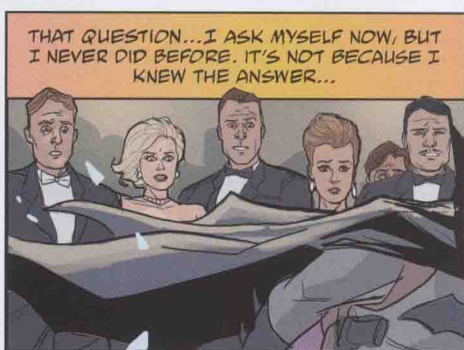
...BRUTAL.

I--MYSELF--
WONDER WHAT *MY*
PLACE IS IN IT.

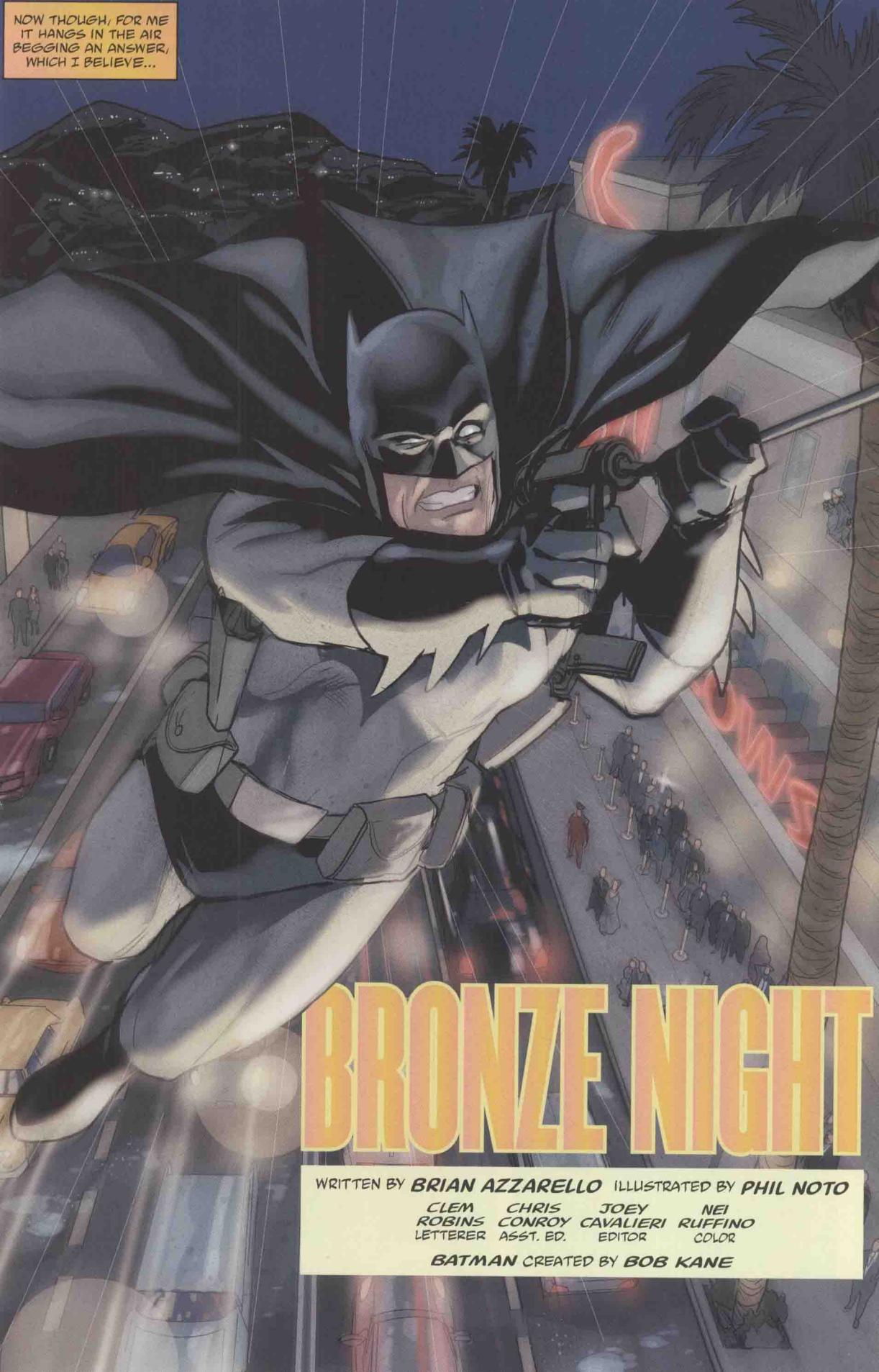


I KNOW I
CAN MAKE
THE WORLD
BETTER.





NOW THOUGH, FOR ME
IT HANGS IN THE AIR
BEGGING AN ANSWER,
WHICH I BELIEVE...



BRONZE NIGHT

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