



IN THE SECRET GIRL FRIEND!



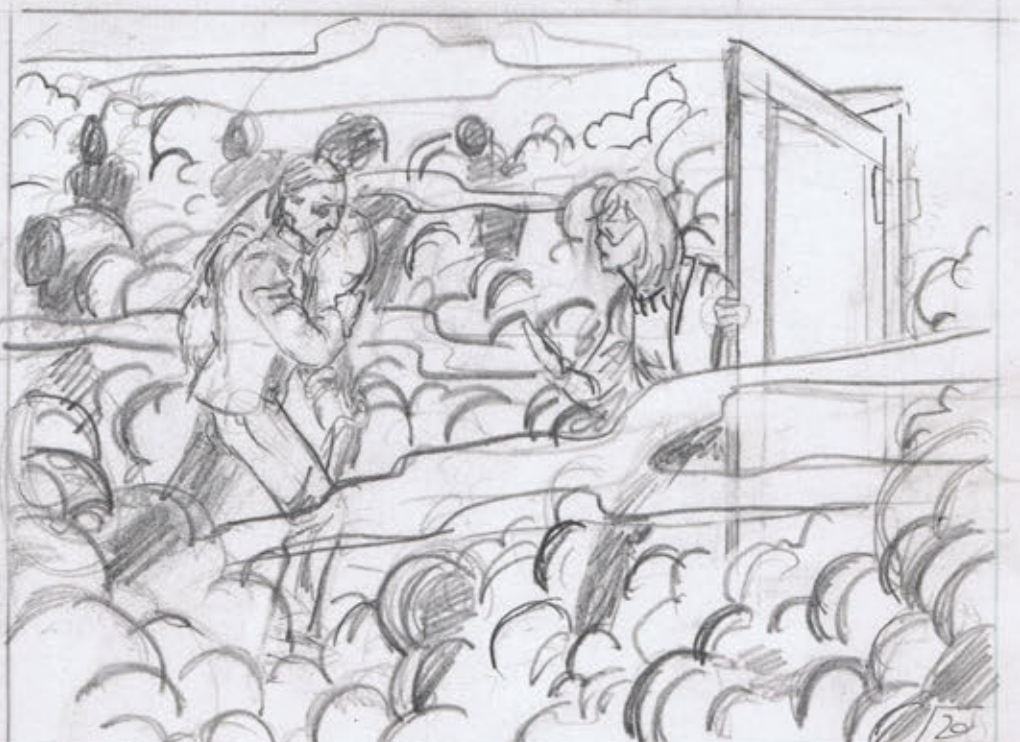
SURELY THERE WERE SO MANY OTHER



THATS HER



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LETS GET OUT BAS IS CLEANING OUT



