

COUGAR

AND CUB

UHH... SHOULD
WE BE **ROBBING**
SOMETHING WHILE
THOSE TWO ARE
DISTRACTED?



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COUGAR AND CUB

GREETINGS!

WELCOME TO THE BEGINNING OF A WILD TAIL THAT'S SURE TO PIQUE YOUR PUPILS AND FONDLE YOUR FRONTAL LOBE.

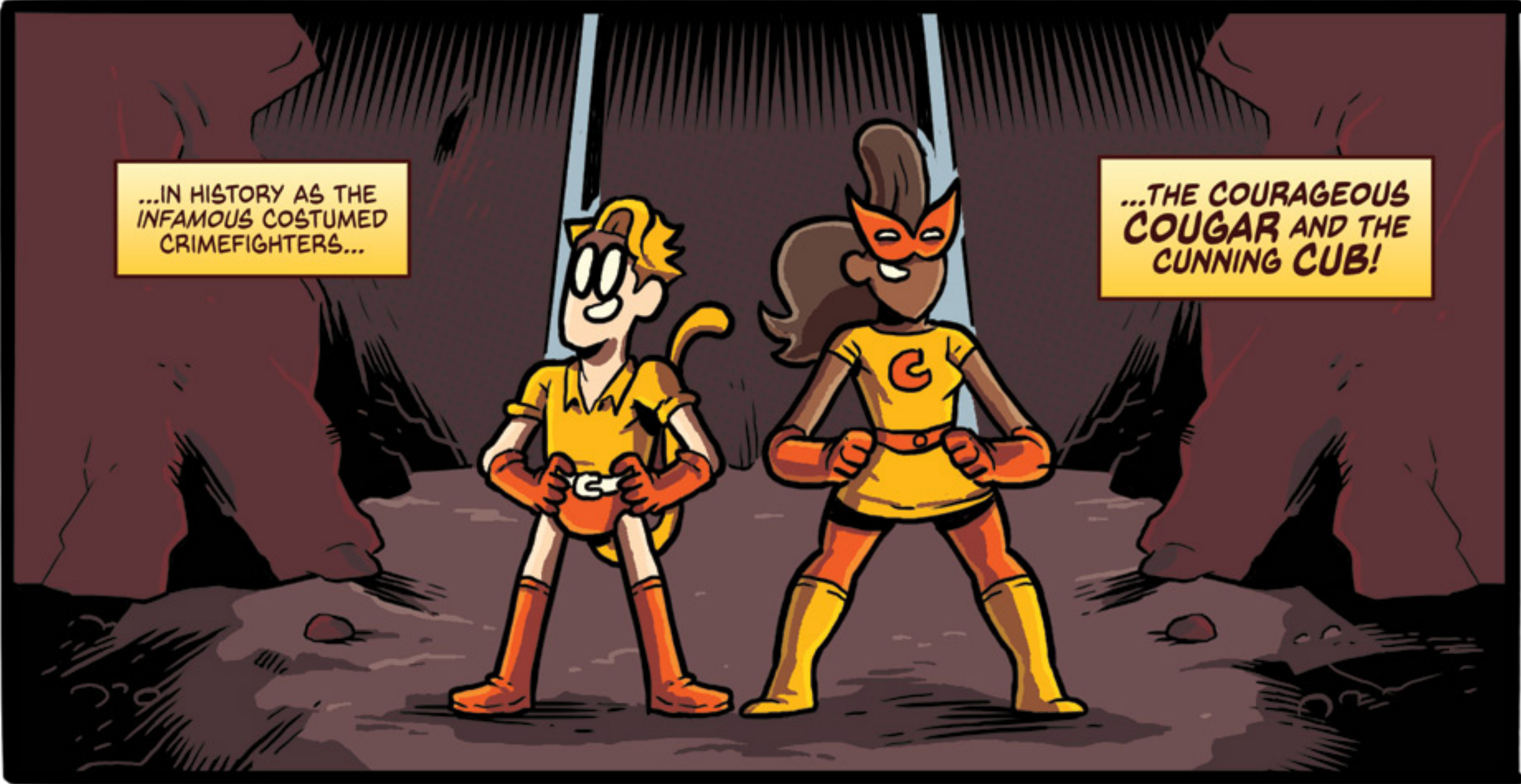


YOU'RE WATCHING MINERVA MANX AND BILLY BOBTAIL, TWO UPSTANDING RESIDENTS OF MEGAVILLE WHO ARE...

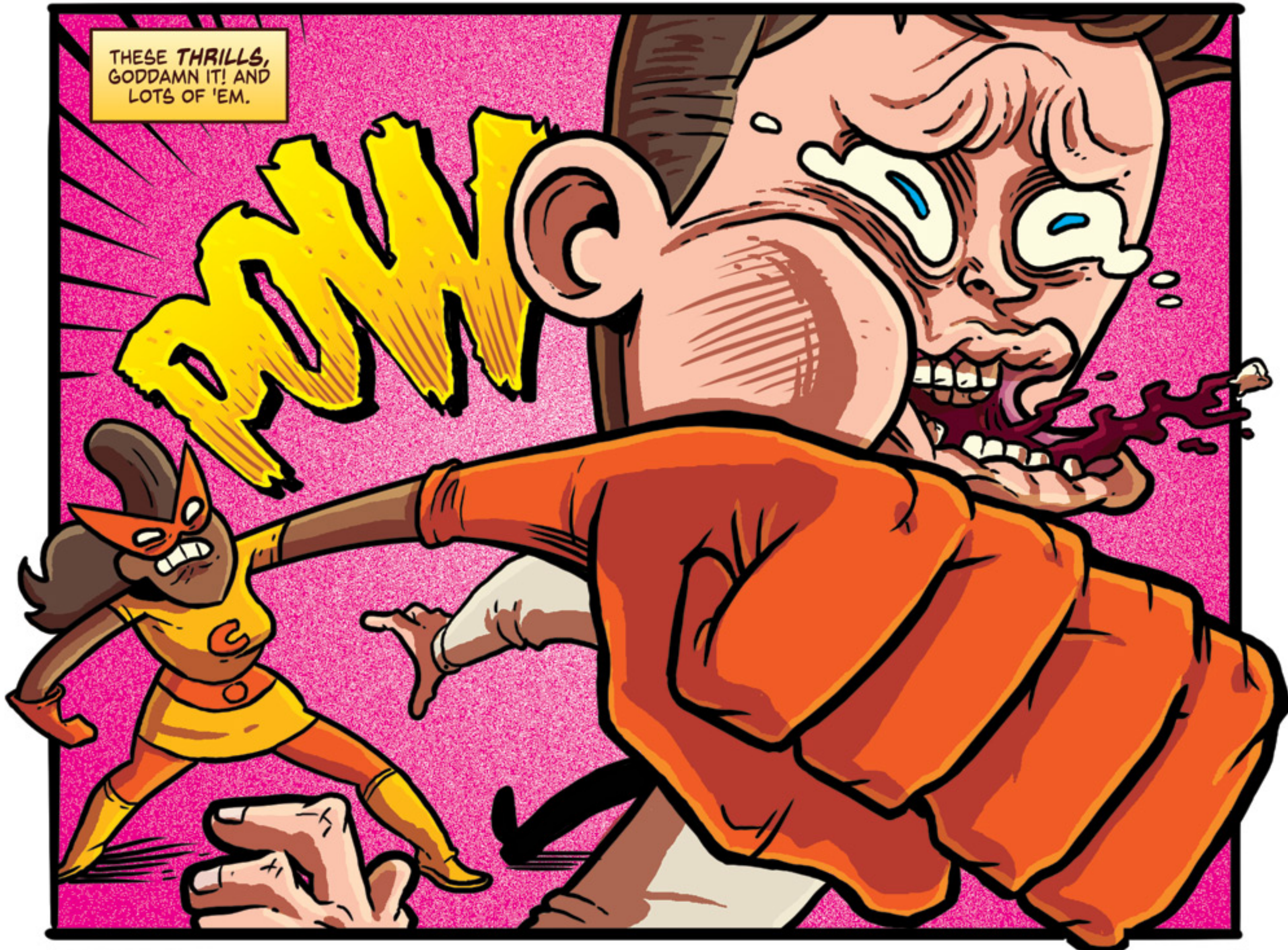
"GOING DOWN"

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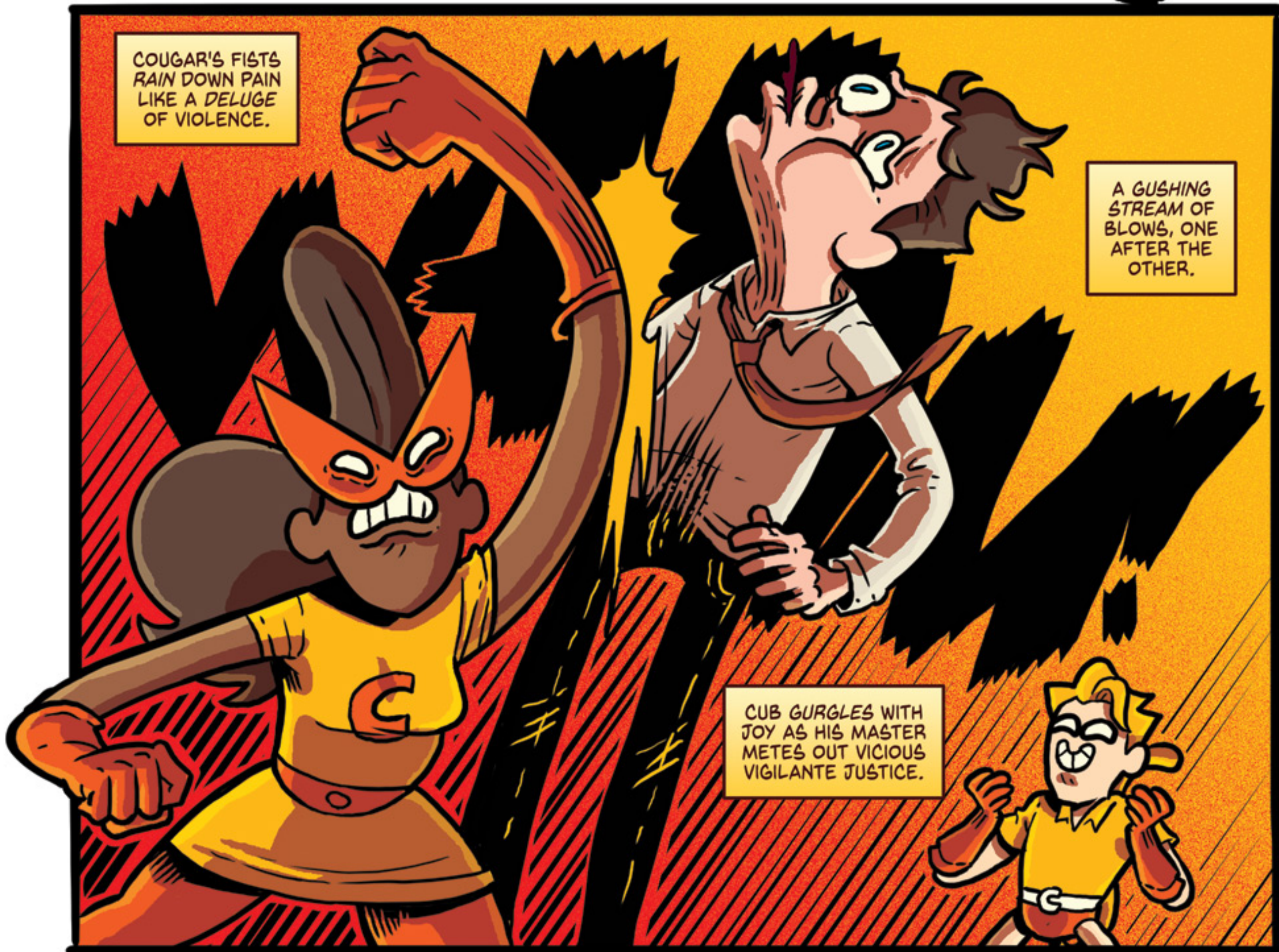
THESE *THRILLS*,
GODDAMN IT! AND
LOTS OF 'EM.



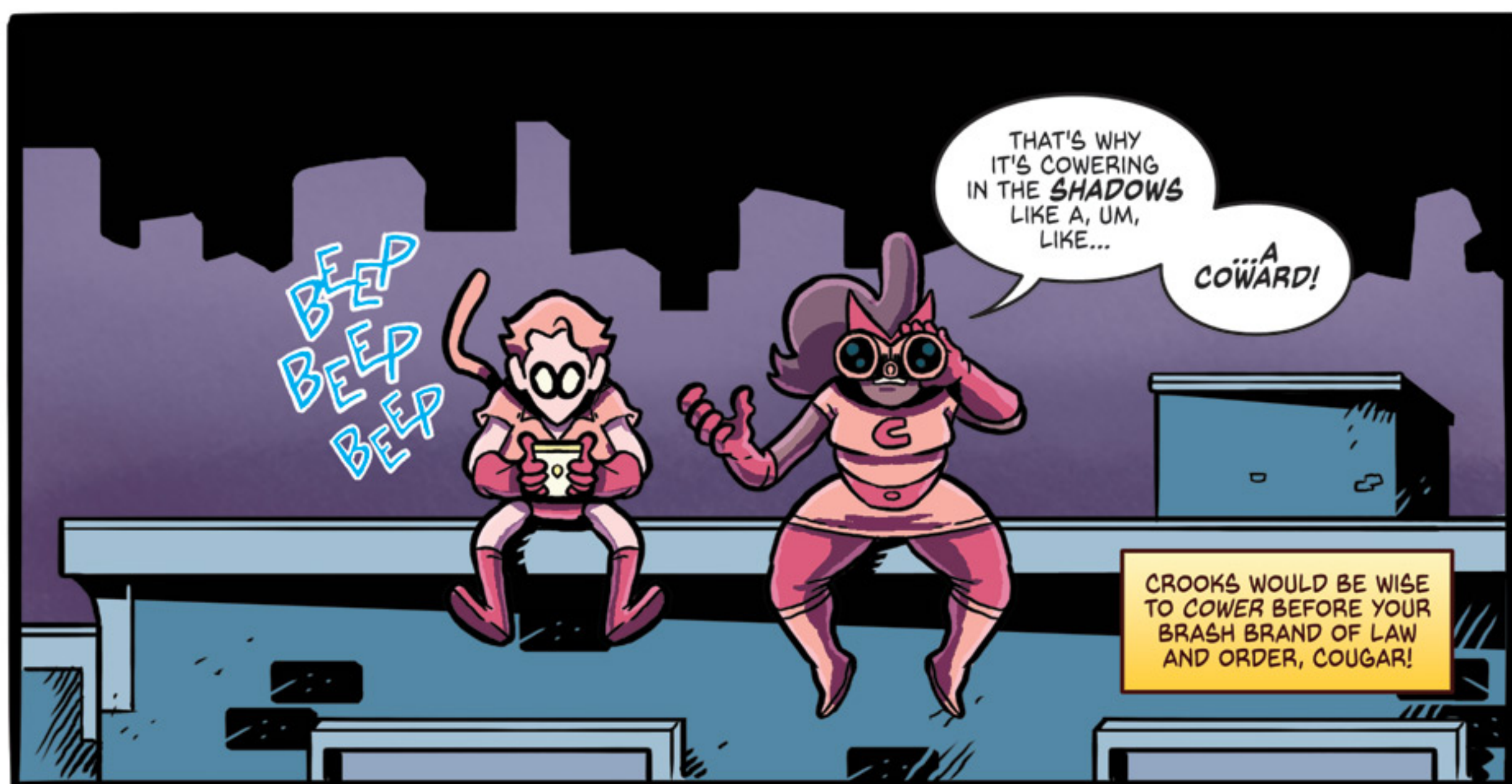
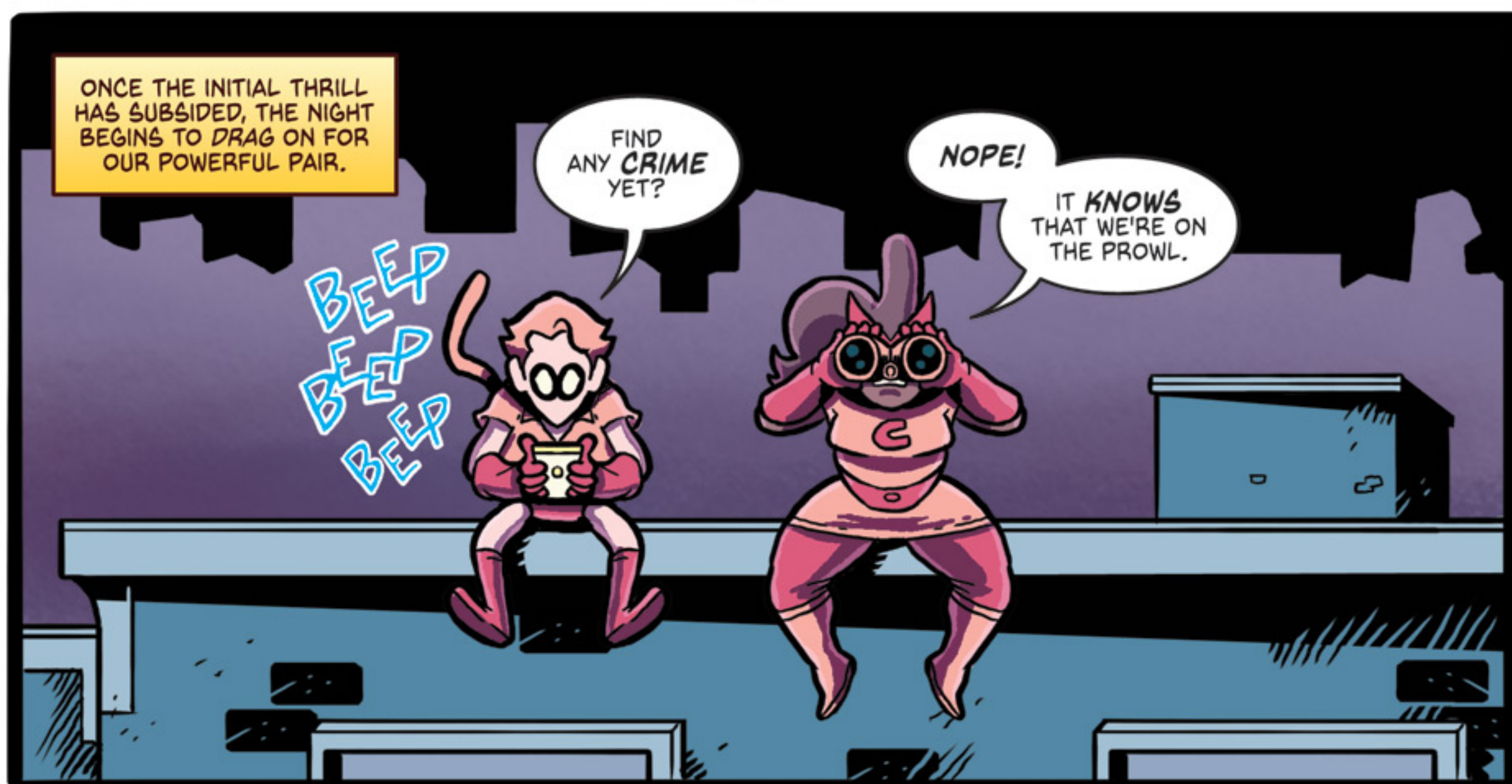
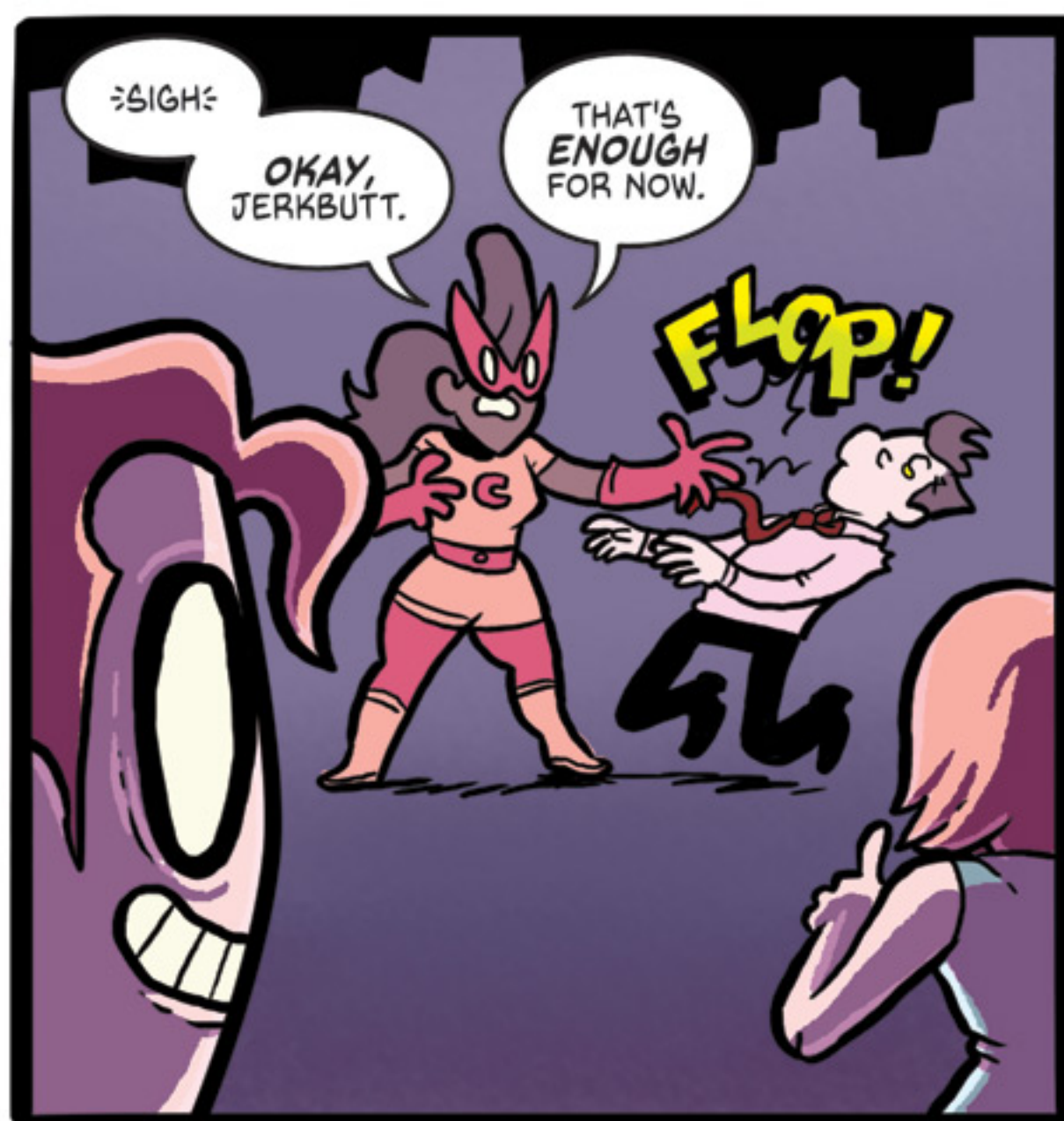
COUGAR'S FISTS
RAIN DOWN PAIN
LIKE A *DELUGE*
OF VIOLENCE.

A *GUSHING*
STREAM OF
BLOWS, ONE
AFTER THE
OTHER.

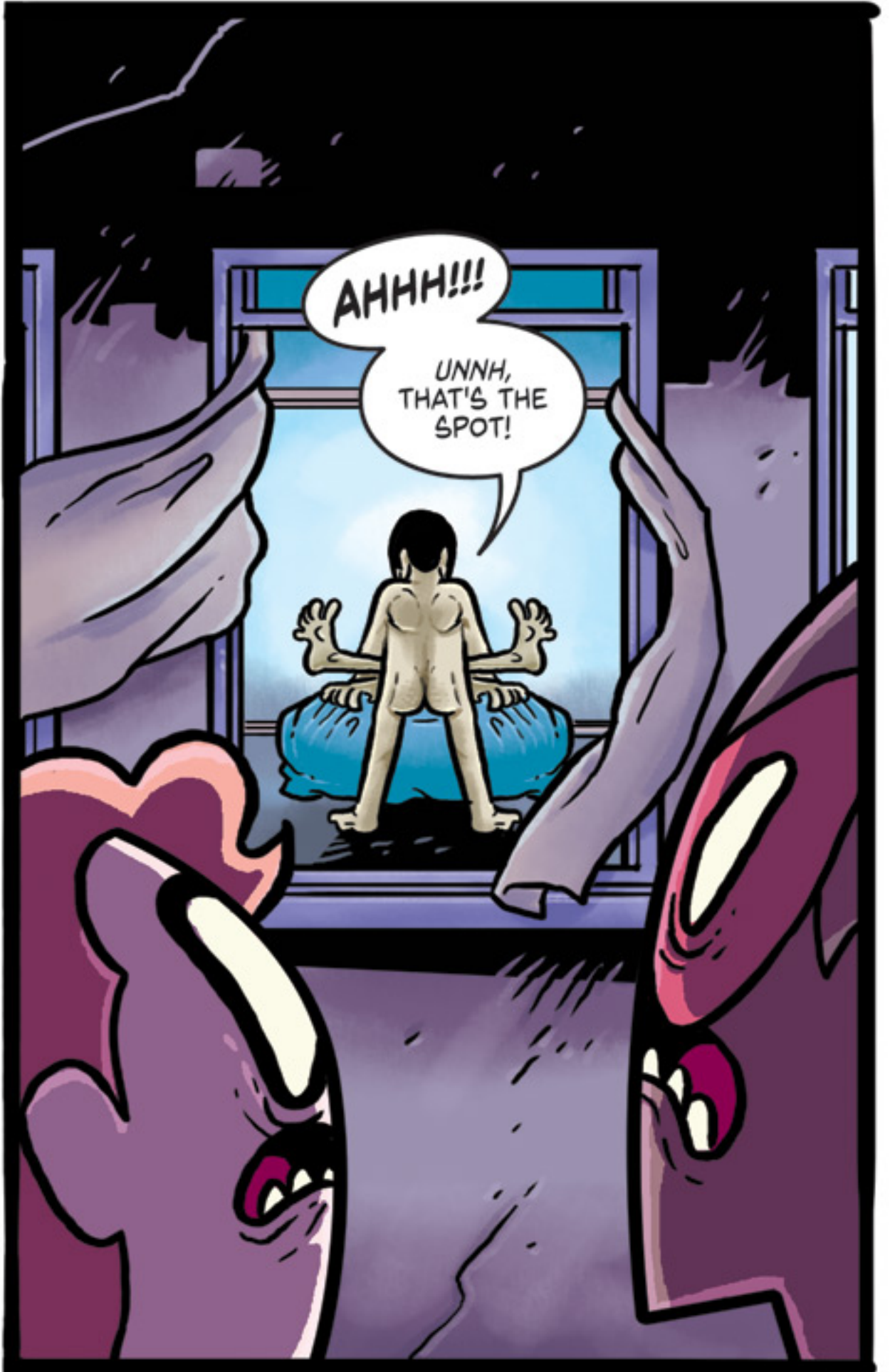
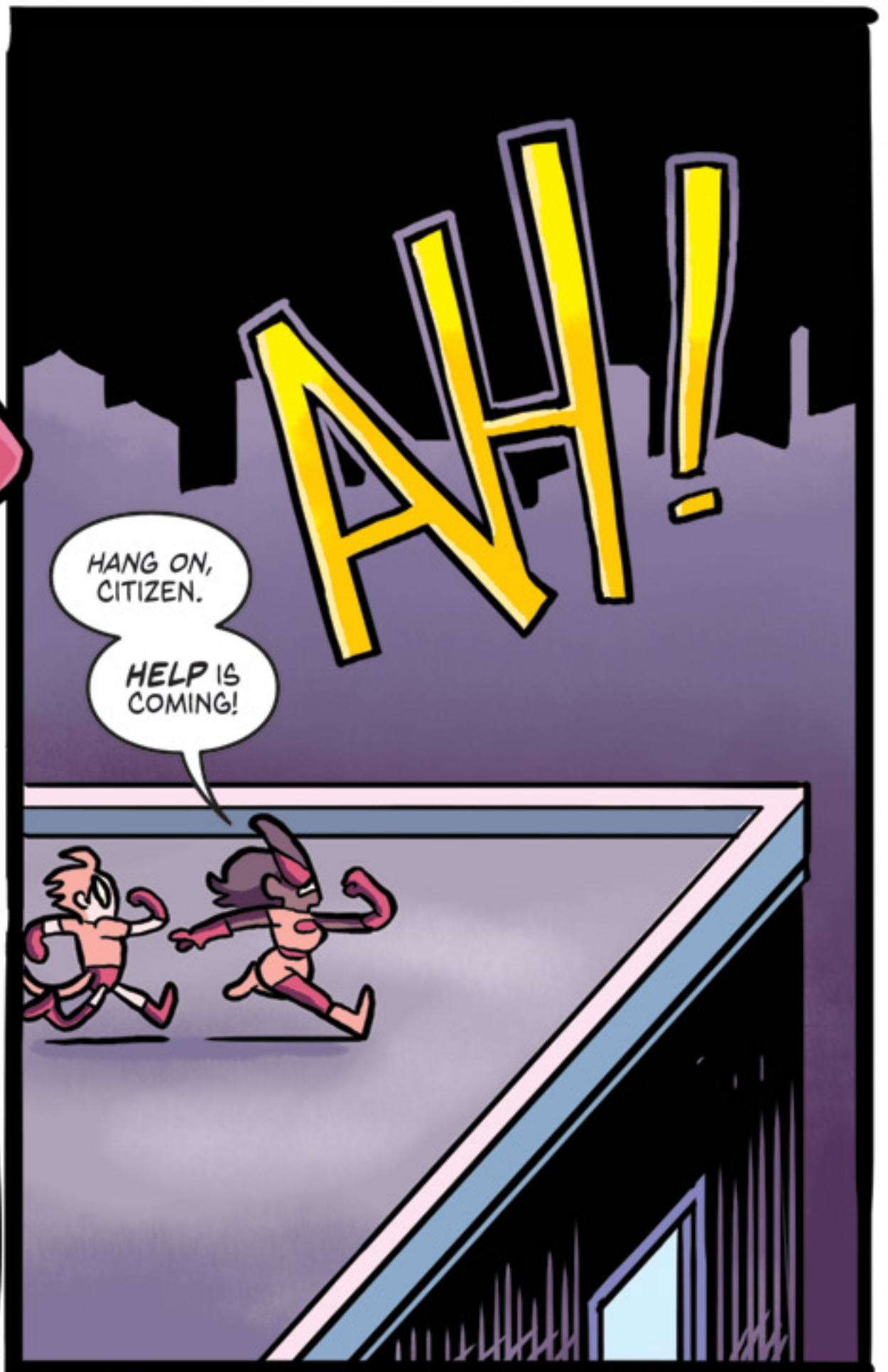
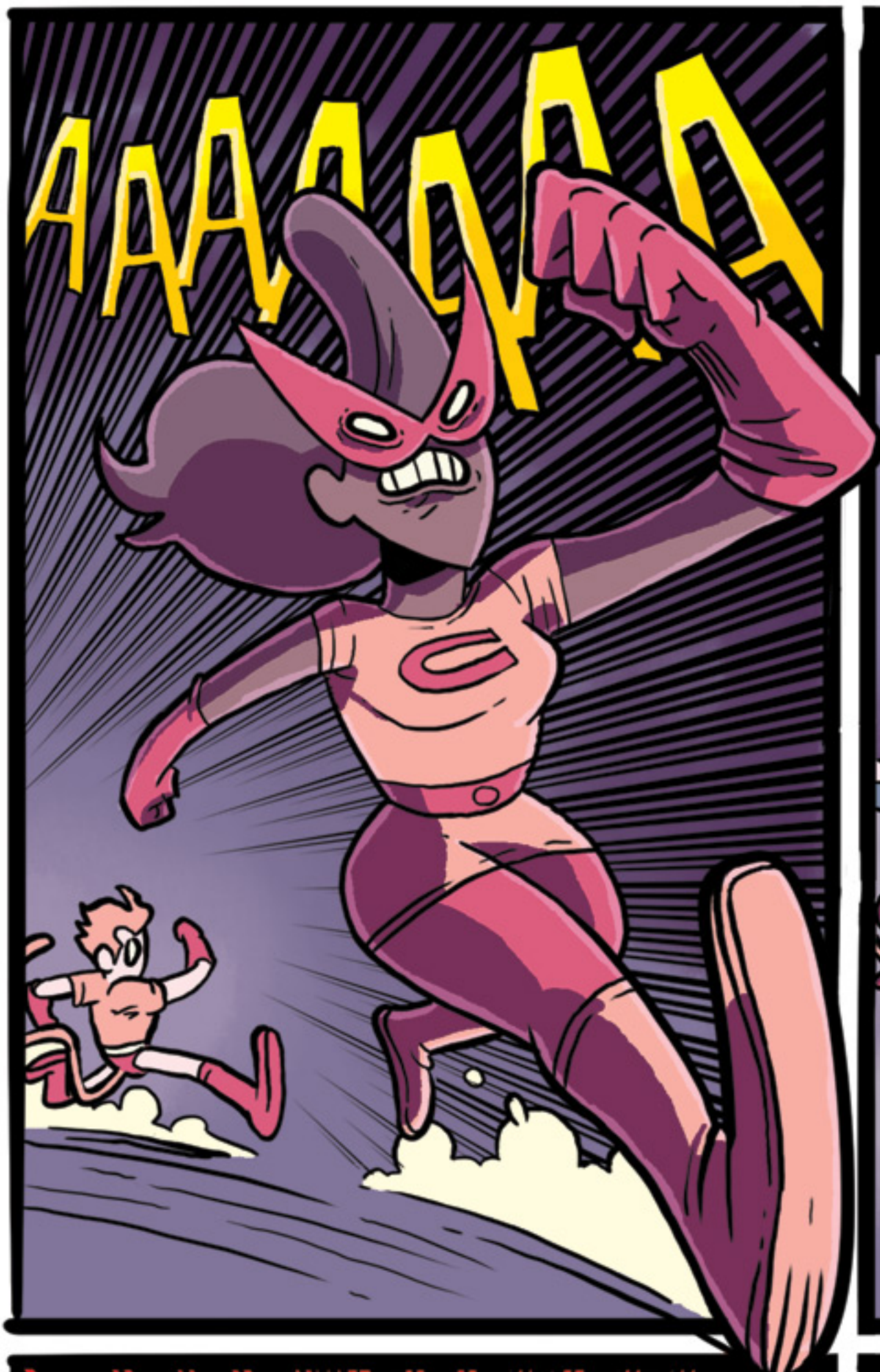
CUB GURGLES WITH
JOY AS HIS MASTER
METES OUT VICIOUS
VIGILANTE JUSTICE.











DISMAYED THAT THEIR ADRENALINE WAS SQUANDERED ON A FALSE ALARM, COUGAR AND CUB RETREAT FROM THE EDGE OF THE ROOFTOP AS THE LEWD INTERLUDE CONTINUES.

SHIT STICKS!

I WAS REALLY IN THE MOOD FOR A FIGHT.

IT'S SO BORING OUT HERE TONIGHT.



SURE IS. STILL...

AT LEAST SOMEONE IN MEGAVILLE IS GETTIN' SOME ACTION!

HA!



HEH HEH

I SURE WISH I WAS PUNCHING A SUPERVILLAIN RIGHT NOW.

HECK, I WISH I WAS GETTING LAID LIKE THOSE TWO!



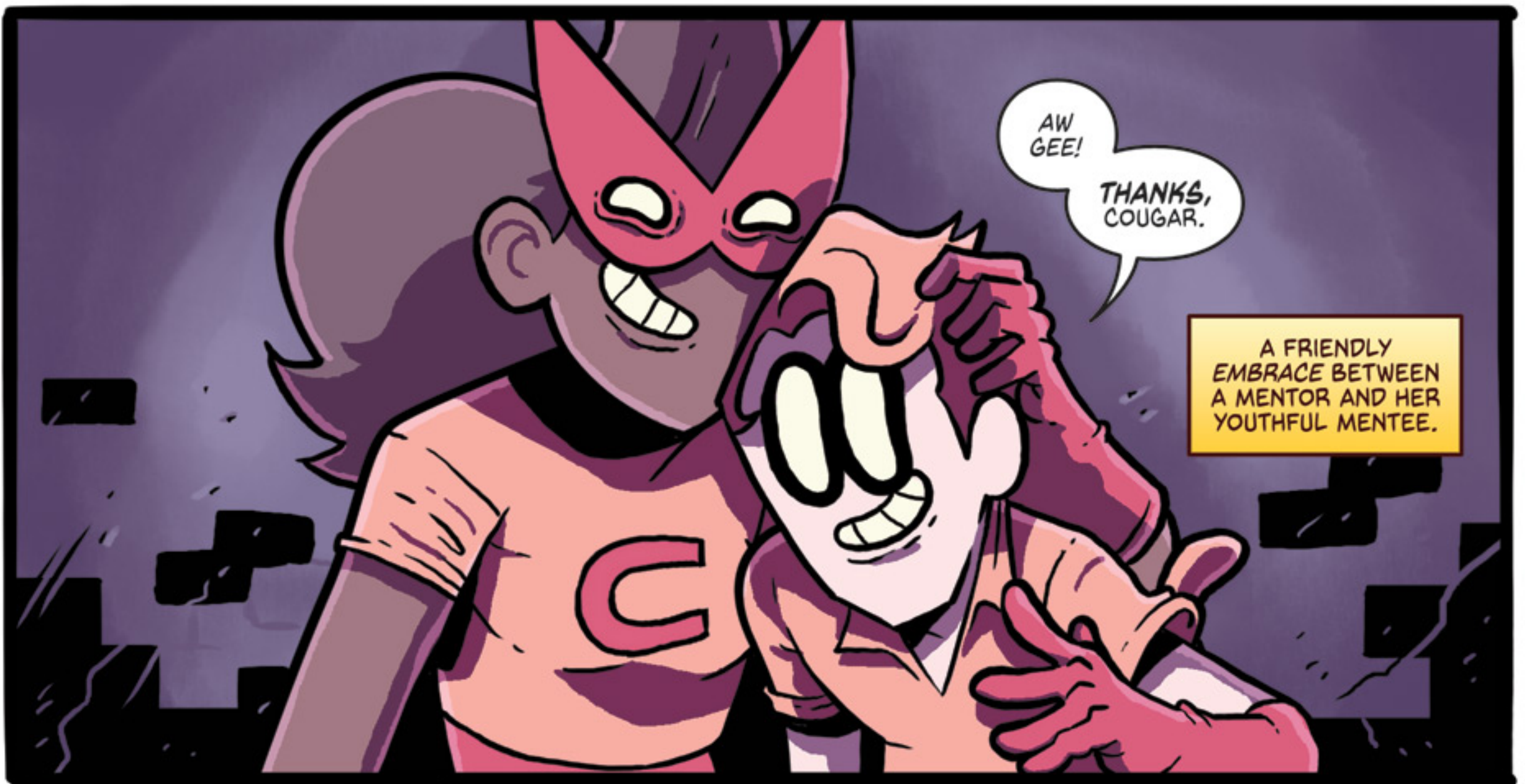
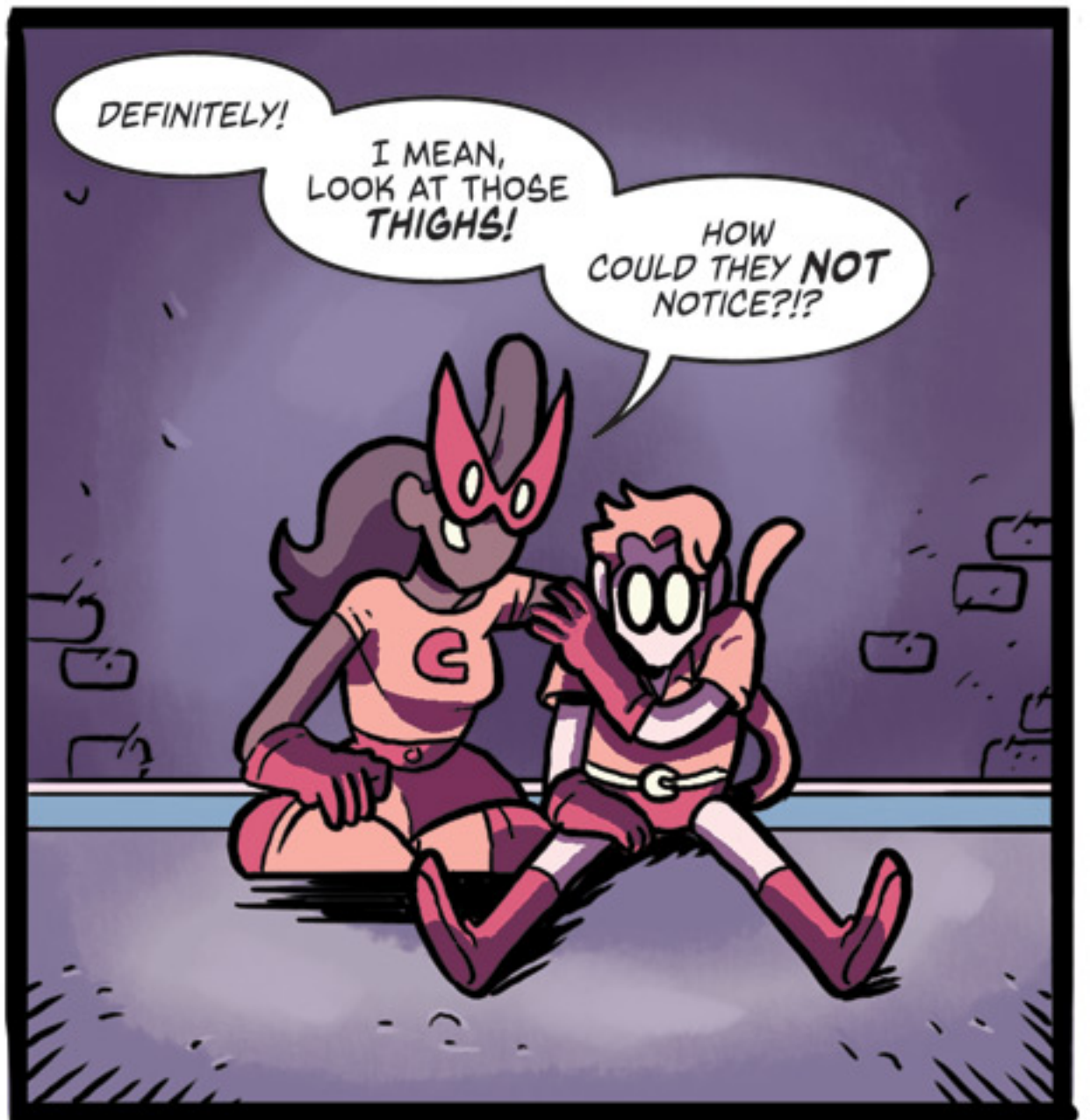
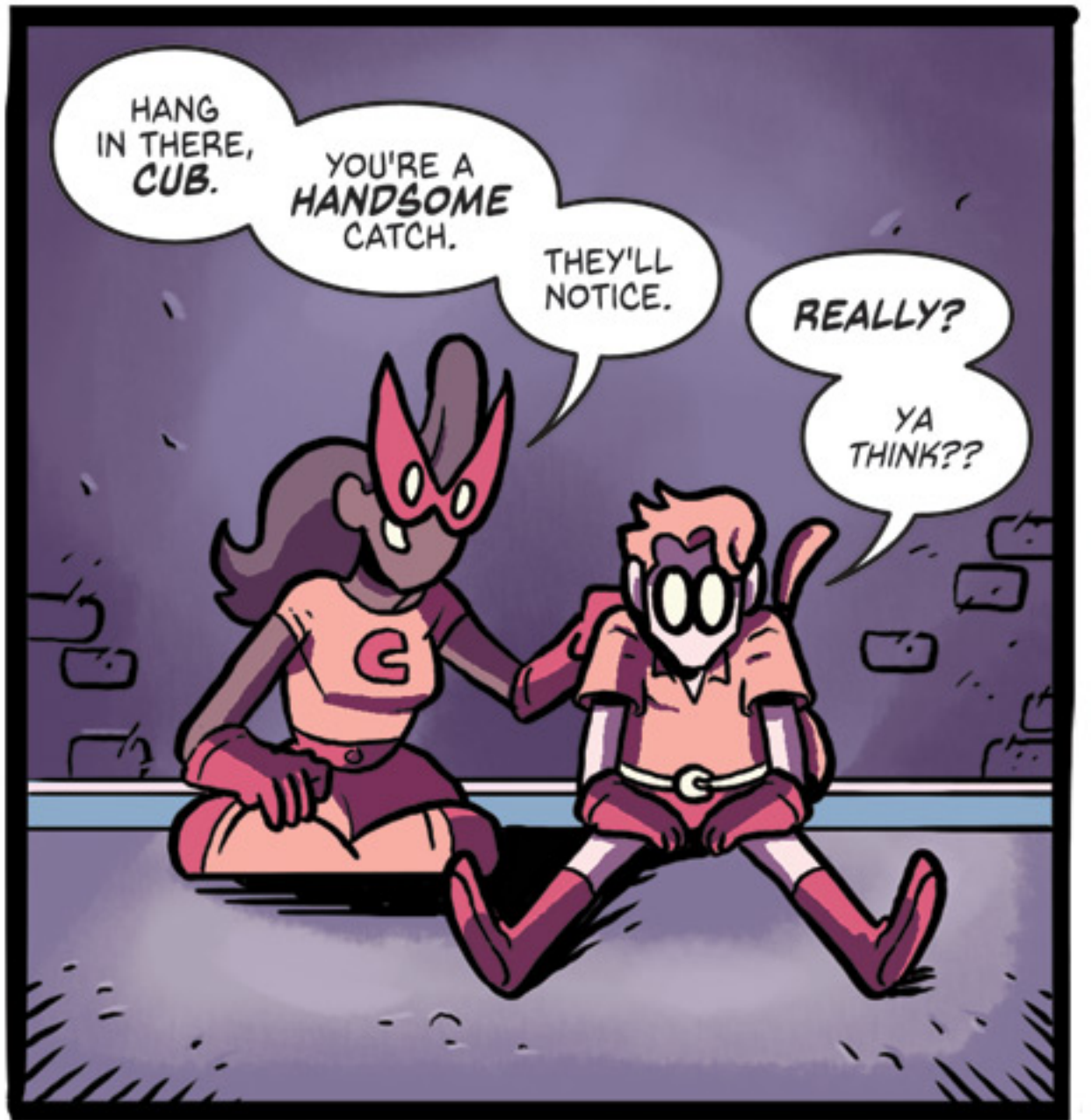
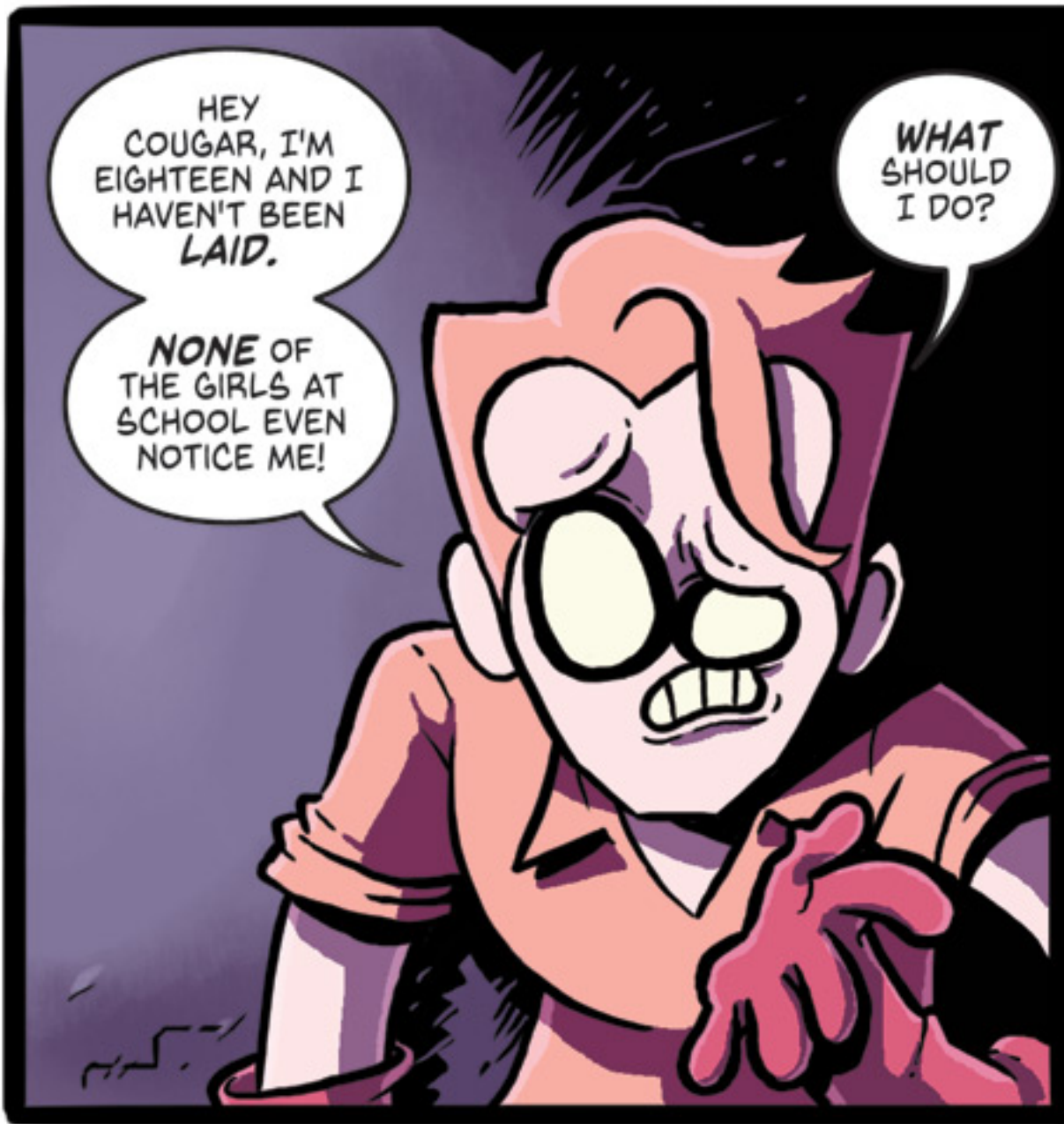
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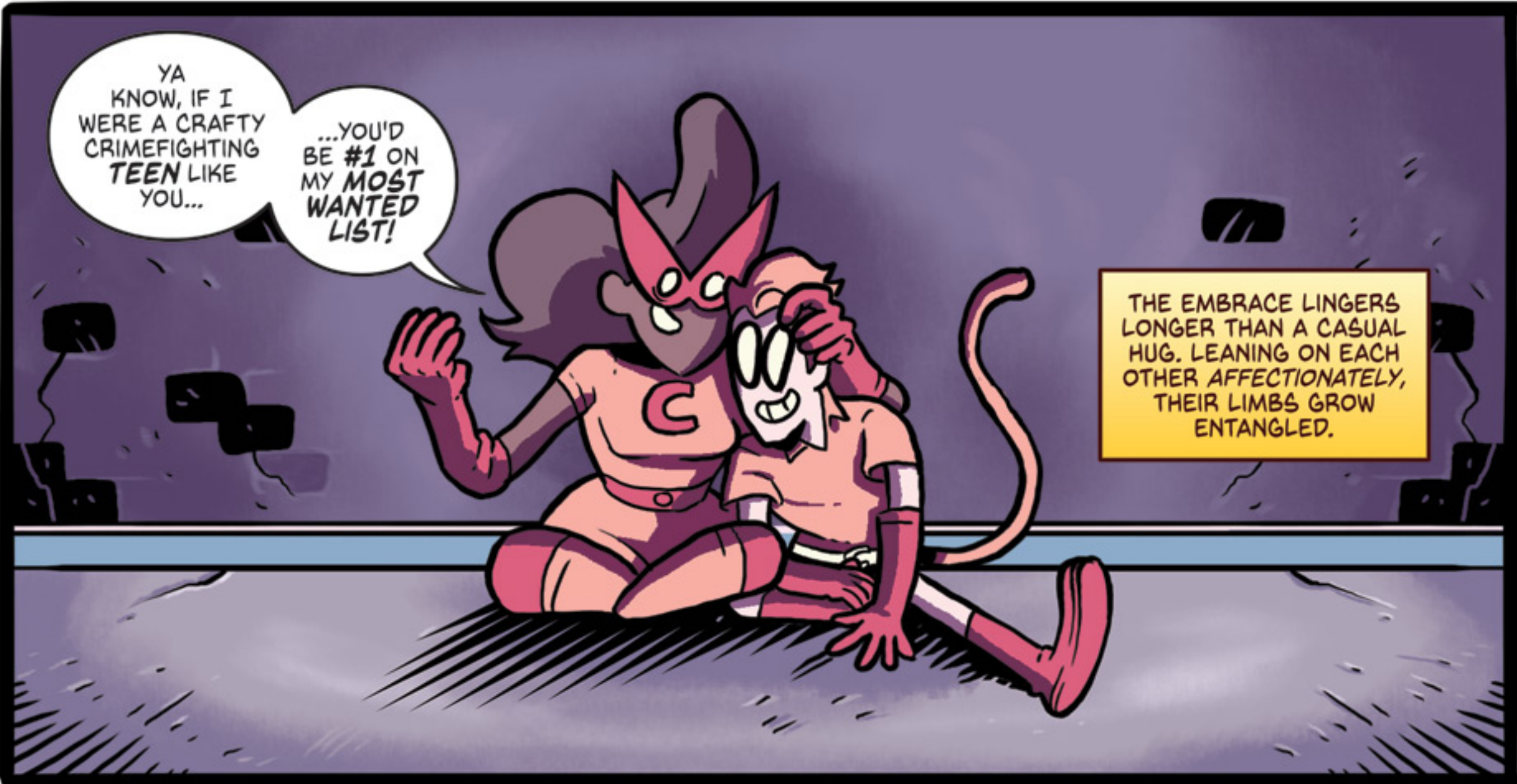
I HEAR YA, PARTNER.

