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# the MEGALOMANIACAL SPIDER-MAN®



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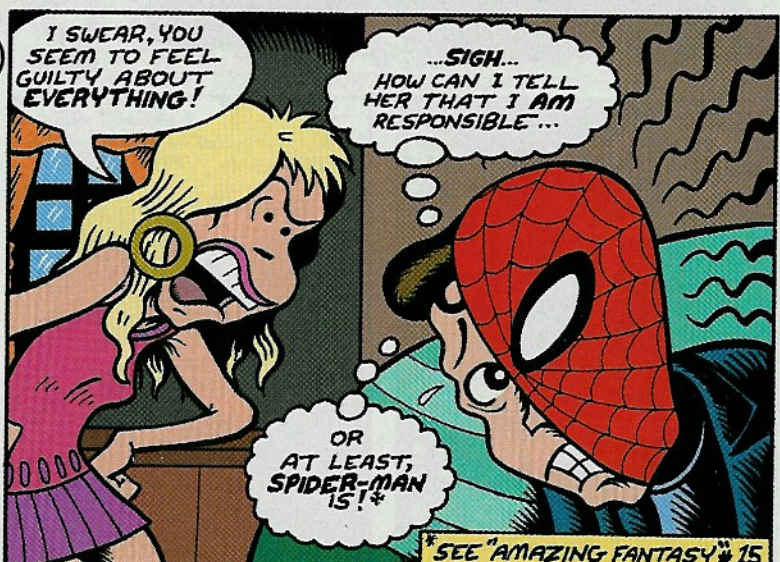
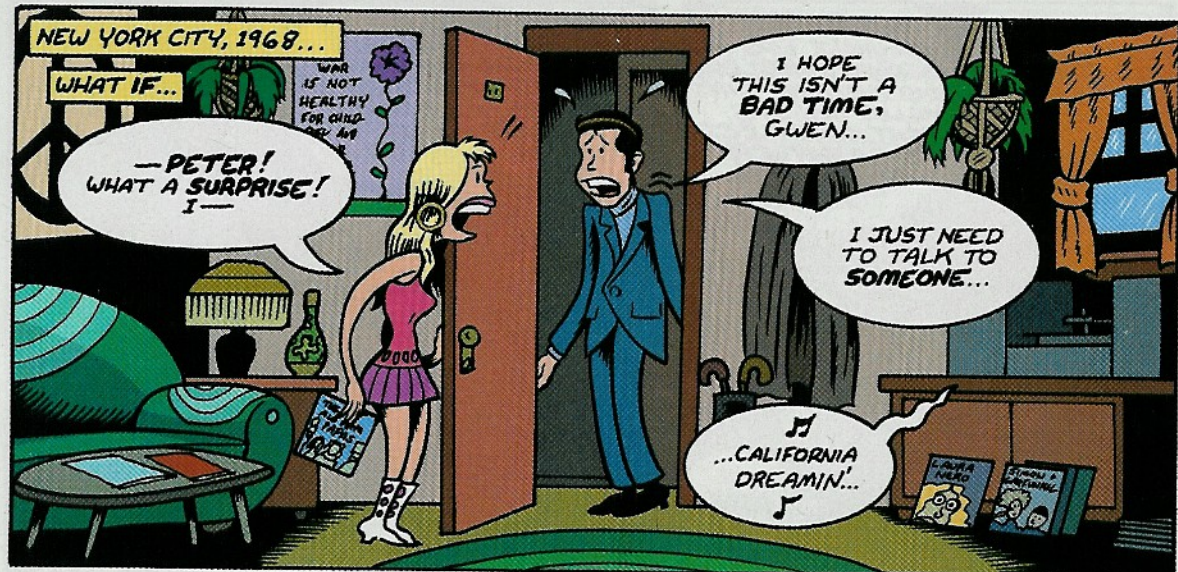