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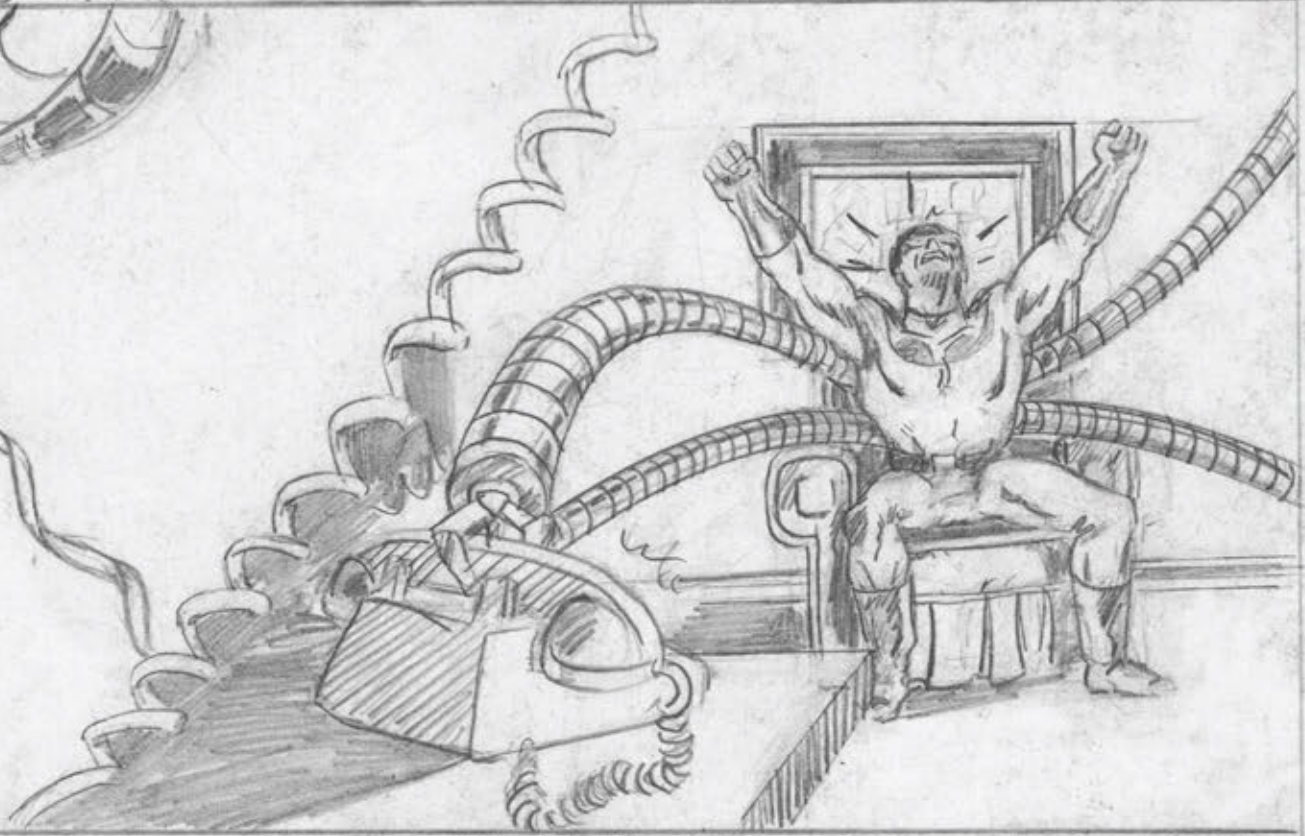
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What is it!!

its for you



"MEET ME AT THE WAREHOUSE AT 5:00"