C'MON, LET'S TAKE FIVE.

'KAY.

THE DUO DECIDES TO REST THEIR PAWS FOR A BRIEF MOMENT AND ENJOY A WELL-DESERVED BREAK AFTER THEIR VALIANT EFFORT.





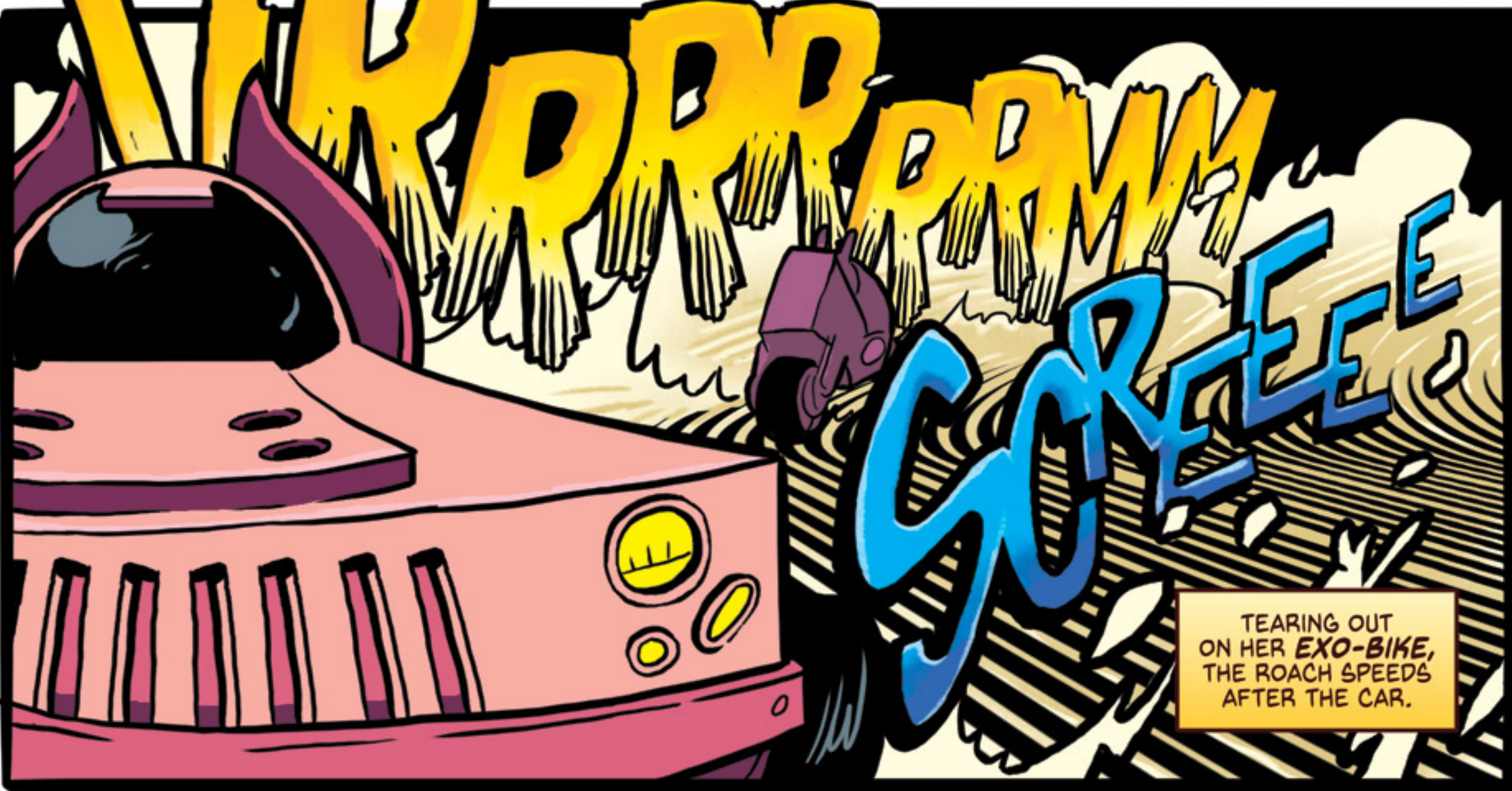
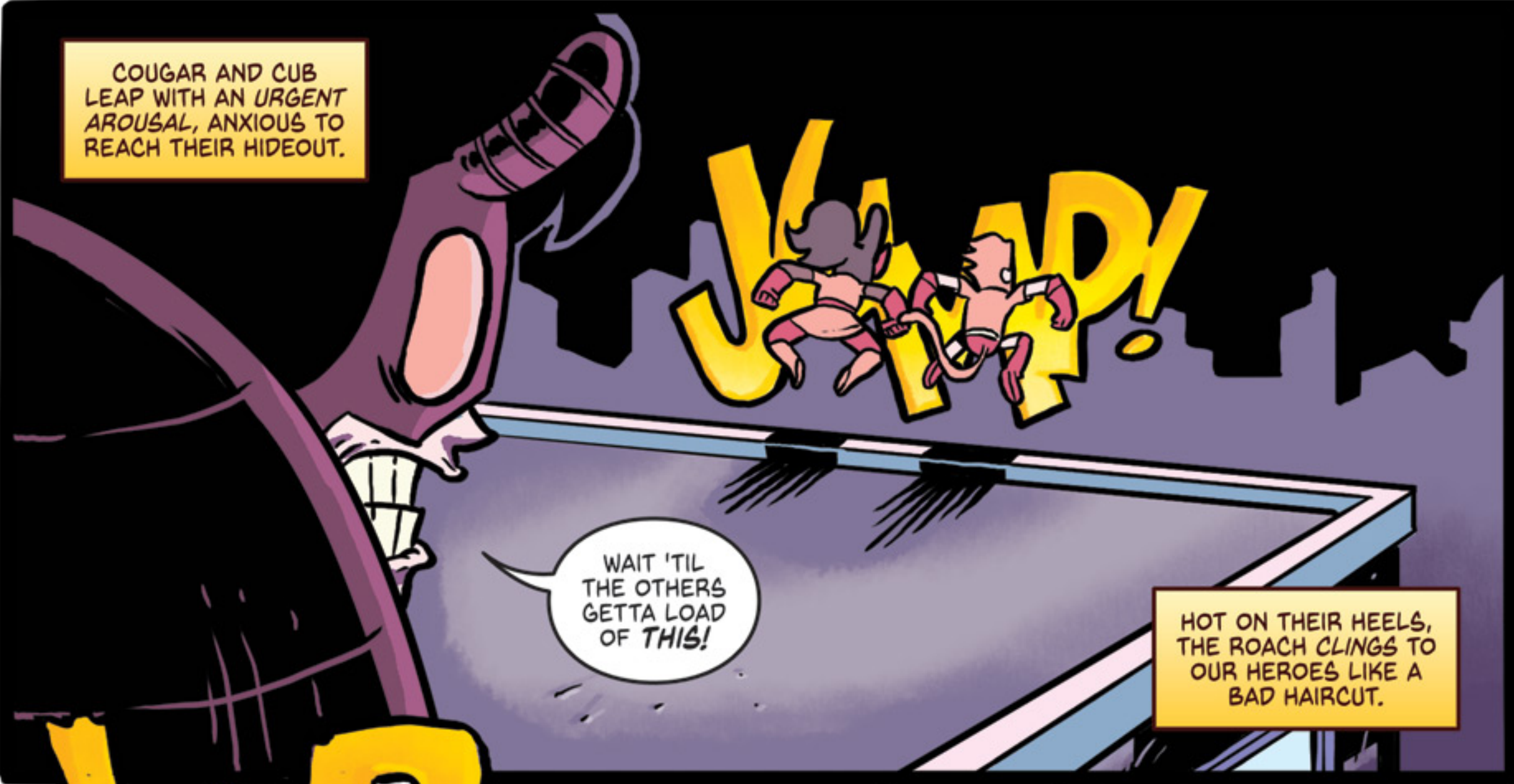
FROM A NEARBY PERCH, A ROGUE KNOWN AS **THE ROACH** DIRECTS HER CREEPY PEEPERS TOWARDS THIS UNEXPECTED EXHIBITION.

NO
FUCKING
WAY.

SMEK

IT CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING
FOR OUR TANGLED TWOSOME...
TROUBLE!









IN THE CAT HOLE, COUGAR
AND CUB FREE THEMSELVES
FROM THEIR UNIFORMS.



TONGUE KISS



I WANT
YOU INSIDE
OF ME.

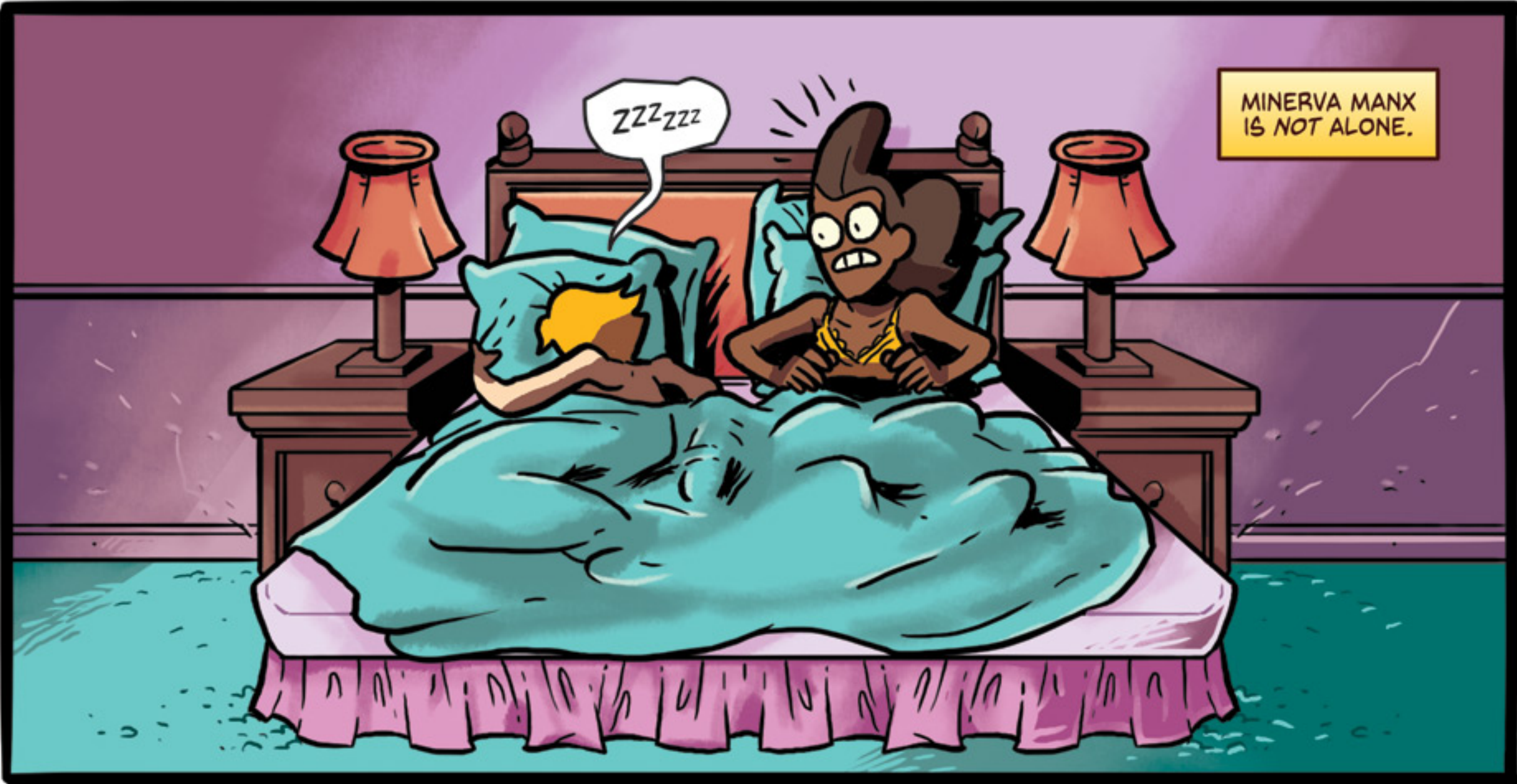
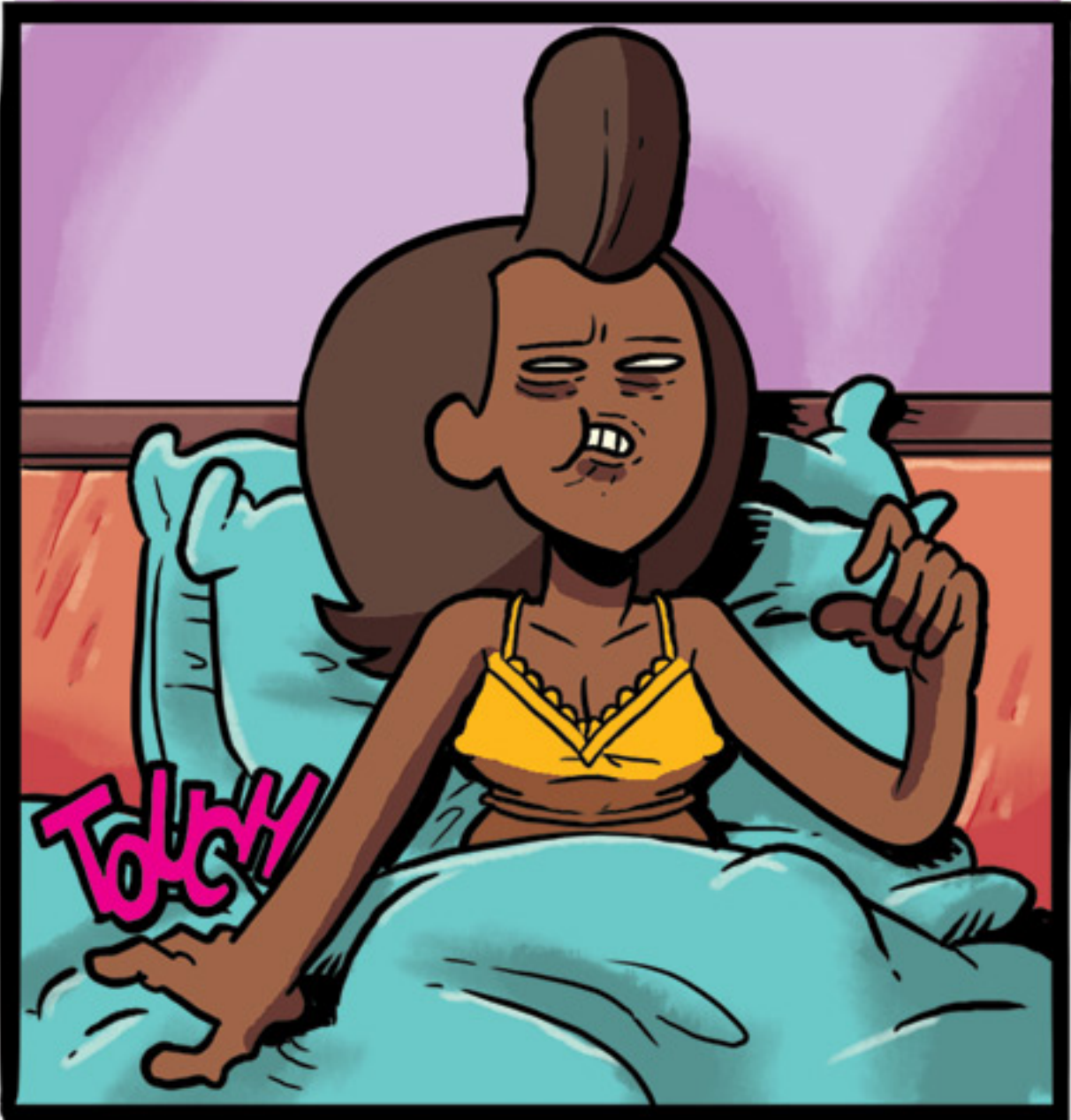
THE EAGER PAIR
BARES IT ALL, PREPARED
TO CONSUMMATE THEIR
PARTNERSHIP...

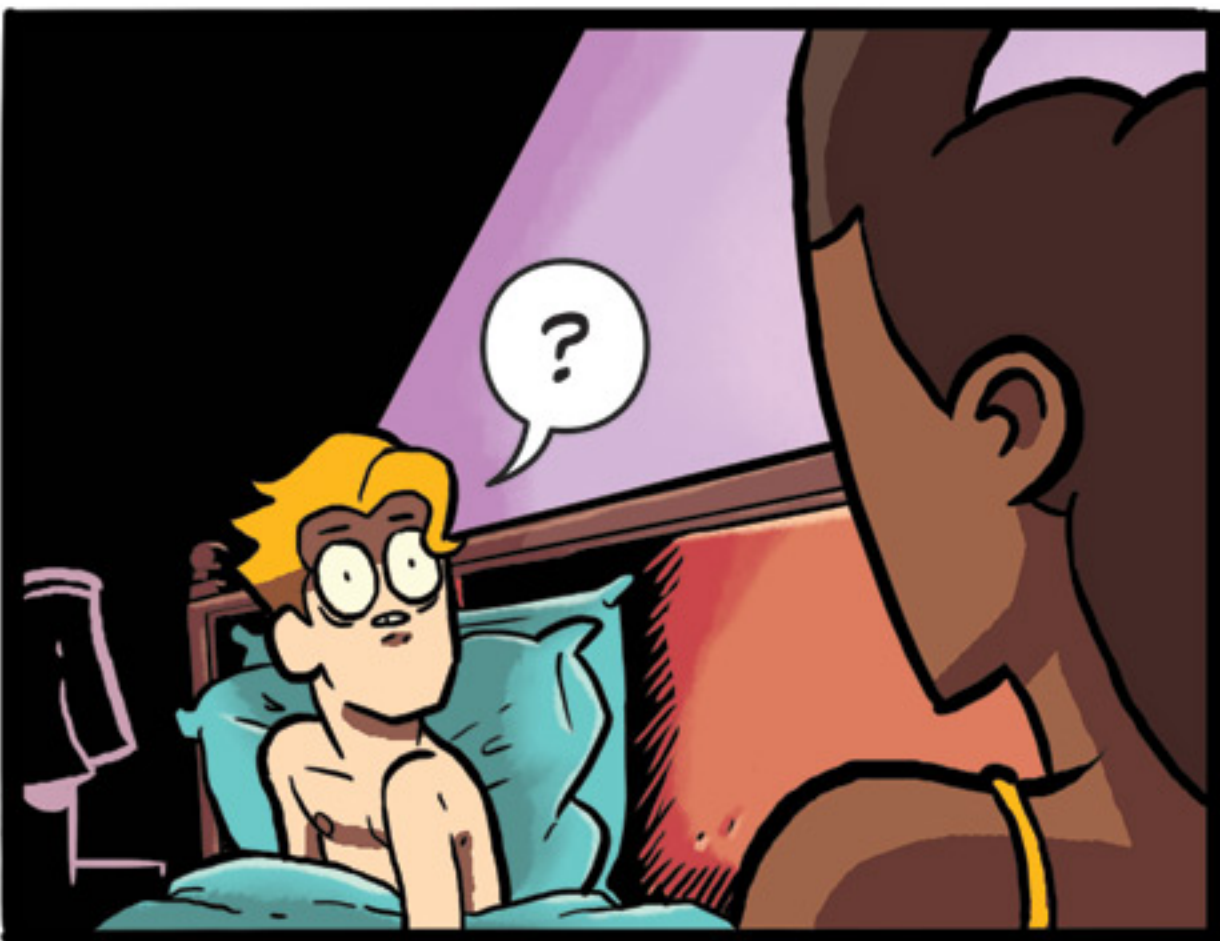
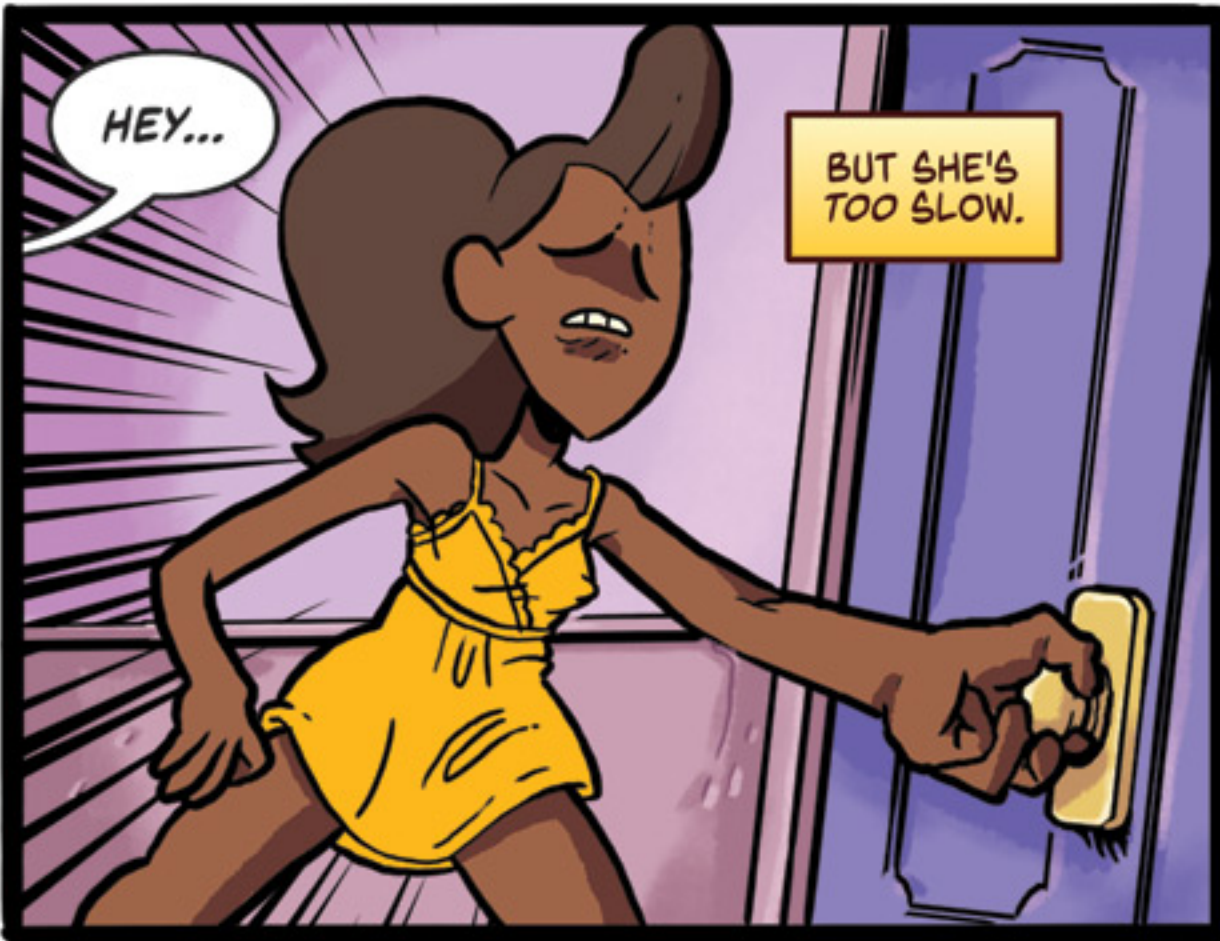
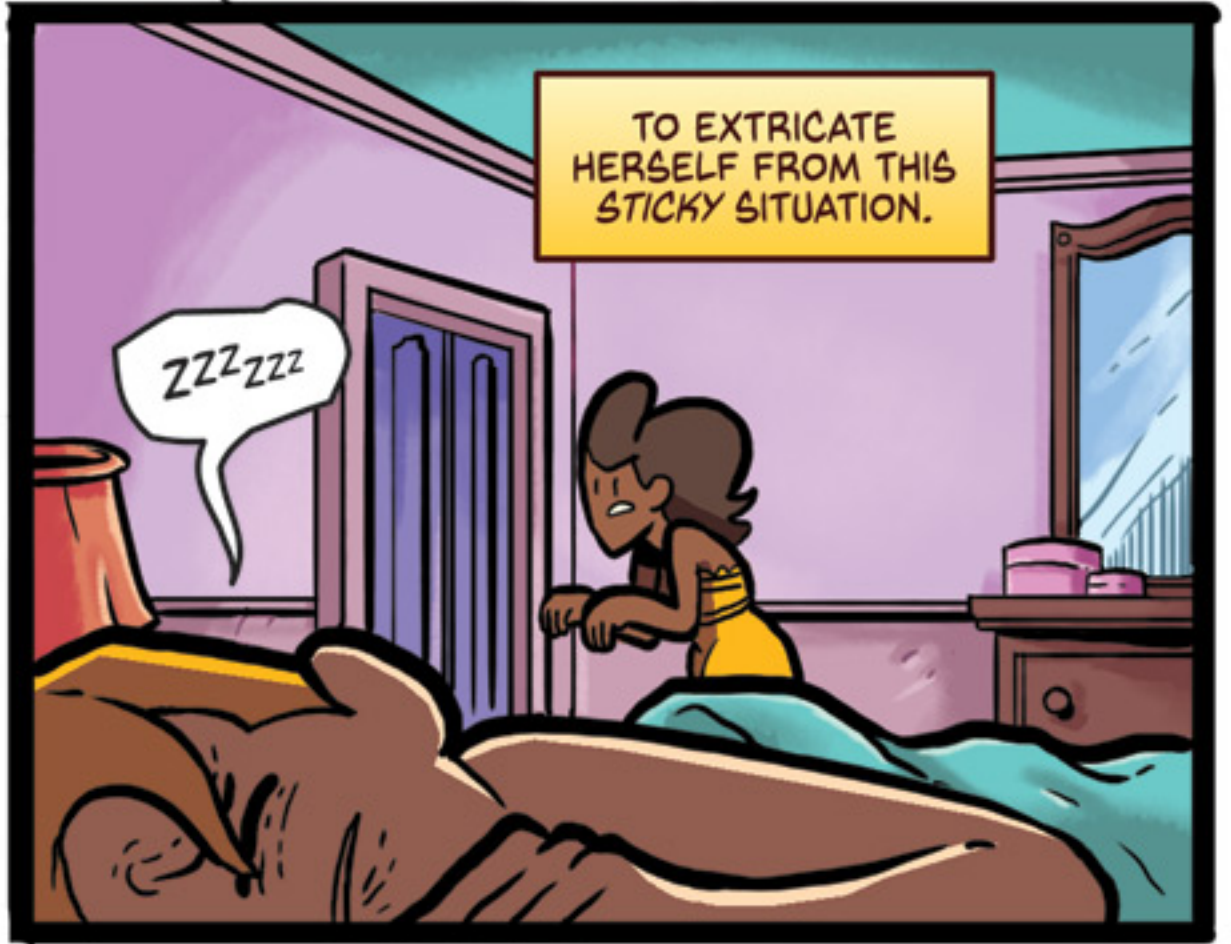


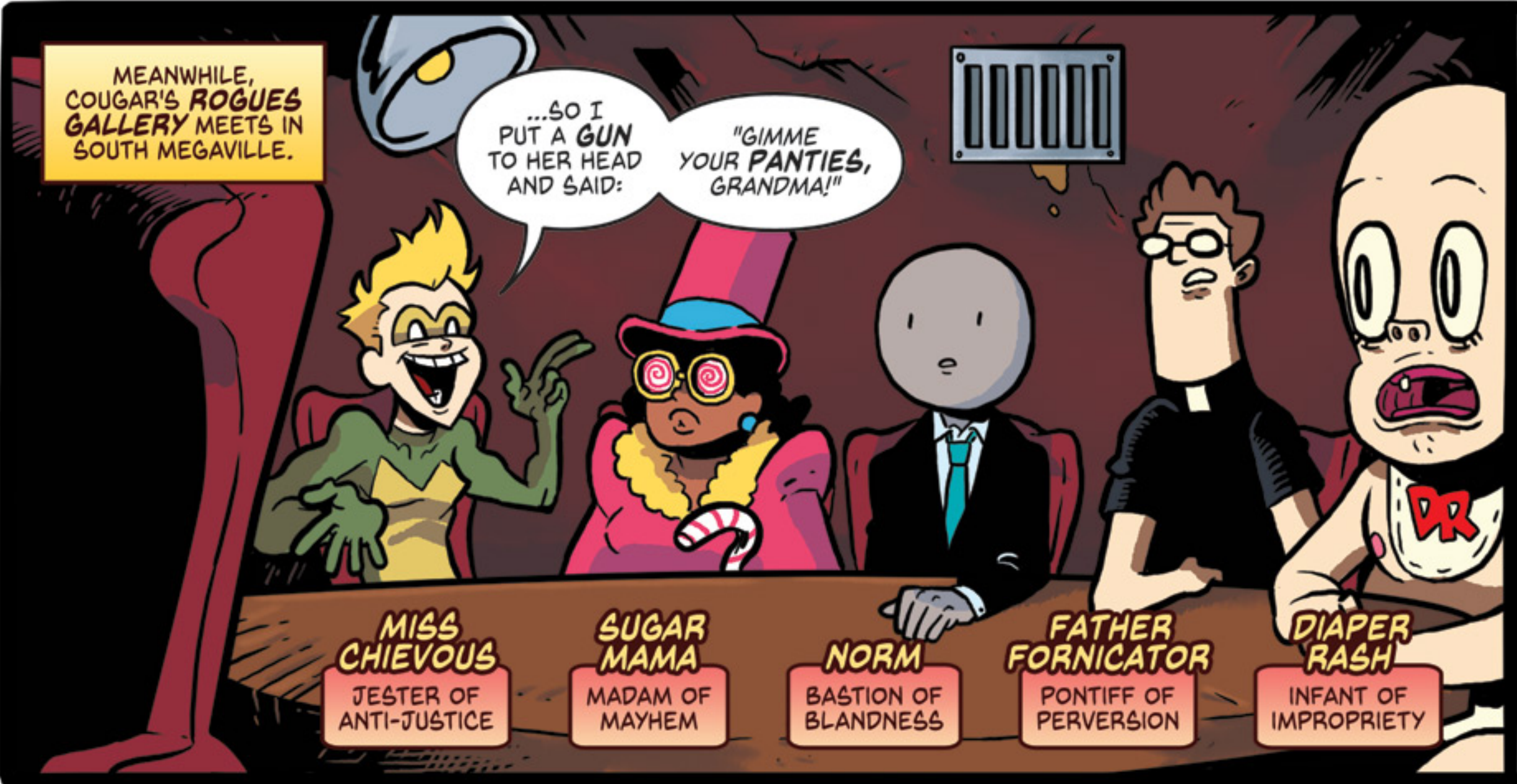
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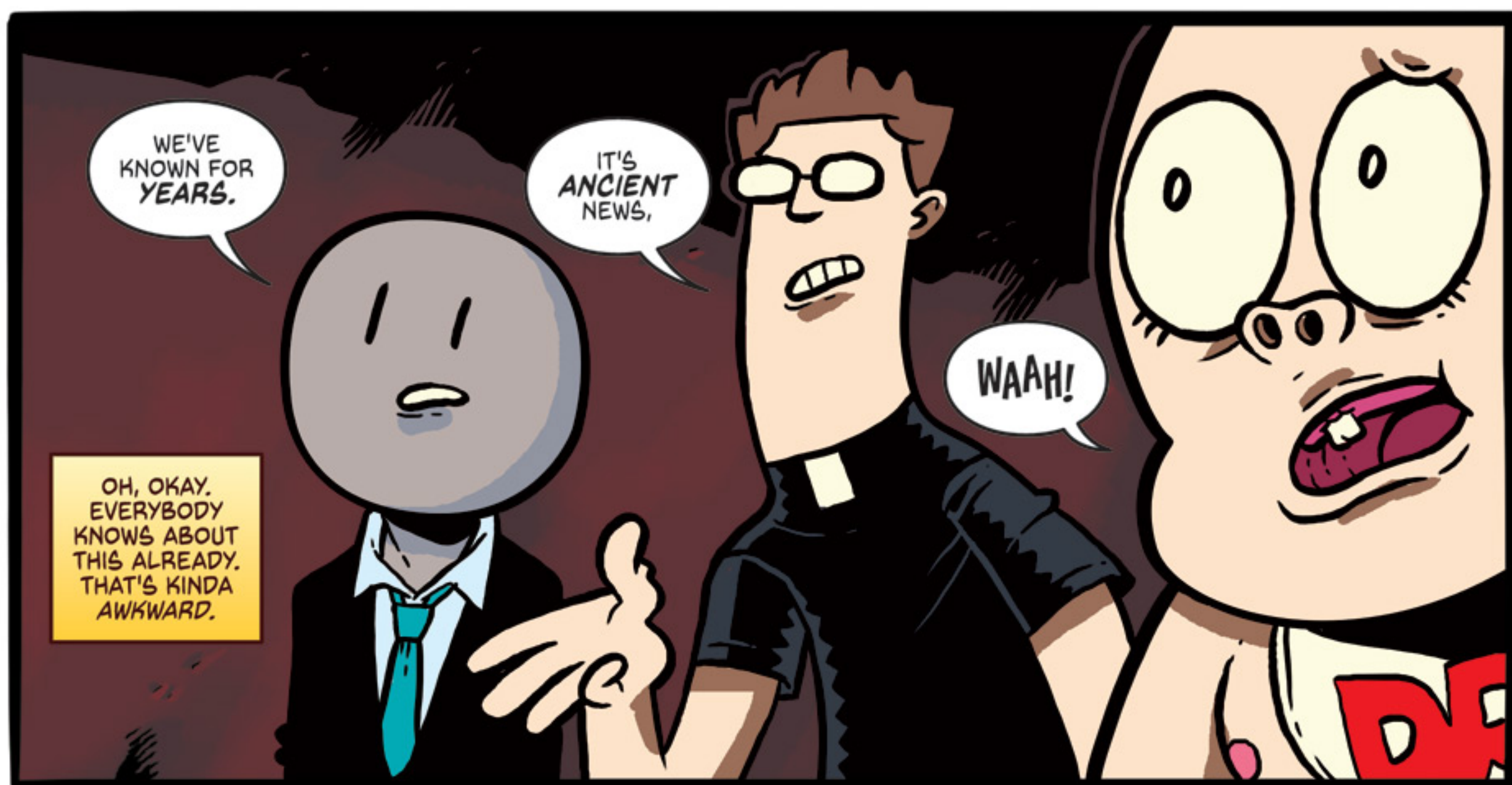
DONG

...AND CROSS A LINE
THAT CAN NEVER BE
UNCROSSED.

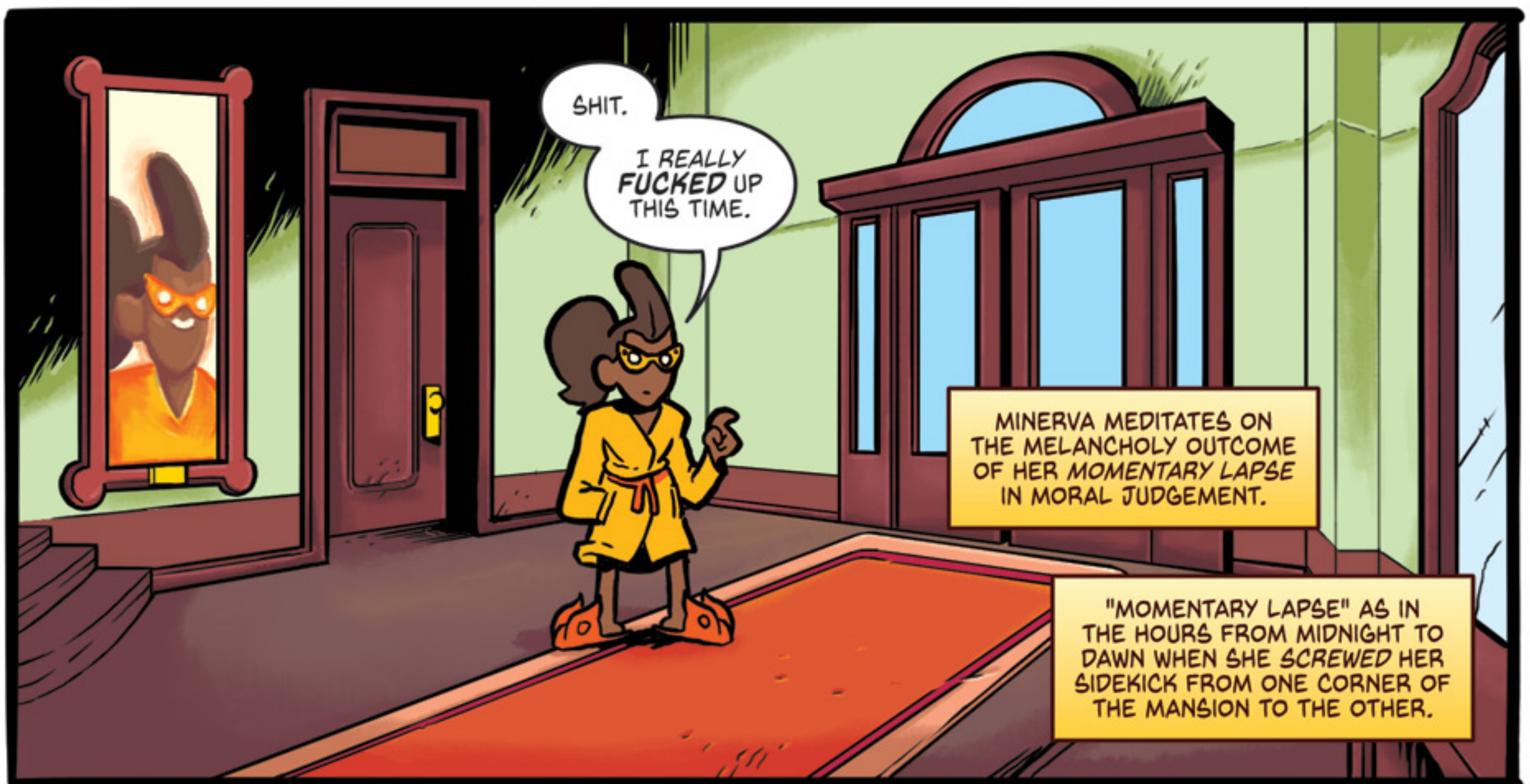


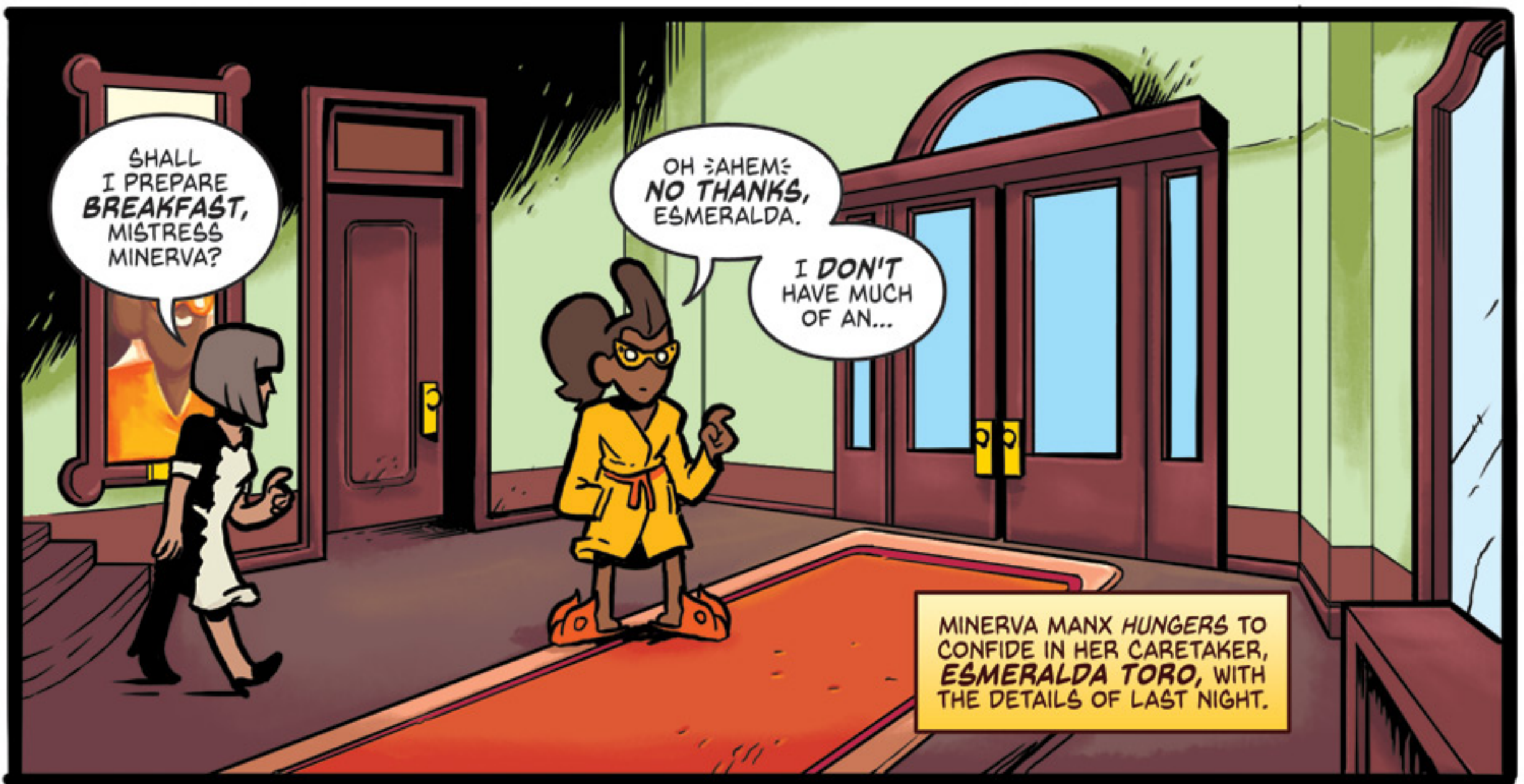


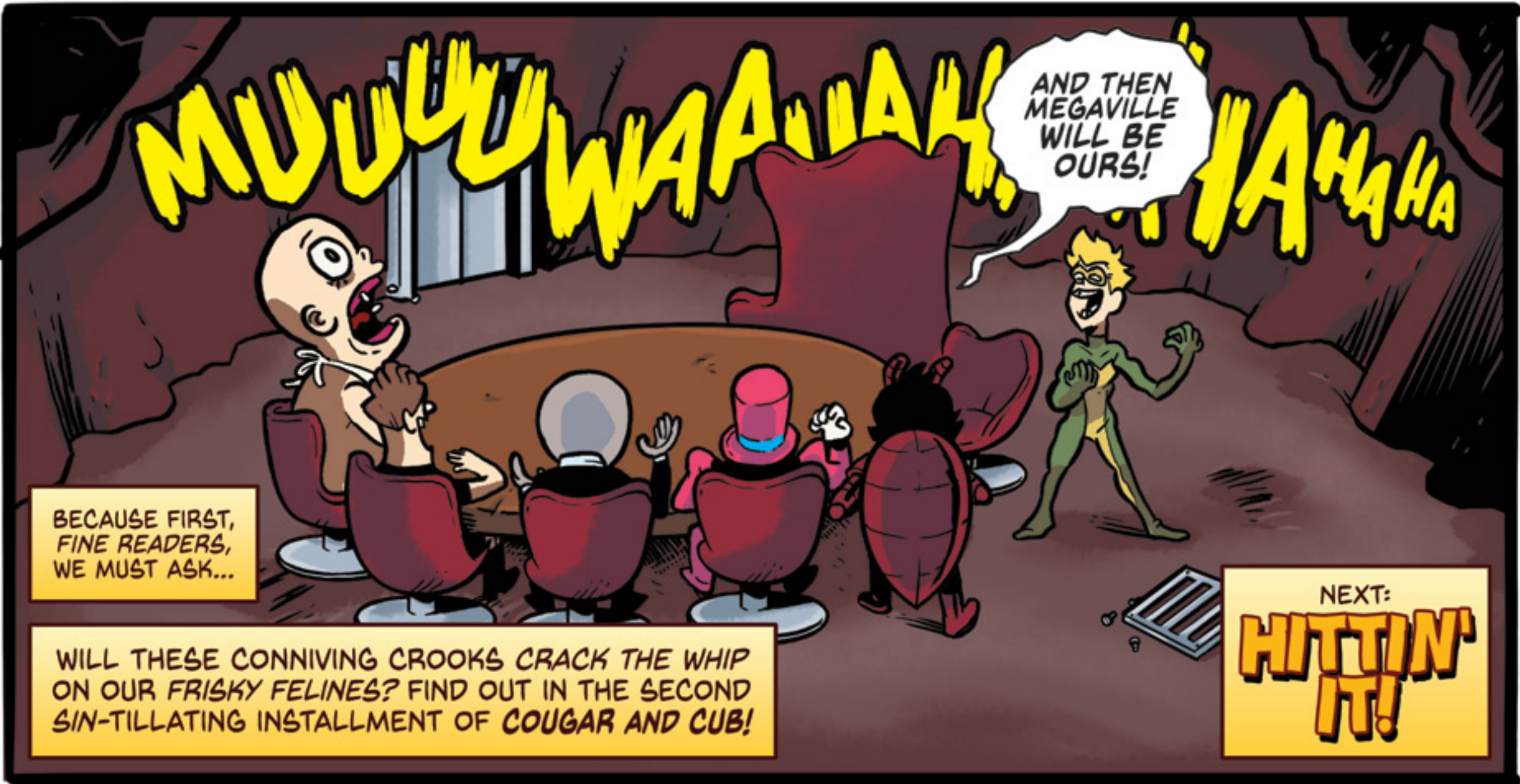
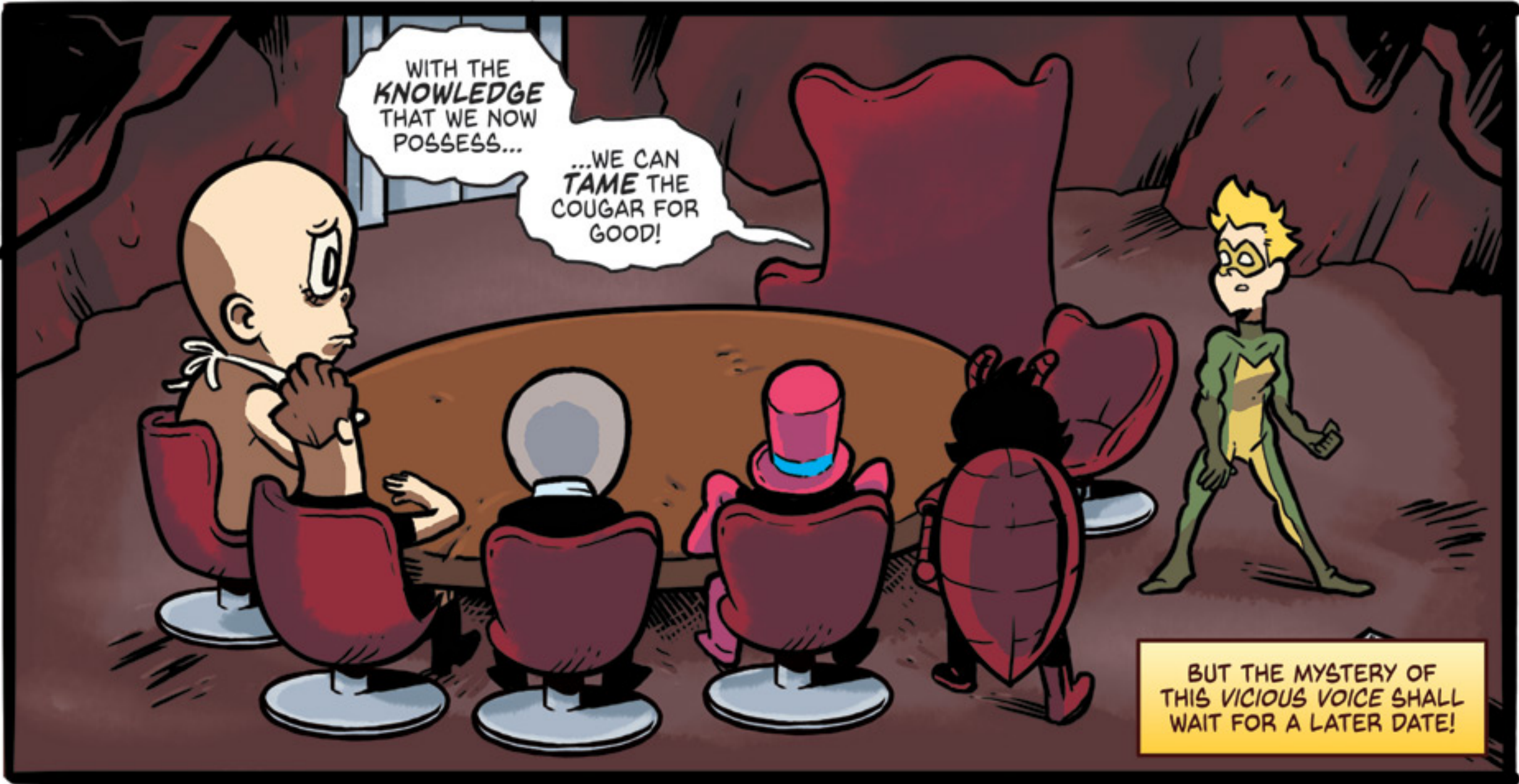
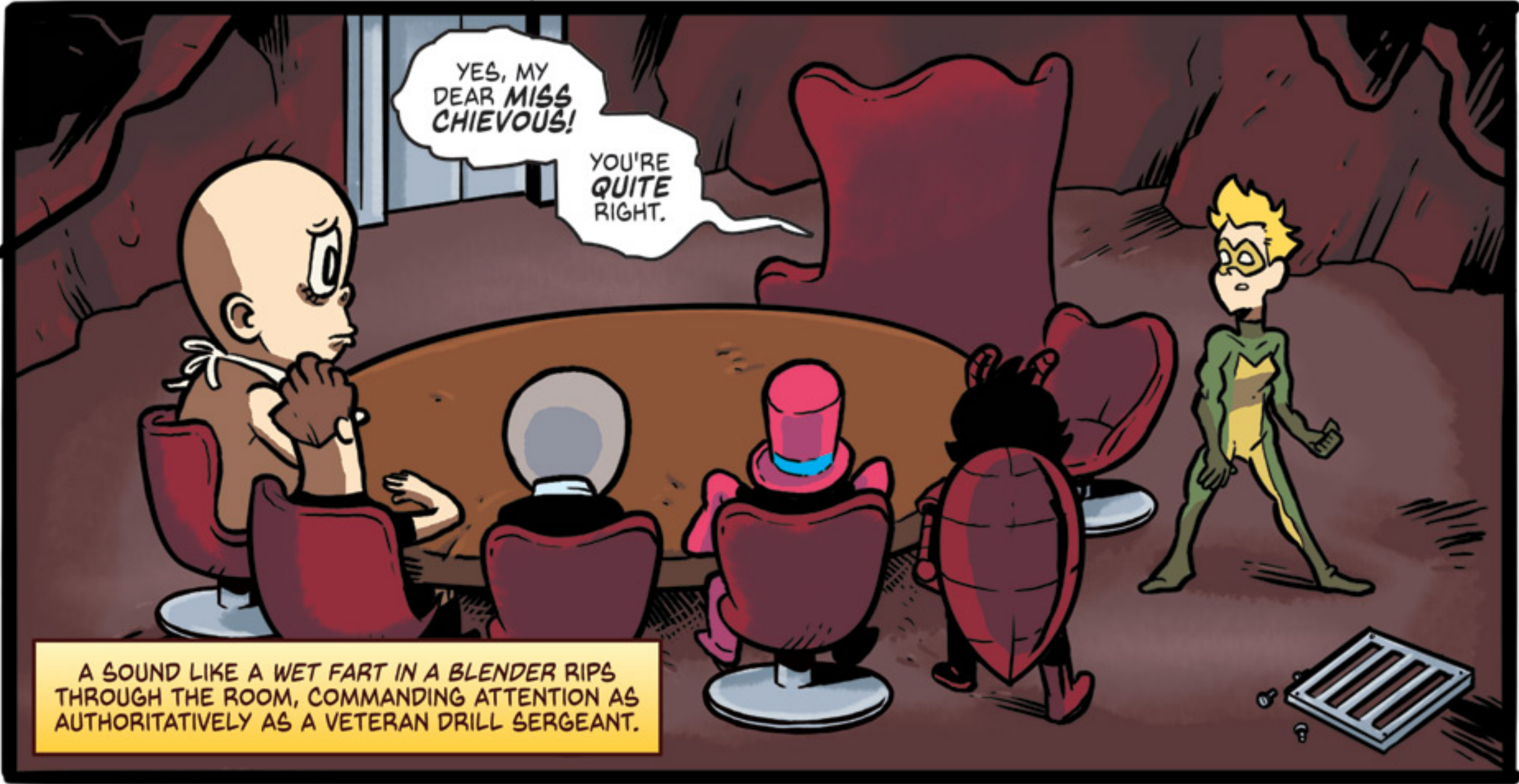












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WELCOME BACK!