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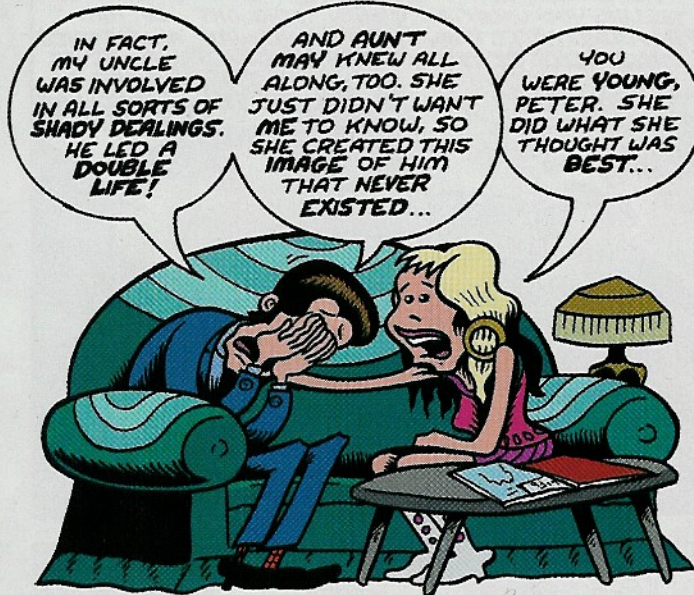
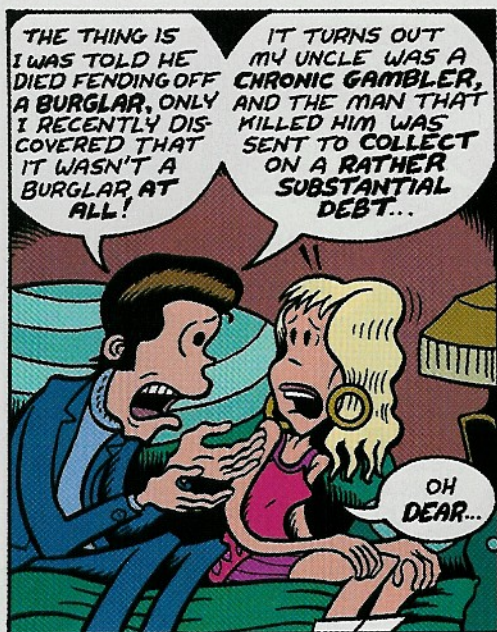
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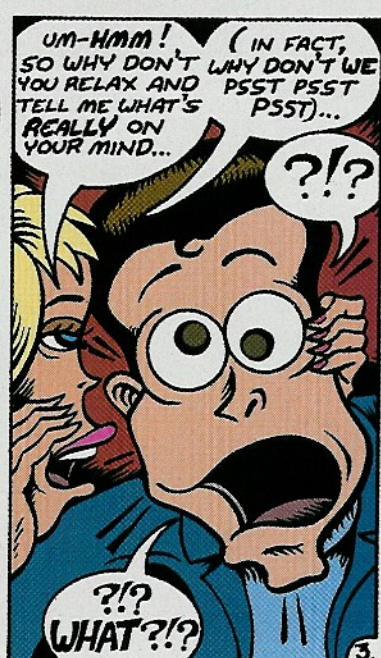
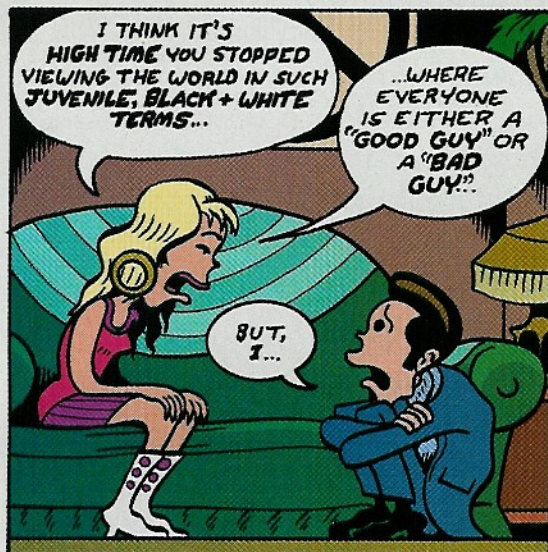


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GET AWAY FROM ME, YOU VIXEN!

I'm ON TO YOUR GAME!

?!? WHAT "GAME"? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

LEAP!



DON'T PLAY DUMB WITH ME, SISTER! I WASN'T BORN YESTERDAY!

FIRST YOU SEDUCE ME WITH YOUR FEMININE WILES, AND THEN YOU'LL FILL MY SOFTENED HEAD WITH ALL SORTS OF RADICAL NOTIONS YOU PICKED UP FROM THOSE PROTESTER TYPES YOU HANG OUT WITH ON CAMPUS!

"RADICAL NOTIONS"? "PROTESTER TYPES"?

PETER, YOU'RE TALKING CRAZY!



"CRAZY," EH? WELL, I FOR ONE AM NOT GONNA SIT AROUND AND WATCH WHILE THE COUNTRY GOES TO THE COMMIE DOGS!

WHO ARE YOU CALLING A COMMIE?

AND GET DOWN FROM THERE THIS INSTANT!



WAIT A MINUTE—YOU'RE WORKING FOR MYSTERIO NOW, AREN'T YOU? OR DOCTOR OCTOPUS, PERHAPS?