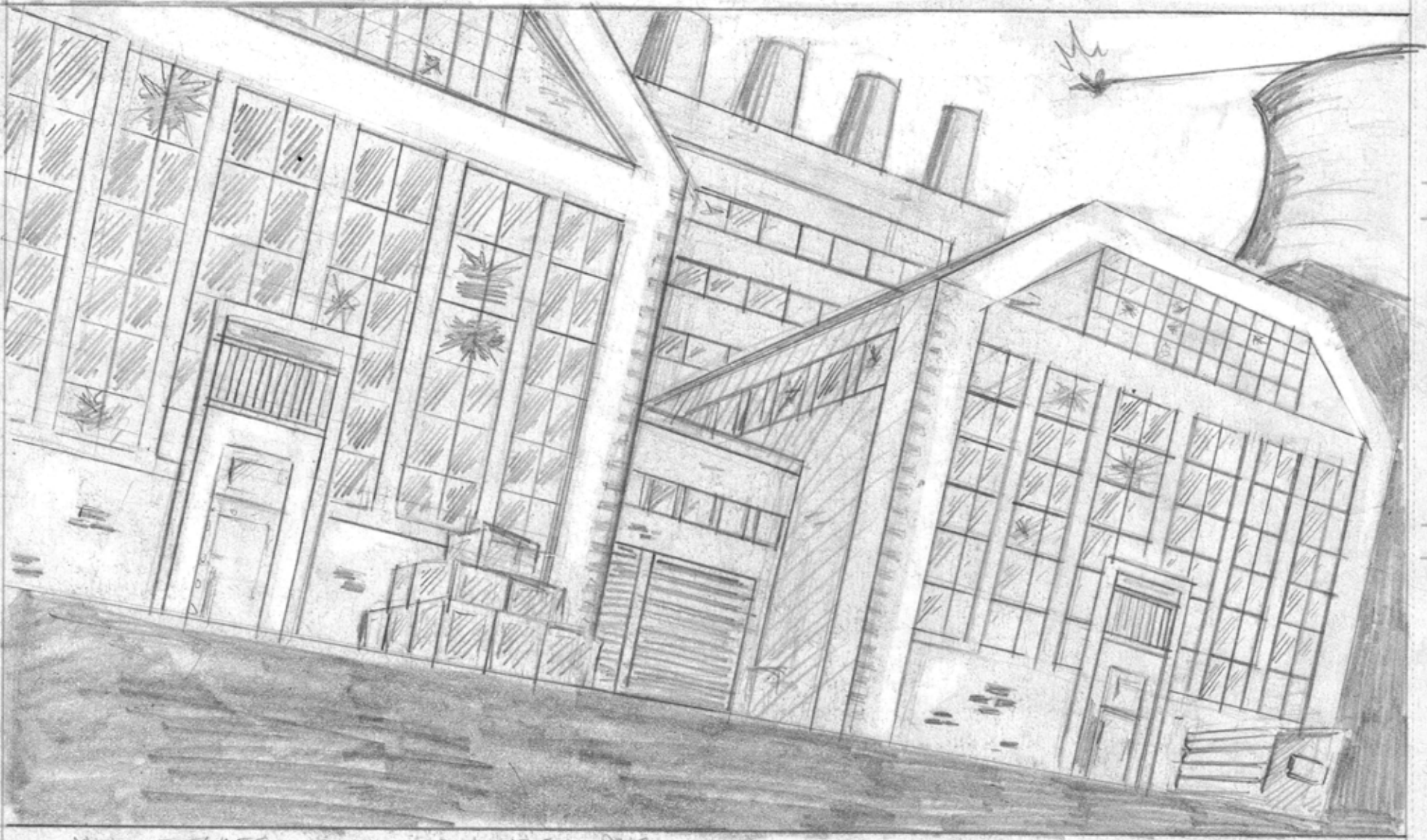
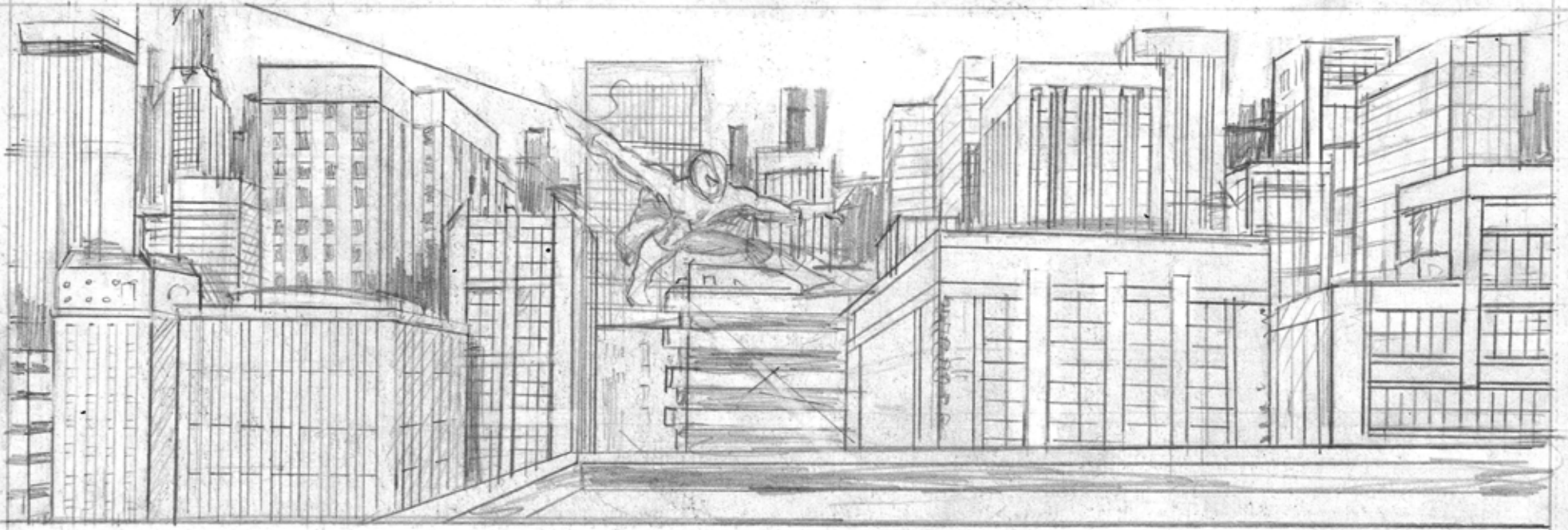
HA HA HA, TUE BEATEN HIM AT LAST