WHAT CONTAGIOUS INFURIATION HAS CAUSED THESE POWERFUL TEENS TO TRADE BLOWS?

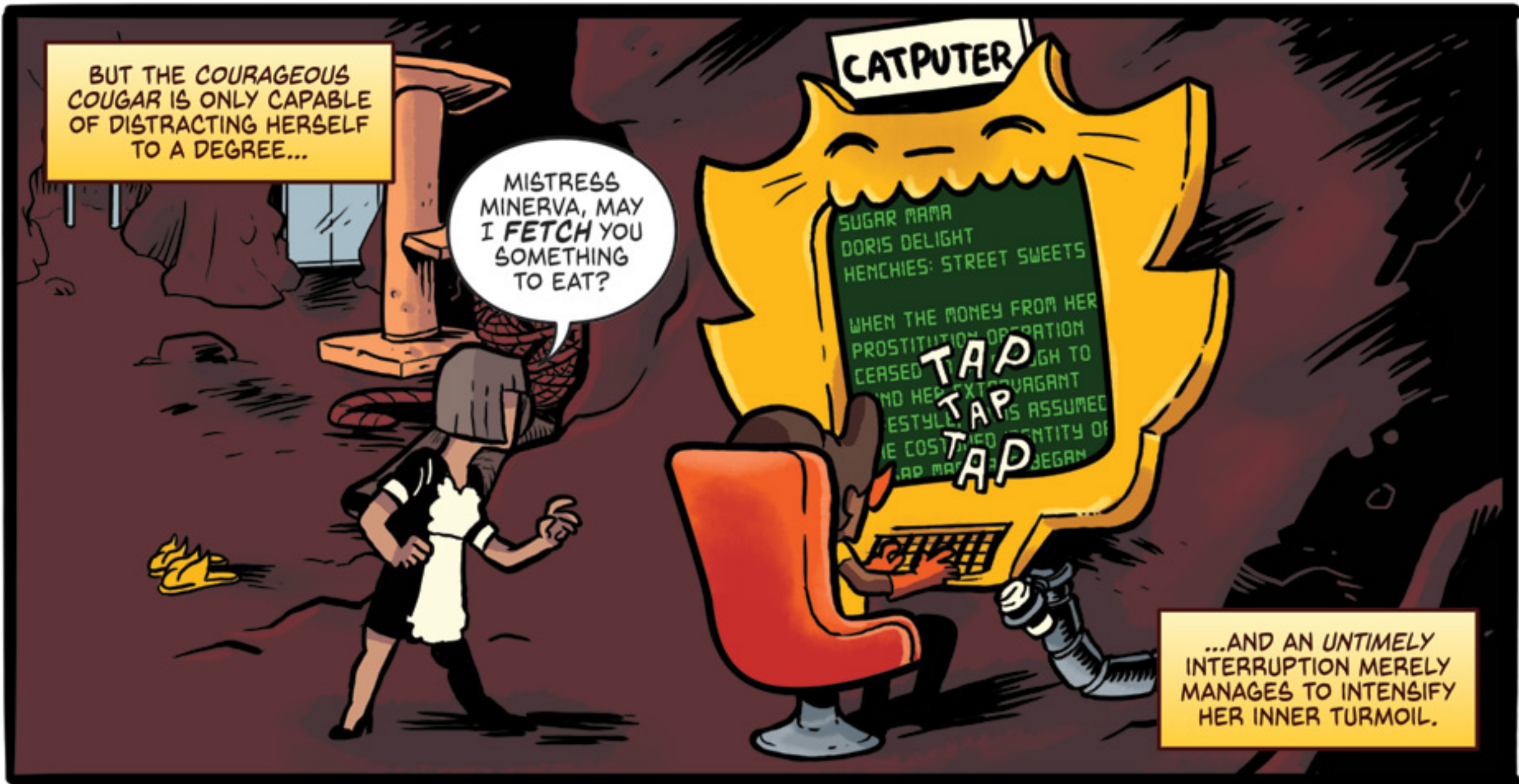
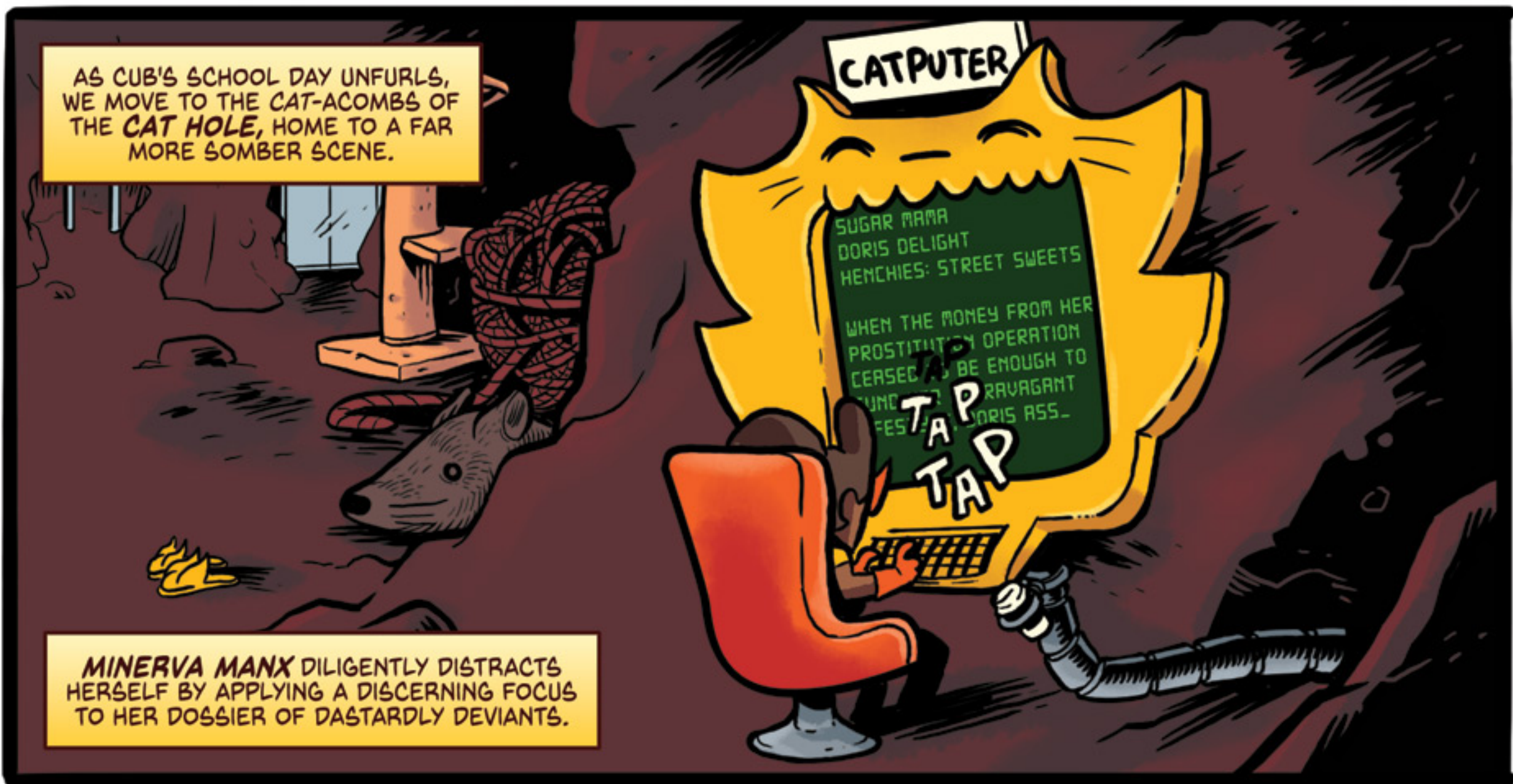
MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE THE OTHER SIDEKICK ACADEMY STUDENTS KNOW COUGAR AND CUB HAVE BEEN...

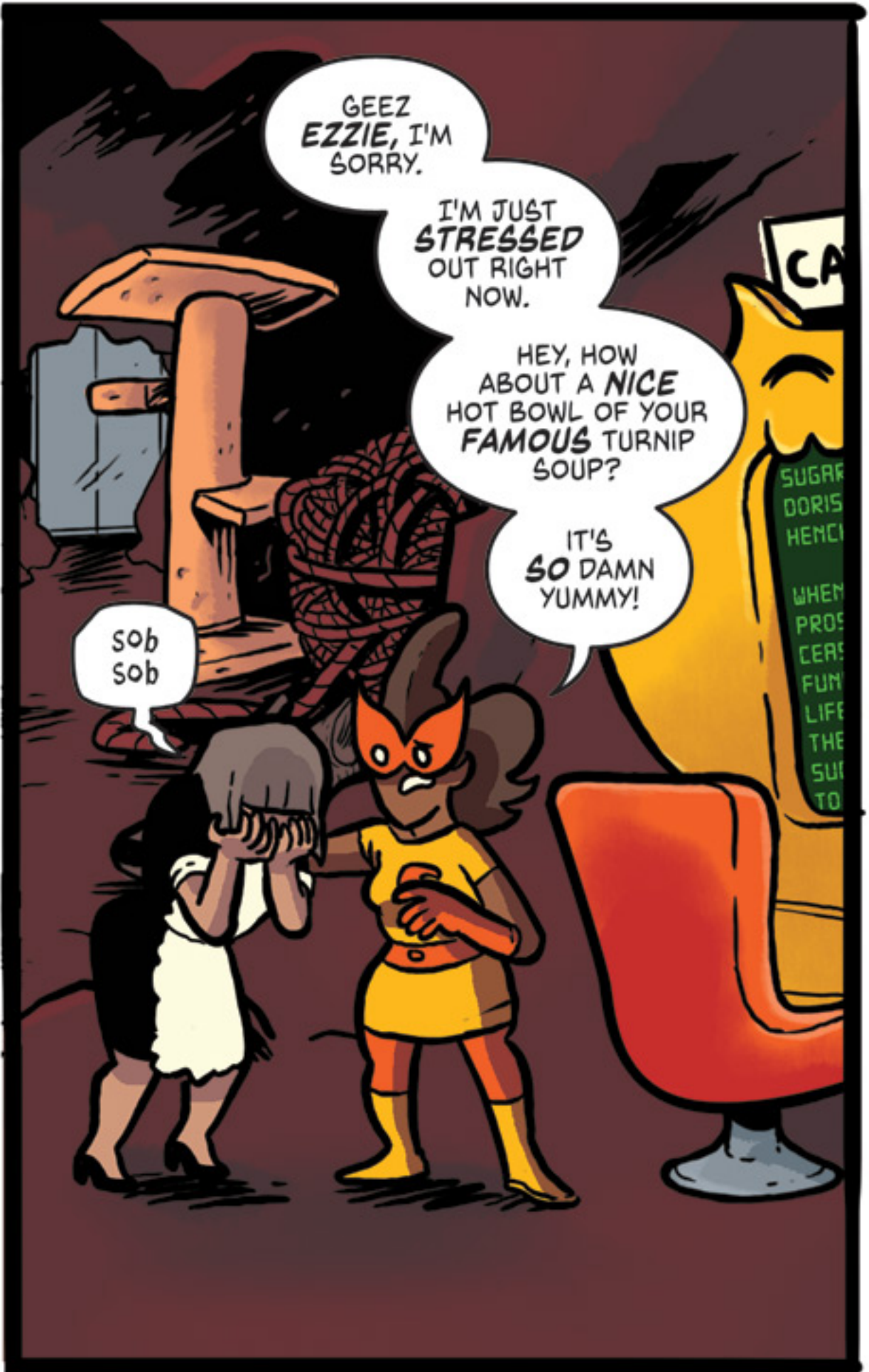


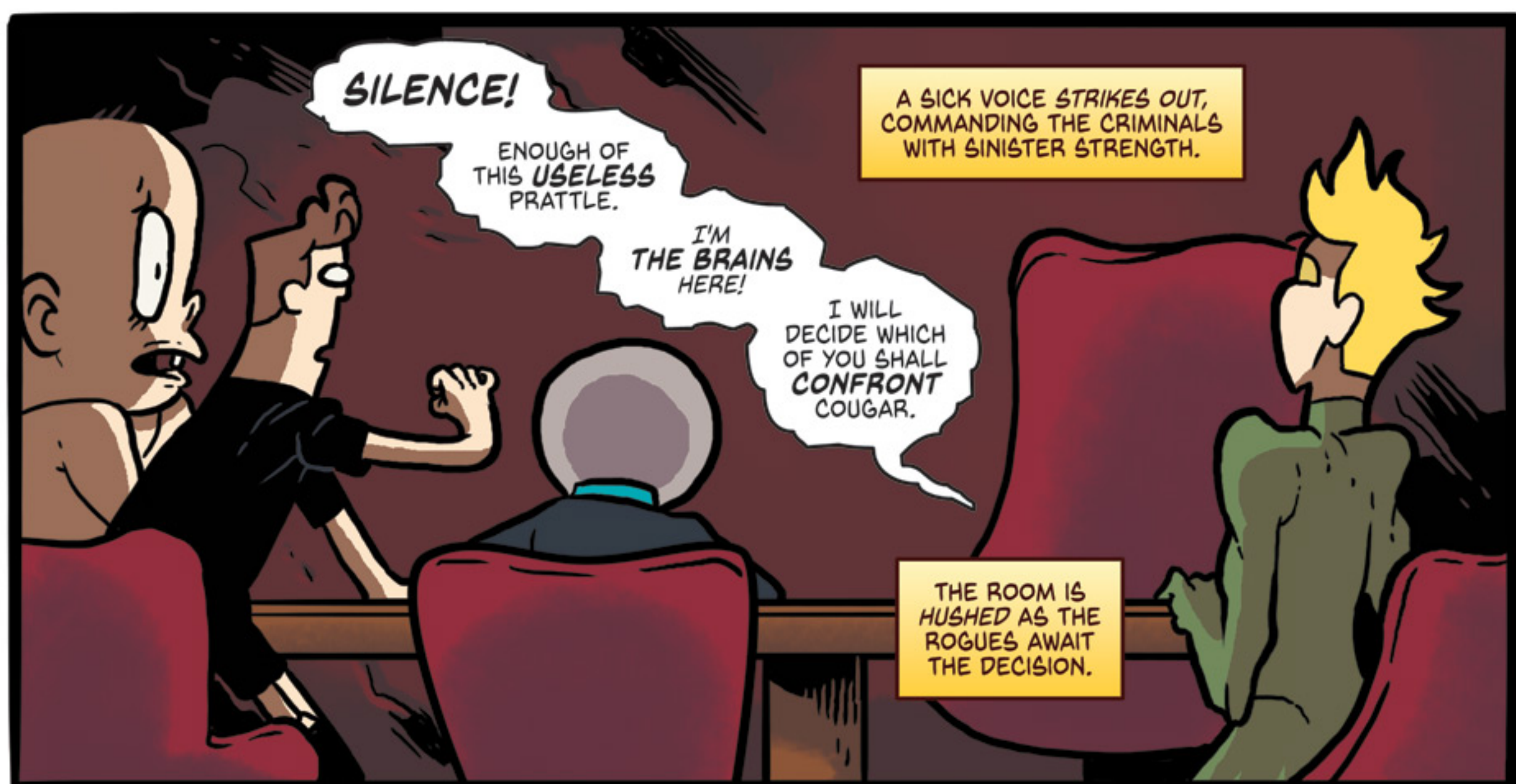
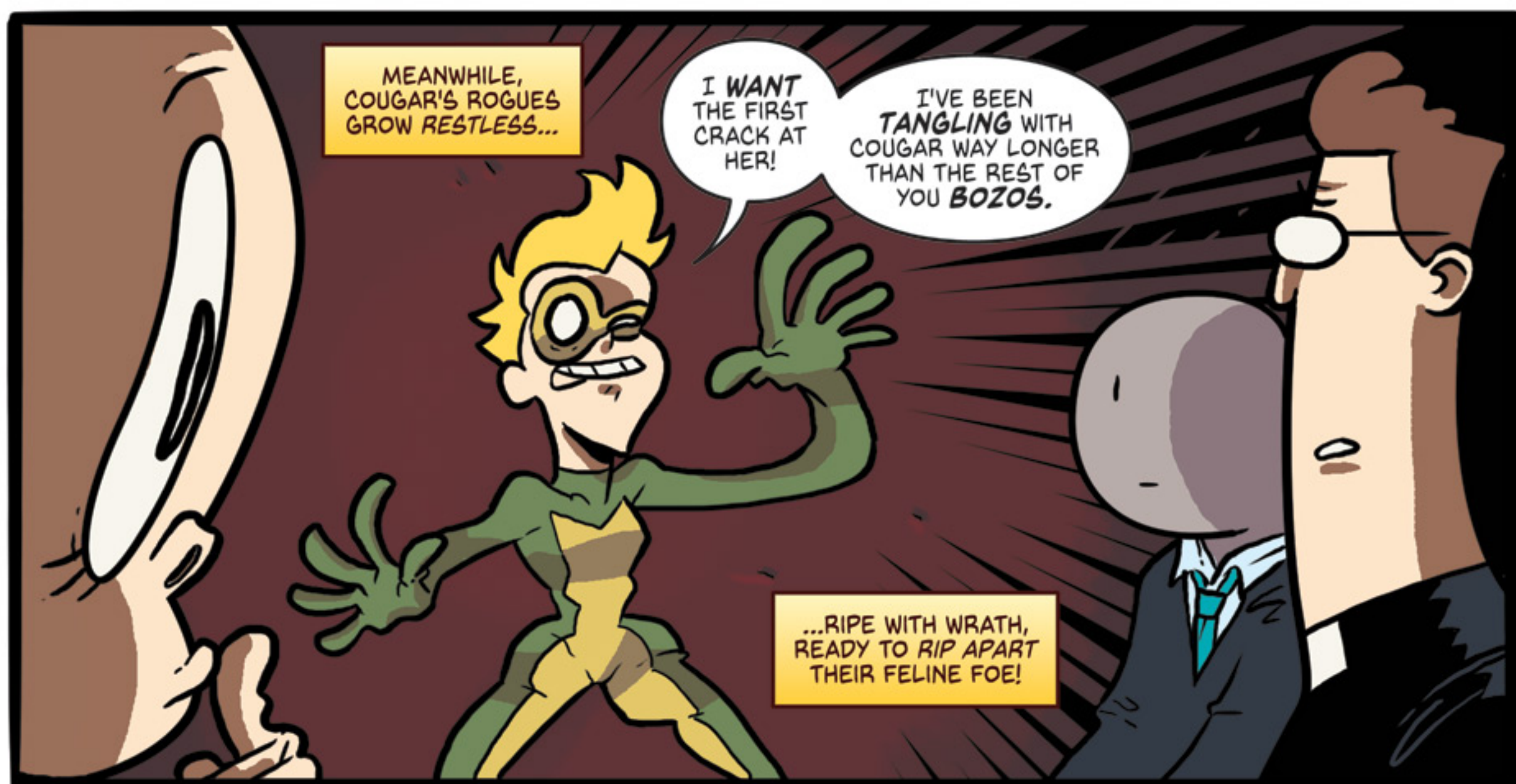
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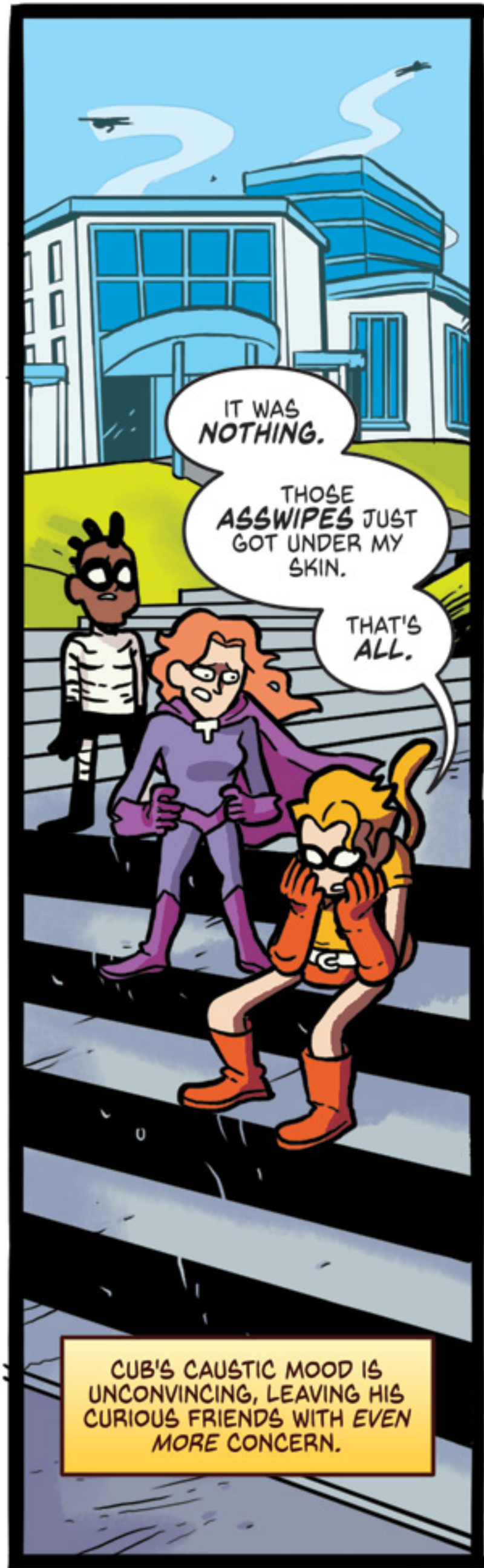
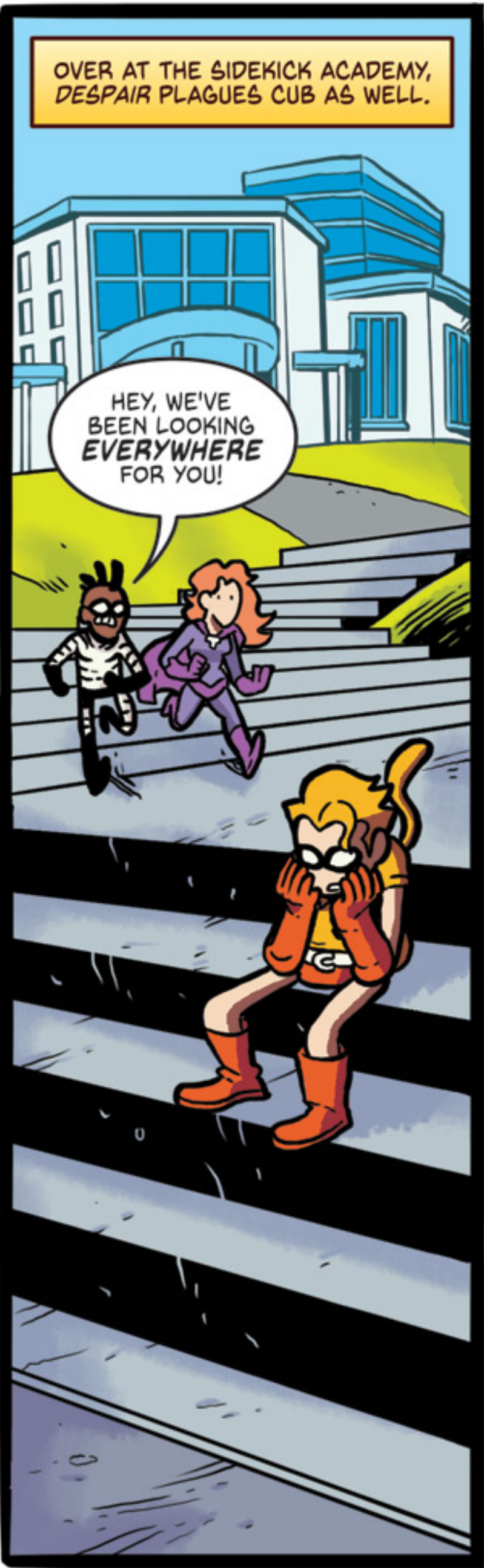
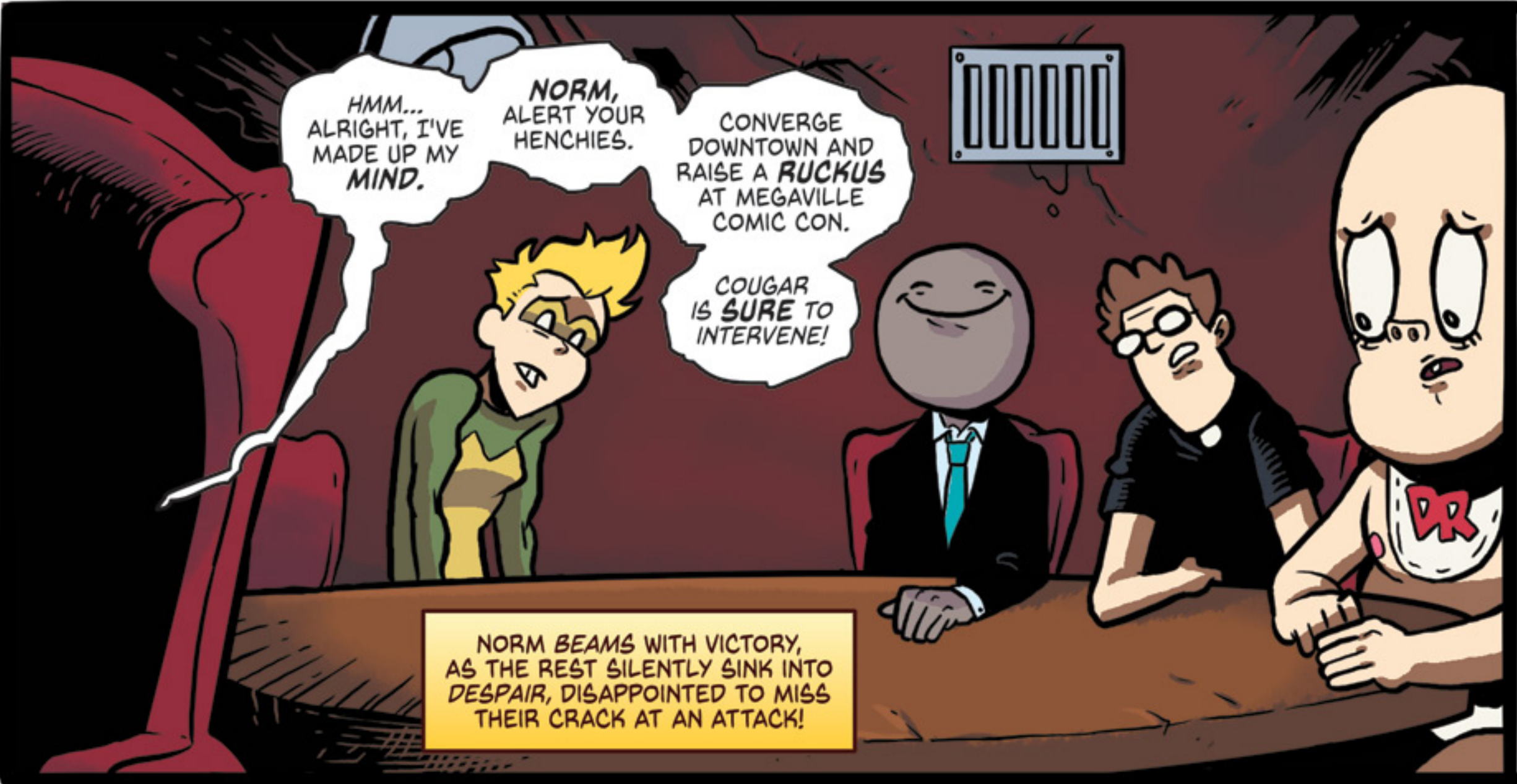
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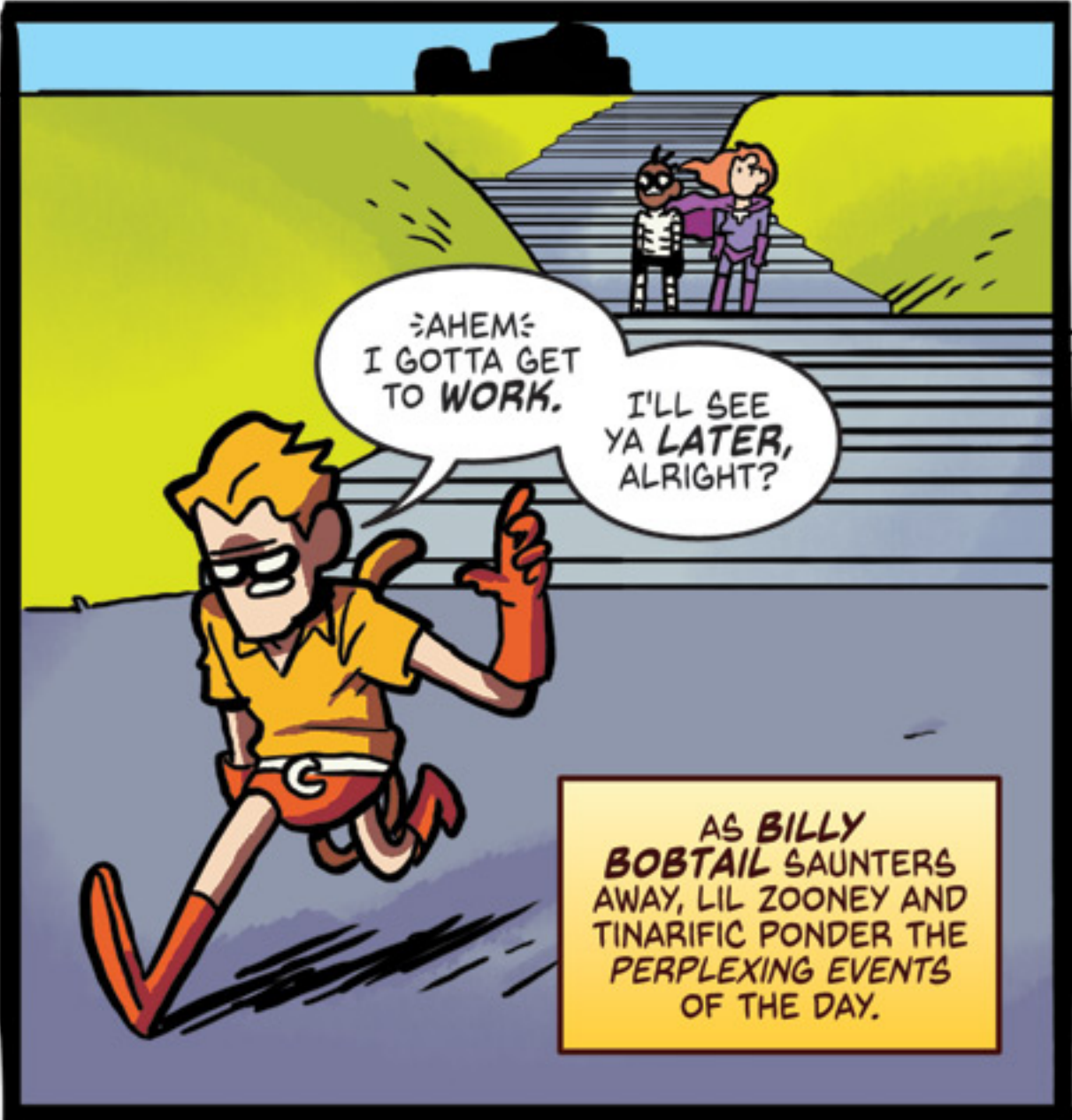


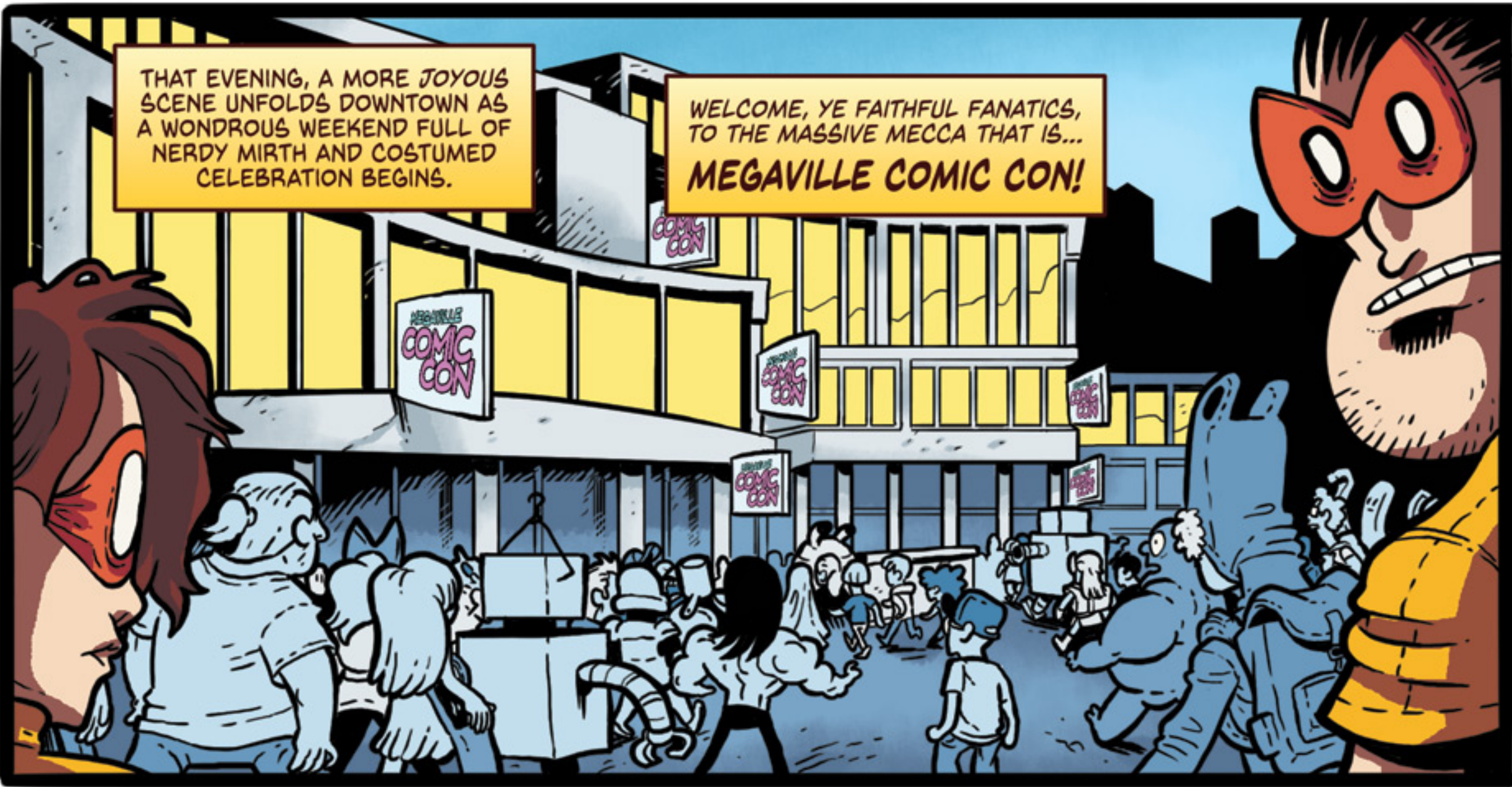






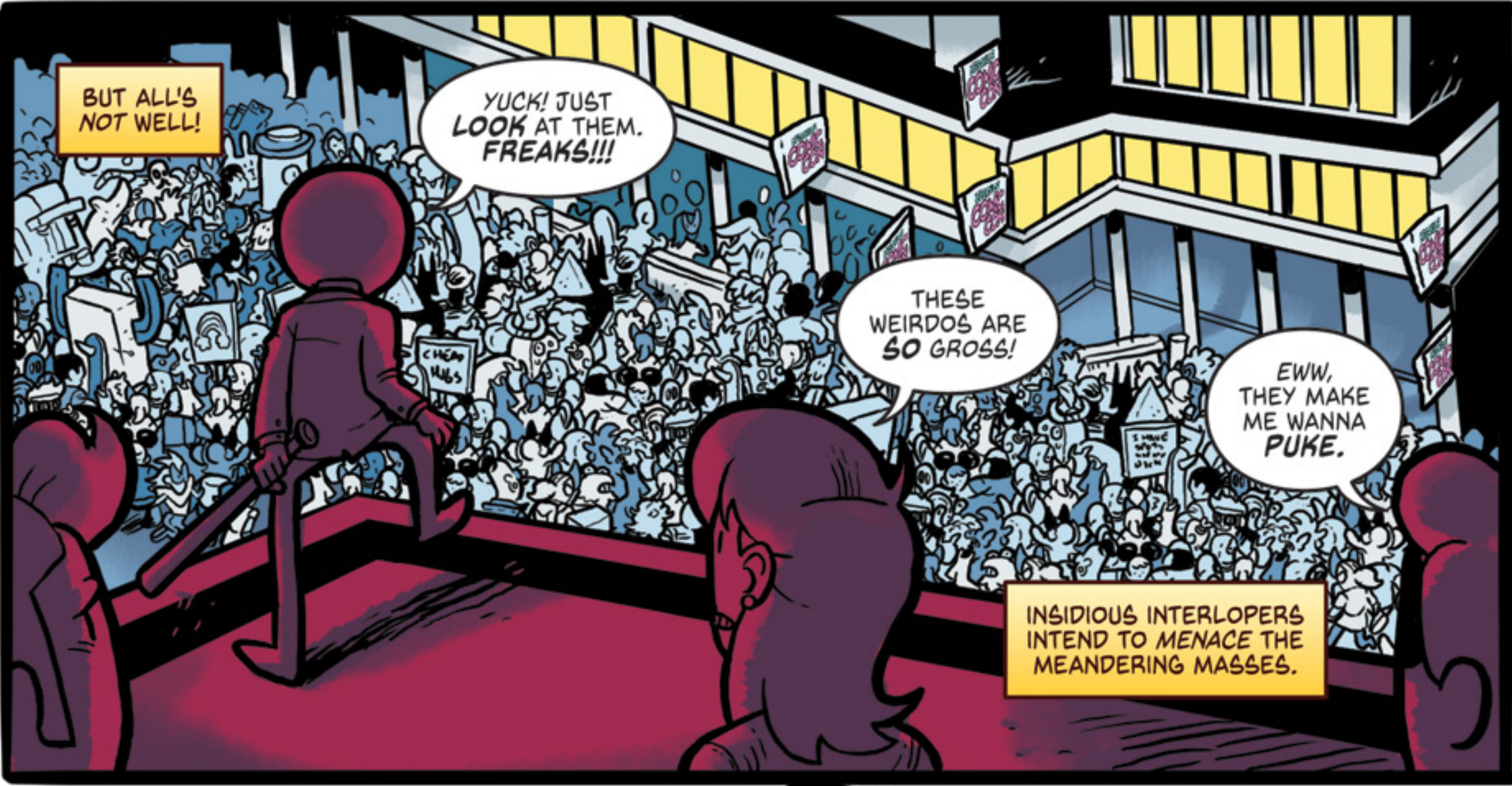






THAT EVENING, A MORE JOYOUS SCENE UNFOLDS DOWNTOWN AS A WONDROUS WEEKEND FULL OF NERDY MIRTH AND COSTUMED CELEBRATION BEGINS.

WELCOME, YE FAITHFUL FANATICS, TO THE MASSIVE MECCA THAT IS...
MEGAVILLE COMIC CON!



BUT ALL'S NOT WELL!

YUCK! JUST LOOK AT THEM. FREAKS!!!

THESE WEIRDOS ARE SO GROSS!

EW, THEY MAKE ME WANNA PUKE.

INSIDIOUS INTERLOPERS INTEND TO MENACE THE MEANDERING MASSES.



LET'S TEACH 'EM WHY...

...BEING NORMAL IS THE BEST!

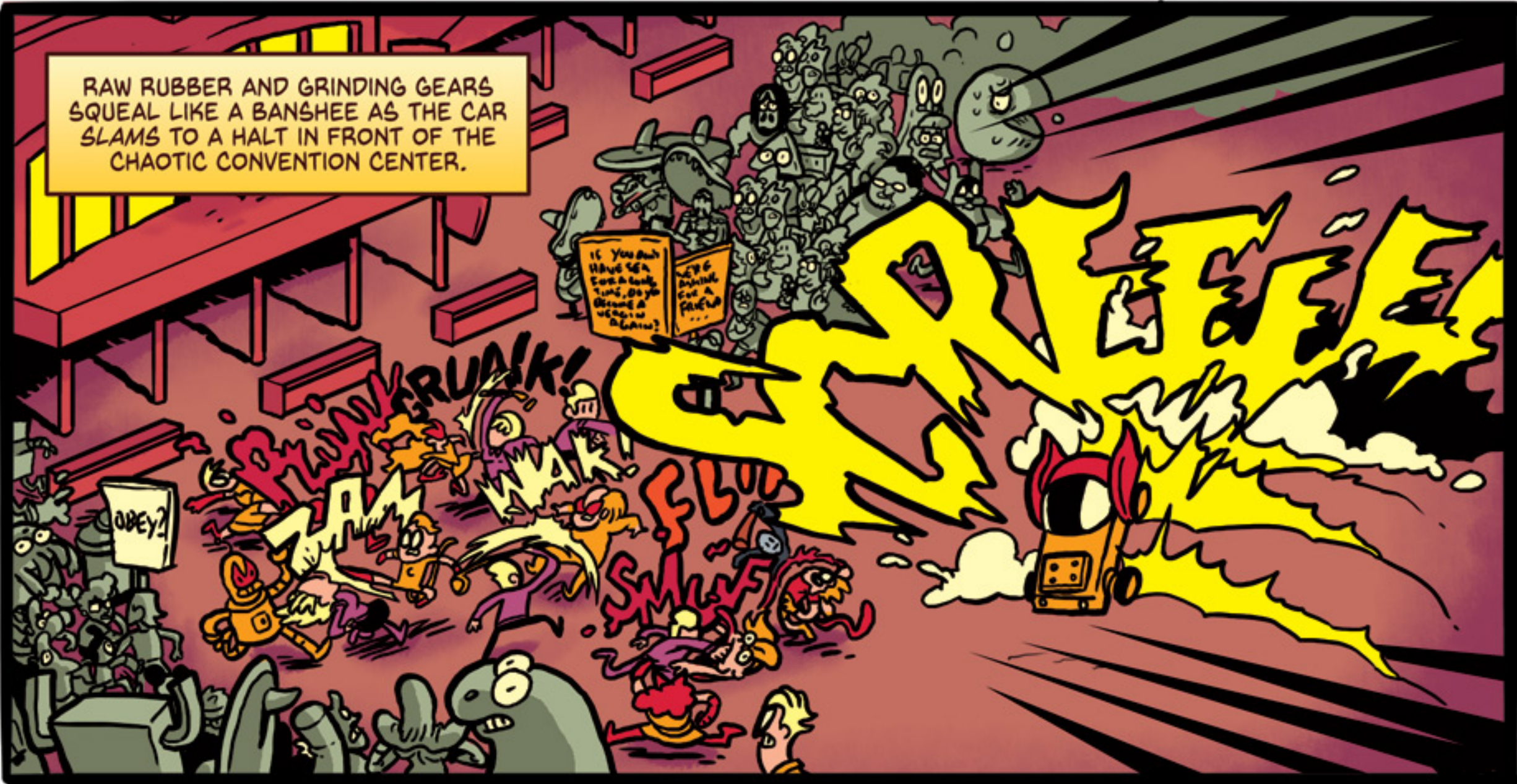
FLINGING HIMSELF FROM THE ROOF, THE FEROCIOUS FASCIST LEADS THE CHARGE!



AS THE UPROAR AT COMIC CON BUILDS, OUR CAT-TASTIC CRUSHERS OF CRIME ARE AWKWARDLY CONFINED TO THE CAR.

THEY CRUISE OFF ON YET ANOTHER NIGHTLY PATROL, BUT THEIR COMMUNICATION IS RATHER STRAINED DUE TO RECENT EVENTS.