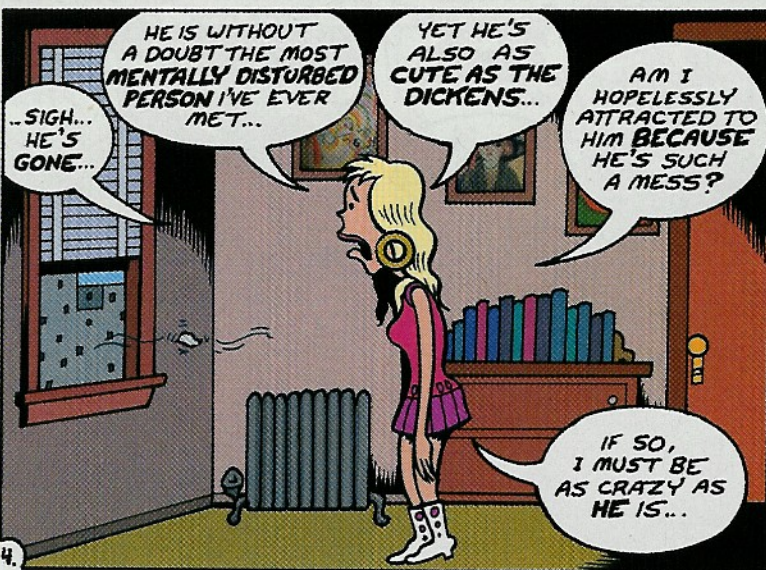
I SHOULD'VE SUSPECTED AS MUCH ALL ALONG!

I'M OUTTA HERE!

OMIGOSH, YOU'VE COMPLETELY LOST YOUR MIND, HAVEN'T YOU?

PLEASE COME BACK INSIDE...

I ONLY WANT TO HELP...



...SIGH... HE'S GONE...

HE IS WITHOUT A DOUBT THE MOST MENTALLY DISTURBED PERSON I'VE EVER MET...

YET HE'S ALSO AS CUTE AS THE DICKENS...

AM I HOPELESSLY ATTRACTED TO HIM BECAUSE HE'S SUCH A MESS?

IF SO, I MUST BE AS CRAZY AS HE IS...



...SIGH...

I HOPE HE ISN'T GAY...



THE AMAZINGLY CONVOLUTED, EMOTIONALLY OVERWROUGHT ADVENTURES OF

# the MEGALOMANIACAL SPIDER-MAN

THE NEXT DAY...

ENJOY THIS DAY, SPIDER-MAN. FOR IT WILL BE YOUR LAST!

IZZAT SO? WELL, AT LEAST I GET TO SPEND IT WITH YOU, MYSTERIO OLD BOY!

UGH! WHY DO I KEEP SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT?

I HOPE NO ONE WAS LISTENING...

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AND THE FOLLOWING DAY...

NO ONE MAKES  
A FOOL OF DOCTOR  
DOOM!

YOU DO A  
GOOD ENOUGH JOB  
OF THAT ON YOUR OWN,  
METAL-HEAD!

DIDN'T  
I "DEFEAT"  
THIS LUNATIC  
LAST  
WEEK?

WHAT A  
REVOLVING  
DOOR OUR  
JUSTICE SYSTEM  
HAS BECOME!

FA-FOOM

AND THE DAY AFTER THAT...



PREPARE  
TO MEET  
THY WATERY  
GRAVE, OH  
WEBBED-  
ONE!

I KNEW  
I SHOULD'A  
BROUGHT MY  
WATER  
WINGS!

WHY  
DO I  
SUBJECT  
MYSELF TO  
THIS?

THIS IS  
THE POLICE'S  
JOB! I'M JUST  
GETTING IN  
THE WAY!

IT'S NO  
WONDER  
EVERYBODY  
HATES ME!

AND THE NEXT...



EAT  
MOLTEN FIST,  
SPIDER-  
CHUMP!

THANKS!  
THAT WAS  
DELICIOUS!

WHO  
AM I  
KIDDING?  
HE JUST  
DEMOLISHED  
MY CHEEK  
BONE!

AND I  
DON'T HAVE  
HEALTH  
INSURANCE!

AND THE DAY AFTER THAT...

THE HUNTER  
ALWAYS GETS  
HIS PREY!

RRROWW!

AND YOU MUST GET  
YOUR WARDROBE  
FROM FREDERICK'S  
OF HOLLYWOOD!



THIS  
GUY'S GOT  
LEOPARDS  
WITH HIM!

I DON'T  
GET PAID  
ENOUGH FOR  
THIS CRAP!

IF FACT,  
I DON'T GET  
PAID AT ALL!

AND THE NEXT DAY...



CATCH ME  
IF YOU CAN,  
SPIDER-FINK!  
TA-HA!

ALWW, WHY DO  
I ALWAYS  
HAVE TO  
BE "IT"?

I COULD BE  
MAKING OUT  
WITH GWEN  
RIGHT NOW...

BUT INSTEAD  
I'VE SPENT THE  
ENTIRE EVENING  
CHASING A  
GREMLIN...

WHAT IS  
WRONG WITH  
ME?!!

AND SO ON...



MY NEW DEATH  
RAY WILL FINISH  
YOU OFF ONCE  
AND FOR ALL,  
YOU ARACHNO-  
NUISANCE!

GWEN'S  
RIGHT...THIS  
"GOOD GUY/  
BAD GUY"  
STUFF IS  
JUVENILE...

BEING A "SUPER  
HERO IS  
A FUTILE  
ENDEAVOR...





# BZZZZAT