YOU'RE NOT ACTUALLY GOING ARE YOU?

ITS HIS FAULT ANYWAY





wow THATS IT I NOW ITS BLC



WHIC COULD HE WANT HERE



THIS ISNT RIGHT ITS UNLOCKED



NOW WHERE IS HE





His BEING out door



No steel door - an stoppe!



This is it doc, name's over



Not with your secret girlfriend uiged fas 100000 polts



not mention my back up plan



Let her go, Oct, this is a for you and me





WHAT! AND BURY MY FACE IN THE HOLE. NOW STEP FORWARD INTO THE CIRCLE



REMOVE WEBBING SLOWLY

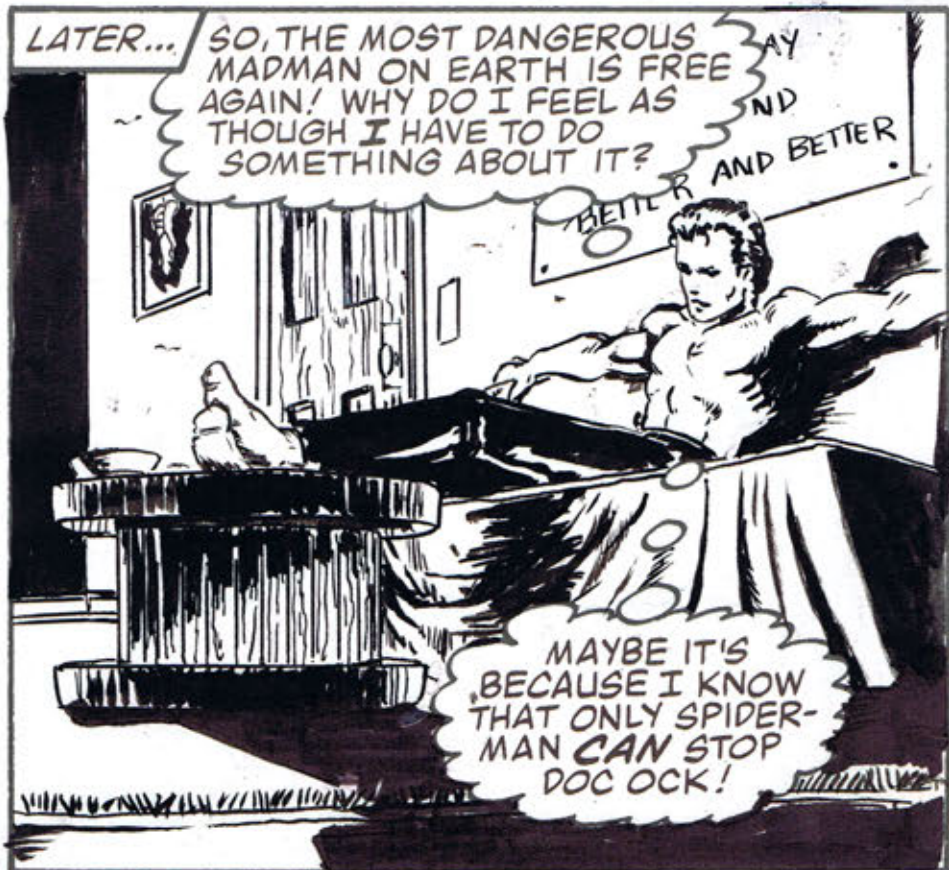


THERE NOW DON'T MOVE OR SHE DIES WHAT WILL I DO.