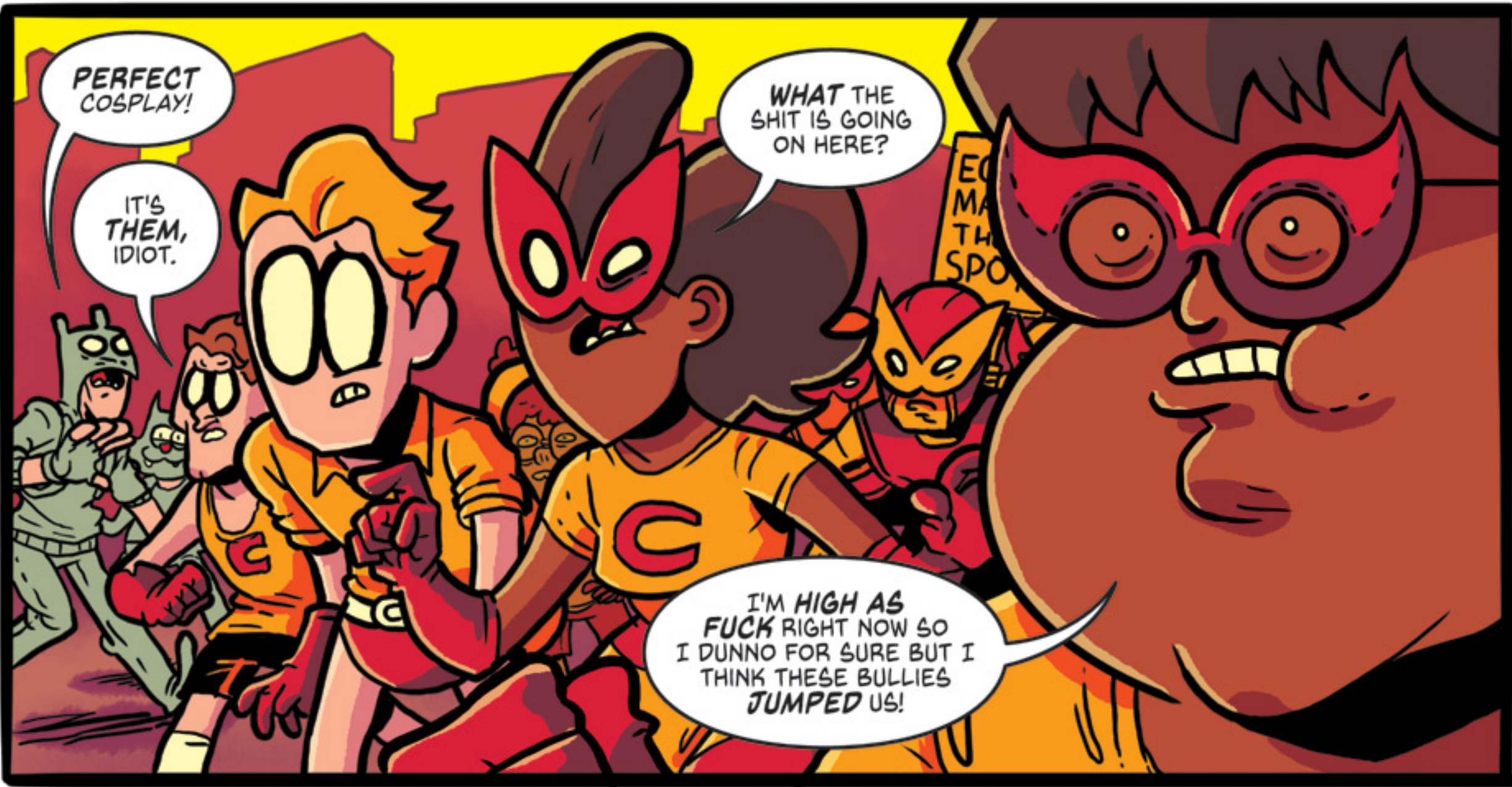


RAW RUBBER AND GRINDING GEARS SQUEAL LIKE A BANSHEE AS THE CAR SLAMS TO A HALT IN FRONT OF THE CHAOTIC CONVENTION CENTER.



OUR HEROES VALIANTLY BOUND INTO THE FRAY...

...UNAFRAID OF ANY DANGER THAT AWAITS!



PERFECT COSPLAY!

IT'S THEM, IDIOT.

WHAT THE SHIT IS GOING ON HERE?

I'M HIGH AS FUCK RIGHT NOW SO I DUNNO FOR SURE BUT I THINK THESE BULLIES JUMPED US!

BACKED BY AN ARMY OF COSTUMED COMRADES, COUGARS BECKONS THE BRAVERY OF HER FAITHFUL FANS!

SO IT'S A
TUSSELE THEY
WANT, EH?

C'MON
FELINE FIGHTERS,
LET'S **SHOW 'EM**
HOW WE DO IT!

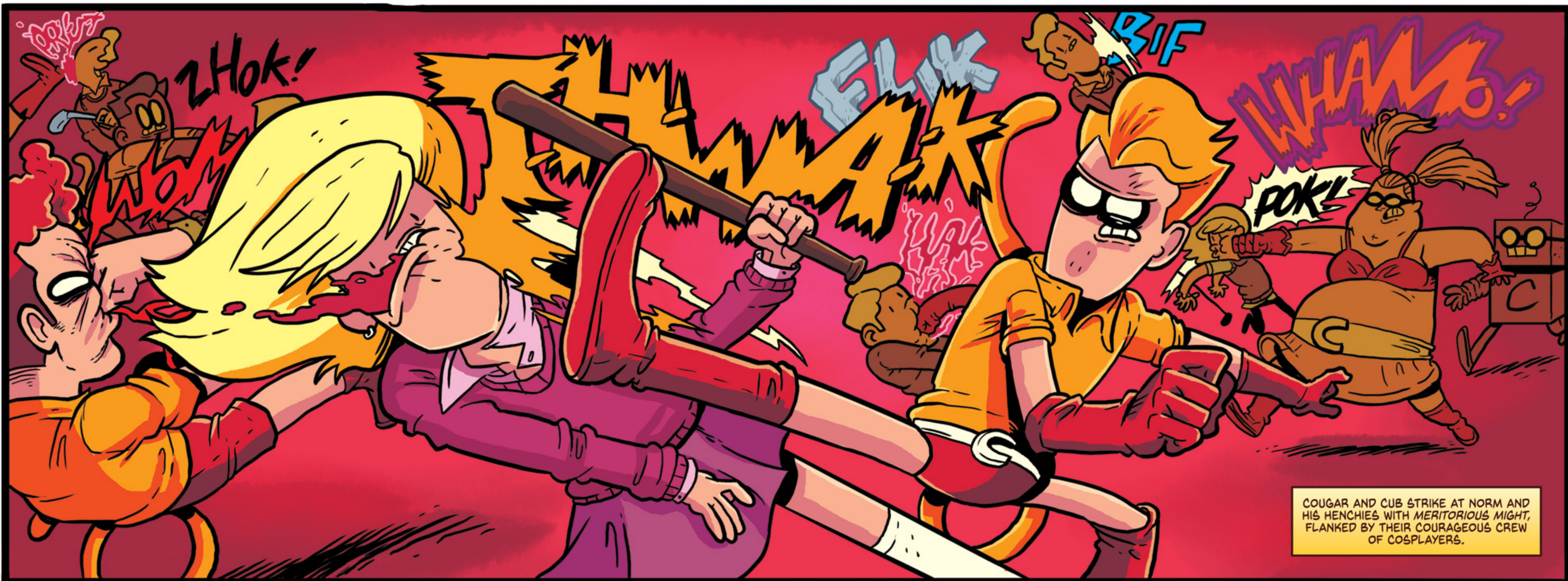
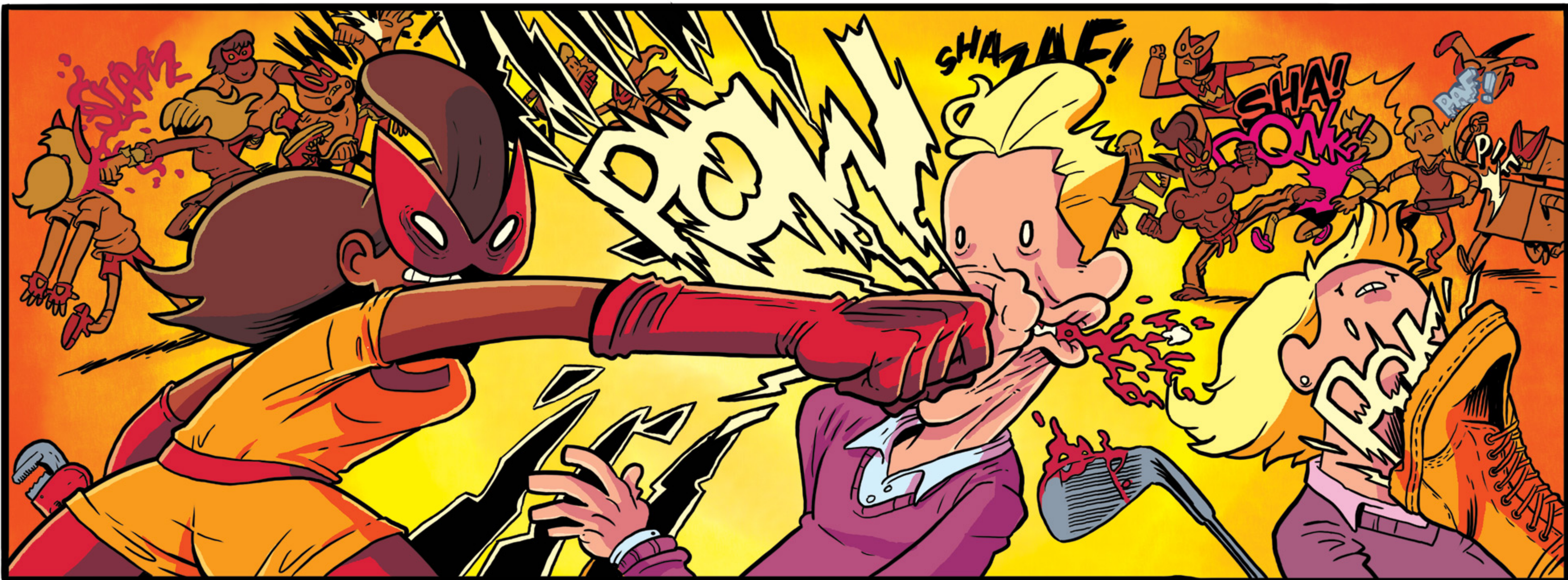
IT'S TIME TO
POUNCE AND
TROUNCE!

UGH, SO
MANY **GROSS**
LOSERS!

I THINK
I'M GONNA
HURL!!

TRY TO
HOLD IT IN,
SON...

...AT
LEAST UNTIL
WE'VE **BEATEN**
THEM ALL TO
DEATH!!!



COUGAR AND CUB STRIKE AT NORM AND HIS HENCHIES WITH MERITORIOUS MIGHT, FLANKED BY THEIR COURAGEOUS CREW OF COSPLAYERS.



COUGAR CUTS THROUGH THE CRAZINESS, CONFRONTING HER CRUEL CHALLENGER.

NORM, **STOP** THIS MADNESS!

THESE PEOPLE DID **NOTHING** TO YOU.

NOTHING?!

THESE ABNORMALS ARE **RUINING** MY CITY.

PARADING **WEIRDNESS** ALL AROUND MEGAVILLE!

FIGHT FOR YOUR RIGHT PART

NORM HAS AN ACE UP HIS SLEEVE, READY TO TURN THE TIDE!

SEE, I KNOW YOU DON'T **FEEL** THE SAME WAY.

YOU JUST **LOOOOOVE** YOUR FANS, COUGAR!

BUT IF YOU LOVE THEM...

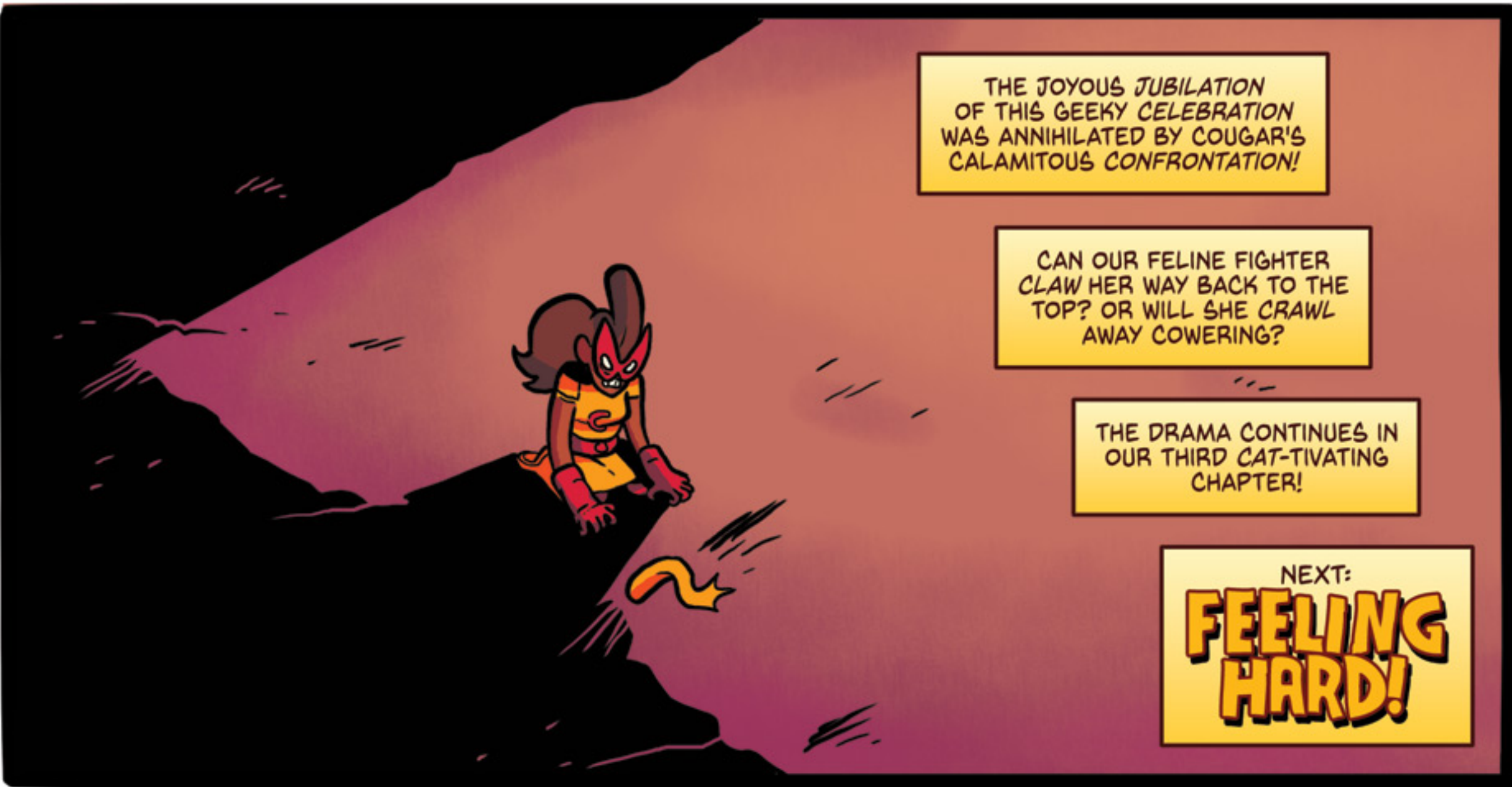
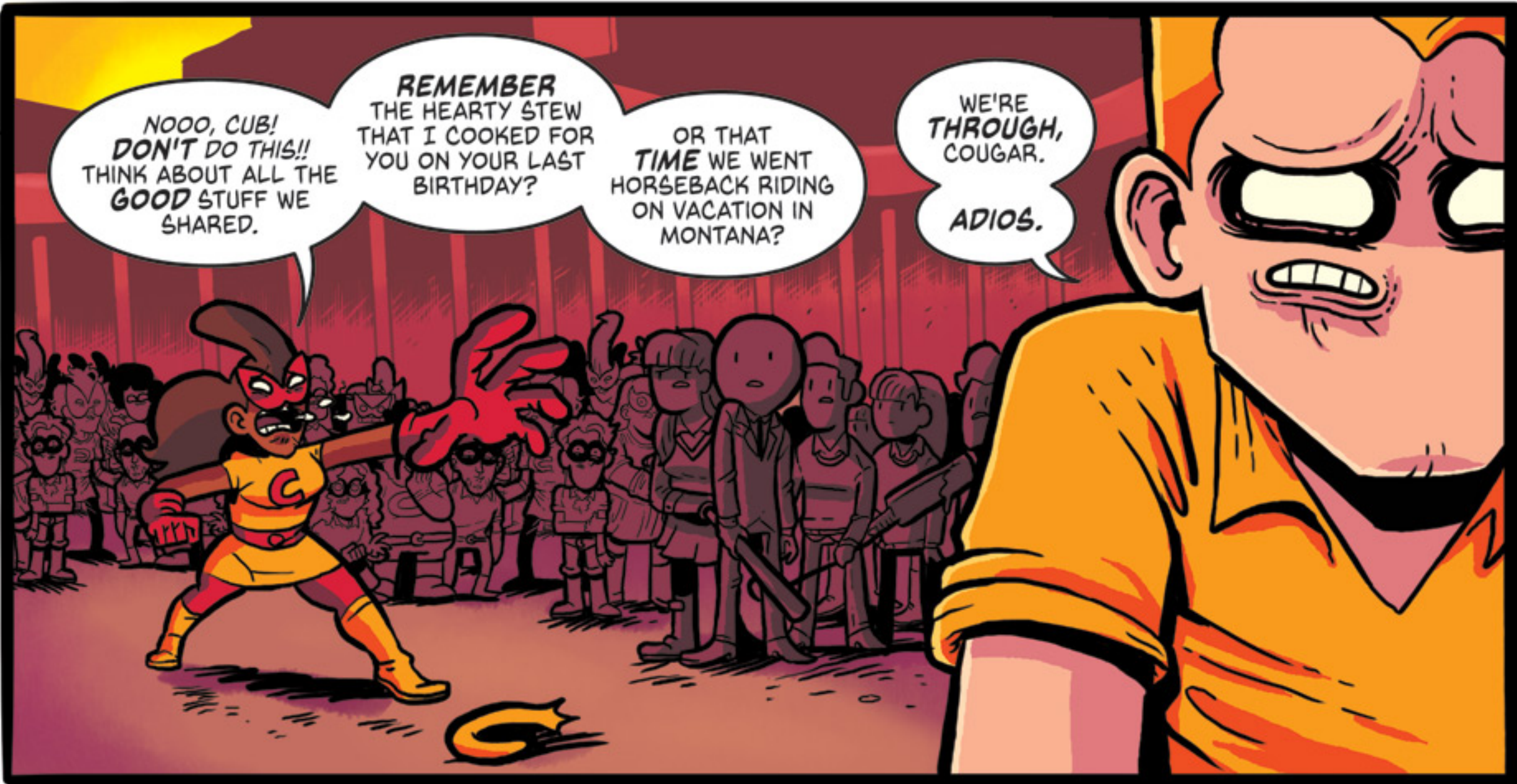
...WHY ARE YOU KEEPING A DIRTY **SECRET** FROM THEM?











COUGAR AND CUB

WHAT A MESS!

THIS HAS BEEN A TERRIBLY TOUGH TWO WEEKS FOR THE TROUBLED MINERVA MANX.

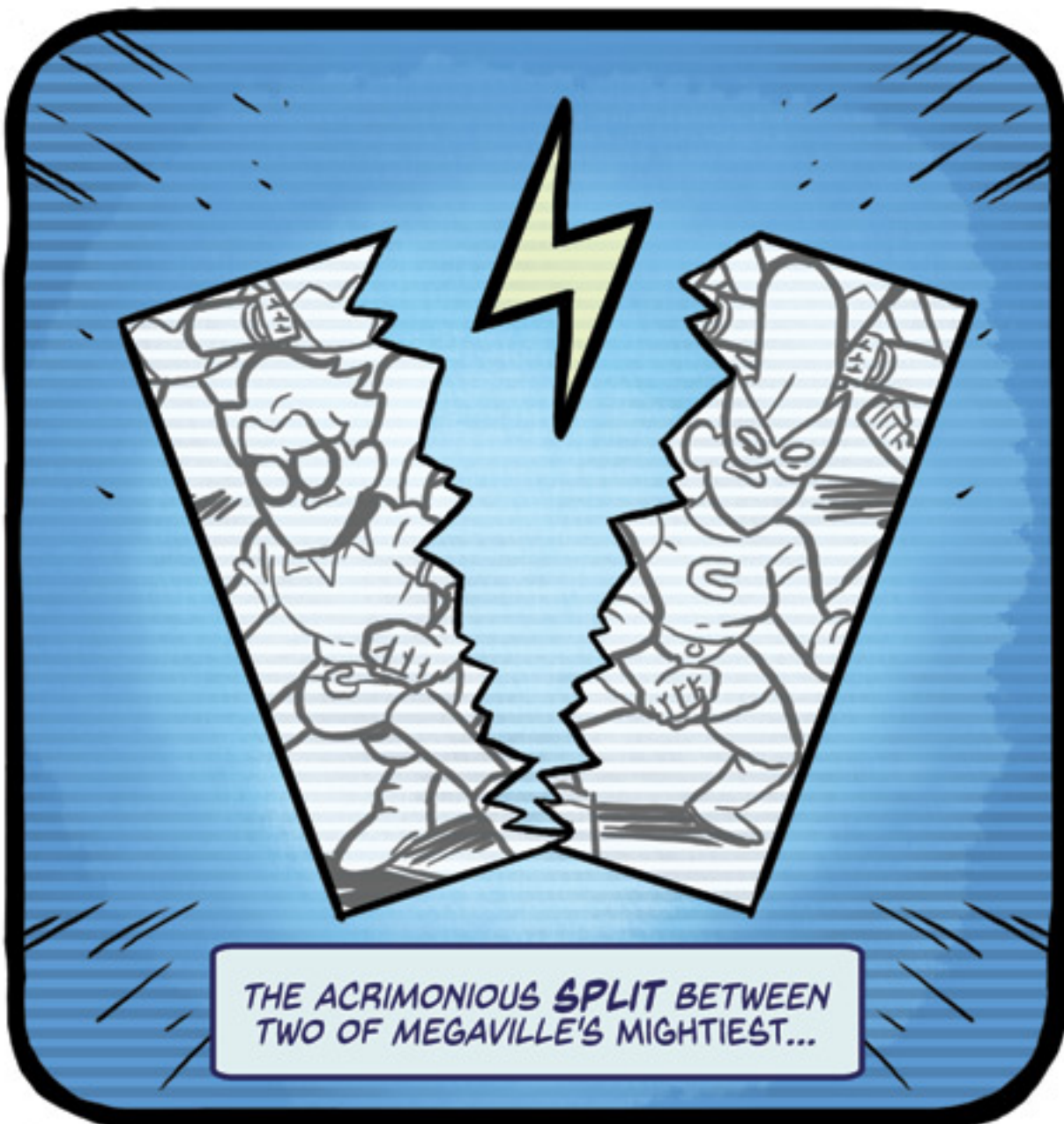
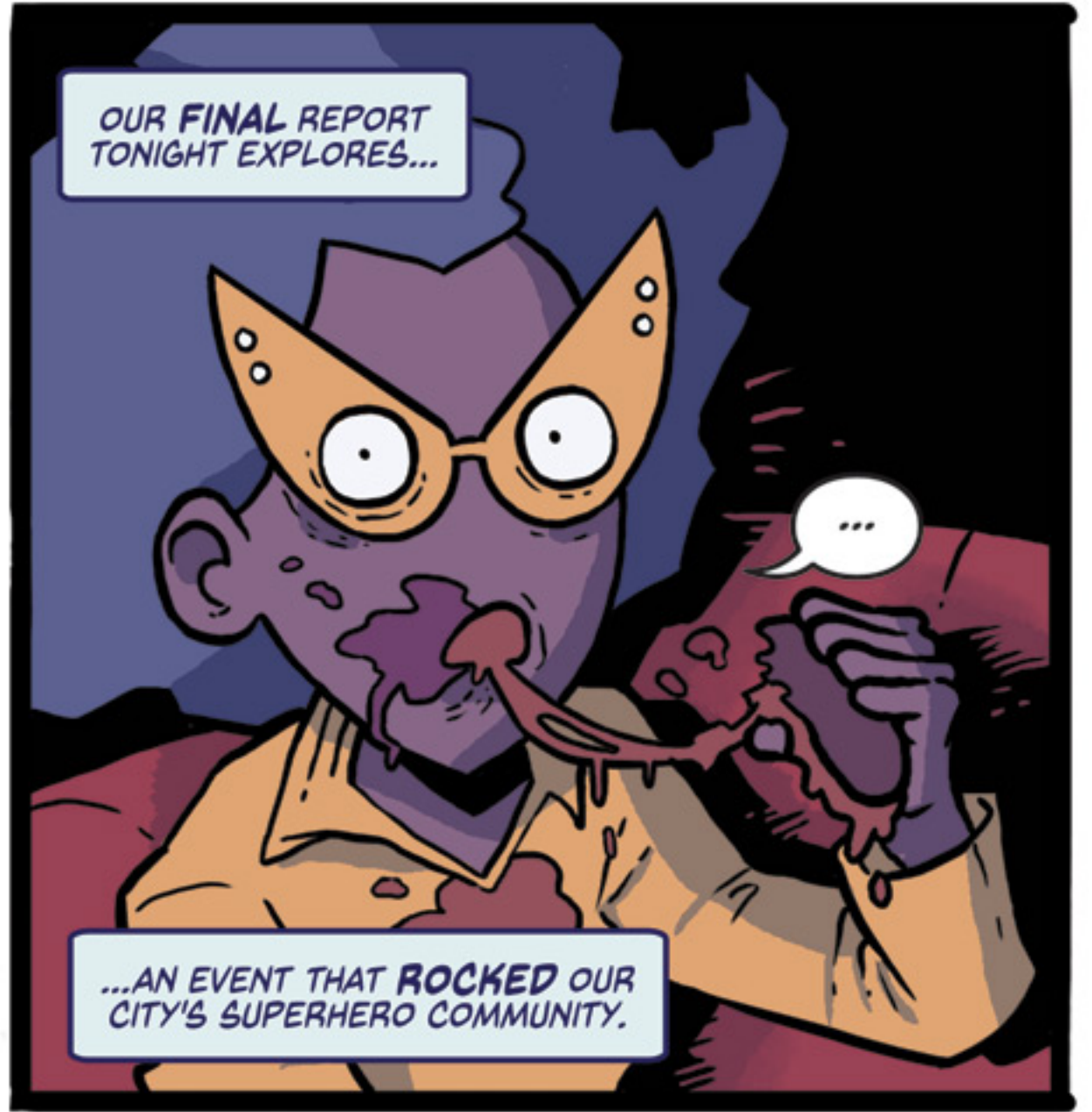
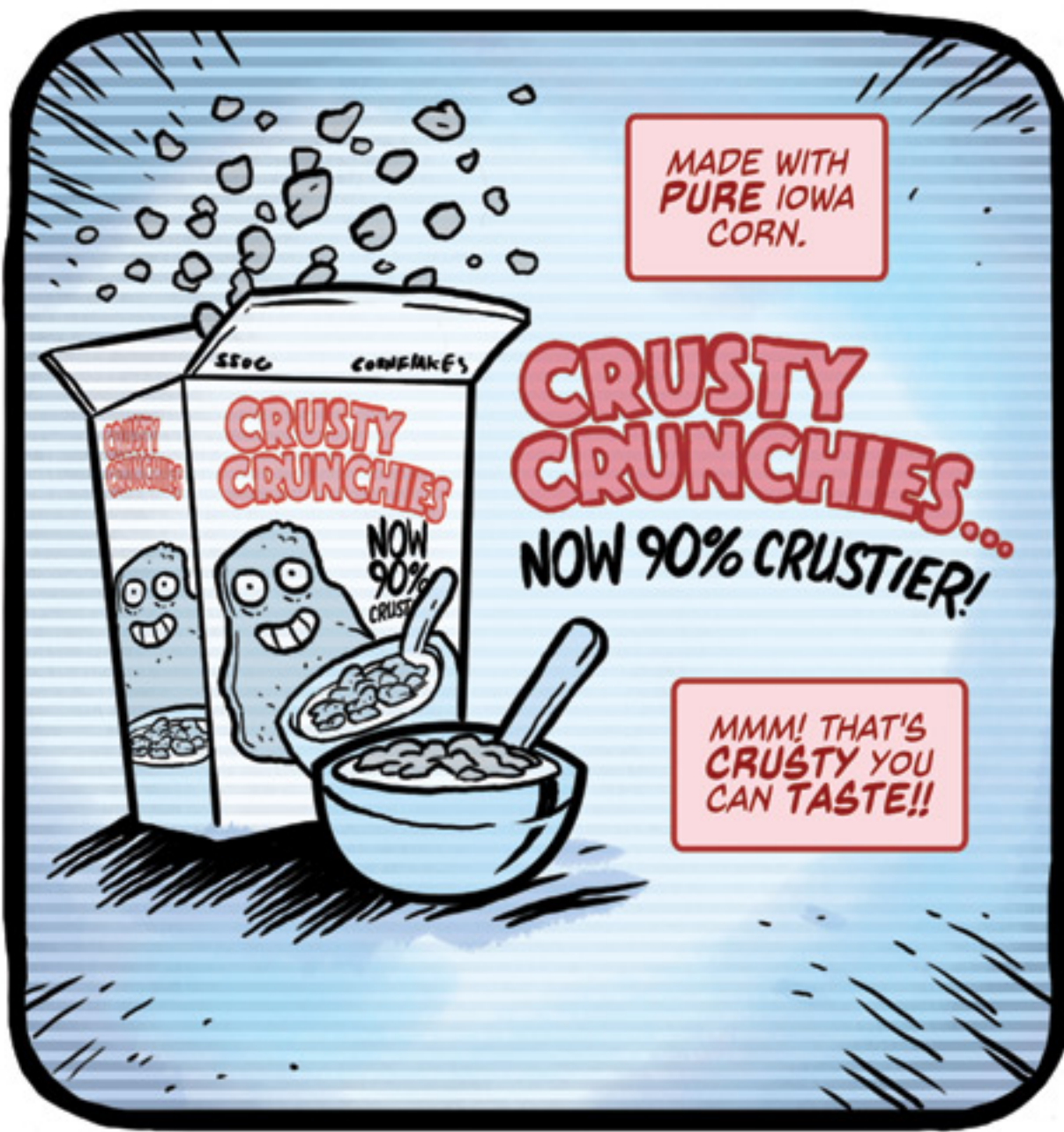


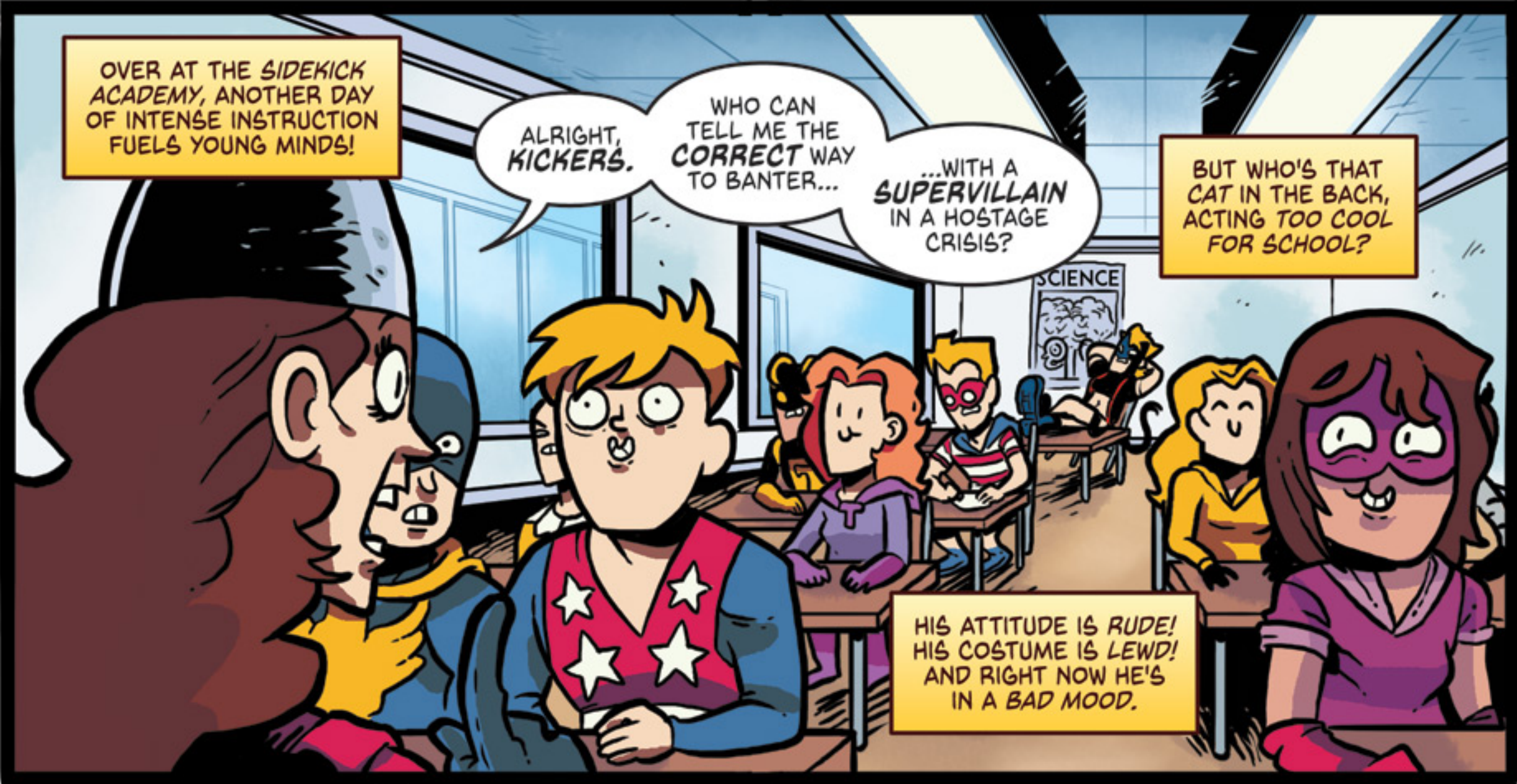
I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT SHE'S GIVEN UP ON LIFE BECAUSE RIGHT NOW EVERYTHING SURE IS...

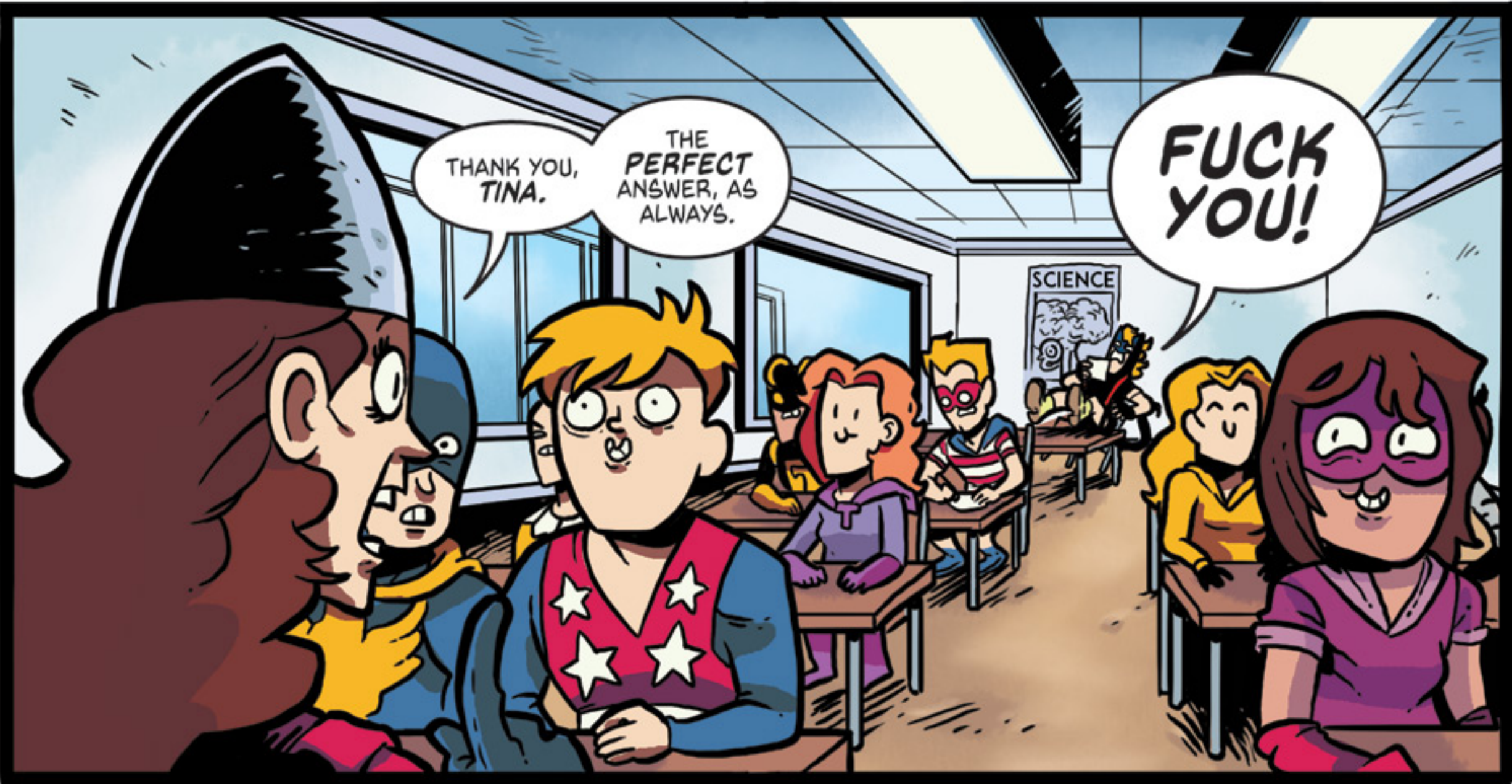
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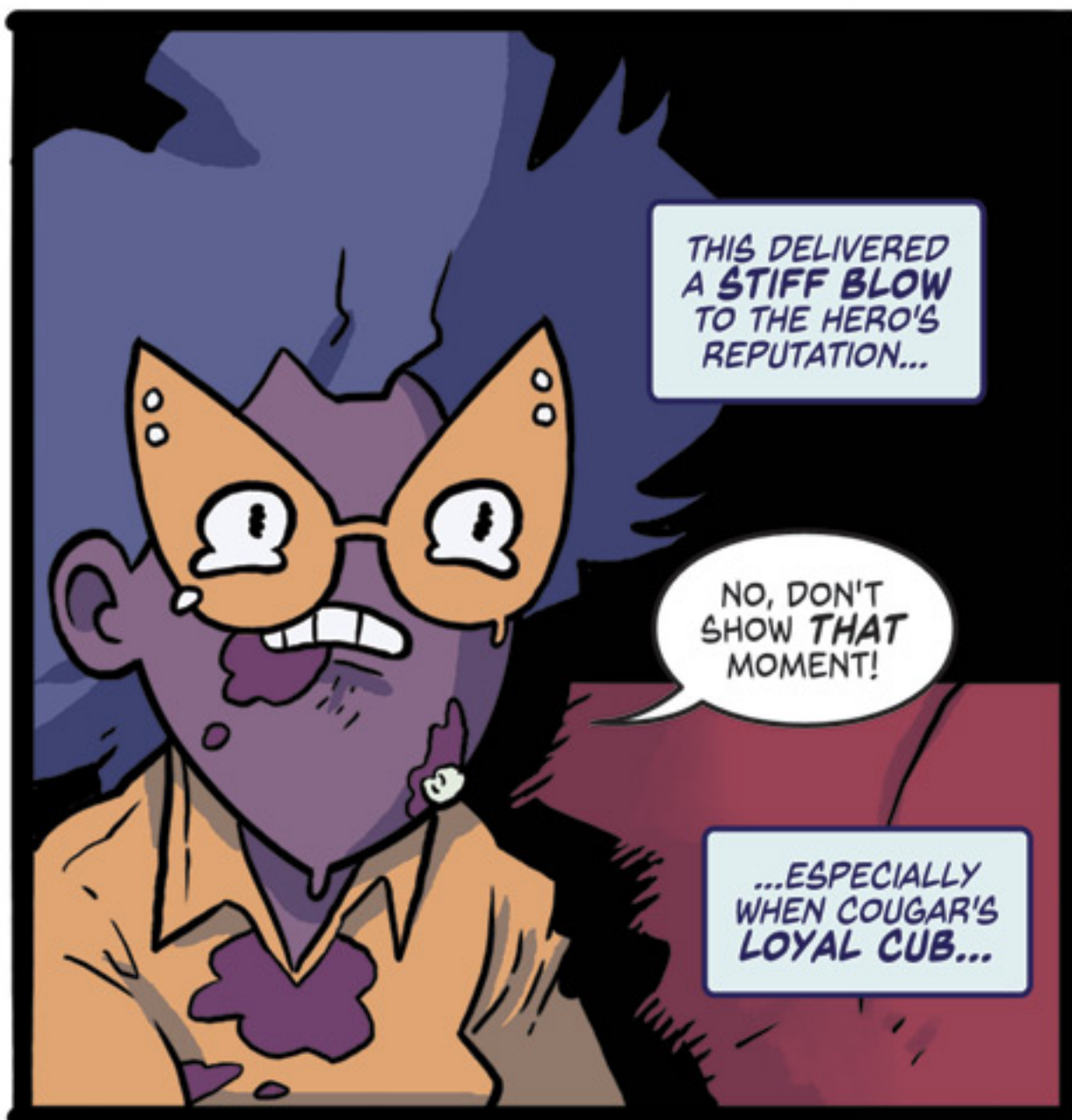
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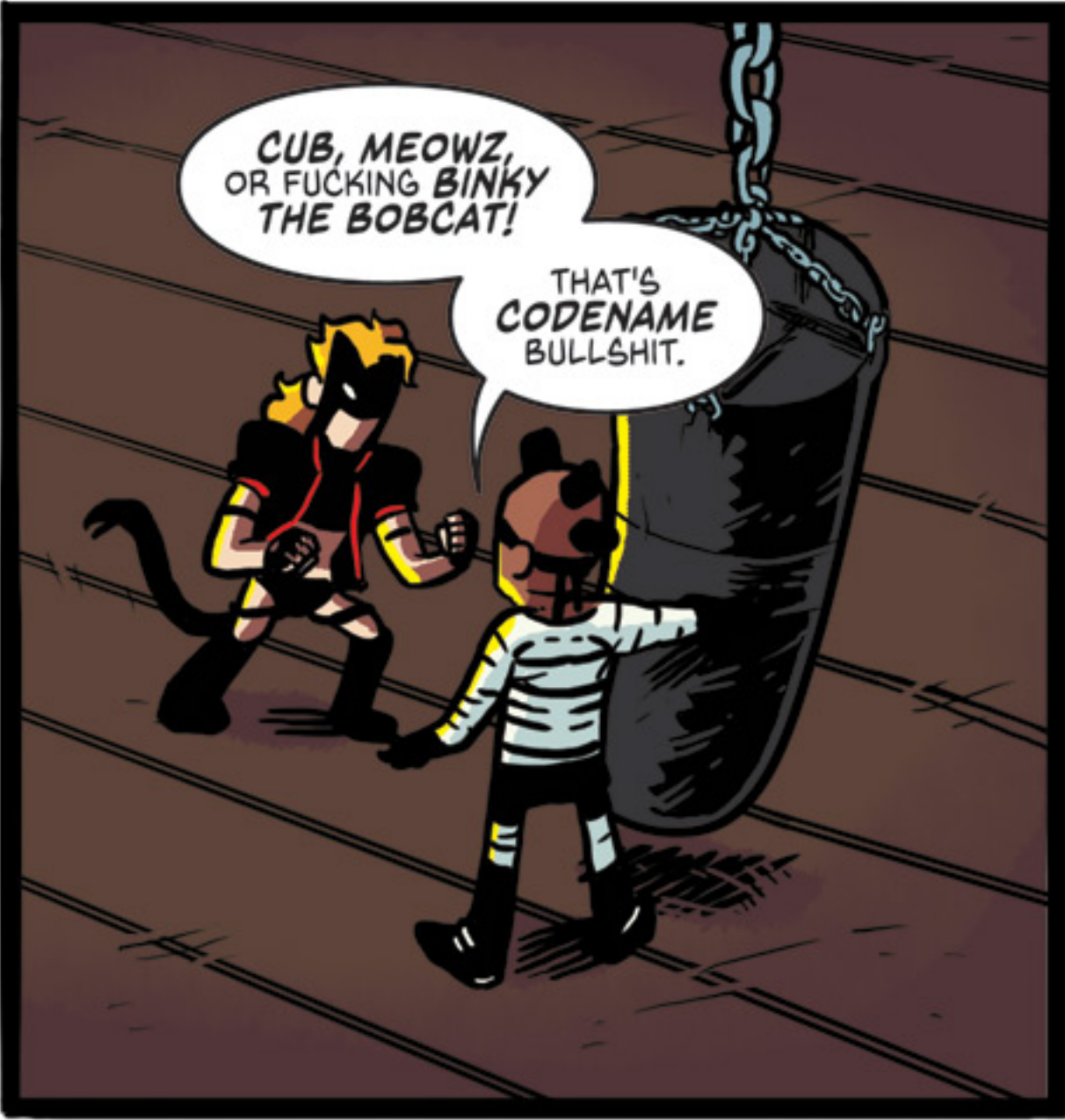














UGHHH!

WHY'RE WE
JUST **SITTIN'**
AROUND LIKE
A GAGGLE OF
GRANNIES?

LET'S GO
AMBUSH HER
NOW!

ACROSS TOWN, TEDIUM
TORTURES THE ROGUES WHILE
THEY WHITTLE AWAY ANOTHER
DAY WAITING UNTIL THE RIGHT
TIME TO RIP MINERVA MANX A
NEW CAT HOLE!



I HEARTILY
DISAGREE.

WE MUST WAIT
UNTIL **COUGAR**
IS AT HER **MOST**
VULNERABLE...

...LIKE A NUN
AT A **DONKEY**
SHOW!



LOOK, IT'S
NOT ABOUT **WHEN**
BUT **WHERE.**

'CAUSE IF
WE STOMP HER
INSIDE OF **MANX**
MANSION...

...WE'LL JUST
BE A BUNCH OF
CROOKS CRIPPLING
AN **INNOCENT**
RICH LADY!



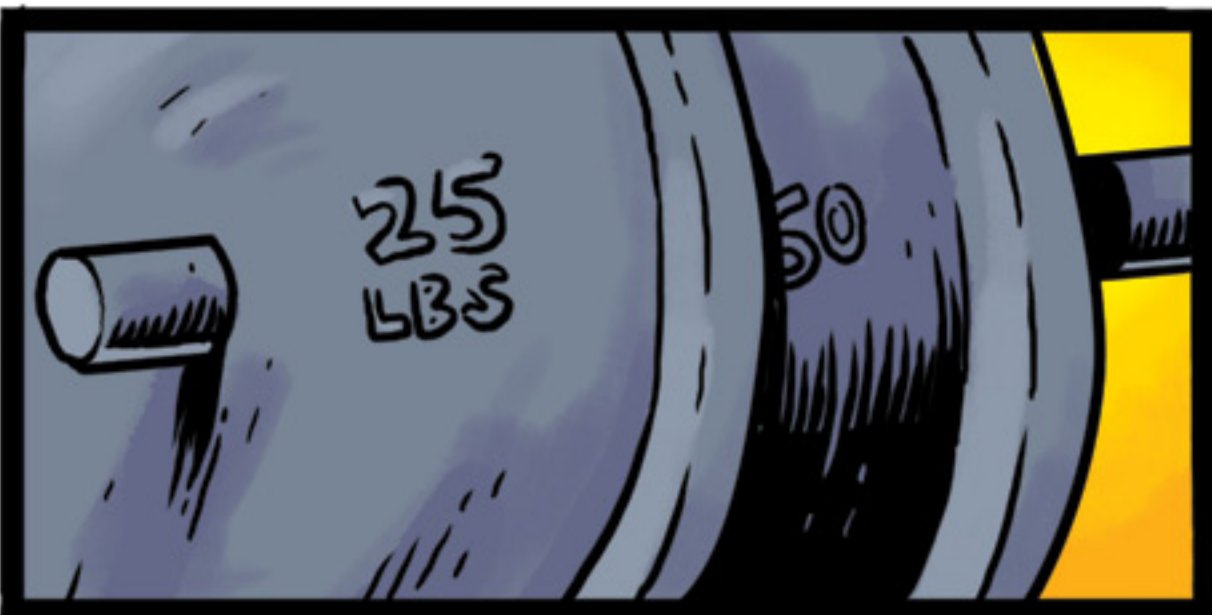
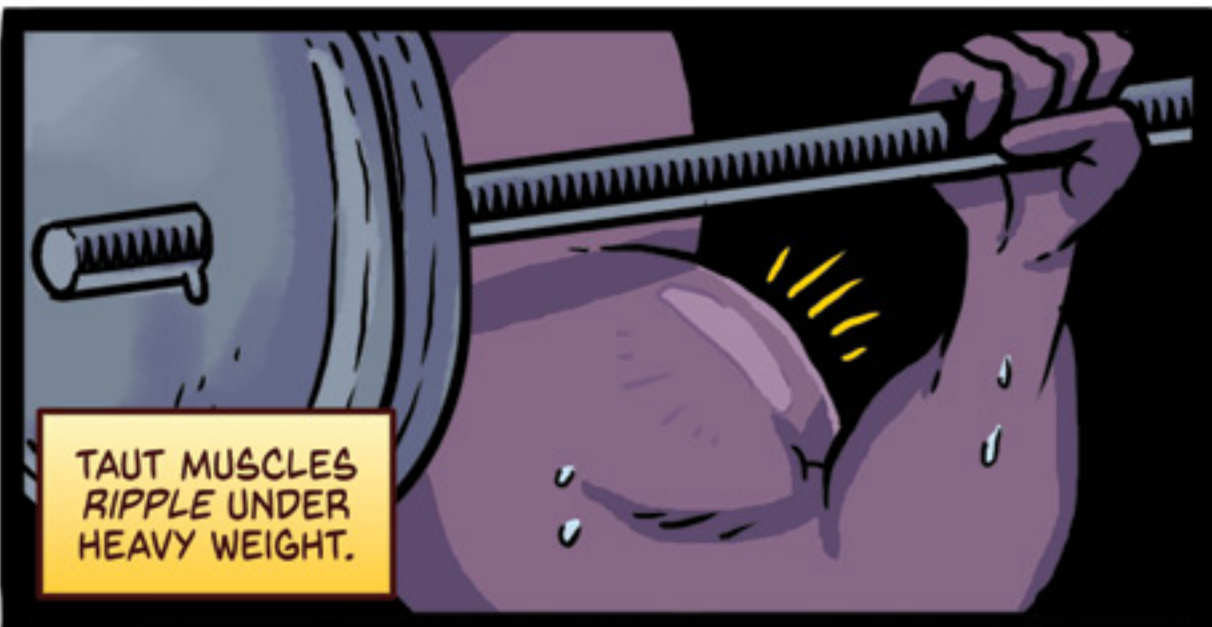
A COMMANDING VOICE
INTERJECTS INTO THE
CONTENTIOUS DISPUTE,
QUIETING THE CROWD
WITH A SURPRISINGLY
CONSIDERED RETORT.

ALL OF YOU
INSUFFERABLE
NINCOMPOOPS
ARE RIGHT.

WE NEED
THE **PERFECT**
COMBINATION OF
LOCATION AND
TIMING.

AND
IT NEEDS
TO HAPPEN
SOON!

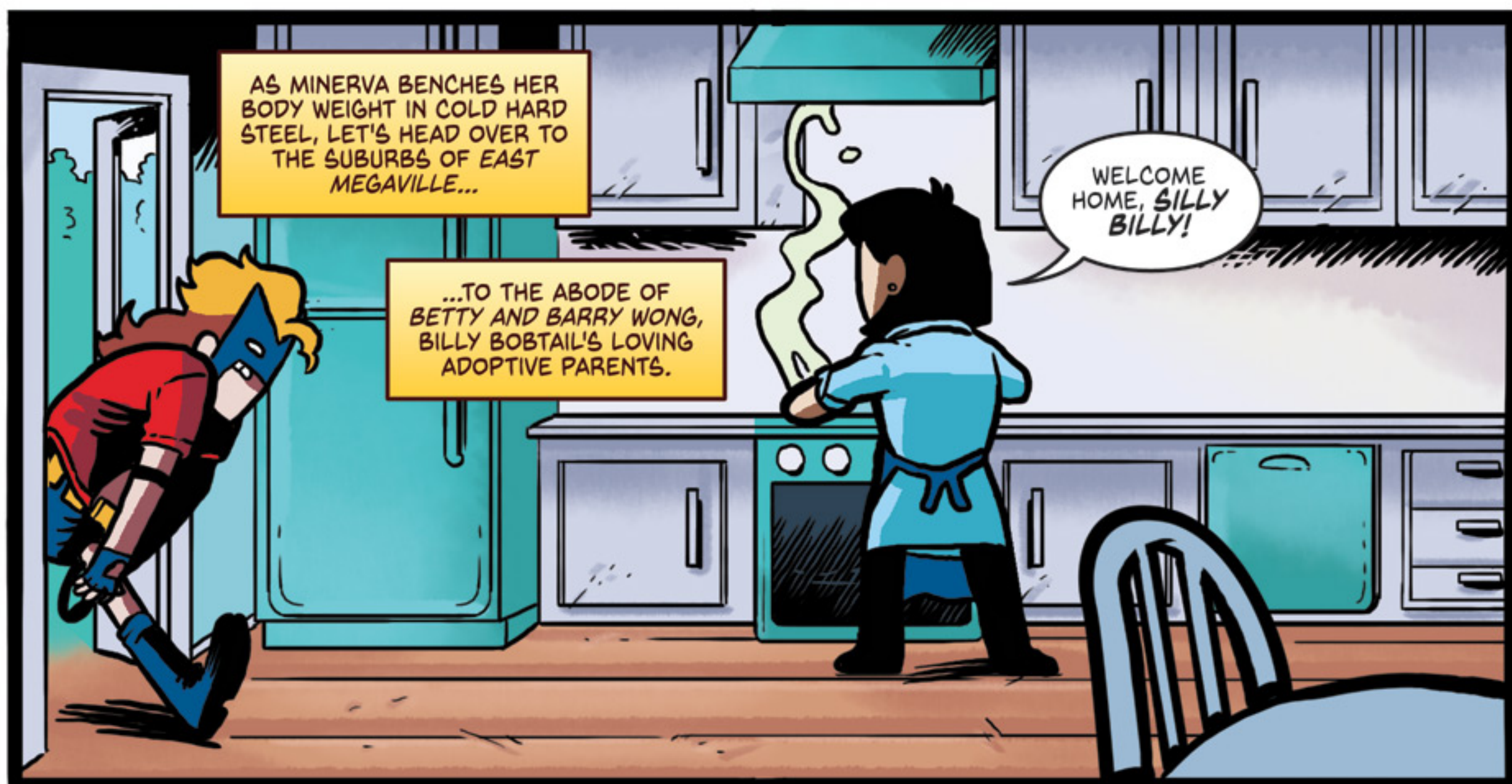


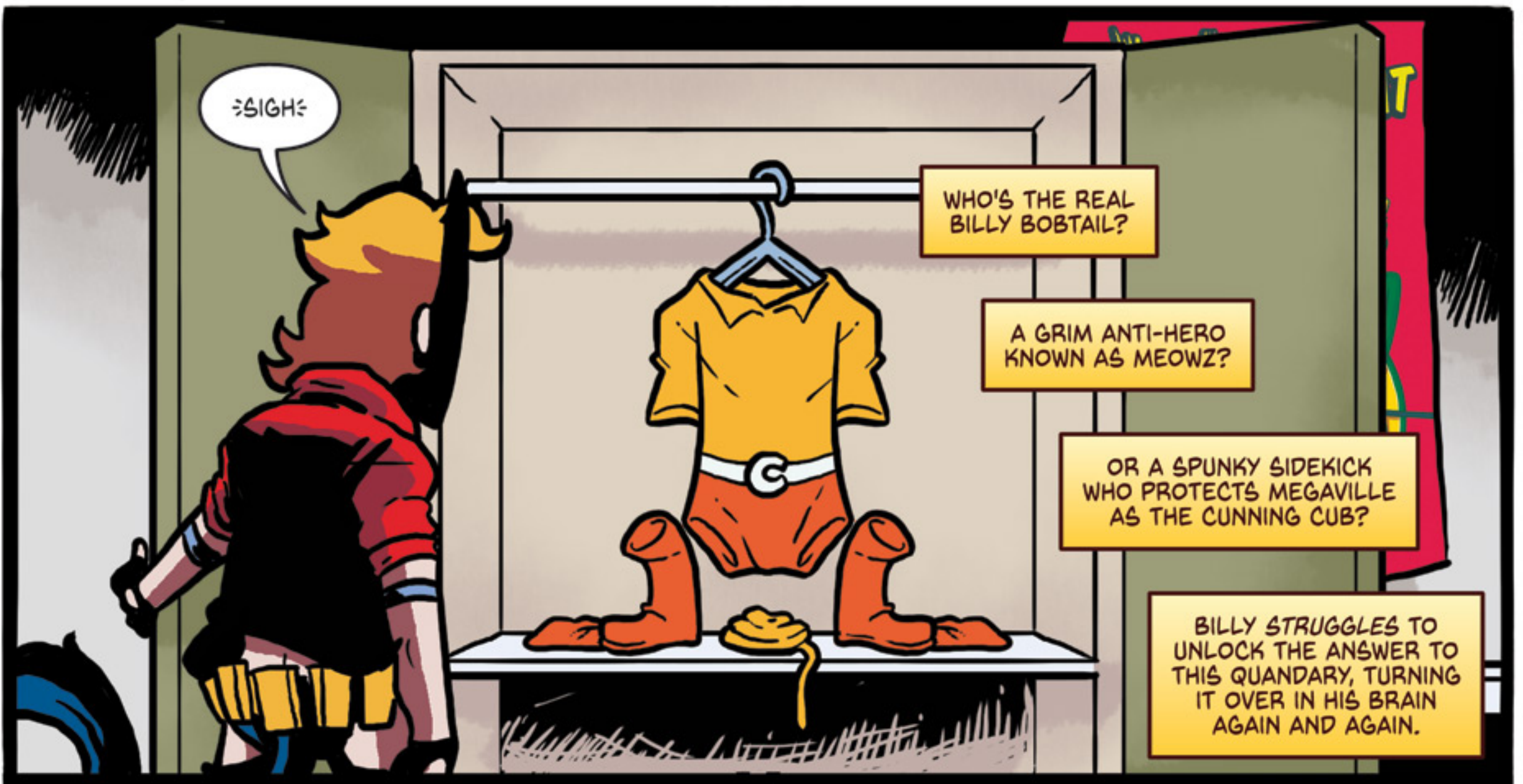


RAWR!!

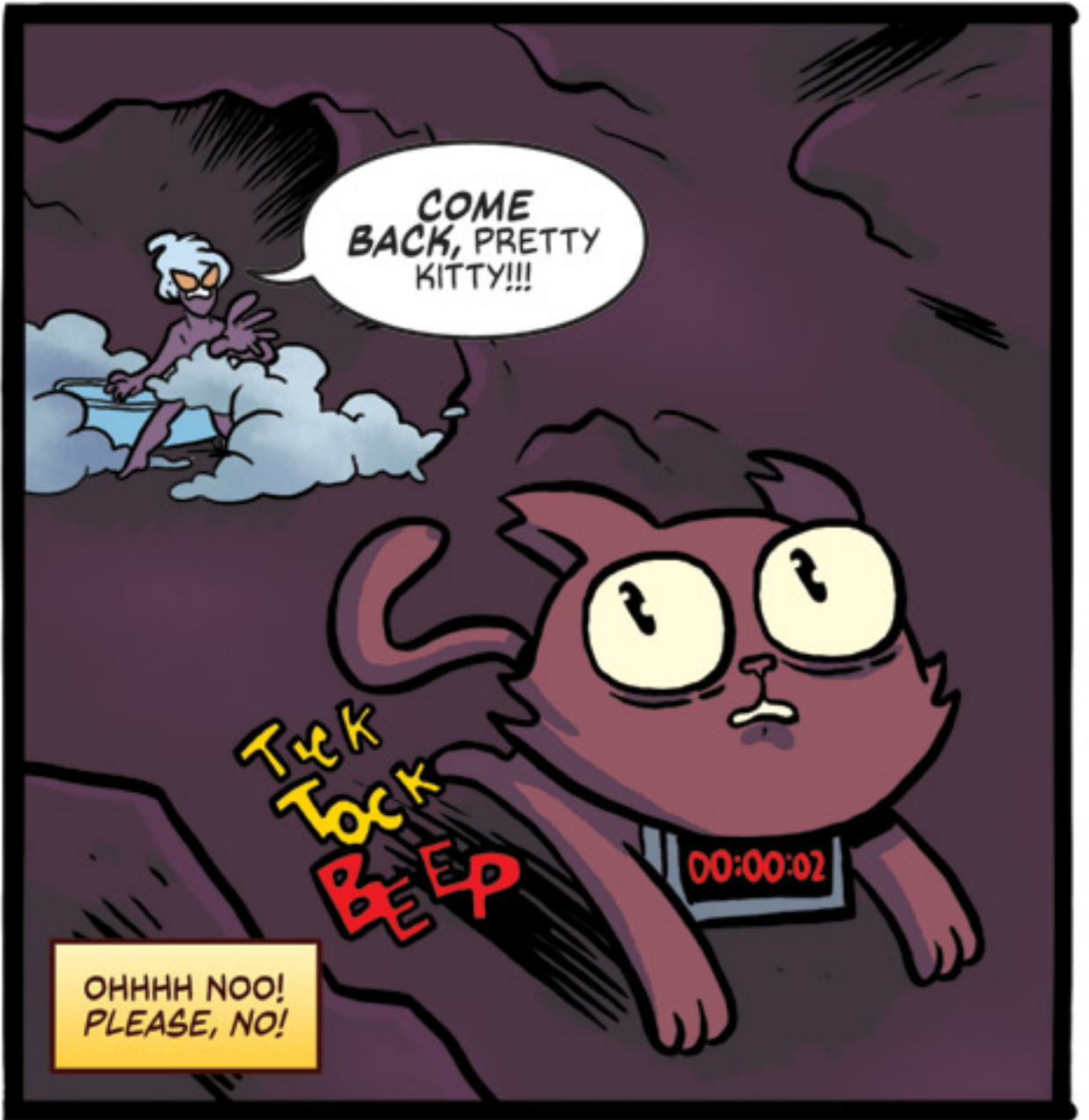


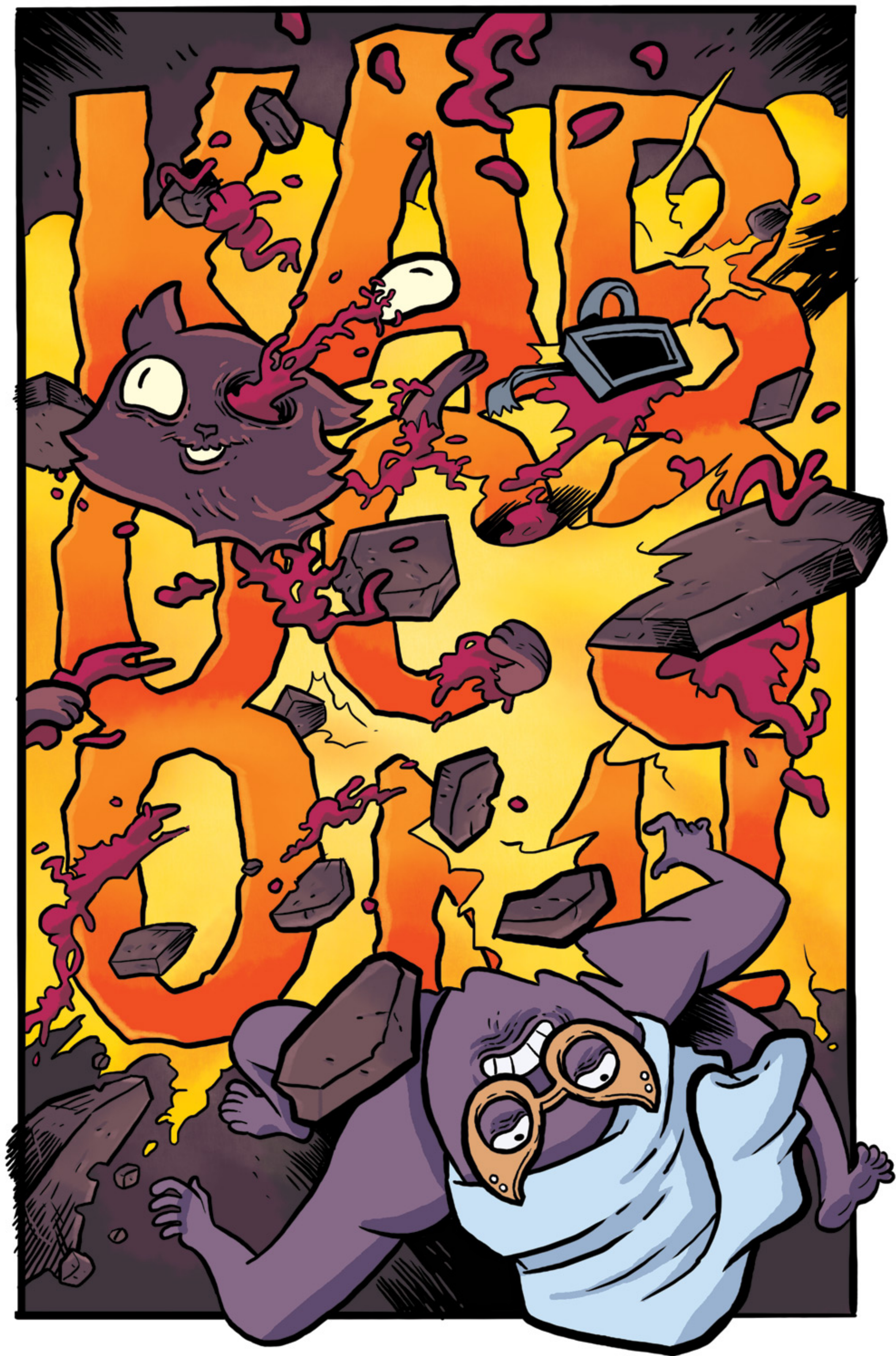
WITH THE FORCE OF A LION
AND THE DETERMINATION OF
A TIGER, SHE RECLAIMS HER
METTLE AND BECOMES THE
COURAGEOUS COUGAR
ONCE AGAIN!











COVERED IN ADORABLE CAT ENTRAILS AND DEBRIS FROM THE LOOSE ROCK WALLS OF THE CAT HOLE, MINERVA TAKES A MOMENT TO GET HER SHIT TOGETHER.

WUT DA FUG?

FLOOSH

OKAY, ENOUGH OF THAT. NOW IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!

PARTIALLY CLOTHED, NOW IT'S TIME FOR OTHER PRIORITIES.

SHUFF GOTTA MAKE SURE EZZIE'S OKAY...

WEELL HELLOO, MINERVA MANX!

YOU'VE BEEN SO NAUGHTY.

KEEPING **SECRETS** FROM US.

SHIT.

BUUUUTTTT IT'S TOO LATE TO GO CHECK ON ESMERALDA. NOW MINERVA NEEDS TO CHECK HERSELF BEFORE SHE WRECKS HERSELF!





MINERVA GRABS FATHER FORNICATOR'S LOADED GUN AND PREPARES TO BESTOW A BIBLICAL REPRISAL.



IS OUR CATTY CRIMEFIGHTER TOO COCKY?
SHE'S READY TO THUMP MORE CHUMPS BUT
THERE'S A SURPRISE BEHIND HER RUMP!

WHO'S
NEXT?

SHE'S
HULKIN' OUT,
ROACHIE!

S'ALL
GOOD, MISSY.
I GOT DIS.



ERGHH!!!
MUTHA F---



WHOA, THOSE
CRITTERS DID
THE TRICK!

DIDJA HAVE
ENOUGH YET,
HERO? I SURE
HOPE NOT...

...CUZ WE'RE GONNA
POUND YOU HARDER
THAN YOUR TEENY TINY
CUB POUNDED YOUR
BACK DOOR!

UNNHHH



SAY IT AIN'T SO!
HAS THE COURAGEOUS COUGAR
FINALLY BEEN DE-FEET-ED?!?

RETURN FOR
THE THRILLING
CONTINUATION
IN OUR SUPER
PENULTIMATE
SLUGFEST!

NEXT:
**GOT
POUNDED!**

COUGAR AND CUB

SO TRAGIC!

MINERVA'S BEEN CRITICALLY INJURED BY THREE VICIOUS OPPONENTS WHO AMBUSHED HER INSIDE THE CAT HOLE.

ESMERALDA FRANTICALLY CONTACTED BILLY BOBTAIL, WHO CAME RUNNING THE MOMENT HE LEARNED HIS FRIEND AND MENTOR...

"GOT POUNDED"

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HERE'S SOME
HOT JUSTICE,
SCOUNDREL.

BLAM!

LET'S
POUNCE AND
TROUNCE!

DON'T
STOP NOW!

YOU'RE
ON A ROLL,
COUGAR!

CRANKY

AHHH!!!

MY
GOSH DARN
LEGS!

THIS IONIC
CONVERTER RAY
WILL **ENGORGE**
YOUR BARBARIC
BABY BRAIN!

ZZZZAP!

PEACE
AND LOVE!

SMASH!

SHOVE THIS UP
YOUR **RECTORY**,
ALTAR BITCH!

WHUMP

GIVE MAMA
A SWEET TASTE
OF YOUR **LOINS**,
YOU DELICIOUS
SIDEDIS--

AHHH!

K
W
A
K!

YOU THINK
THIS LETTER
ON MY CHEST
STANDS FOR
CUTE?



CUB CONTEMPLATES COUGAR'S EXTENSIVE CAREER, POURING OVER HER ENTIRE PAST, FROM PURPLE GLOVES TO SHOULDER PADS. HIS YOUNG BRAIN CHURNS, ATTEMPTING TO COMPREHEND HOW A CHAMPION TO MANY COULD BE AN OPPRESSOR TO OTHERS....

I GUESS COUGAR WAS KINDA **ROUGH** ON SOME OF THOSE CROOKS.

AND NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, SHE'S HAD A **SHITLOAD** OF CUBS OVER THE YEARS.

DAMN, I WONDER WHAT THE **HELL** HAPPENED TO THEM?

WAIT... ARE THEY ALL **DEAD**?

CRAP, I BET THEY'RE ALL **FUCKING DEAD!!!**

SHOULD I **SWITCH SIDES** AND TURN INTO A **BADDIE**!?

I'D BE **EVIL** BUT AT LEAST I'D BE **ALIVE!**



NAH... **FUCK THAT!**

COUGAR AND I ARE **HEROES** AND THOSE CREEPS ARE **VILLAINS**, GODDAMN IT!

I'M **NOT** GONNA JUMP SHIP AND I'M **NOT** GONNA CROAK.

CC-CUBB...



MINERVA'S FRAIL WHIMPER DIRECTS CUB'S ATTENTION DOWNWARDS, USING EVERY INCH OF STRENGTH INSIDE HER BATTERED FRAME TO COMMUNICATE WITH HIM.

TT-THEYY... KNOW ABOUTTT UH-USSS...

NO!!! HOW DID THEY **FIND OUT** THAT W--

F-FOLLOWED UHSS HOOME...



OH NO!

THEY'VE **DISCOVERED** YOUR **SECRET IDENTITIES**!?

I'VE BEEN **WORRIED** THAT WOULD HAPPEN ONE DAY.

N-NOT JUSS TH-THATT...





CUB SPEEDS DOWN THE DESOLATE
MEGAVILLE STREETS, A HOT HUMMING
METAL MOTOR MASHED BETWEEN HIS
TENSE TEEN THIGHS.

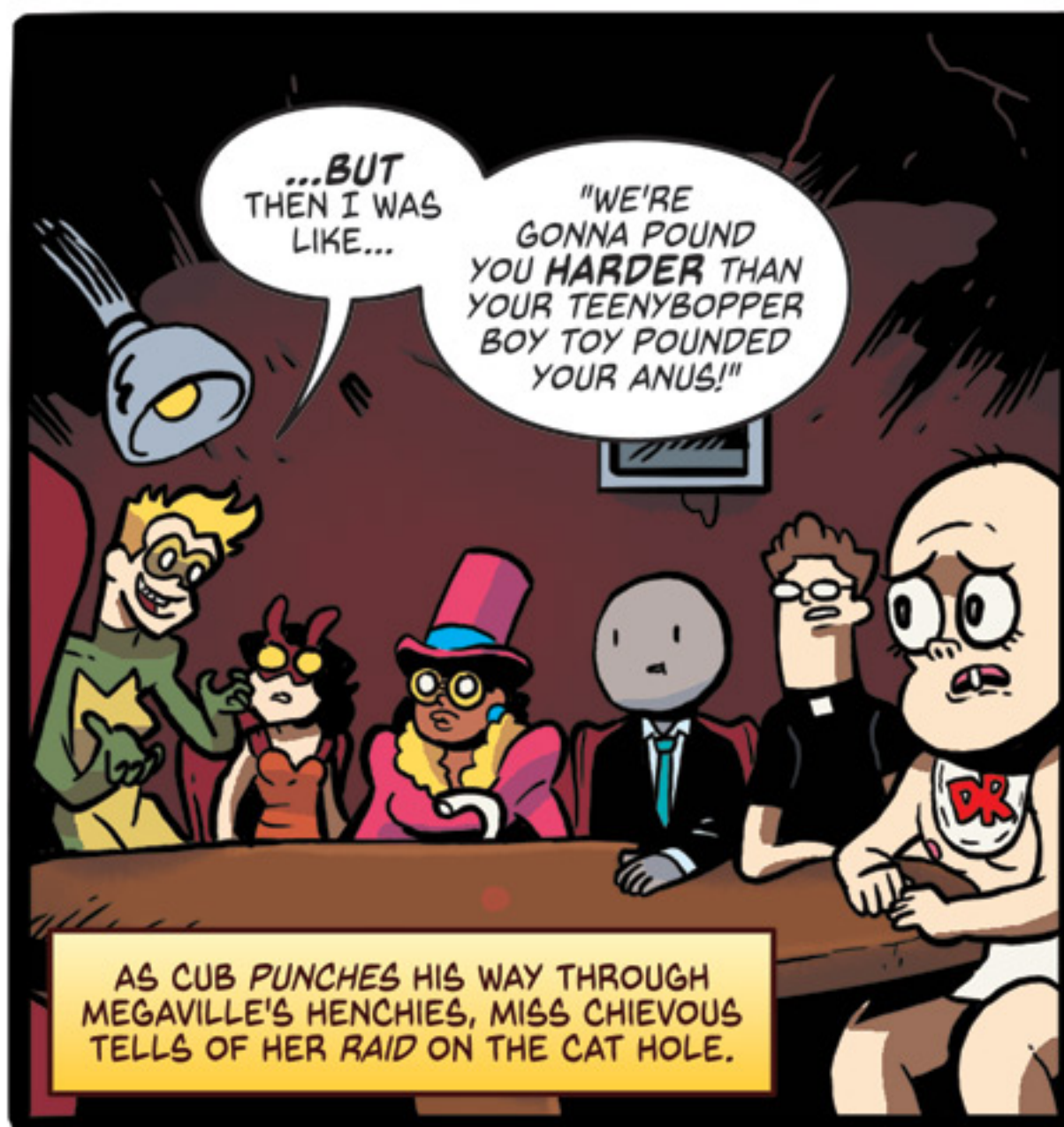
HE WANTS VENGEANCE...
HE WANTS RECOMPENSE.

HE KNOWS IT'S GOING TO BE
A HARD ROAD TO GET WHAT HE
WANTS, BUT HE WILL GET IT.

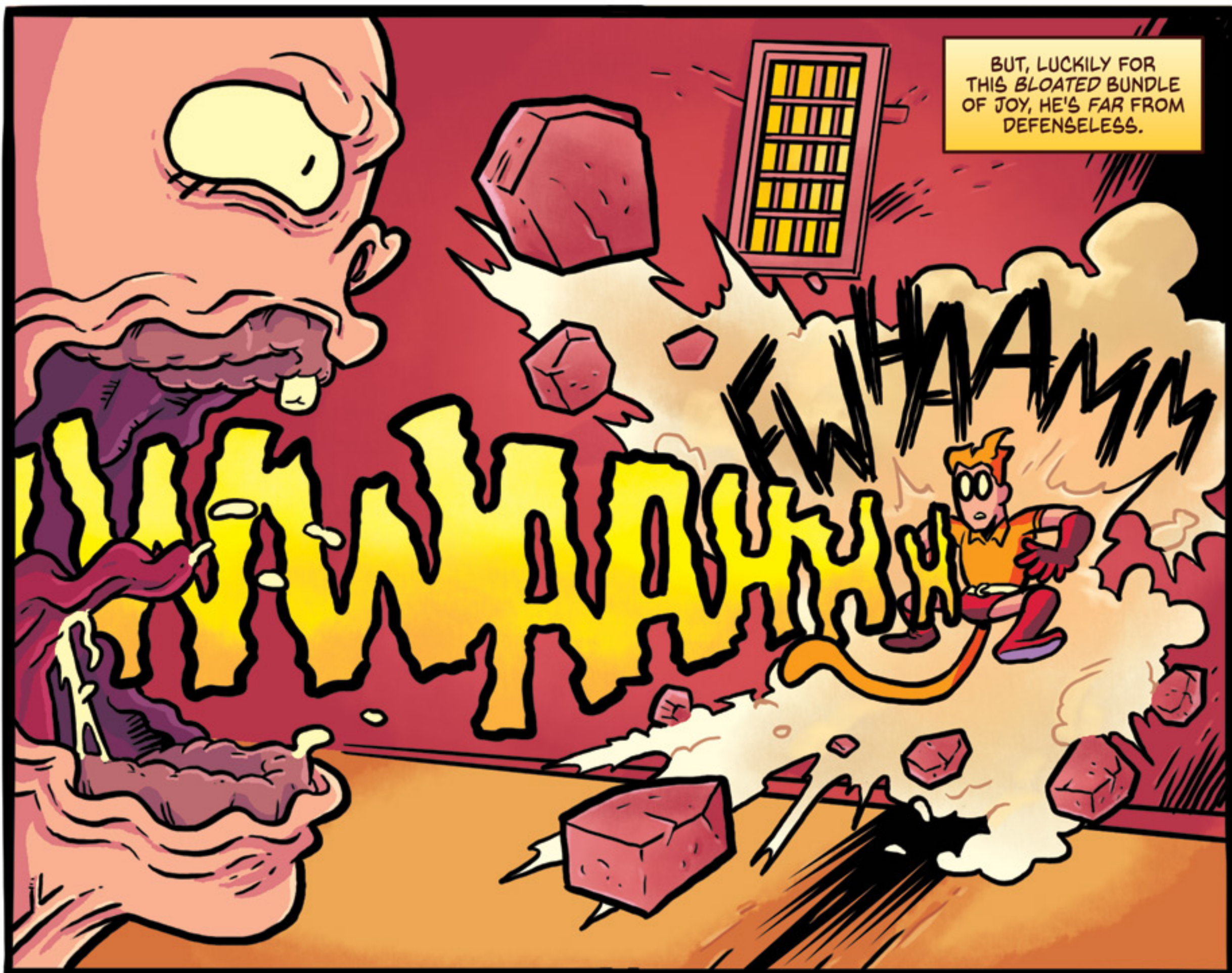
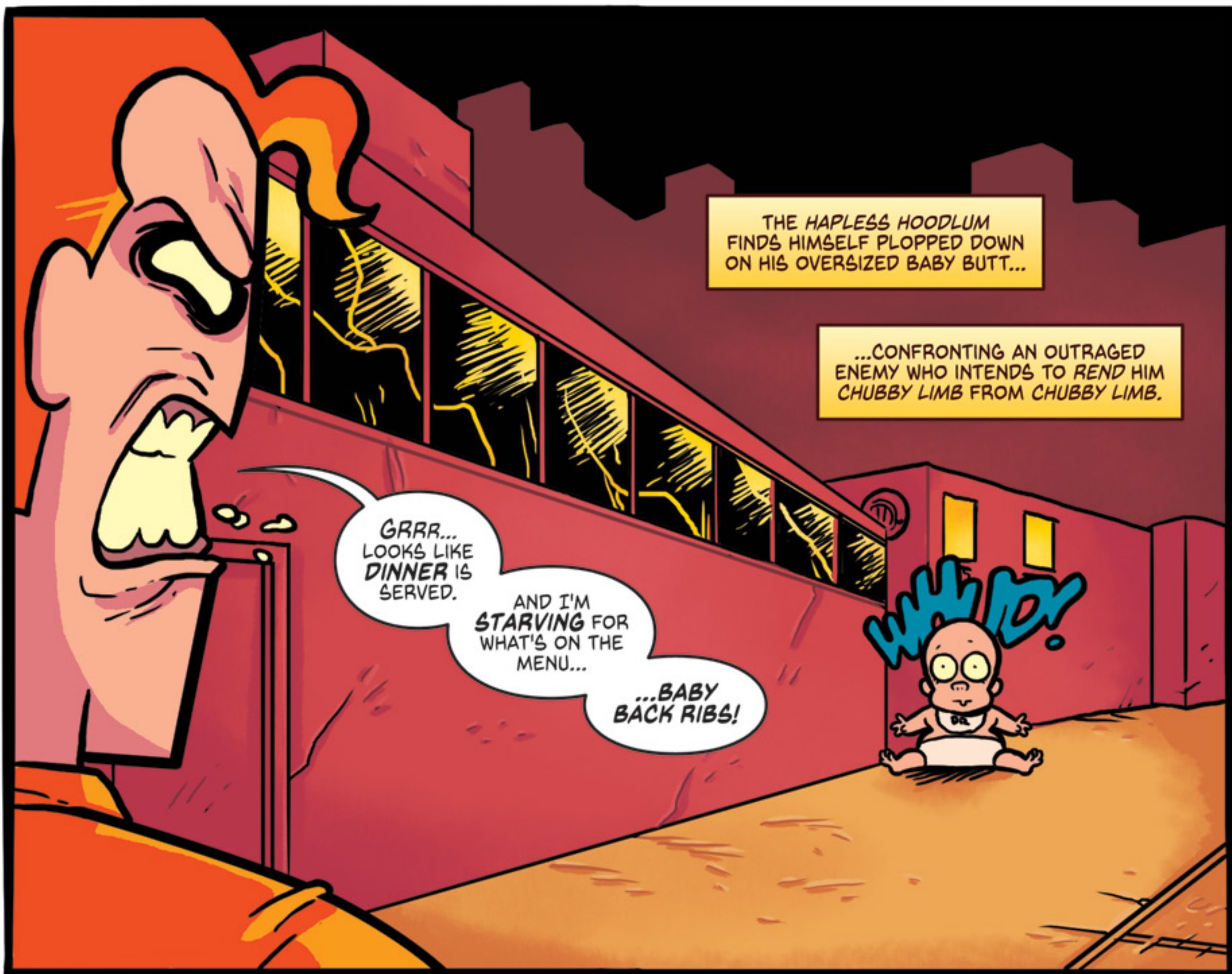
PRAY FOR ANYONE
WHO GETS IN HIS WAY.













UNHHH...

WHAT IN THE SHIT WAS THAT?!?

HIS CIRCUITS SCRAMBLED BY THE HELLSPAWN'S SONIC SIREN SONG...



...CUB MAKES GOOD ON THE VOW HE GAVE TO EZZIE.

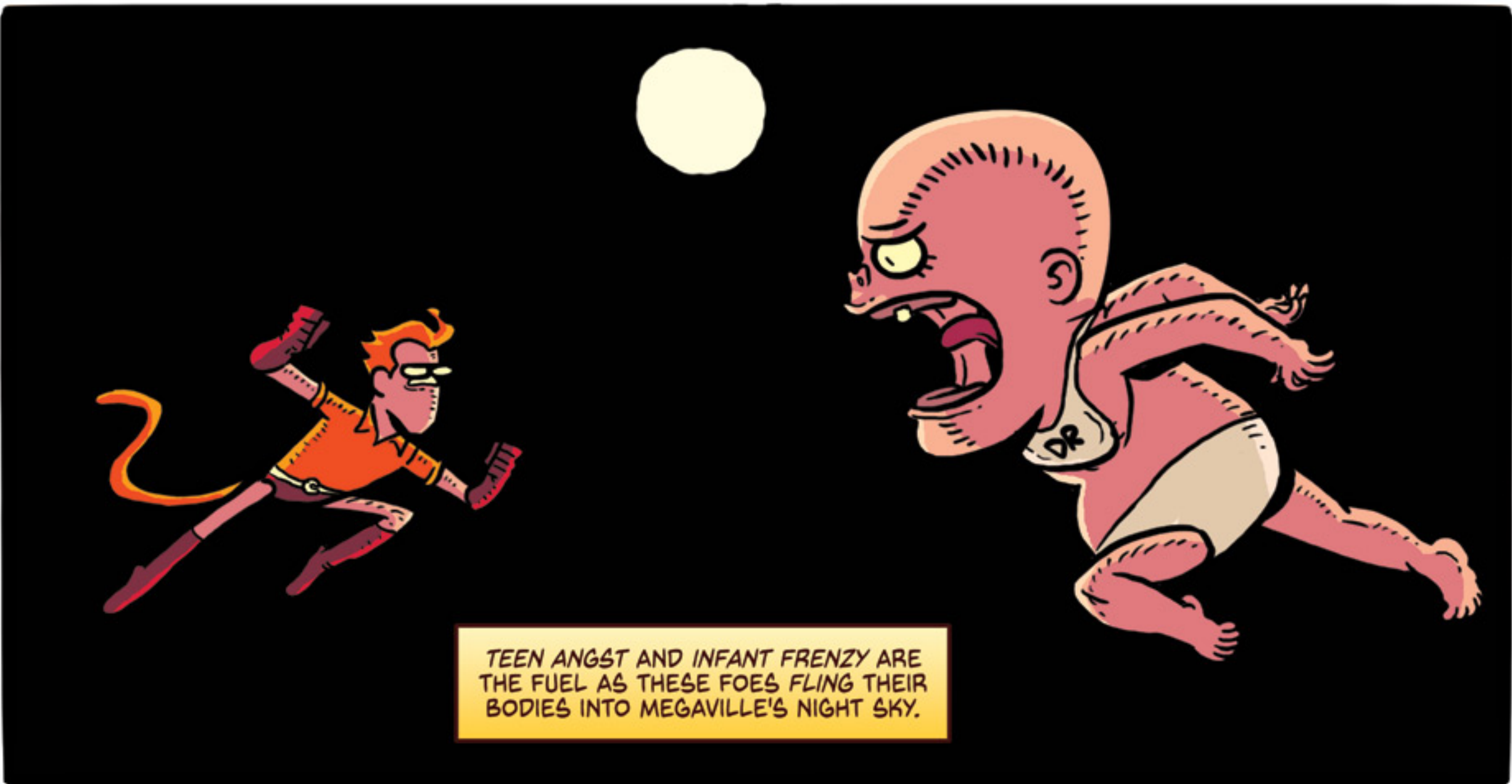


YOU JUST **TOSSED** THE WRONG FUCKING SALAD, DICK RASH.

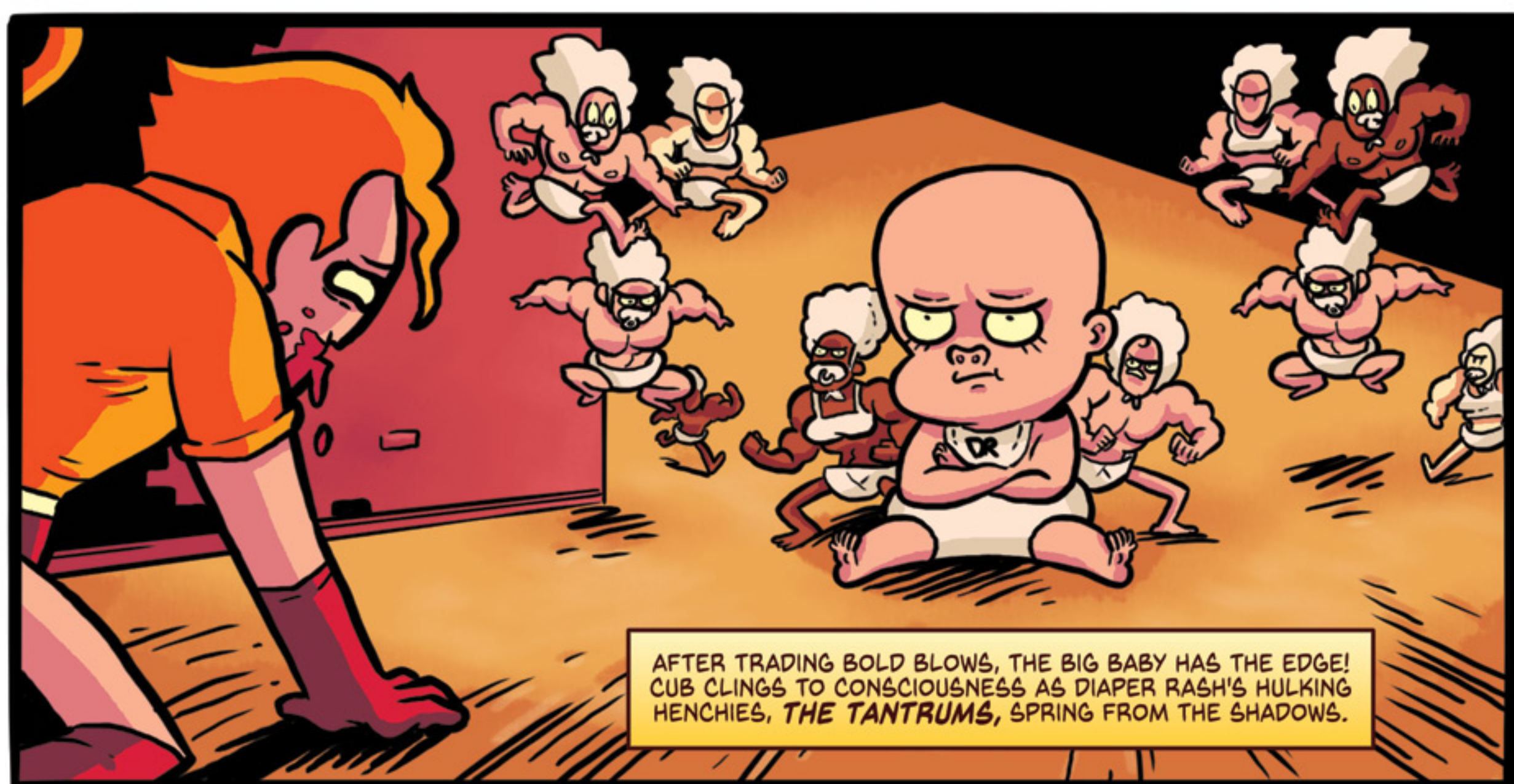
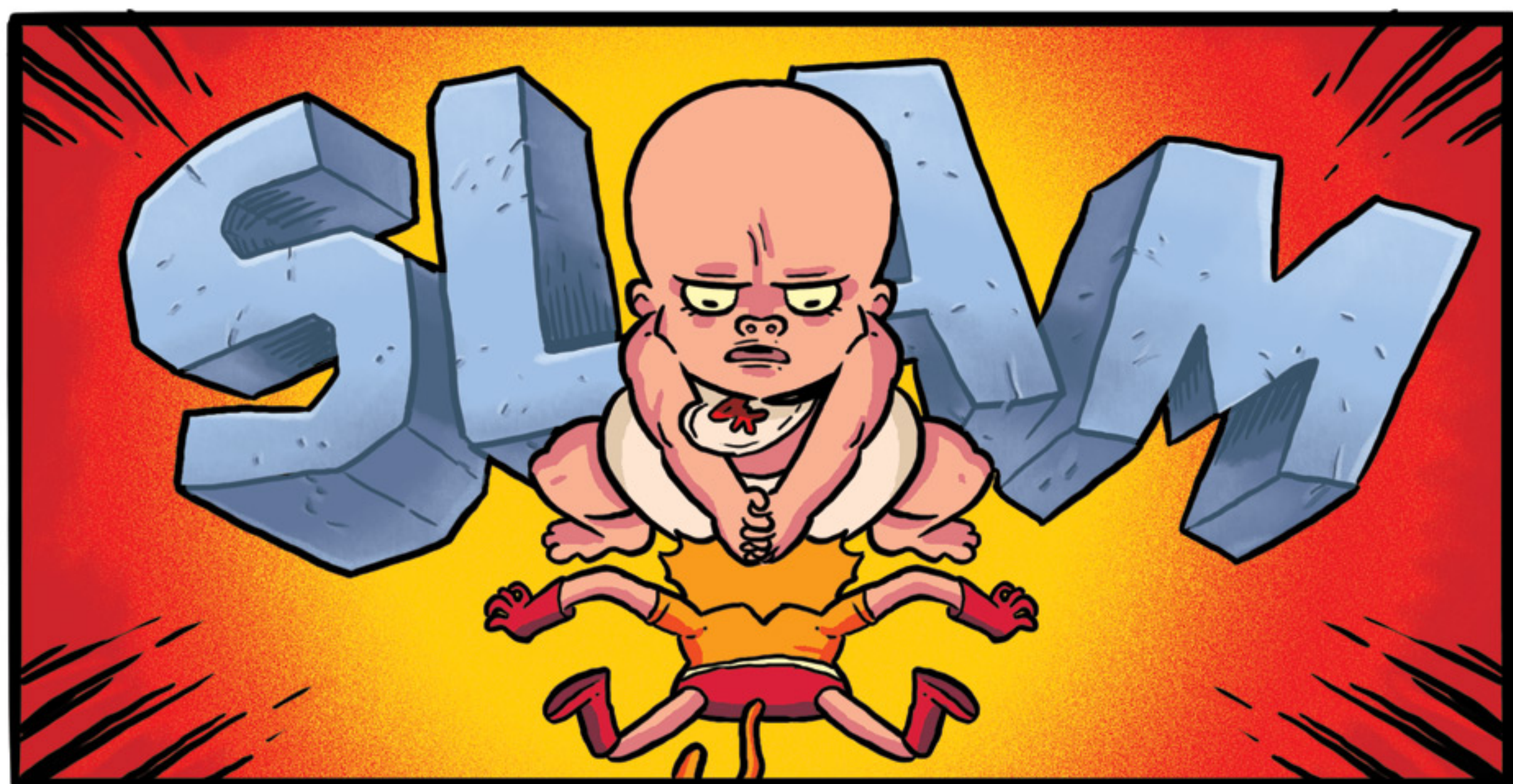
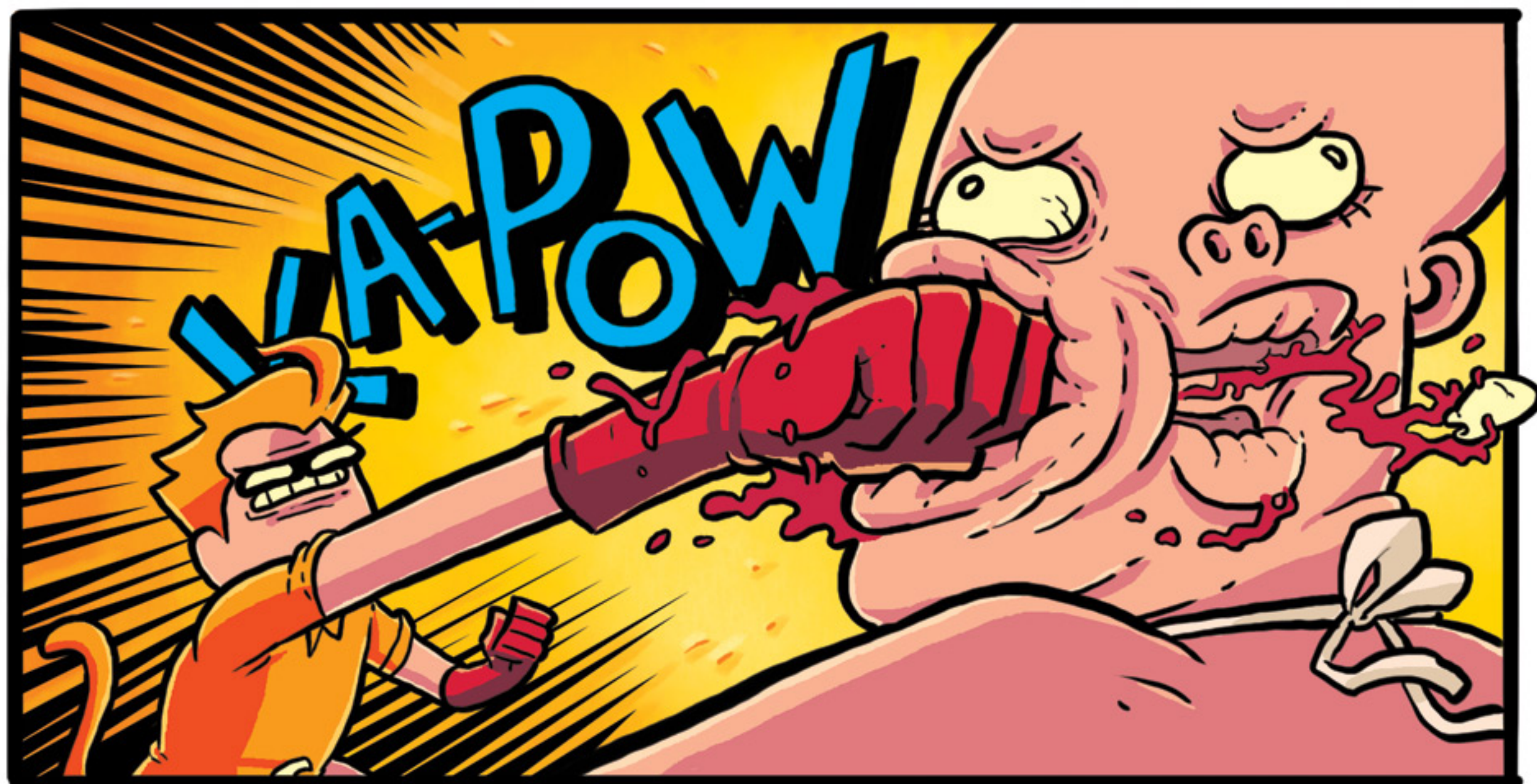


I **HOPE** YOU ATE A BALANCED BREAKFAST THIS MORNING.