WHAT WILL I DO!!!!





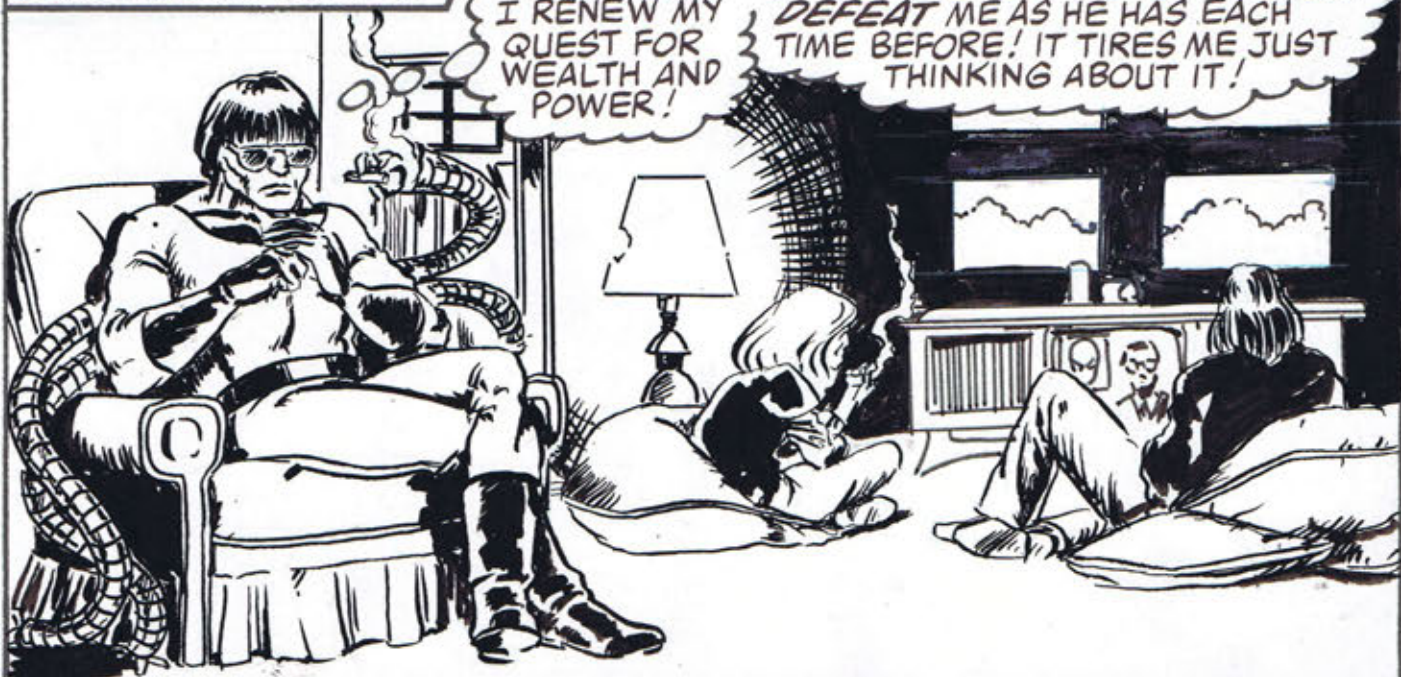


SURE, I'VE ALWAYS WON... SO FAR-- BUT IF I LOSE ONCE AGAINST OCK, I'M DEAD! AND FOR WHAT? BECAUSE I WANTED KICKS? THRILLS?



MAYBE I SHOULD JUST LET THE POLICE GO AFTER HIM! I'VE GOT ENOUGH TROUBLES OF MY OWN!

MEANWHILE, IN A MODEST LONG ISLAND HOME...



SO... SOON I RENEW MY QUEST FOR WEALTH AND POWER!

AND, AS ALWAYS, SPIDER-MAN WILL OPPOSE ME... AND QUITE PROBABLY DEFEAT ME AS HE HAS EACH TIME BEFORE! IT TIRES ME JUST THINKING ABOUT IT!