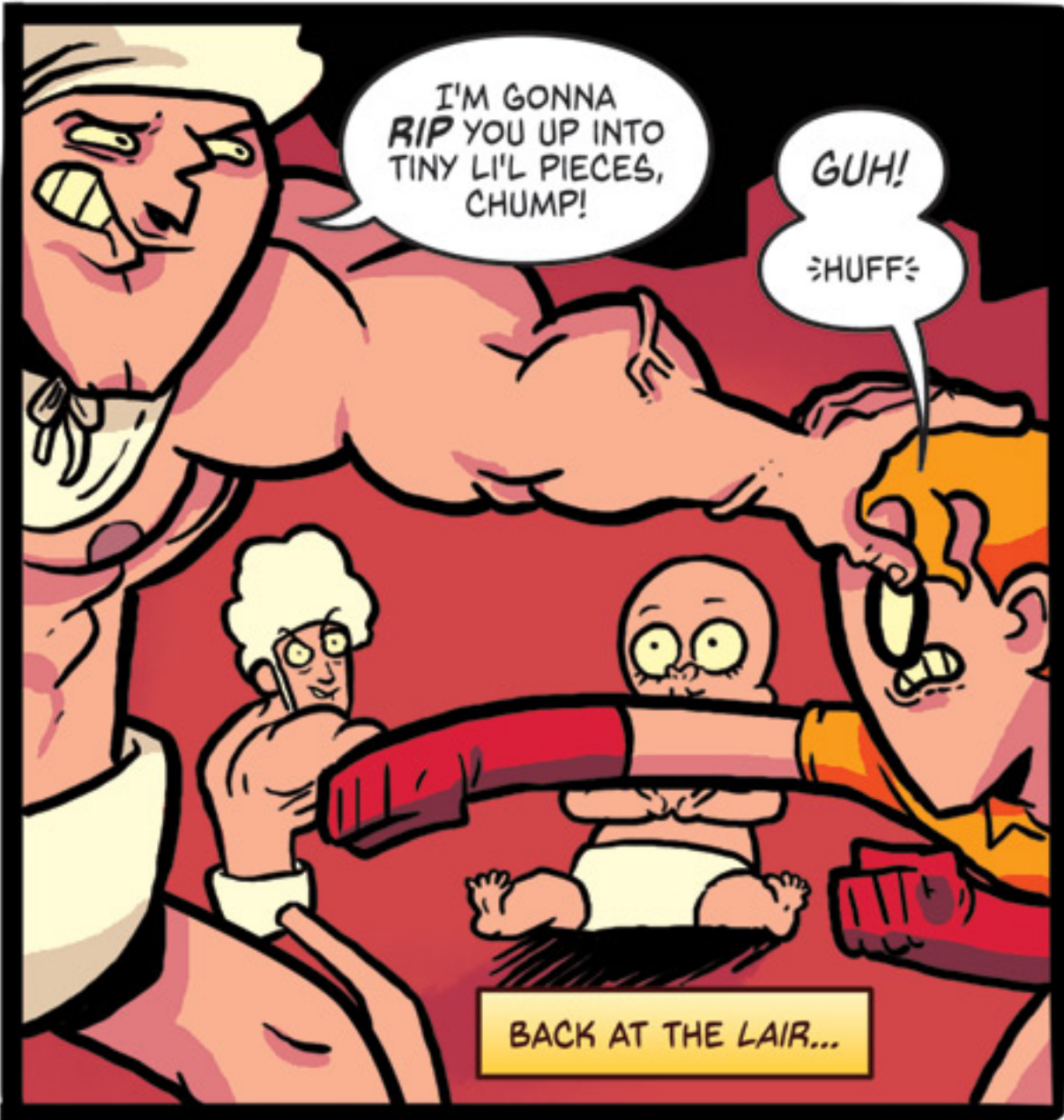
IT'S **PLAYTIME, BITCH!**

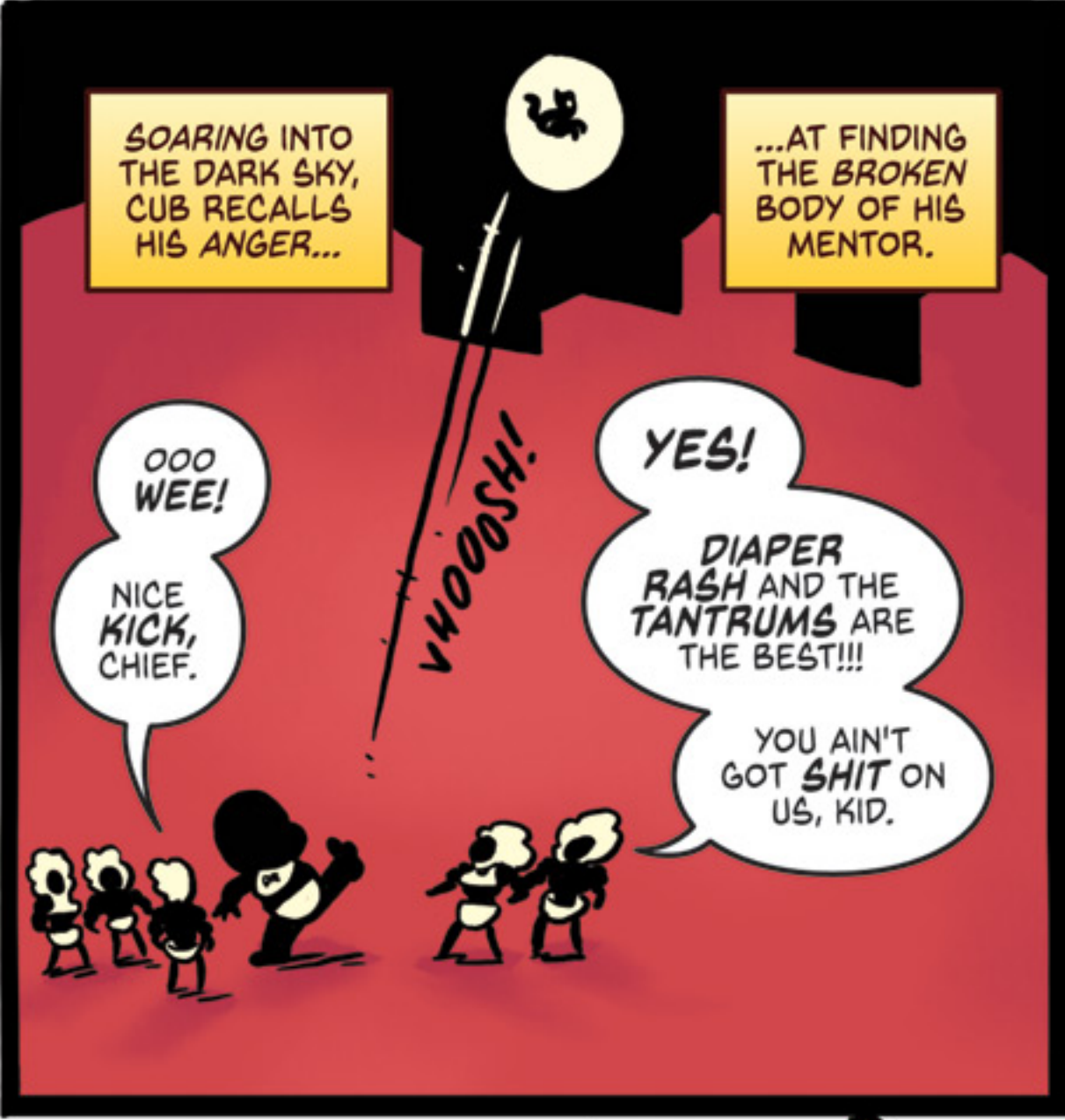


TEEN ANGST AND INFANT FRENZY ARE THE FUEL AS THESE FOES FLING THEIR BODIES INTO MEGAVILLE'S NIGHT SKY.

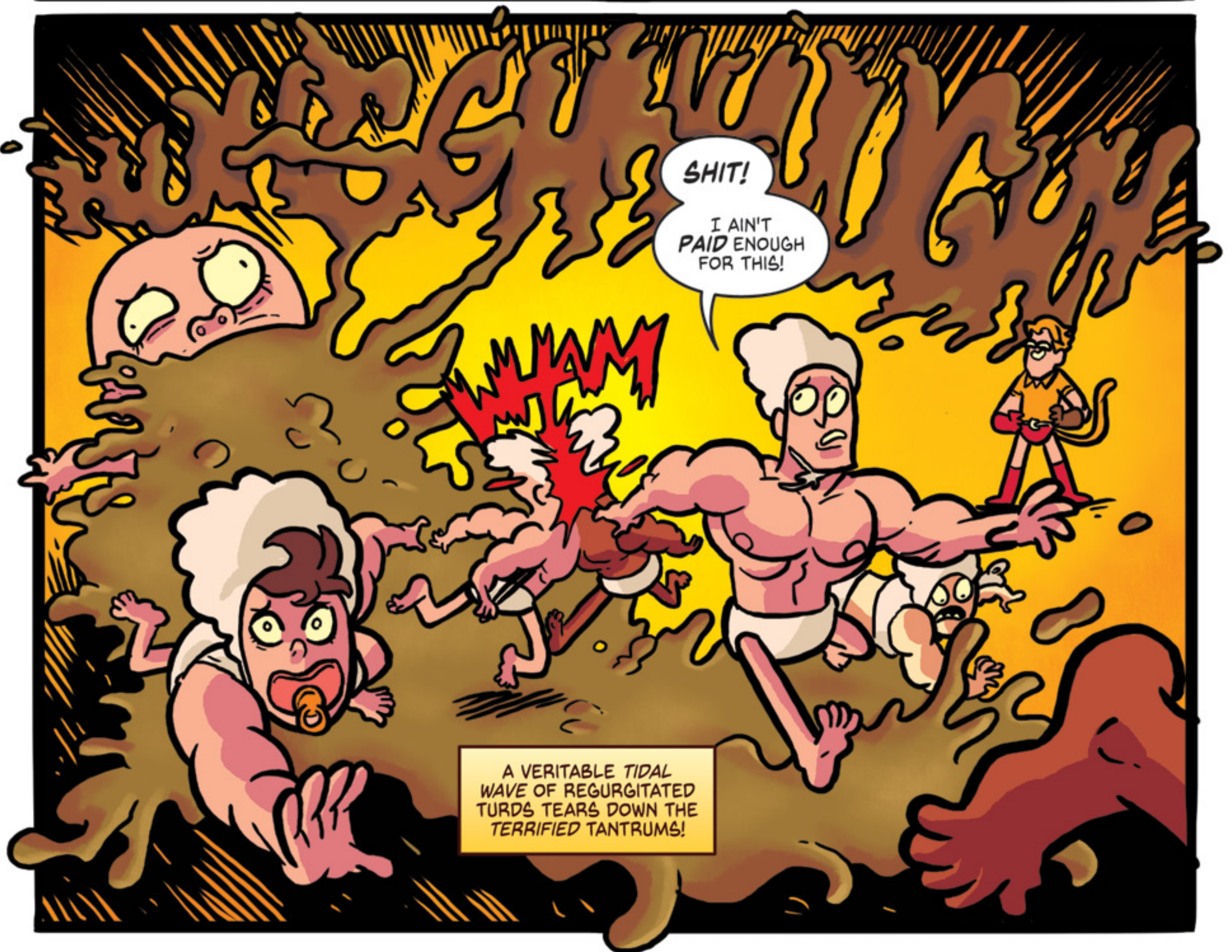












THE DISASTROUS SLUDGEFEEST IS A SHIT-PUKE SWAMP, THE UNHOLY STEW COATING EVERY SURFACE IN SIGHT.



THE OTHER ROGUES STAND FROZEN IN FEAR, STUNNED THAT A SCRAWNY SIDEKICK DECIMATED THEIR BIG BRAWLER AND HIS CRANKY CREW.



OH.

MY.

FUCKIN'.

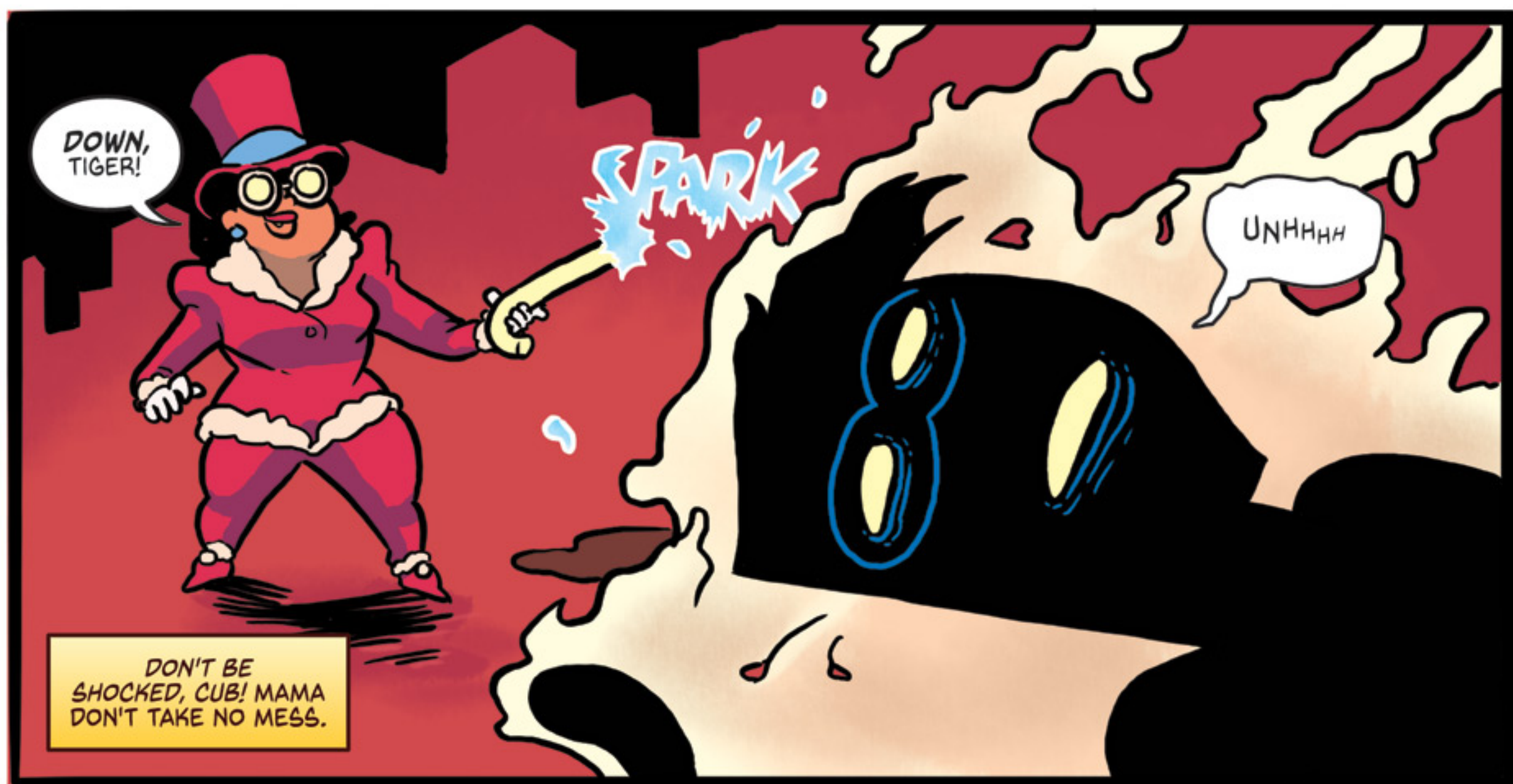
GOD.

I SURE *HOPE* YOU COCKSLAPPERS WERE THOROUGHLY ENTERTAINED!

NOW, WHO WANTS TA GO NEXT?



GULP!





WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THIS PHILANDERING PHILISTINE?

BACK INSIDE THE LAIR, THE SHOUTING MATCH BEGINS! EACH ROGUE WANTS CUB TO SERVE A DIFFERENT DEVILOUS DESIGN.

LET'S LIQUIFY HIM AND POUR HIS REMAINS INTO THE WATER SUPPLY!

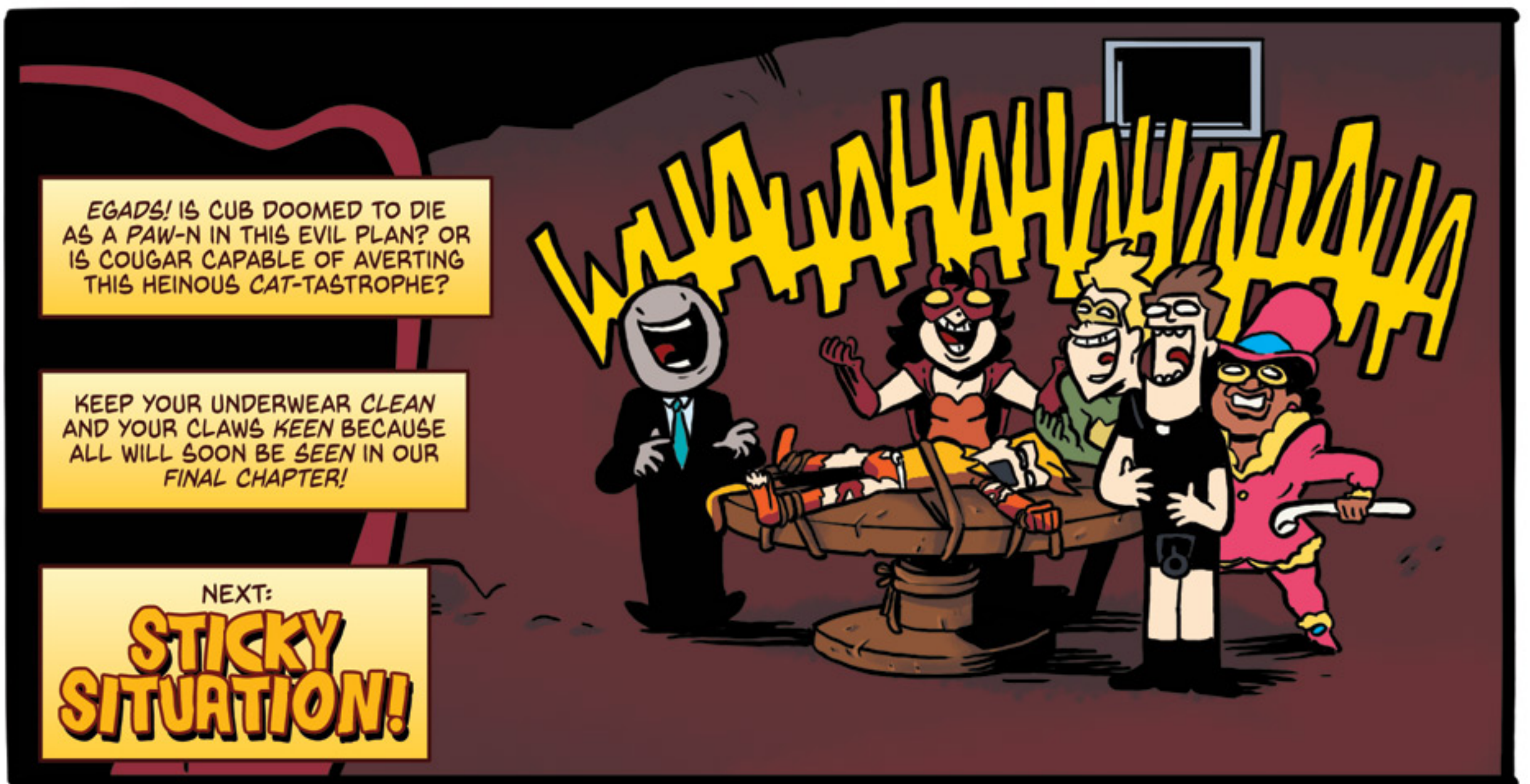
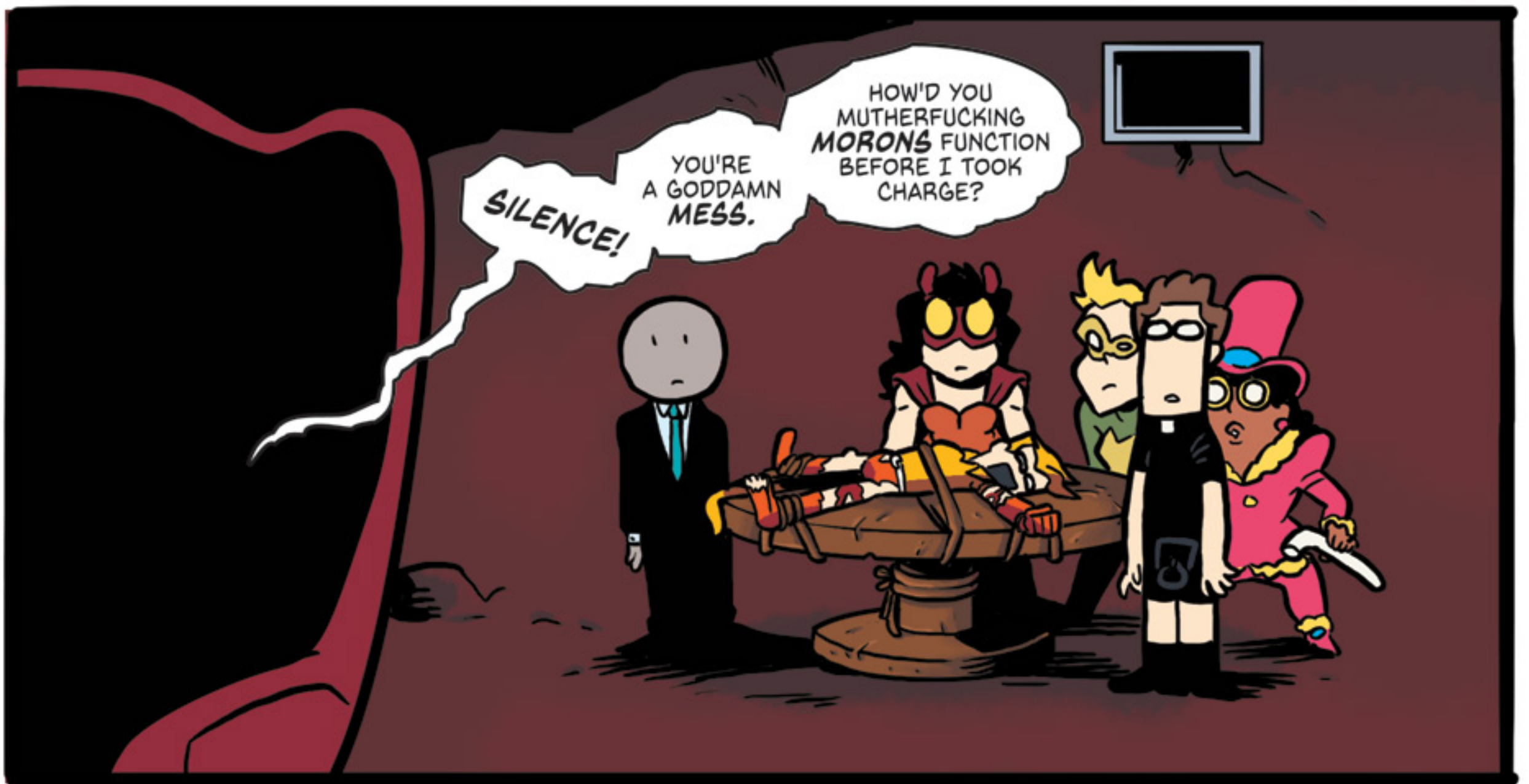
MY PURTY LI'L CREEPY CRAWLIES WOULD LOVE TA EAT HIS FRESH FLESH!

I WANNA PUT HIS SWEET BUTT TO WORK FOR ME ON THE STREET!

LET'S BAPTIZE HIM!

HE'S TOO WEIRD TO LIVE!

LET'S JUST GET IT OVER WITH AND KILL THIS FREAK!



COUGAR AND CUB

OH HH BABY!

YOU'VE CAUGHT OUR HERO IN A
HIGHLY COMPROMISING POSITION
COURTESY OF THE SUPER HEALER
OF SLEAZE, DOCTOR FEELGOOD.



CUB'S IN DANGER AND COUGAR NEEDS TO HEAL FAST
SO SHE CAN SAVE HIM! THAT'S WHY SHE'S IN THIS...

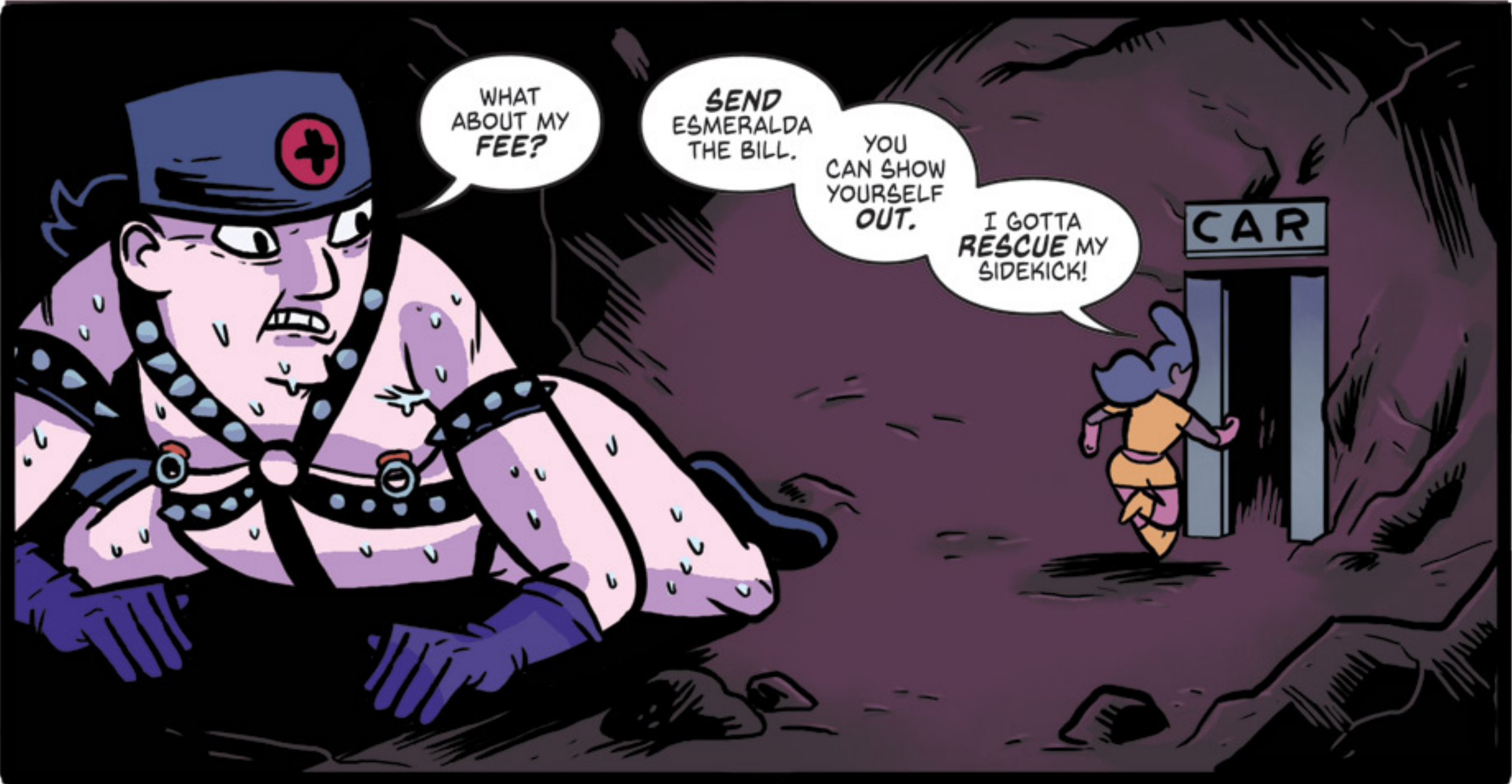
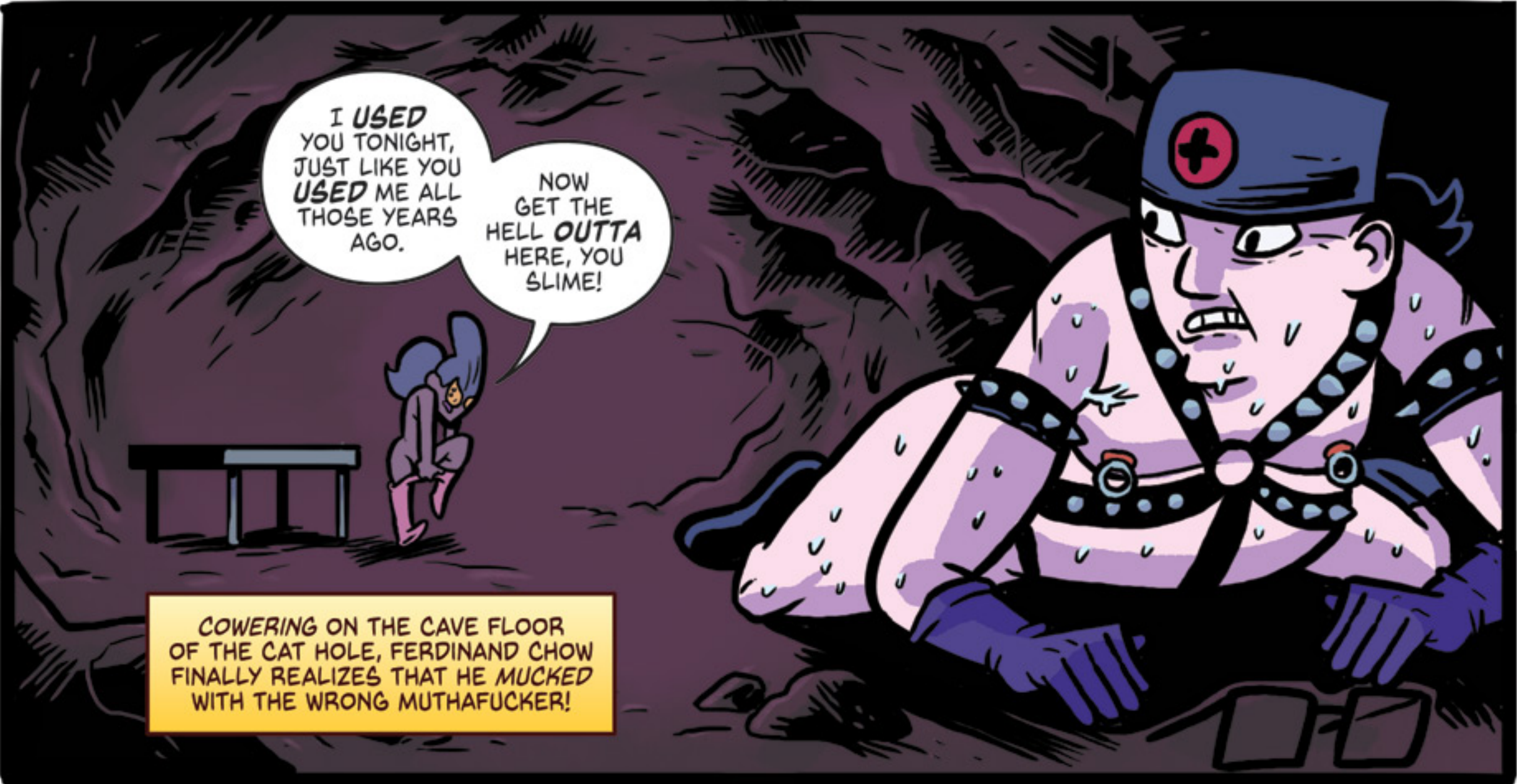
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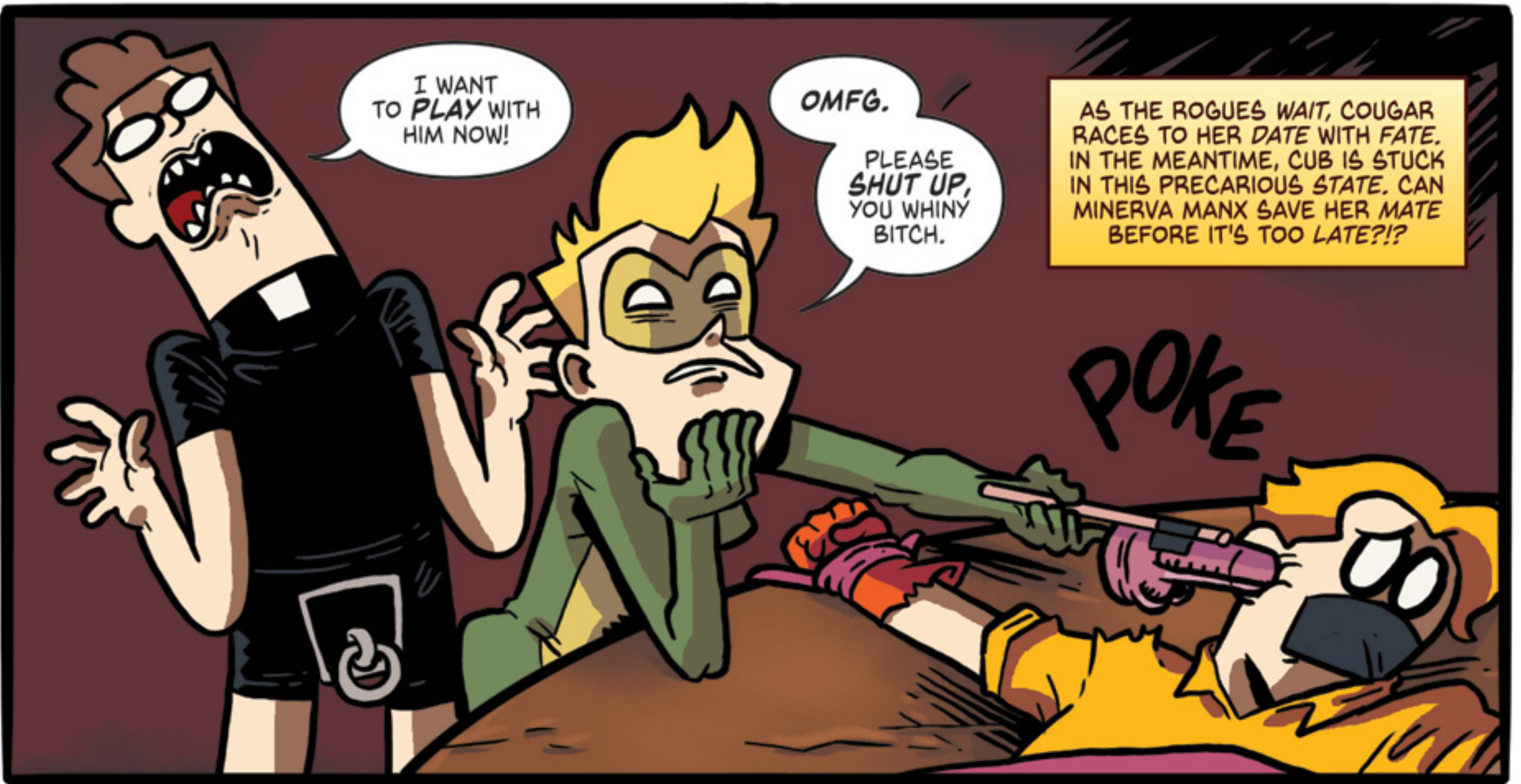
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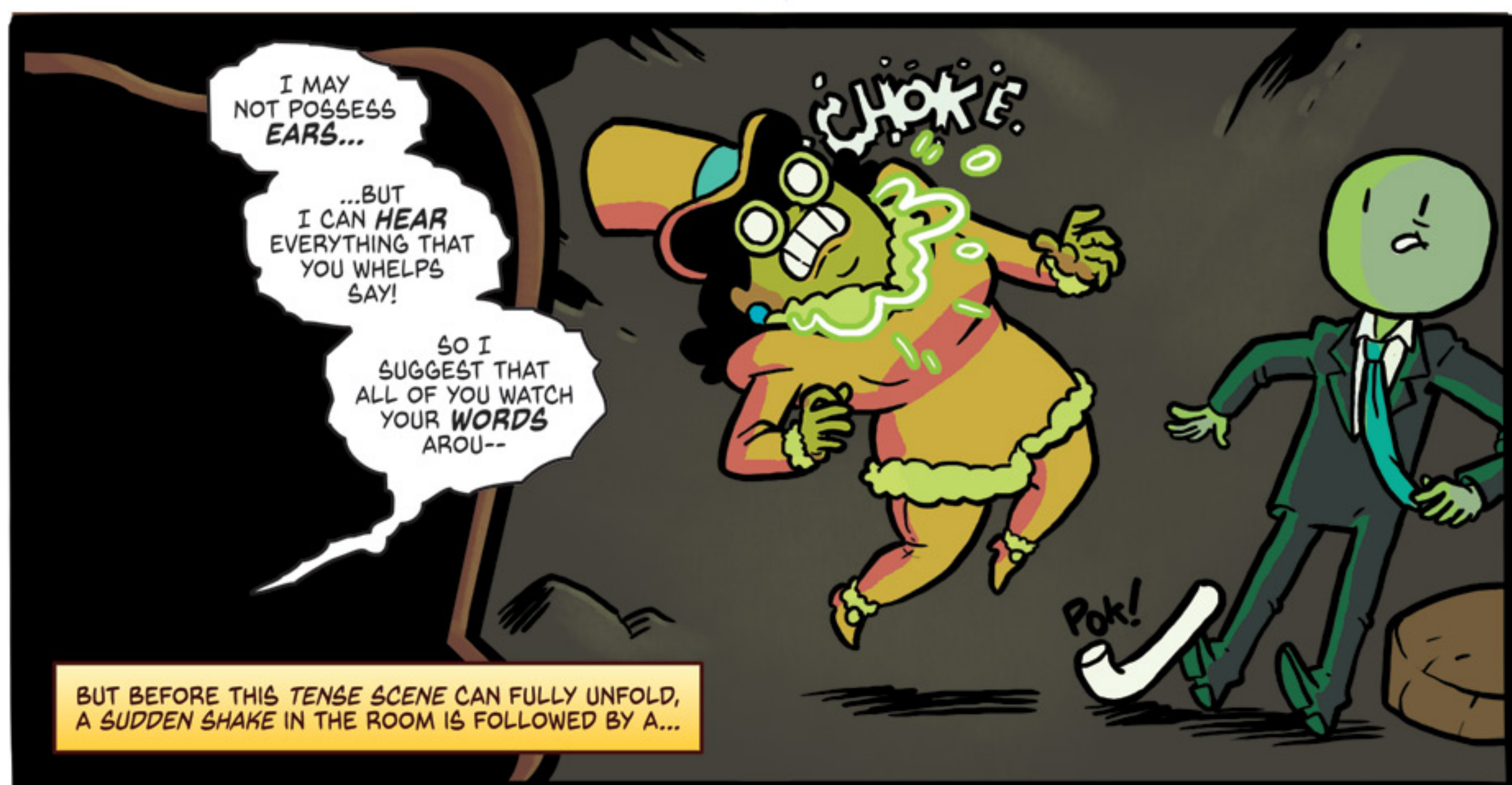
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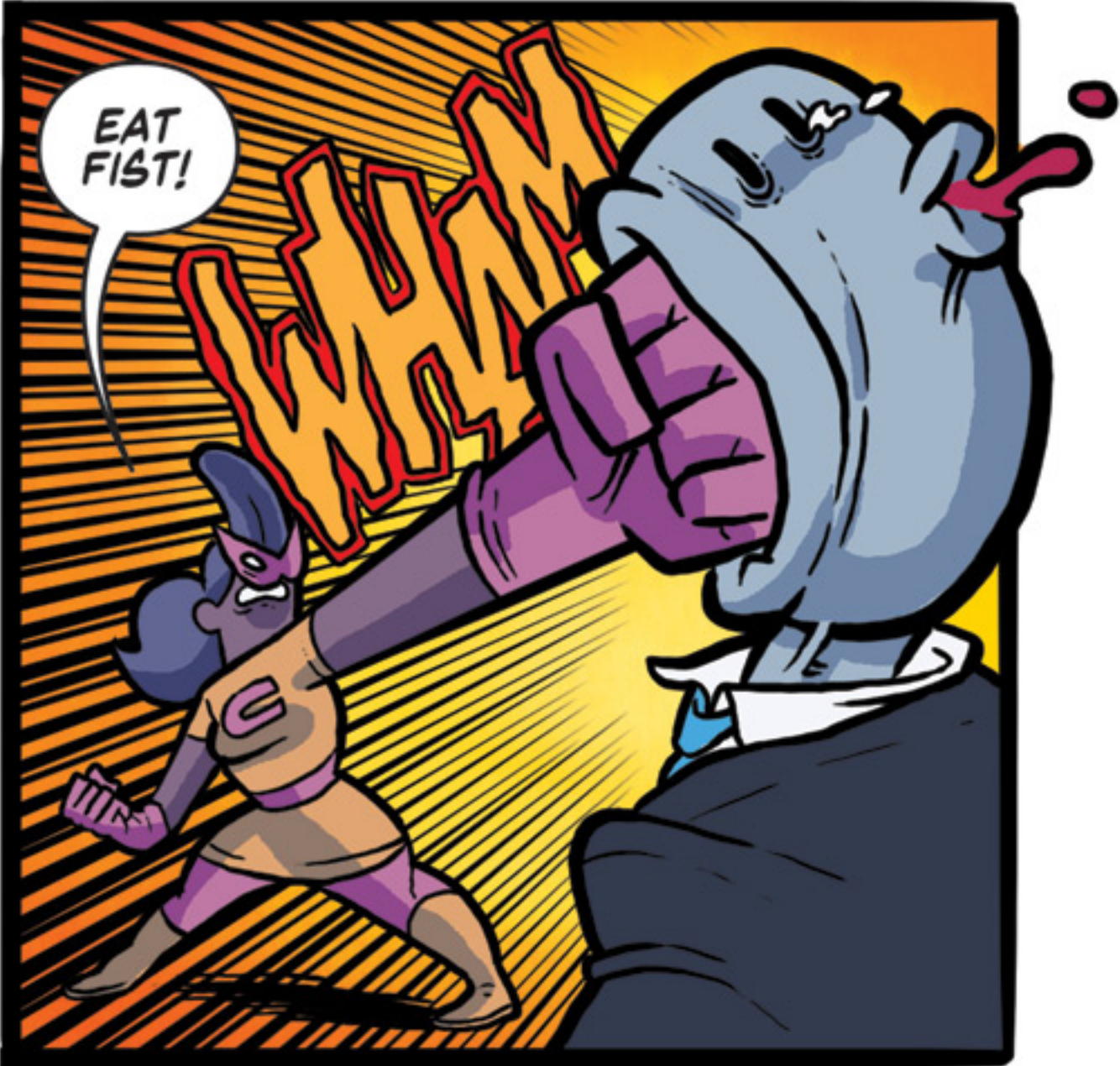
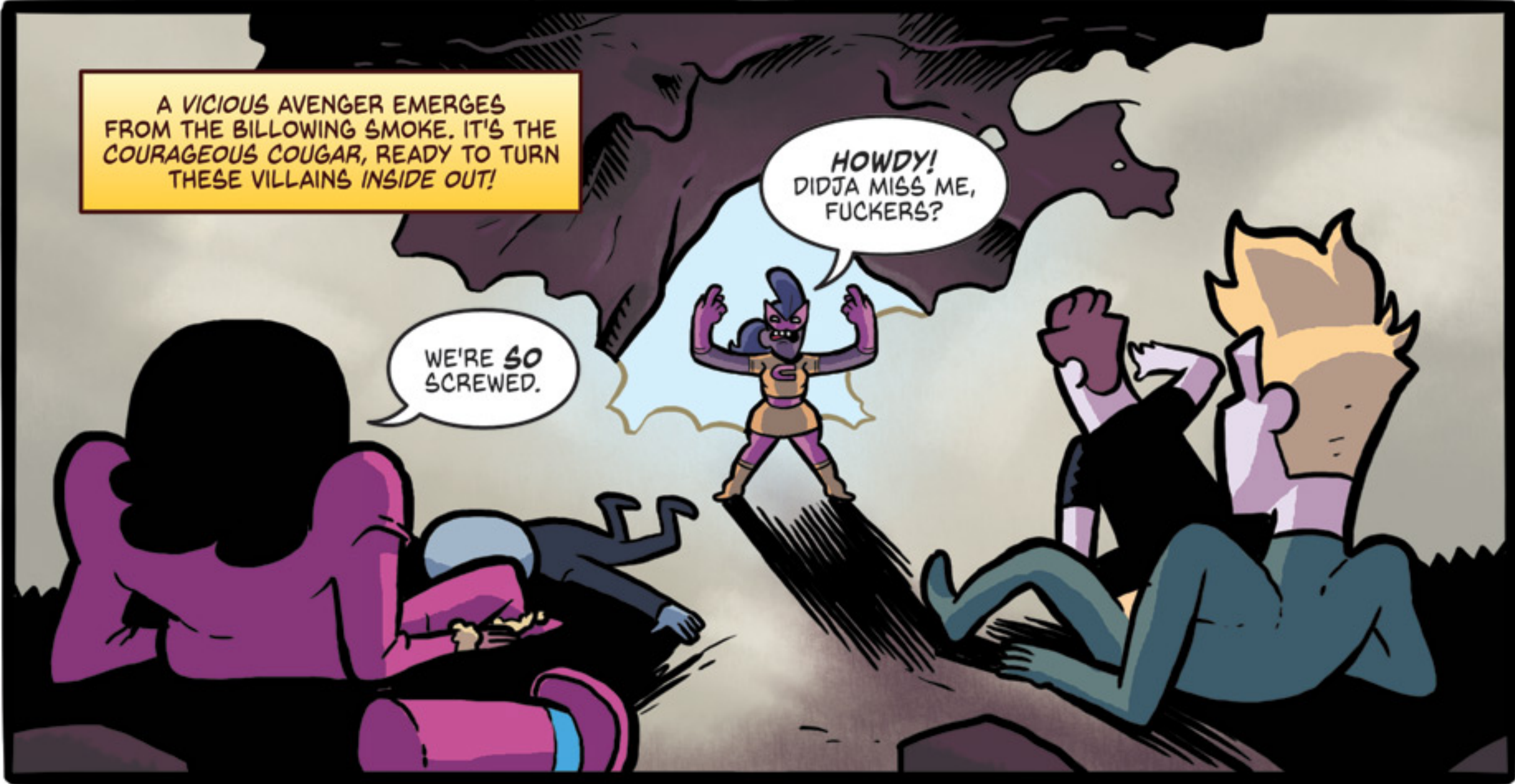










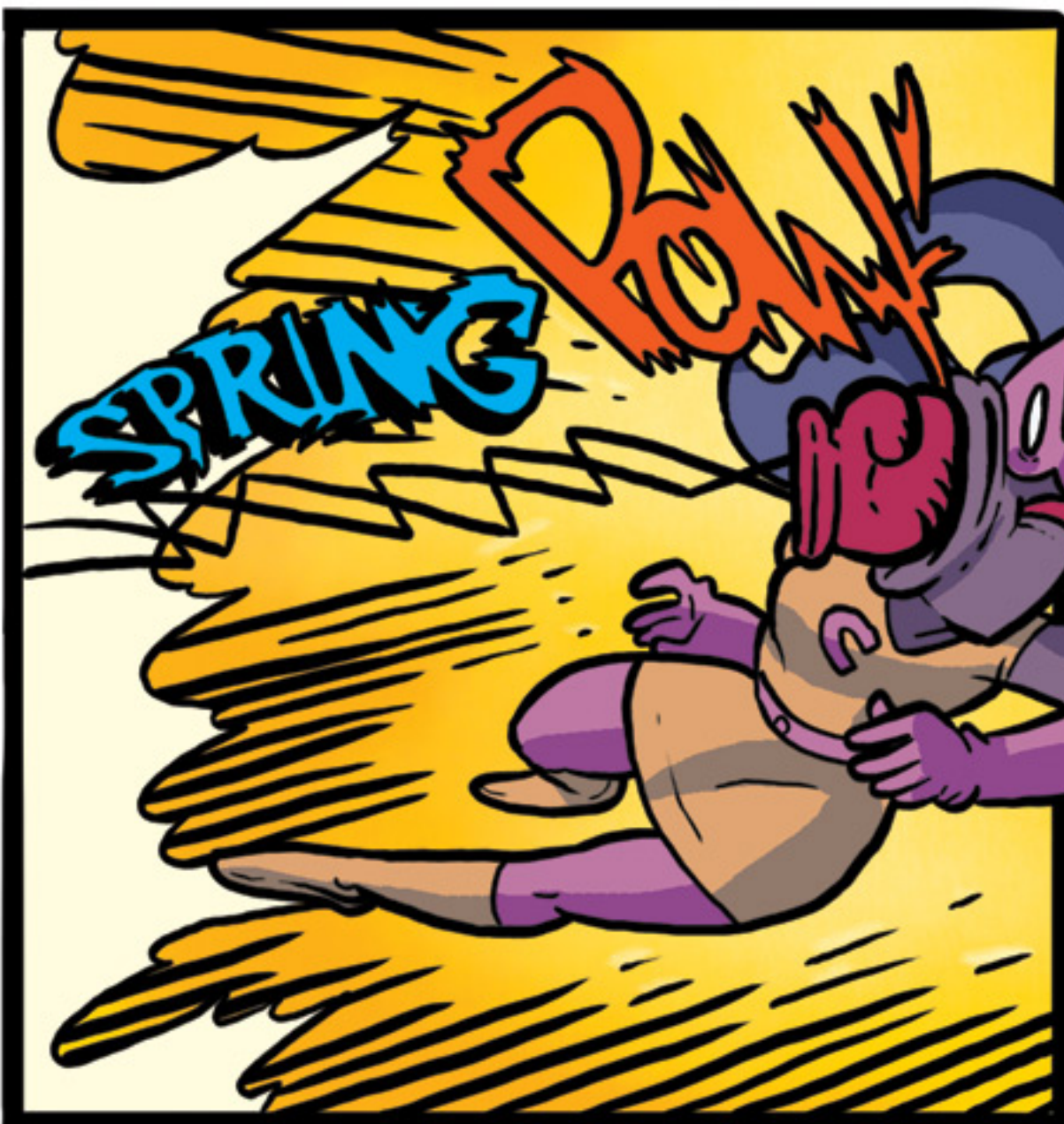


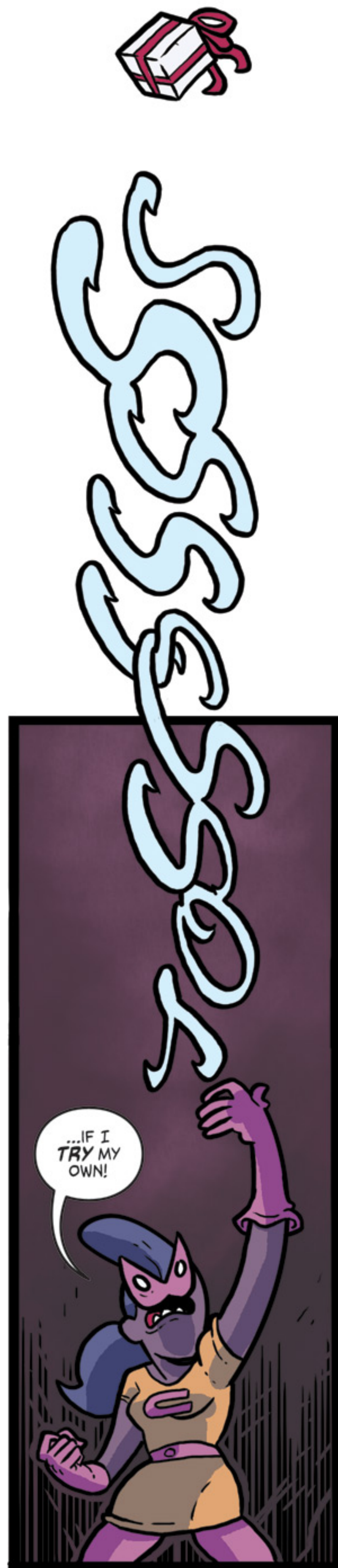
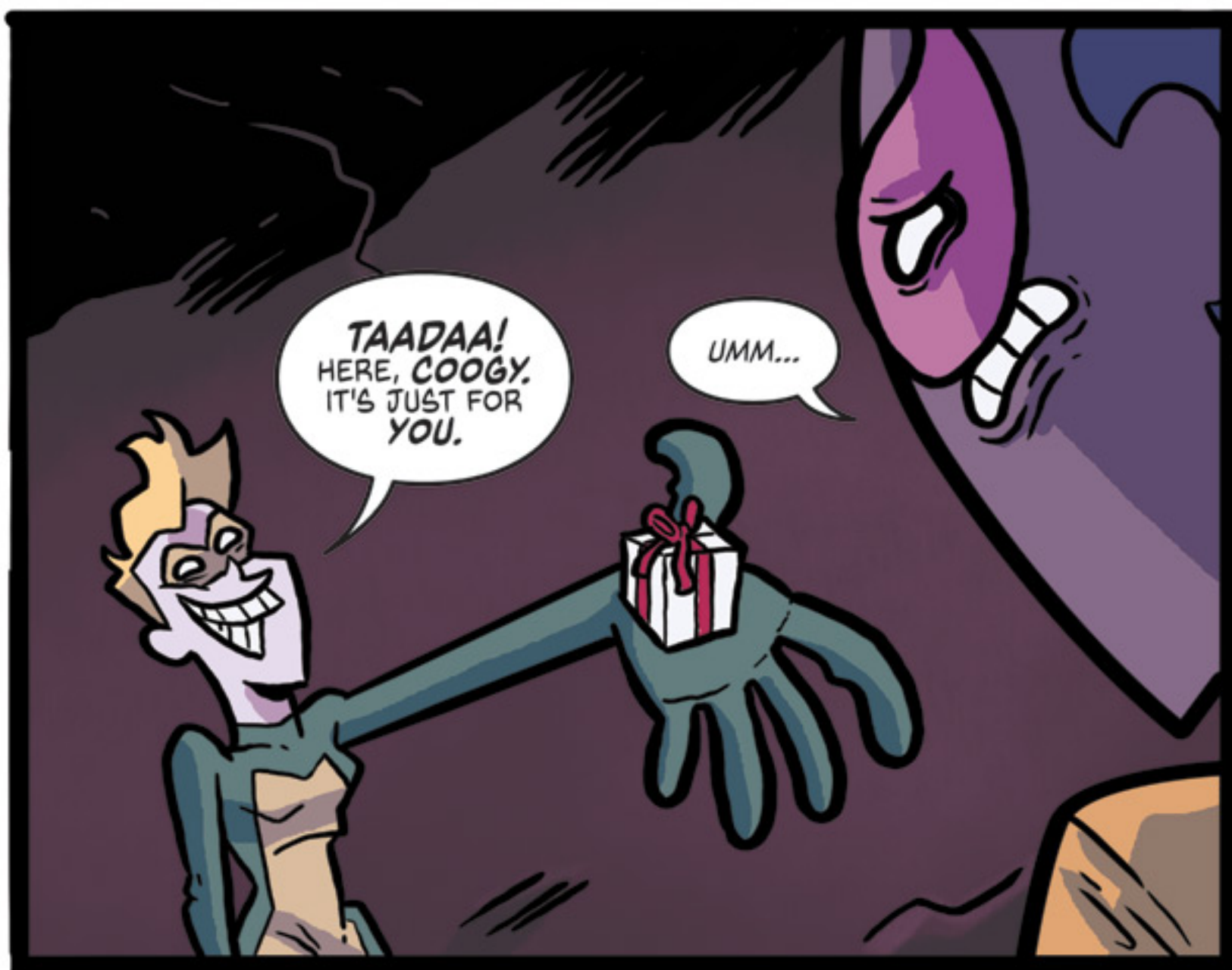


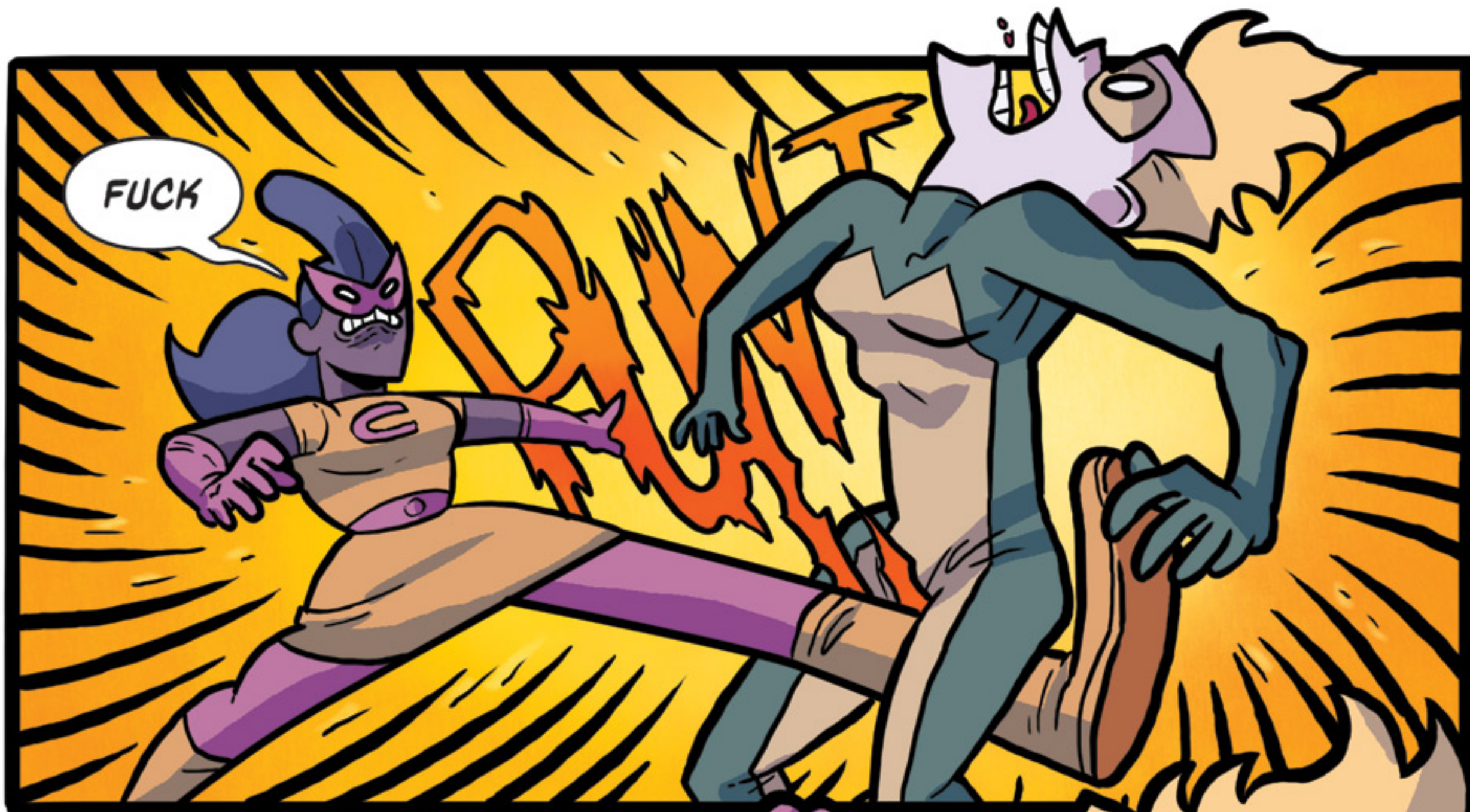














HEY THERE! REMEMBER ME?!
I STEPPED OUT TO GET A SANDWICH.
WOWEE! I SURE MISSED A LOT. I HOPE
YOU WEREN'T TOO LOST WITHOUT
MY EFFUSIVE ELUCIDATIONS!

LET'S SEE WHAT'S GOING ON...
JUST GOTTA SNATCH MY SCRIPT...
M'KAY, HERE WE GO! ISSUE 5, PAGE 17.
AHHHHH, YES! THE BIG SUPERVILLAIN
REVEAL! WELL, THIS IS QUITE THE
STARTLING SURPRISE, ISN'T IT?

YOUR PISS
POOR EXCUSE FOR
A SIDEKICK IS CLEARLY
REFERRING TO **ME**,
MINERVA.

EW! THAT
THING IS SO
SLIMY!!

AND IT'S
PULSING LIKE
AN ENGORGED
**COCK FROM
HELL!!!**

I **KNOW**,
RIGHT?

I HAD TO
FUCKING STARE
AT IT FOR YOUR
ENTIRE FIGHT
SCENE.

IT'S BEEN
TERRIBLE!

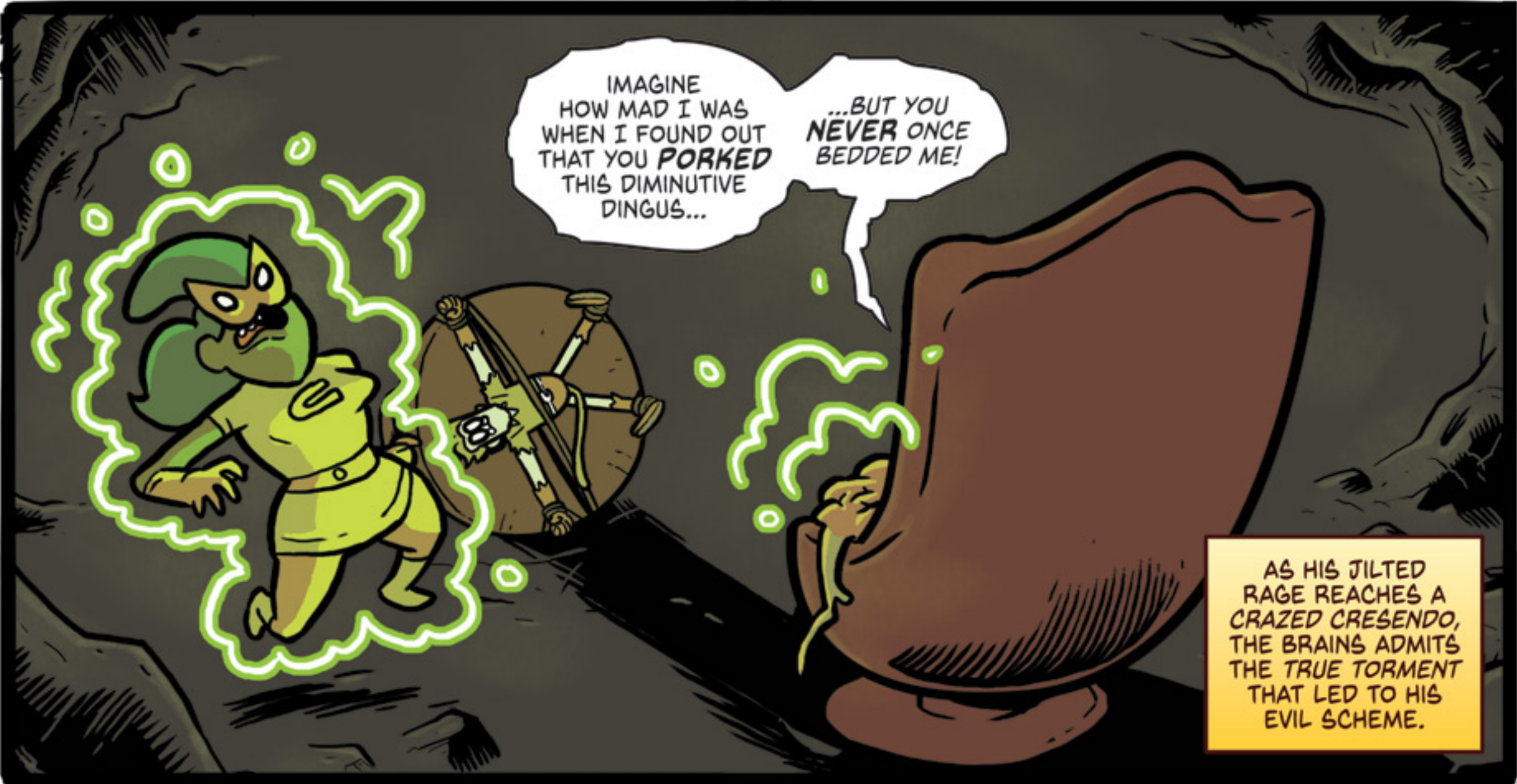
YES!

BASK IN MY
**TERRIFYING
VISAGE!**

YEAH, THAT LITTLE GUY IS PRETTY
GODDAMN GROSS. HONESTLY, I DON'T
EVEN WANT THIS SANDWICH ANYMORE.
I GUESS I COULD SAVE IT FOR LA--
OH, SORRY! *AHM* MY NARRATION...

THIS CRANIAL CRETIN
IS SURE TO HAUNT THE
DREAMS OF OUR HEROES
FOR YEARS TO COME. BUT
BEFORE COUGAR AND CUB
CAN EVEN HAVE THOSE
NIGHTMARES, THEY
MUST ESCAPE!!!

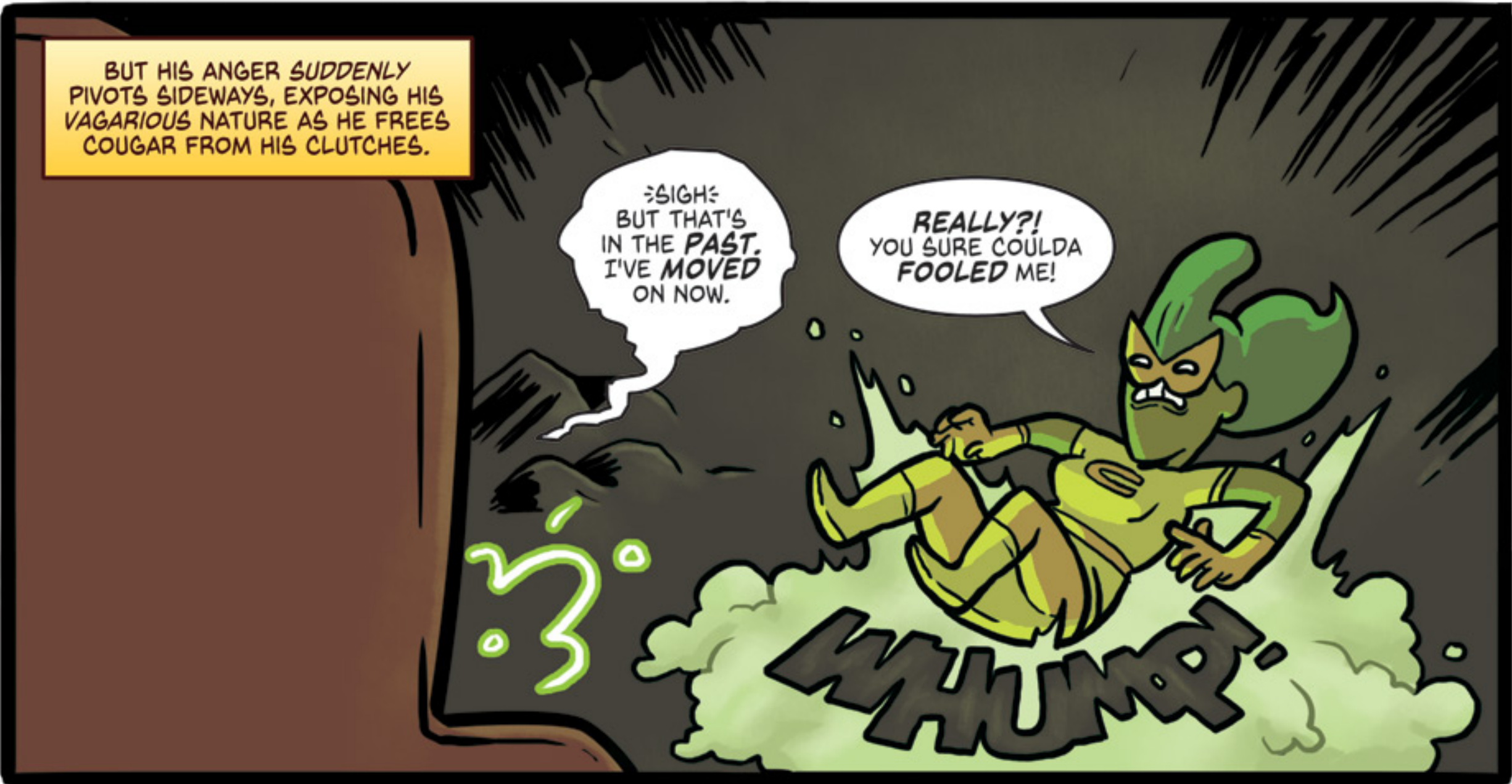




IMAGINE
HOW MAD I WAS
WHEN I FOUND OUT
THAT YOU **PORKED**
THIS DIMINUTIVE
DINGUS...

...BUT YOU
NEVER ONCE
BEDDED ME!

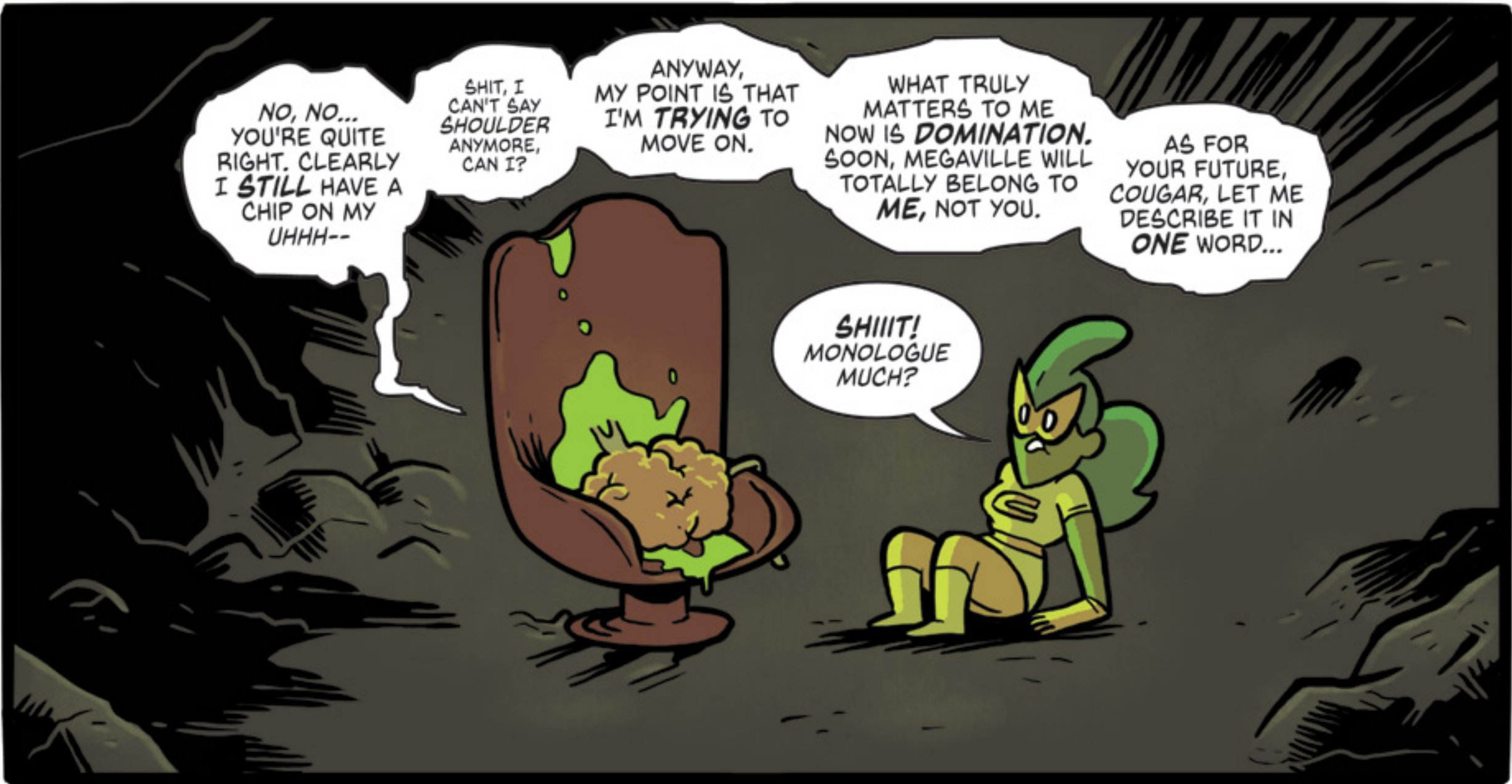
AS HIS JILTED
RAGE REACHES A
CRAZED CRESCENDO,
THE BRAINS ADMITS
THE **TRUE TORMENT**
THAT LED TO HIS
EVIL SCHEME.



BUT HIS ANGER **SUDDENLY**
PIVOTS **SIDWAYS**, EXPOSING HIS
VAGARIOUS NATURE AS HE **FREEES**
COUGAR FROM HIS CLUTCHES.

~SIGH~
BUT THAT'S
IN THE **PAST**.
I'VE **MOVED**
ON NOW.

REALLY?!
YOU SURE COULDA
FOOLED ME!



NO, NO...
YOU'RE QUITE
RIGHT. CLEARLY
I **STILL** HAVE A
CHIP ON MY
UHHH--

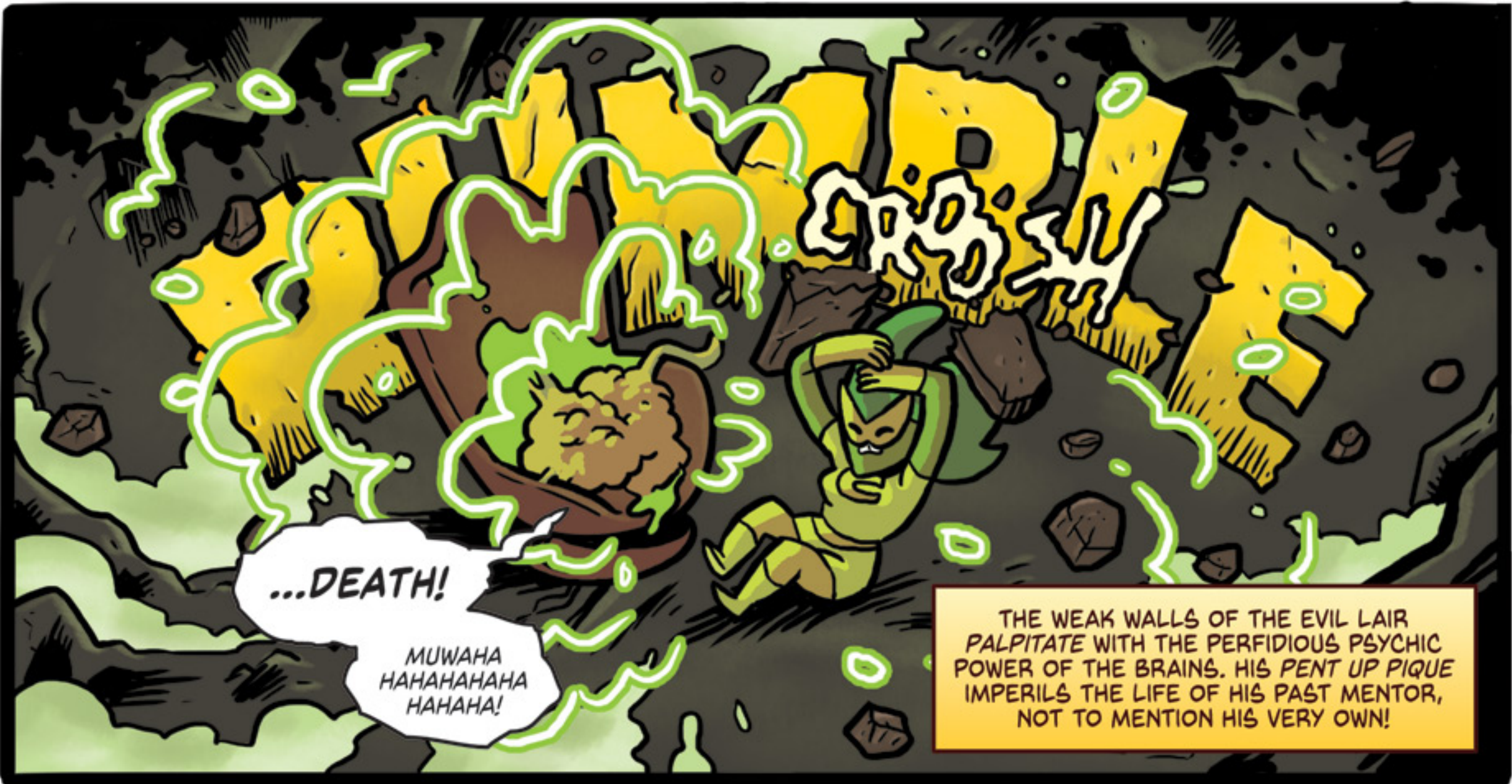
SHIT, I
CAN'T SAY
SHOULDER
ANYMORE,
CAN I?

ANYWAY,
MY POINT IS THAT
I'M **TRYING** TO
MOVE ON.

WHAT TRULY
MATTERS TO ME
NOW IS **DOMINATION**.
SOON, MEGAVILLE WILL
TOTALLY BELONG TO
ME, NOT YOU.

AS FOR
YOUR FUTURE,
COUGAR, LET ME
DESCRIBE IT IN
ONE WORD...

SHIIT!
MONOLOGUE
MUCH?



...DEATH!
MUWAHA
HAHAHAHAHA
HAHAHA!

THE WEAK WALLS OF THE EVIL LAIR PALPITATE WITH THE PERFIDIOUS PSYCHIC POWER OF THE BRAINS. HIS PENT UP PIQUE IMPERILS THE LIFE OF HIS PAST MENTOR, NOT TO MENTION HIS VERY OWN!



TIMMY,
YOU LOUSY SON
OF A BITCH!
YOU
FUCKING
SUCK!!

JUST
GIVE UP, YOU
CRUSTY OLD
COUGAR!

THERE'S
NOTHING THAT
CAN STOP ME
NOW!!!



SHUT UP,
DICK FOR
BRAINS!

WAIT, WASN'T
HE JUST TIED UP A
FEW MINUTES AGO!?
I GUESS A LOT CAN
HAPPEN OFF-PANEL
WHEN YOU'RE THE
CUNNING CUB!

YA KNOW, LIKE
UNTYING YOURSELF
AND FINDING A LONE
DIDLO KNIFE AMIDST
TONS OF RUBBLE,
FOR EXAMPLE.





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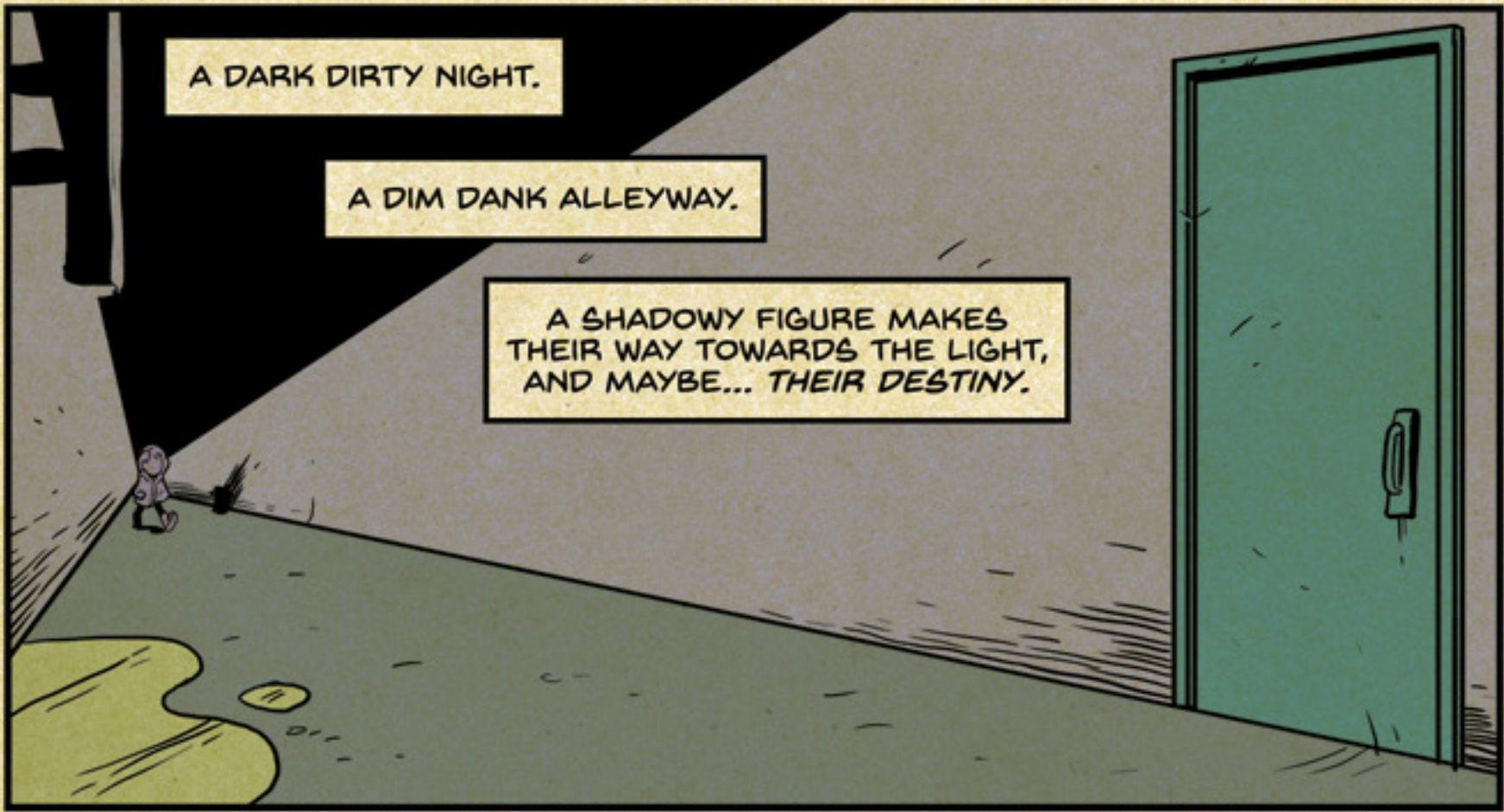
COUGAR

and Cub



CRAPS!

CAN COUGAR RESCUE
CUB BEFORE HE GETS
JUICED THE HARD WAY?



A DARK DIRTY NIGHT.

A DIM DANK ALLEYWAY.

A SHADOWY FIGURE MAKES THEIR WAY TOWARDS THE LIGHT, AND MAYBE... THEIR DESTINY.



YOU CAN KEEP 'EM. THEY'RE TRASH.



WIND THE CLOCK:
COUGAR AND CUB THROUGH THE AGES

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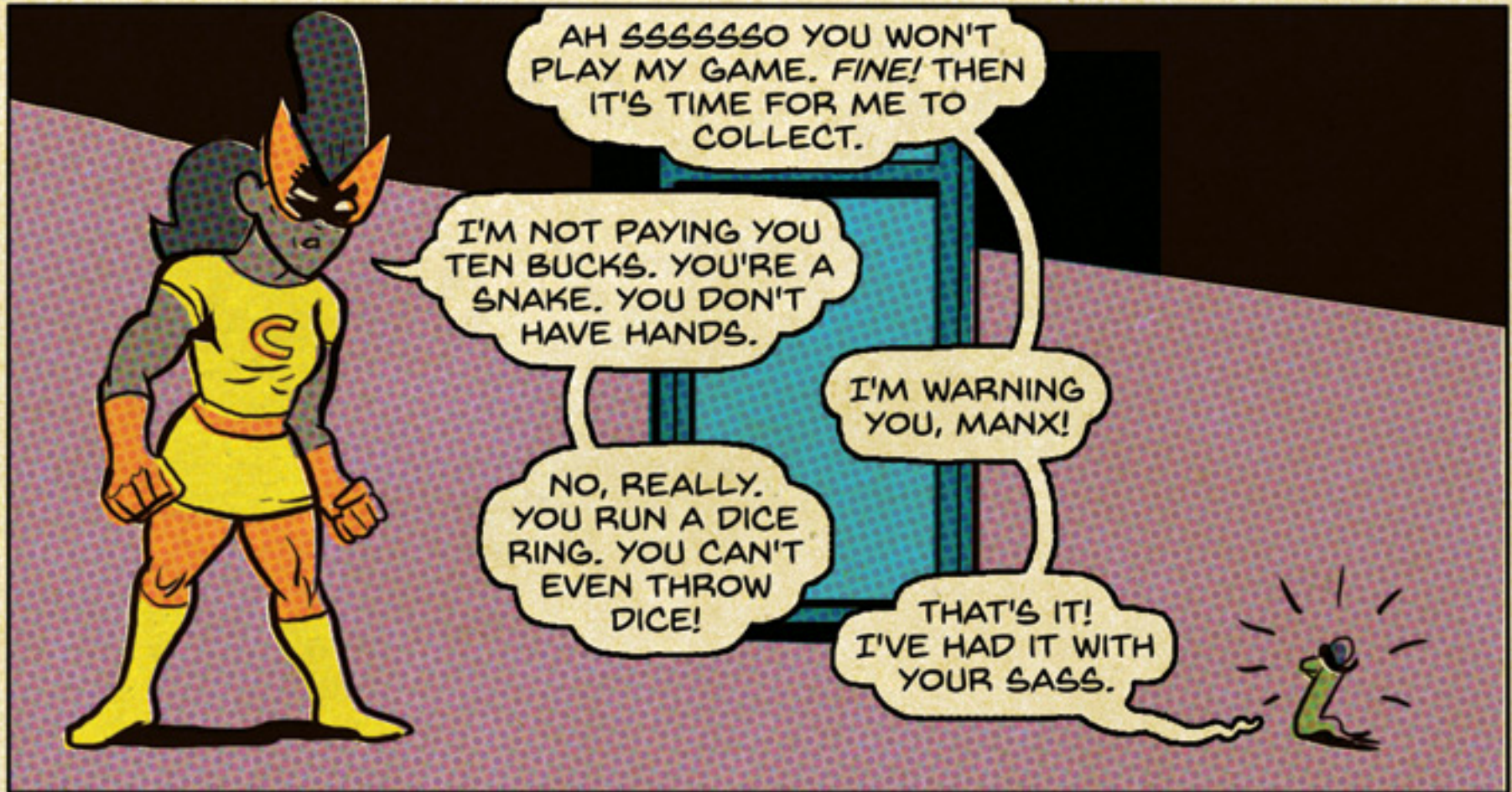
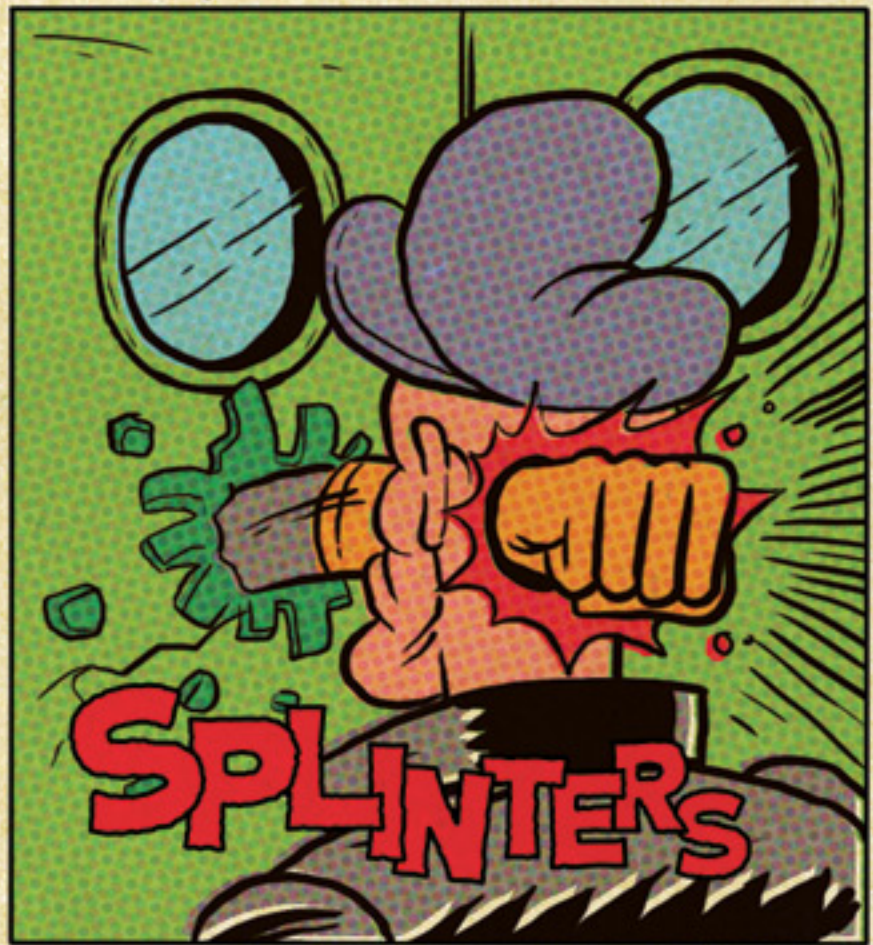
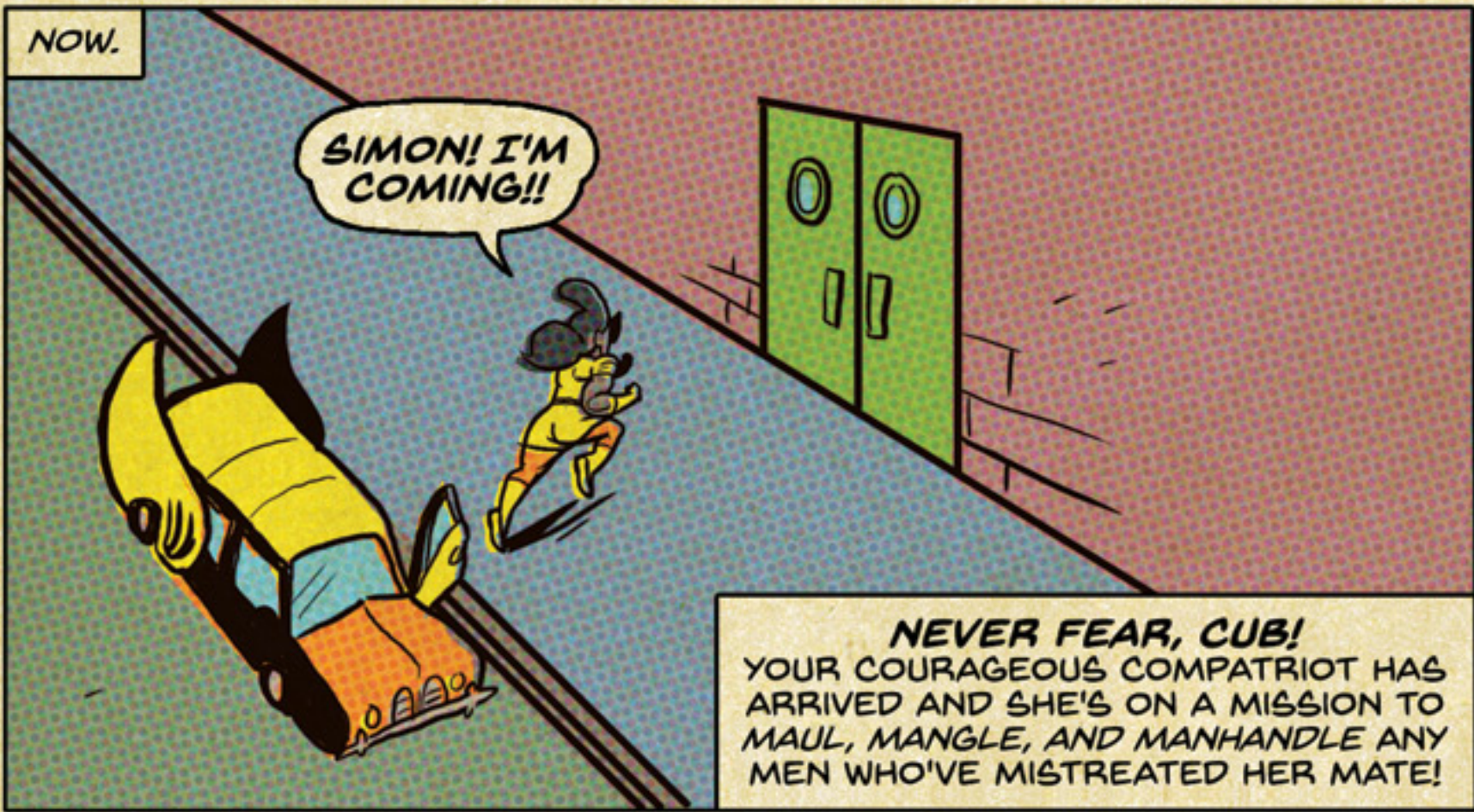
WHAT'S THIS? THE FAMED MINERVA MANX, OUR USUALLY PUGNACIOUS PROTAGONIST... DESPONDENT? ALONE? WHERE COULD THE CRAFTY CUB BE?



OH NO!
NOT OUR YOUNG BOY
HERO! AN EASY MARK
FOR THE NOTORIOUS
MEGAVILLE STREET
GANGS.



NO...
IT CAN'T
BE...



ARRUDA MASSA

MARINO

KNIGHT

No.2



Cougar and Chub

I SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN BETTER
THAN TO **TRUST**
A MAN!

NO MOUSE
IS MY
MASTER



ALL LOVE
COMICS

Cougar and Cub

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I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER THAN TO TRUST A MAN!

No Mause is My Master

HOW'D I GET HERE, YOU ASK? HOW'D I END UP ALONE? SOLVING THE CASE OF MY LIFE WITHOUT MY CLEVER CUB BY MY SIDE?

THIS IS A **CLOSED** CRIME SCENE! YOU CAN'T BE HERE! I'M SICK OF YOU **PANTOMIME P.I.'S!** GET OUTTA HERE! SCRAM!

JUST ONE WEEK AGO

MURINE MALEVOLENCE'S DEBUTANTE BALL. WE WERE BEING HONOURED FOR OUR CRIME FIGHTING. LITTLE DID I KNOW SHE HAD HER EYES ON A DIFFERENT KIND OF PRIZE.

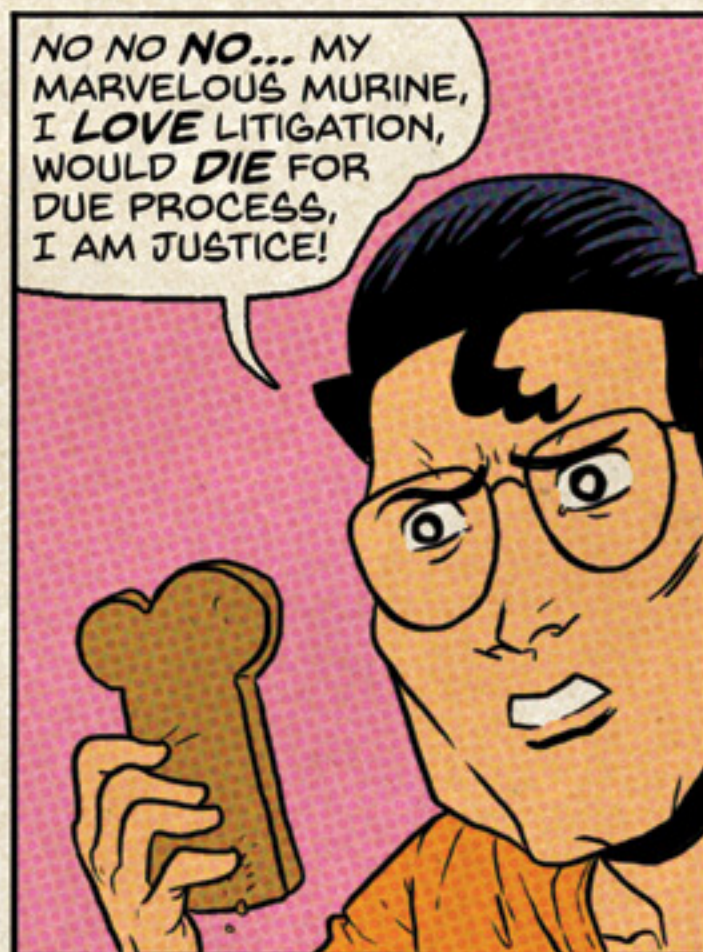
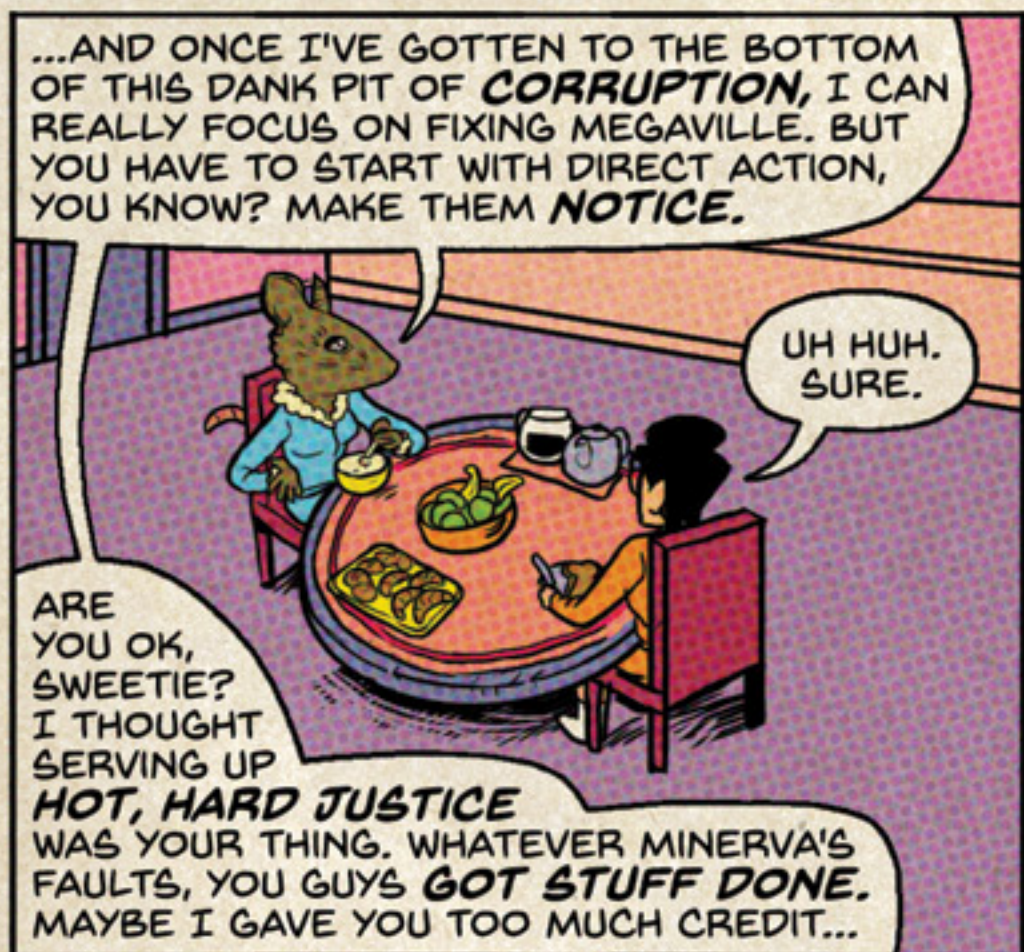
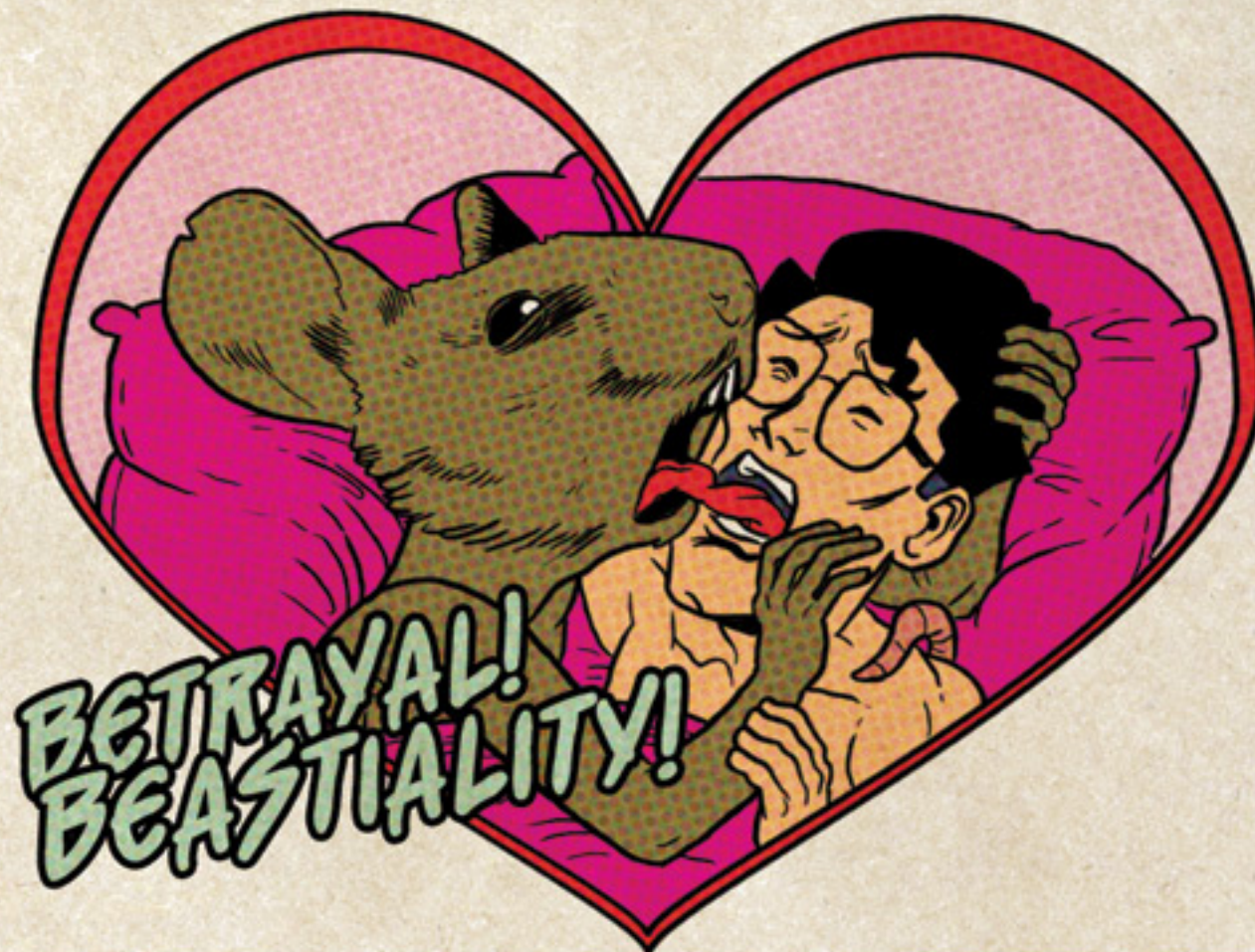
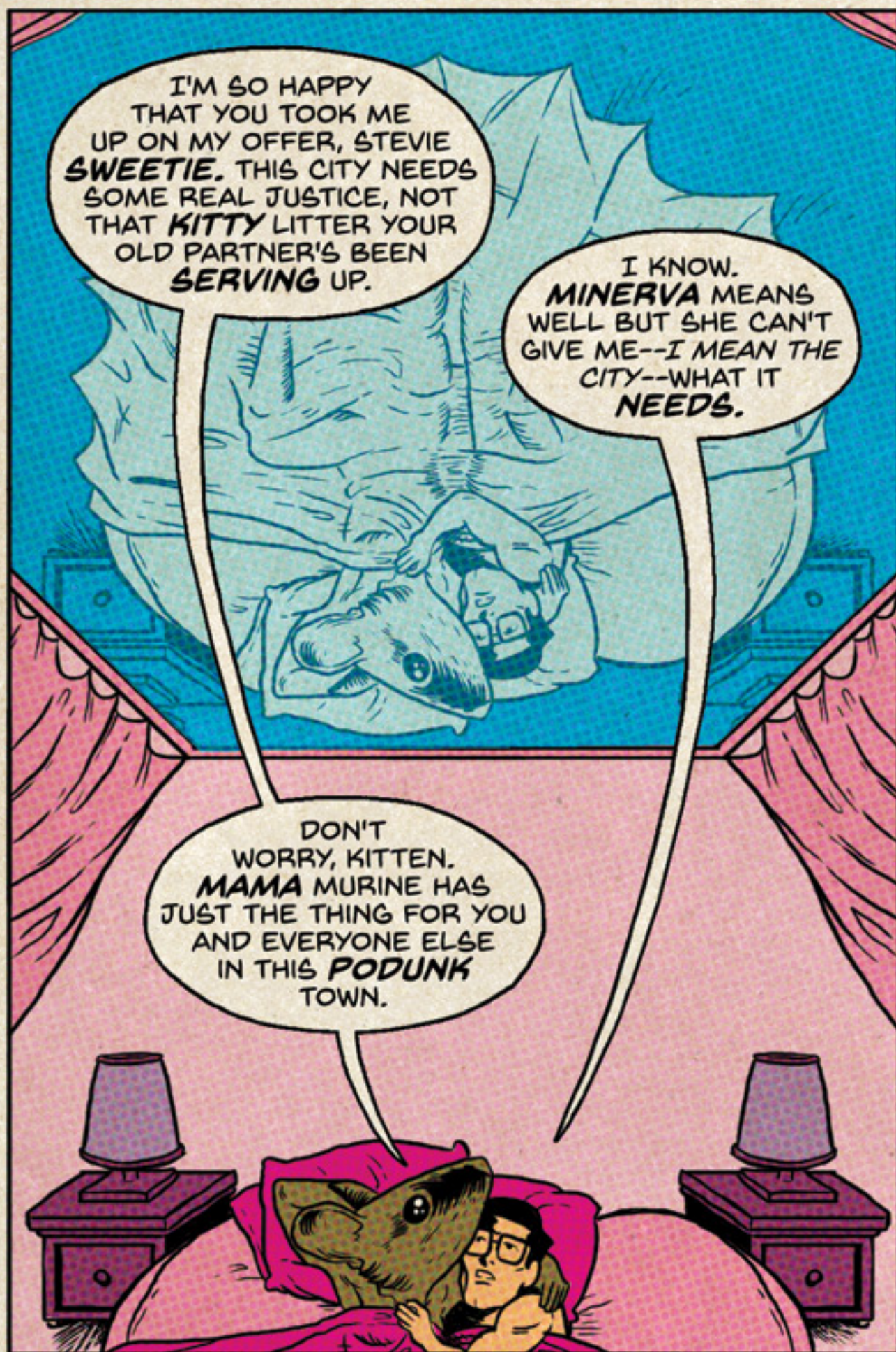
SHE WAS NEW IN TOWN AND ANYONE WHO MATTERED WAS INVITED. SHE WAS MAKING A STATEMENT. I JUST HAD NO IDEA WHAT KIND...