AGAIN AND AGAIN, I PLAN AND STRIVE... AGAIN AND AGAIN, I AM HUMBLED!



AND WHAT DO I HAVE TO SHOW FOR ALL MY EFFORTS?

EVEN THESE TWO HAVE MUCH MORE THAN I, THE MIGHTY DOCTOR OCTOPUS! THEY HAVE A HOME... AND EACH OTHER!



I HAVE NOTHING!

I'D TRADE ALL MY GRANDIOSE SCHEMES FOR SUCH SIMPLE HAPPINESS!

BUT SPIDER-MAN WON'T LET ME FIND PEACE! HE'LL HUNT ME DOWN NO MATTER WHERE I HIDE!

HE'S SEARCHING FOR ME EVEN NOW! I KNOW IT! I CAN SENSE IT!

HEY, DOCTOR, LISTEN TO THIS!



... FOUND A MOST UNUSAL PERSONAL AD IN TODAY'S DAILY BUGLE--

--AN OPEN LETTER TO SPIDER-MAN!

IT READS: "DEAR SPIDER-MAN, I SAW YOU SAVE A MAN'S LIFE LAST NIGHT--"



--AND AFTERWARDS, I SAW YOU CHANGING CLOTHES IN THE SHADOWS! FOR THE FIRST TIME I REALIZED THAT YOU'RE A REAL PERSON, TOO! I MEAN, I NEVER GAVE IT MUCH THOUGHT BEFORE!



DEAR SPIDERMAN  
I SAW YOU  
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AFTER YOU LEFT, I WONDERED FOR A LONG TIME WHY ANYONE WOULD PUT ON A STRANGE OUTFIT AND RISK HIS LIFE SAVING PEOPLE! WHAT'S *WRONG* WITH YOU?

THE MORE I THOUGHT ABOUT IT, THE MORE I WONDERED WHAT'S *WRONG* WITH THE *REST* OF US?



I'M GRATEFUL THAT YOU DO WHAT ONLY YOU CAN DO! YOU'RE A *WHITE KNIGHT*, SPIDER-MAN-- AND, BOY, IN THIS WORLD WE NEED ONE!" IT'S SIGNED "LOVE, THE GIRL ON THE ROOF!"



WOW...

THANKS, LADY... I *NEEDED* THAT!

SUDDENLY, EVERYTHING'S SO CLEAR...



IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN CLEAR ALL ALONG...

RIGHT THERE IS ALL THE REMINDER I SHOULD EVER NEED -- THAT MICROSCOPE! YEARS AGO, AUNT MAY AND UNCLE BEN SCRIMPED AND SAVED TO BUY IT FOR ME--

-- TRYING TO SEE TO IT THAT I'D HAVE THE CHANCE TO MAKE THE MOST OF MY TALENT FOR *SCIENCE!*

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HOW CAN I EVER DO LESS THAN MY BEST AT THAT-- OR ANYTHING ELSE!

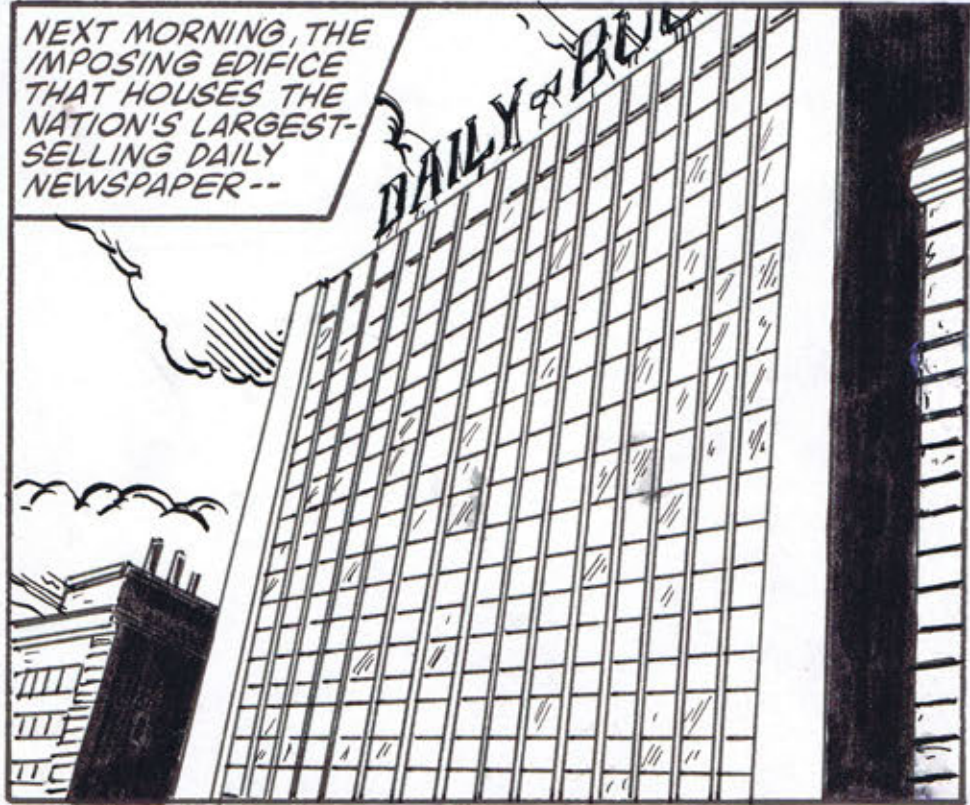
I'VE BEEN GIVEN GREAT POWER AND A CHANCE TO USE IT-- WHAT MORE CAN A MAN ASK?



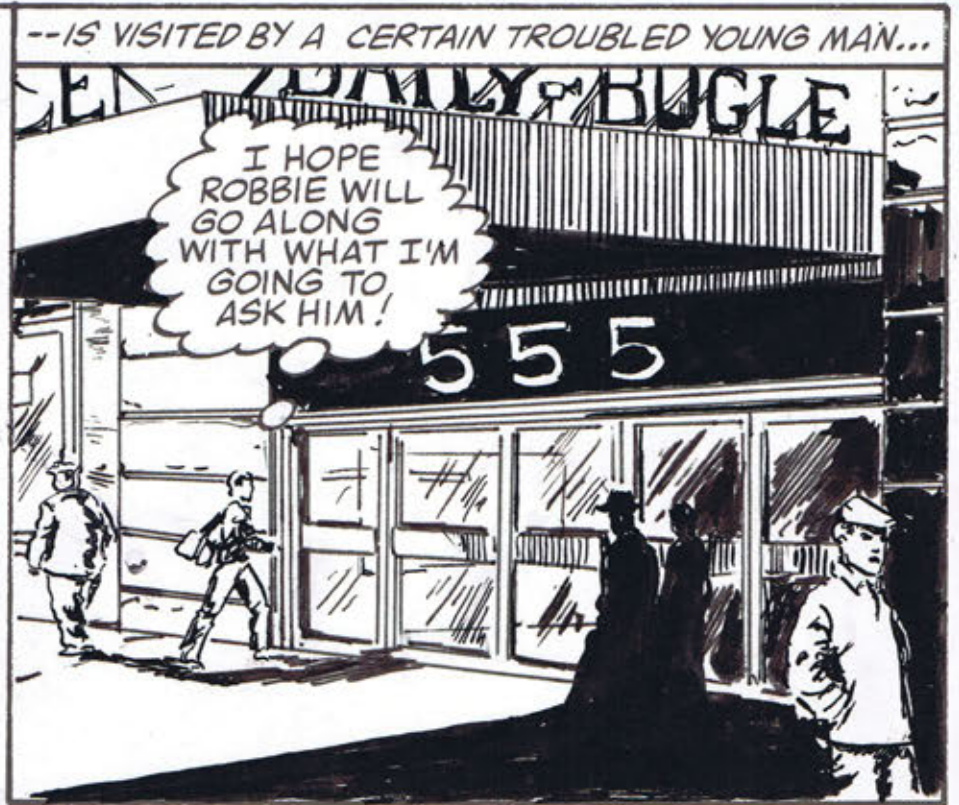








NEXT MORNING, THE IMPOSING EDIFICE THAT HOUSES THE NATION'S LARGEST-SELLING DAILY NEWSPAPER--



--IS VISITED BY A CERTAIN TROUBLED YOUNG MAN...

I HOPE ROBBIE WILL GO ALONG WITH WHAT I'M GOING TO ASK HIM!



MOMENTS LATER, IN THE CITY ROOM...

THERE MUST BE SOME OTHER KIND OF FREE-LANCE PHOTOGRAPHY I CAN DO-- SPORTS, MAYBE...

...DOUBLE-SPACED, PLEASE, BETTY!

HI, ROBBIE, HOW'S MY FAVORITE EDITOR IN CHIEF?

HM? OH, HELLO, PETER!



WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, SON?

WELL...IT'S JUST THAT I DON'T THINK I'LL BE TAKING MANY MORE CRIME PHOTOS...OR PIX OF SPIDER-MAN!



I WAS WONDERING IF, MAYBE, YOU COULD ARRANGE FOR ME TO DO SOMETHING ELSE!

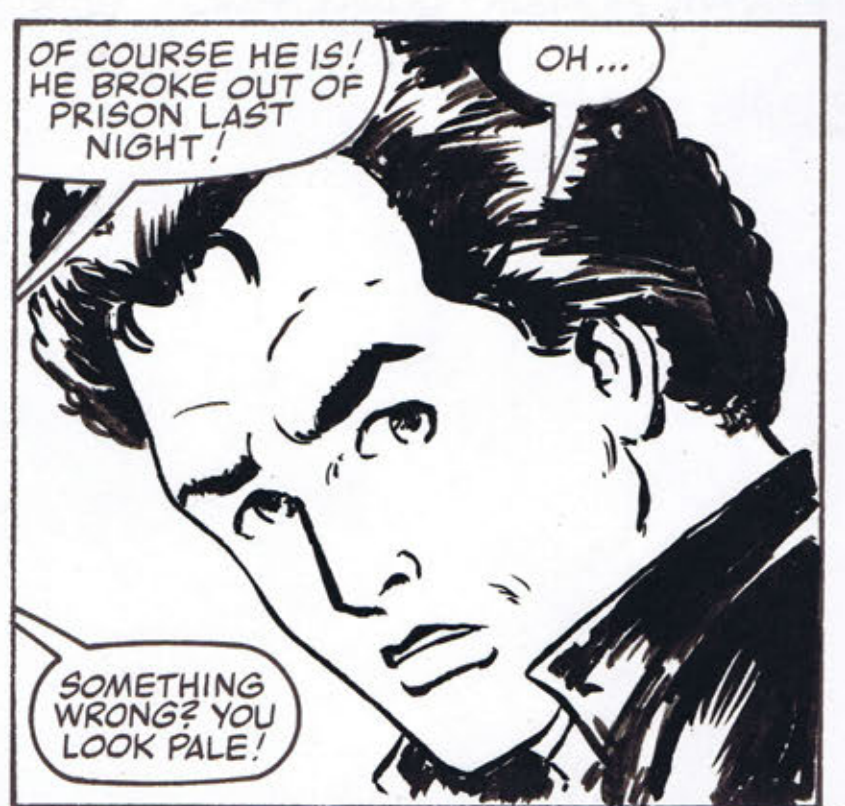
FORGET IT, PARKER! NOT AS LONG AS I'M PUBLISHER HERE!

BUT, JONAH--!



GET THIS STRAIGHT, PARKER! WE DON'T PAY YOU FOR YOUR PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTISTRY-- WE PAY YOU TO GET PICTURES, HOWEVER BADLY SHOT, THAT NOBODY ELSE SEEMS TO BE ABLE TO GET! NOW DON'T SHOW YOUR FACE HERE UNTIL YOU HAVE SOME EXCLUSIVES OF DOCTOR OCTOPUS!

DOC OCK? HE'S FREE--?



OF COURSE HE IS! HE BROKE OUT OF PRISON LAST NIGHT!

OH...

SOMETHING WRONG? YOU LOOK PALE!