WELL THIS IS ALL A BIT MUCH. ISN'T IT, STEVIE? **STEVIE!?**

VANISH!

CITIZENS OF MEGAVILLE, WELCOME TO MY HOME! LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO MY NEW PARTNER... **THE VALIANT VERMIN!**

SOMETHING'S ROTTEN IN DENVER AND I DON'T MEAN ALL THIS FANCY CHEESE! **CUB! CUB! CUBBBBBB!**





THERE WAS NO TIME TO LOSE. I HAD TO INFORM STEVIE THAT HIS NEW MATE WAS ACTUALLY AN ESCAPED INMATE!

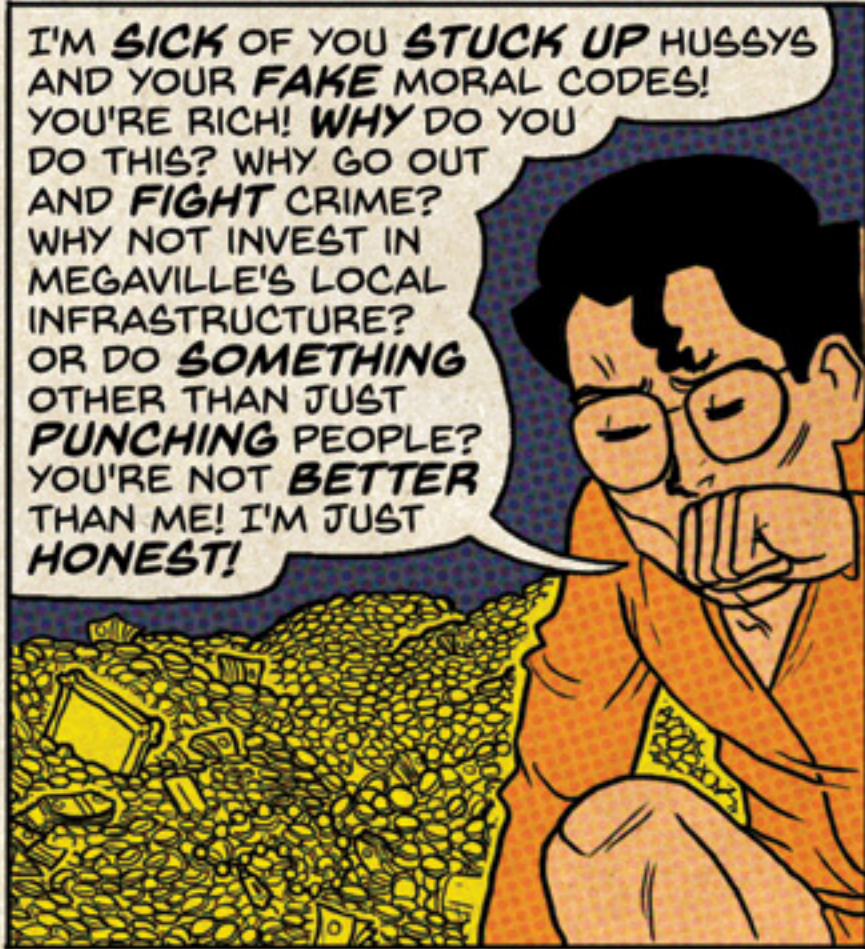


I'LL DO IT, MURINE. I'D DO ANYTHING FOR YOU.

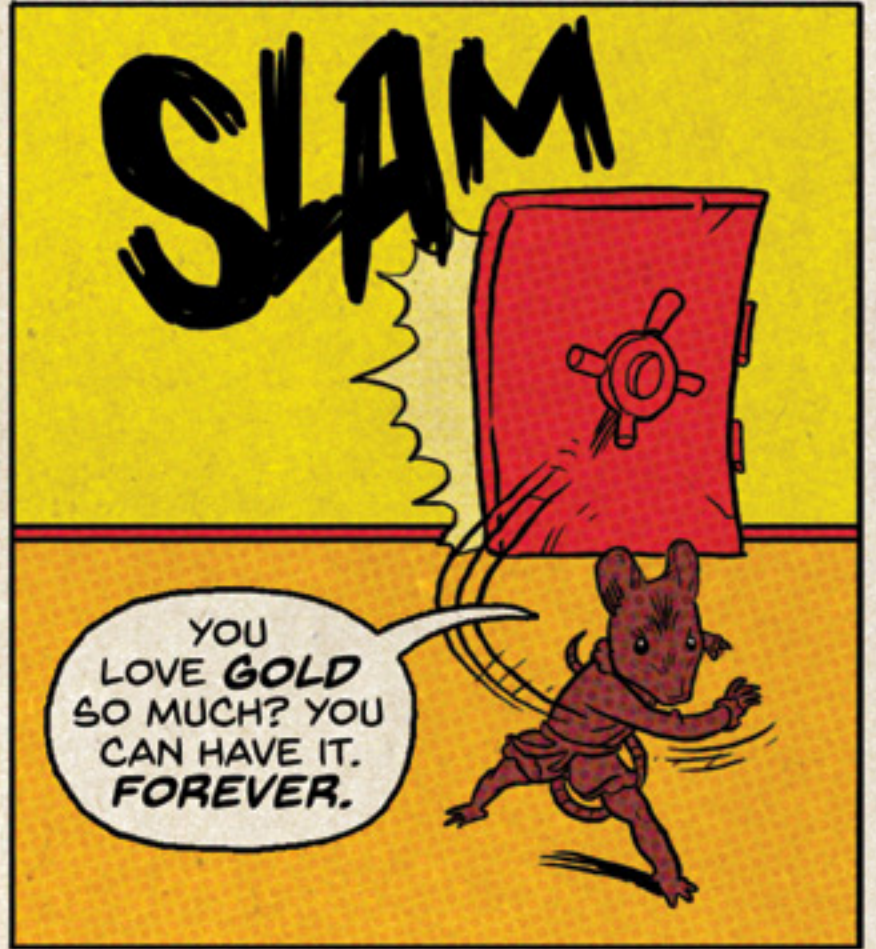


YOU GOLD DIGGIN' **GOBLIN**. YOU'D KILL YOUR OLD PARTNER THAT QUICKLY?

RIGHTEOUS JUSTICE!

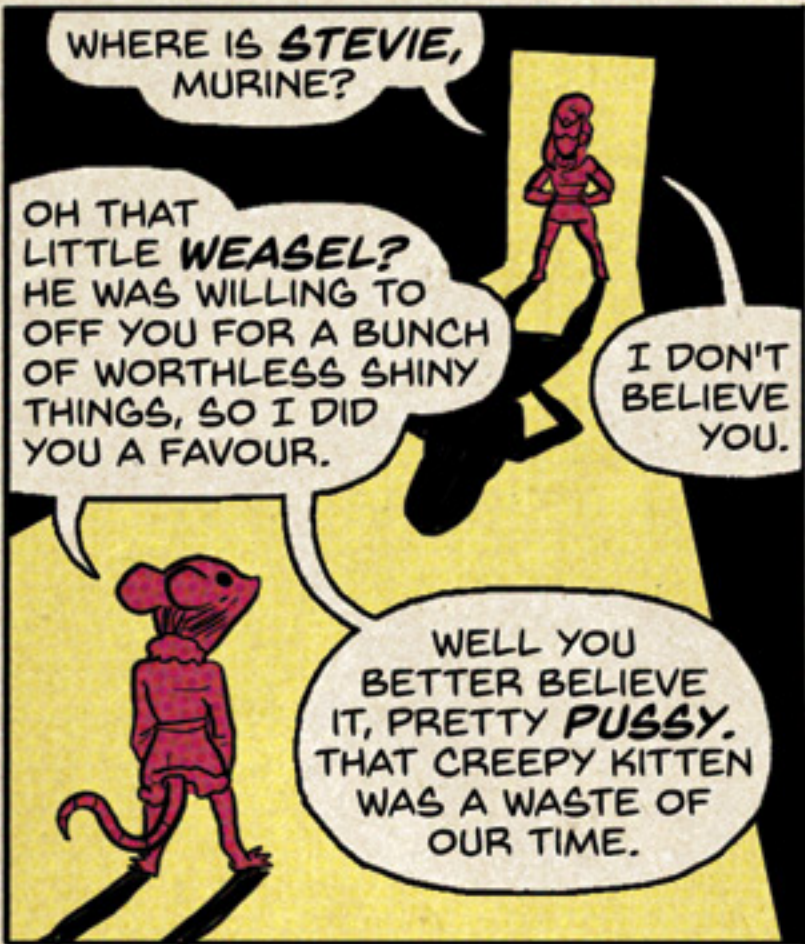


I'M **SICK** OF YOU **STUCK UP** HUSSYS AND YOUR **FAKE** MORAL CODES! YOU'RE RICH! **WHY** DO YOU DO THIS? **WHY** GO OUT AND **FIGHT** CRIME? **WHY** NOT INVEST IN MEGAVILLE'S LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE? OR DO **SOMETHING** OTHER THAN JUST **PUNCHING** PEOPLE? YOU'RE NOT **BETTER** THAN ME! I'M JUST **HONEST!**



SLAM

YOU LOVE **GOLD** SO MUCH? YOU CAN HAVE IT. **FOREVER.**



WHERE IS **STEVIE**, MURINE?

OH THAT LITTLE **WEASEL**? HE WAS WILLING TO OFF YOU FOR A BUNCH OF WORTHLESS SHINY THINGS, SO I DID YOU A FAVOUR.

I DON'T BELIEVE YOU.

WELL YOU BETTER BELIEVE IT, PRETTY **PUSSY**. THAT CREEPY KITTEN WAS A WASTE OF OUR TIME.



WAS HE **REALLY** GOING TO...

WITHOUT A SECOND THOUGHT.

...AND YOU CARE WHY?

WE'RE THE **SAME**, YOU AND ME... I SEE ME IN YOU.



I THINK I **CAN** SEE YOU IN ME... WOULD YOU SHOW ME, THOUGH?

OH YOU NAUGHTY G--

CRASH



I CAN'T BE DEFEATED. YOU **WORTHLESS** WOMEN CAN'T KEEP ME DOWN.



HEY! I'M ESCAPING. I'M ESCAPING. I'M WALKING OUT THE DOOR.

HEAVY PETCHING



WHATEVER. JUST CLOSE IT BEHIND YOU, WILL YOU?



ALL
ONE
COMICS

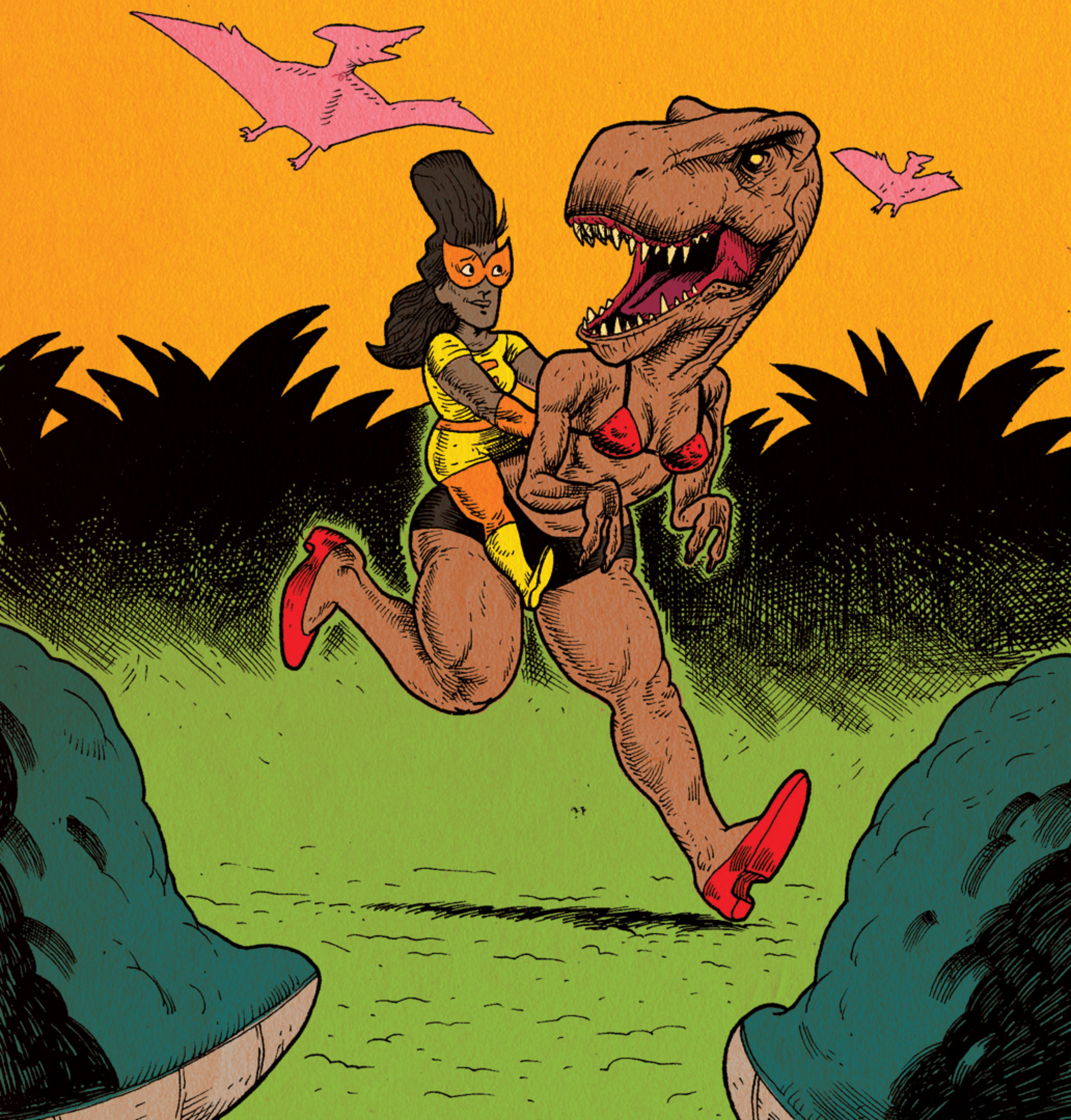
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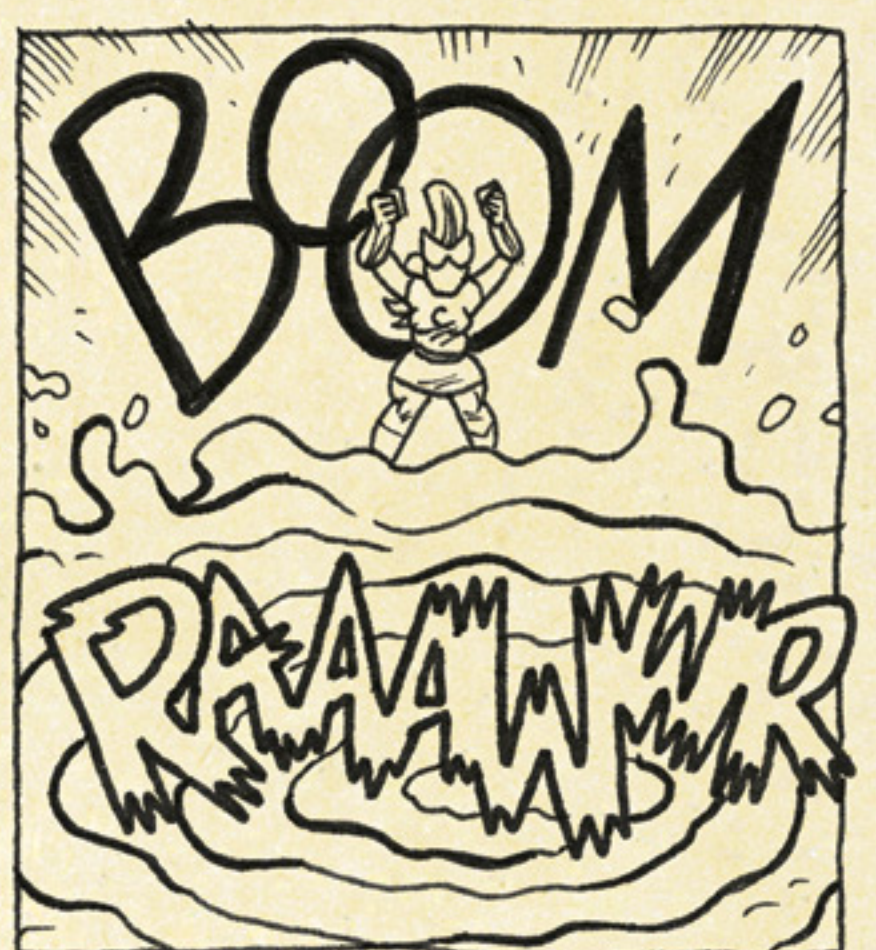
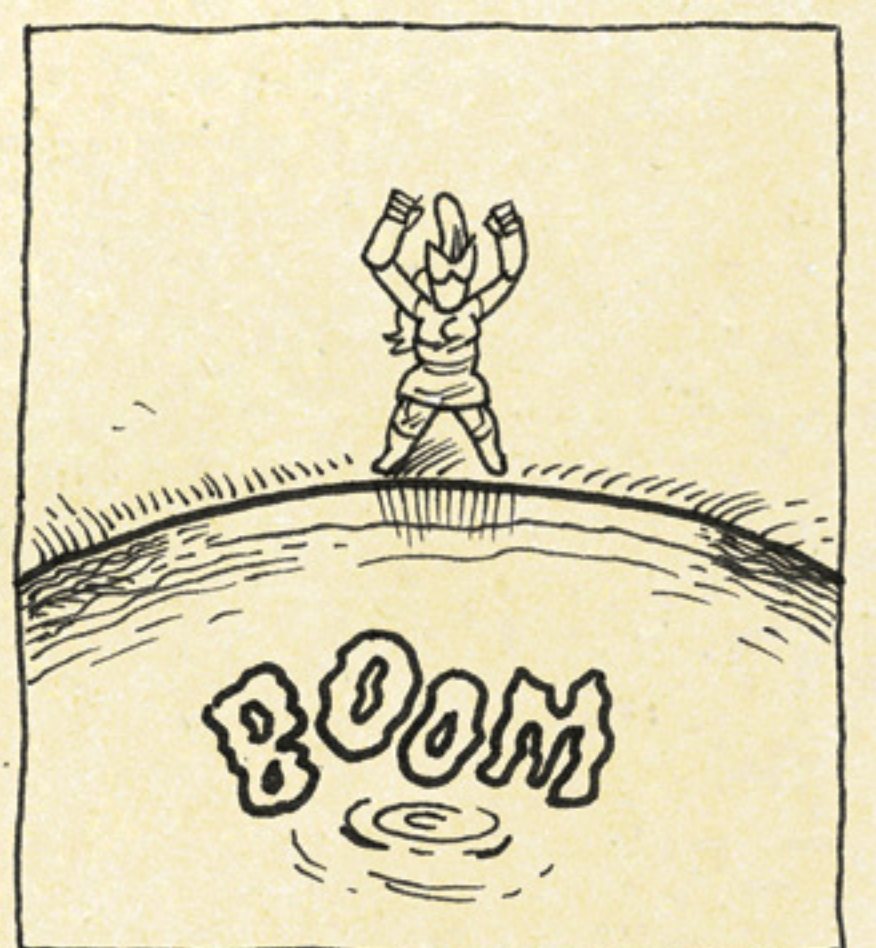
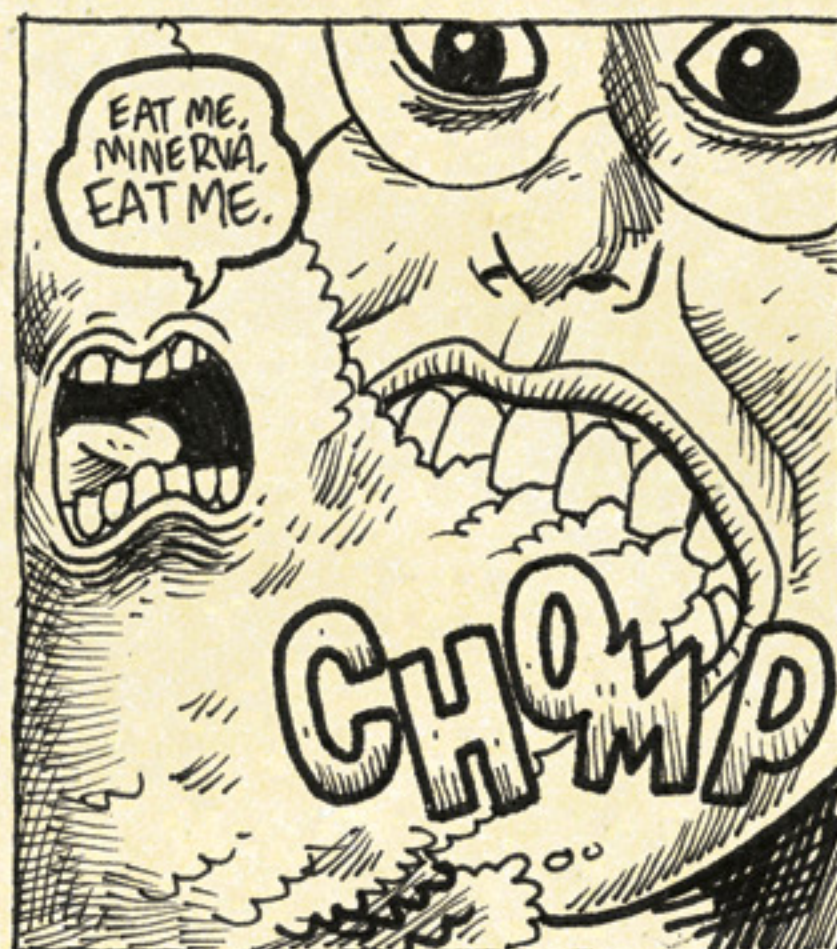
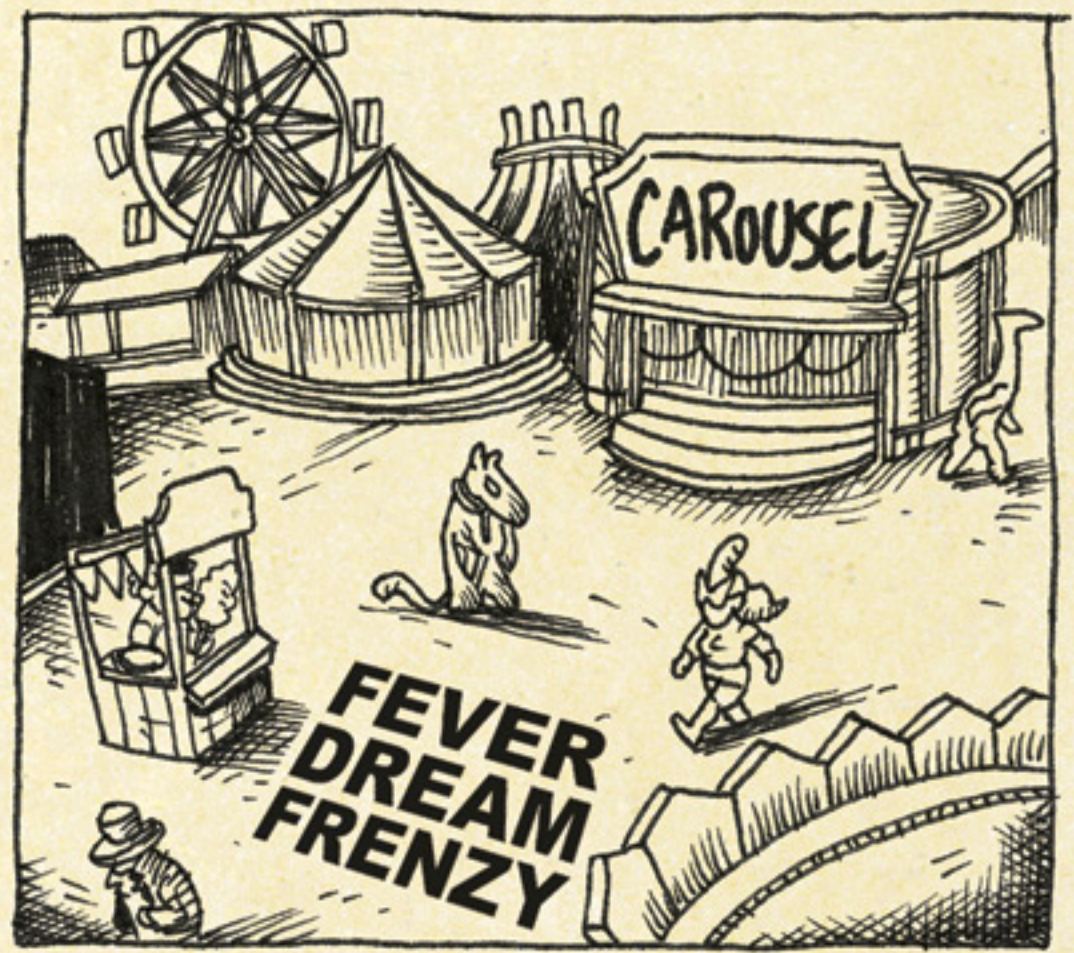


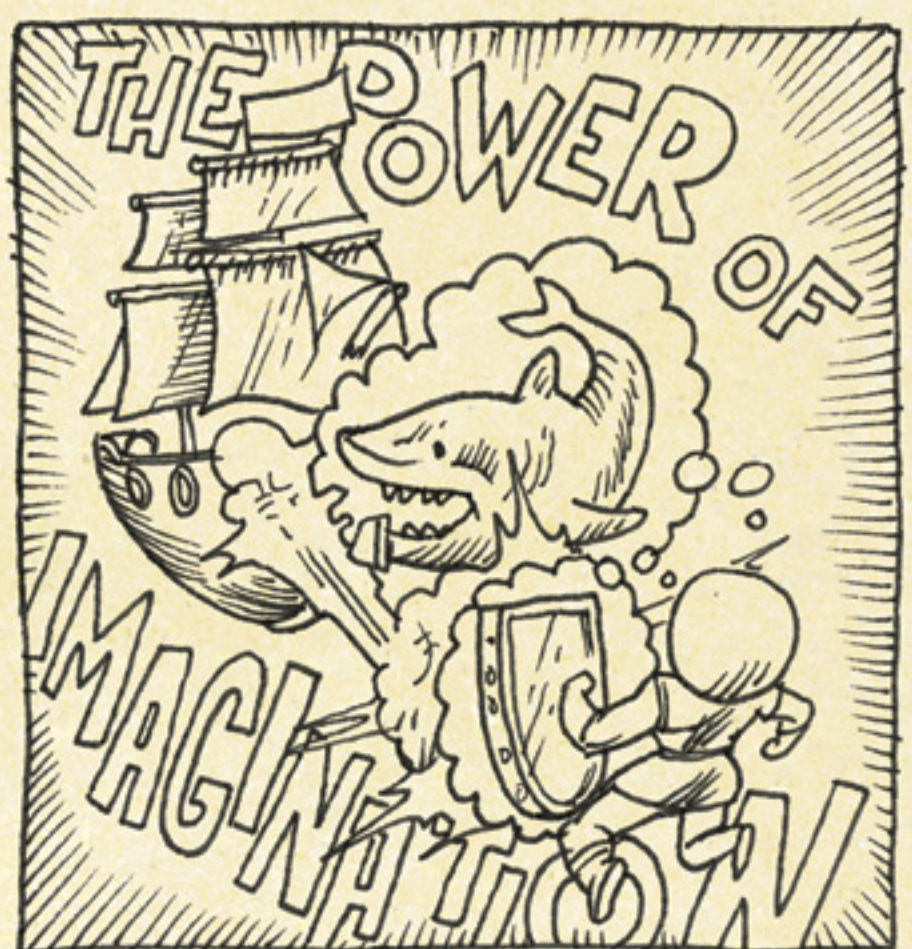
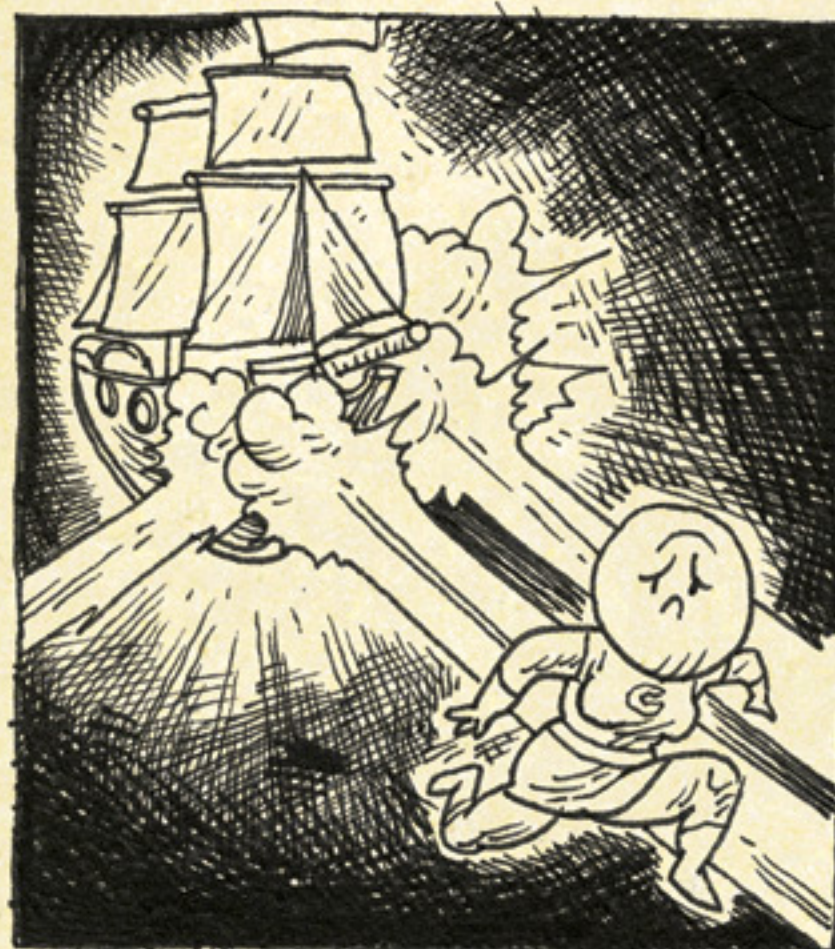
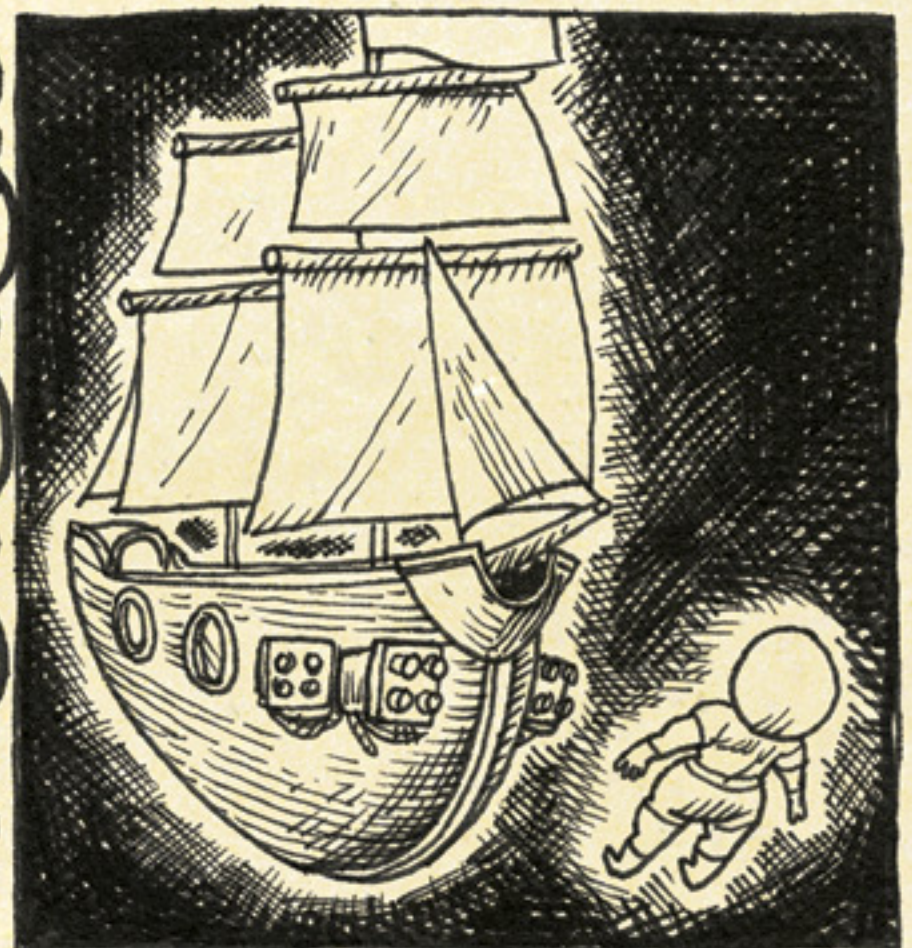
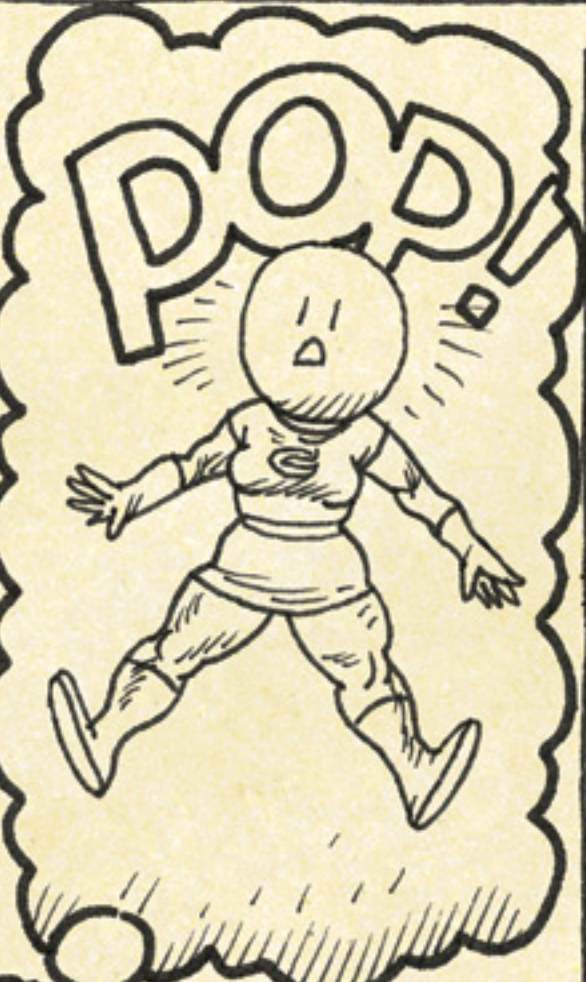
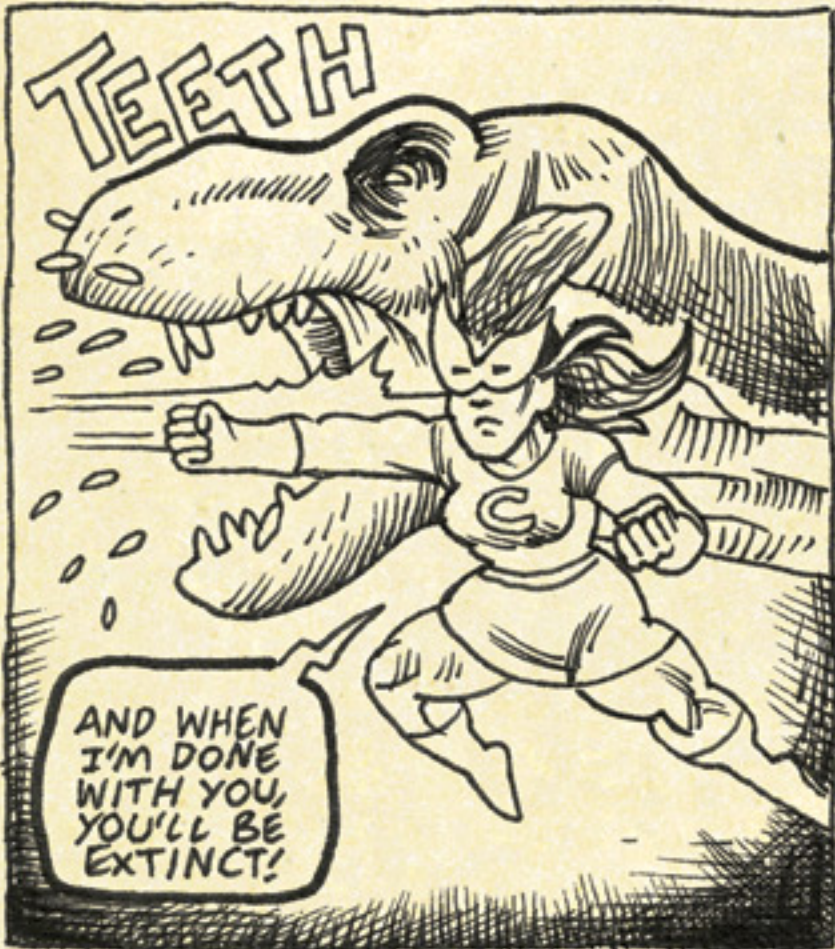
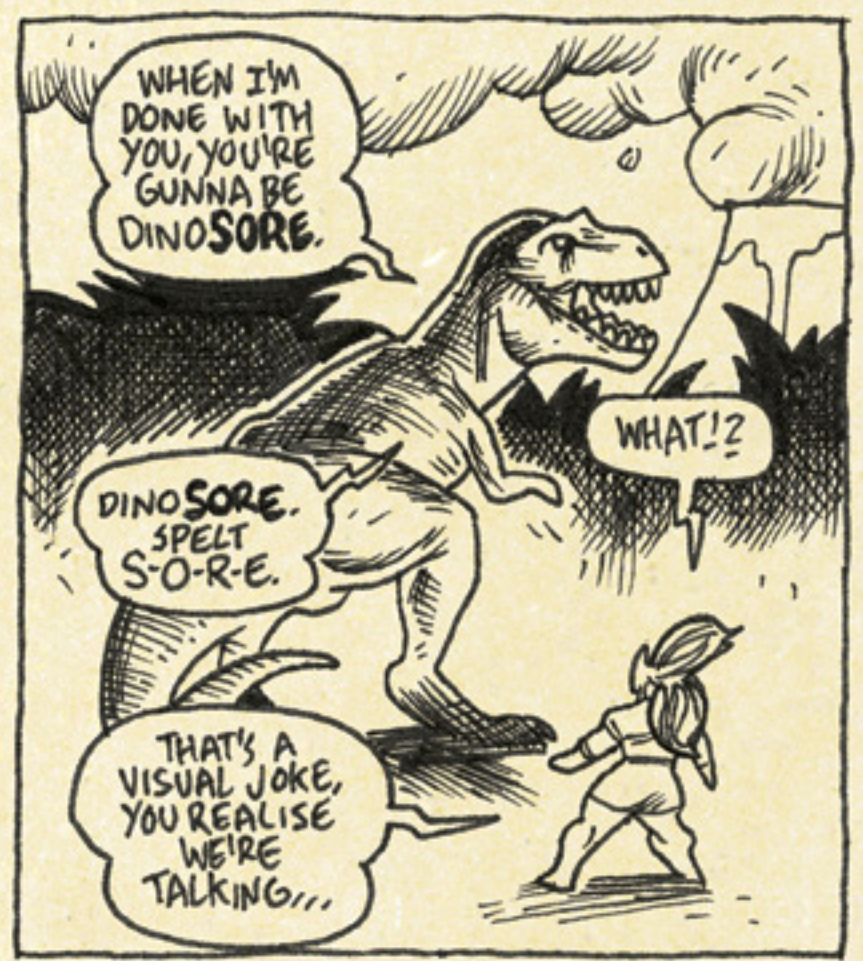
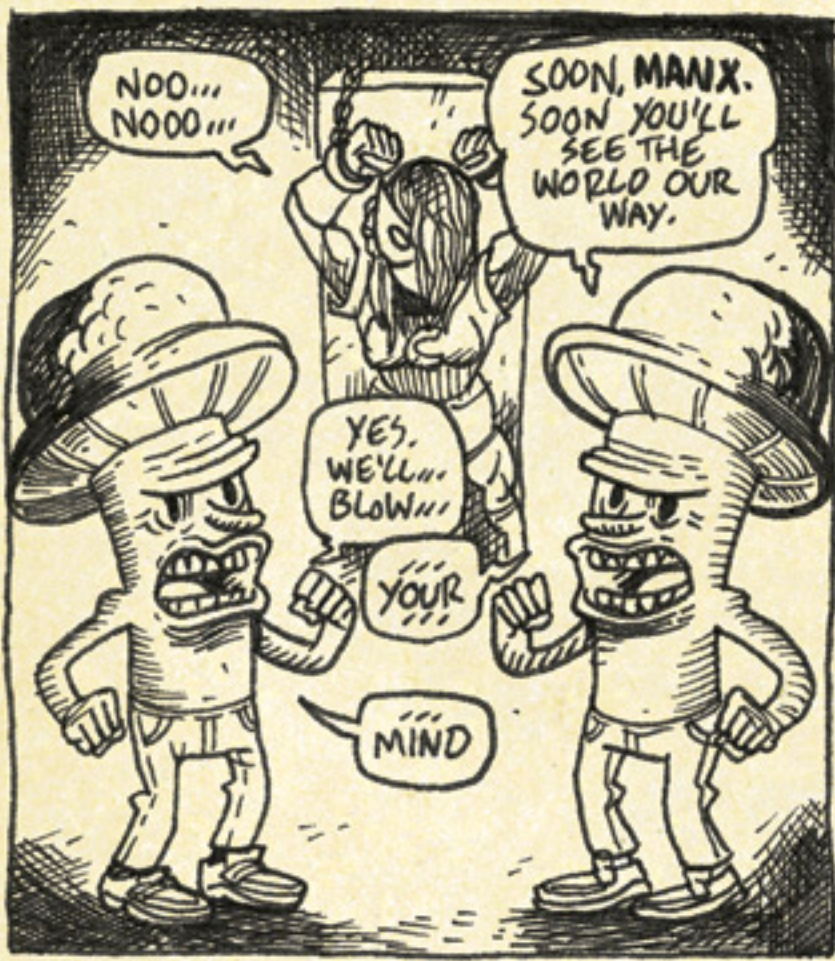
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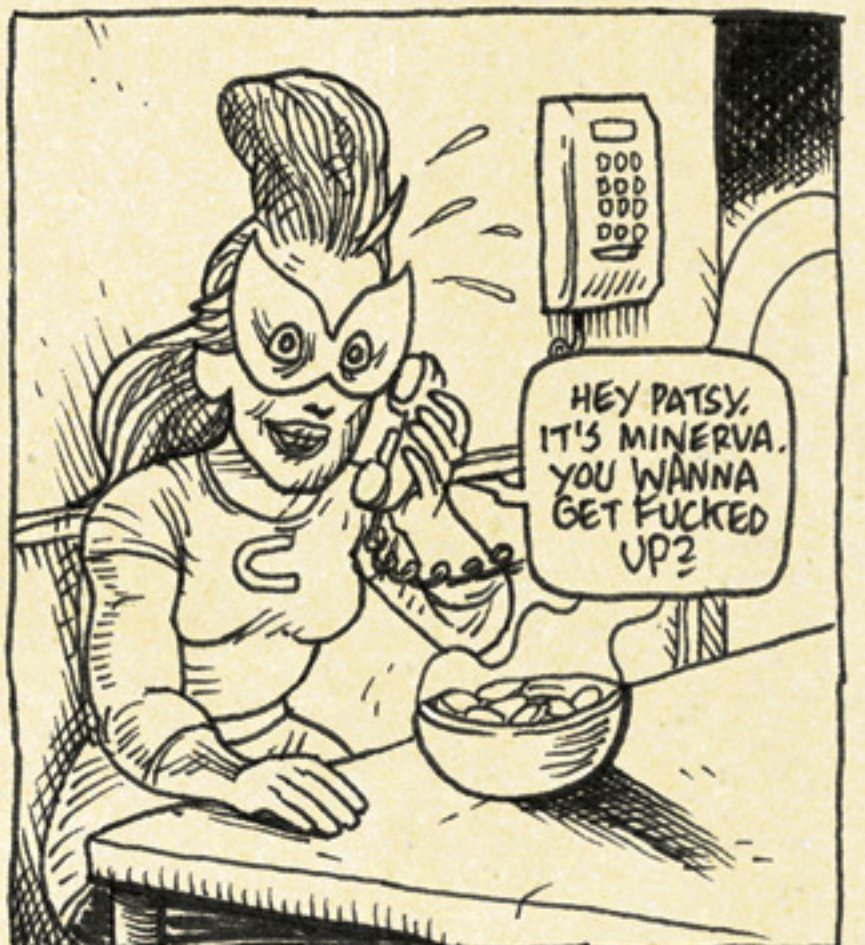
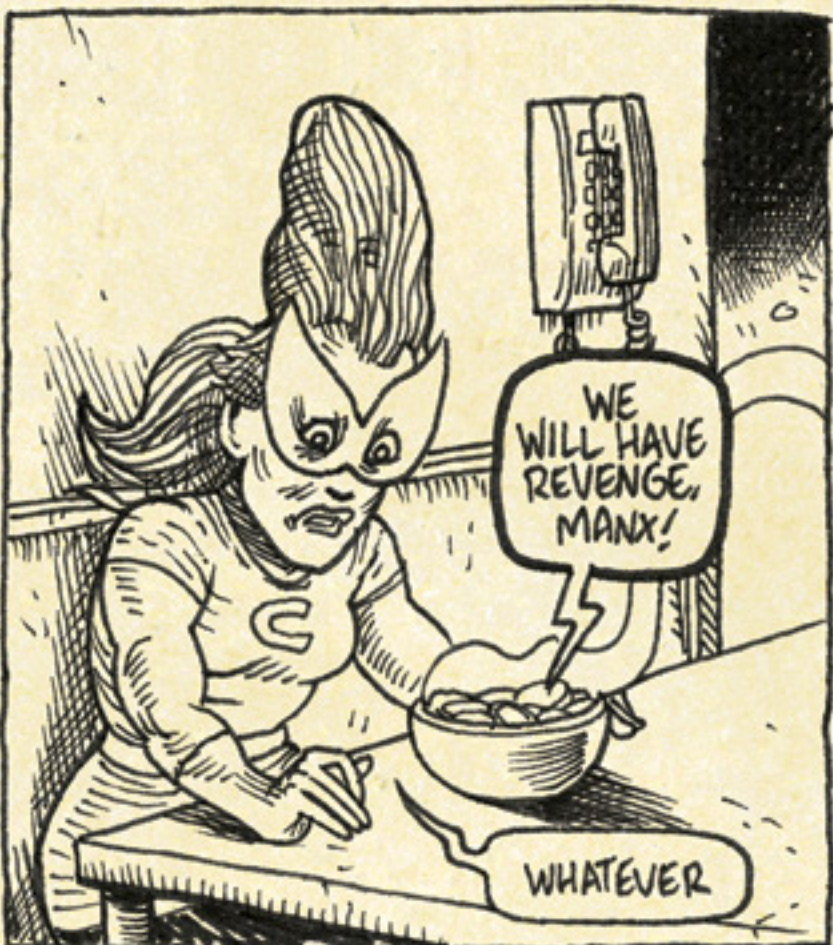
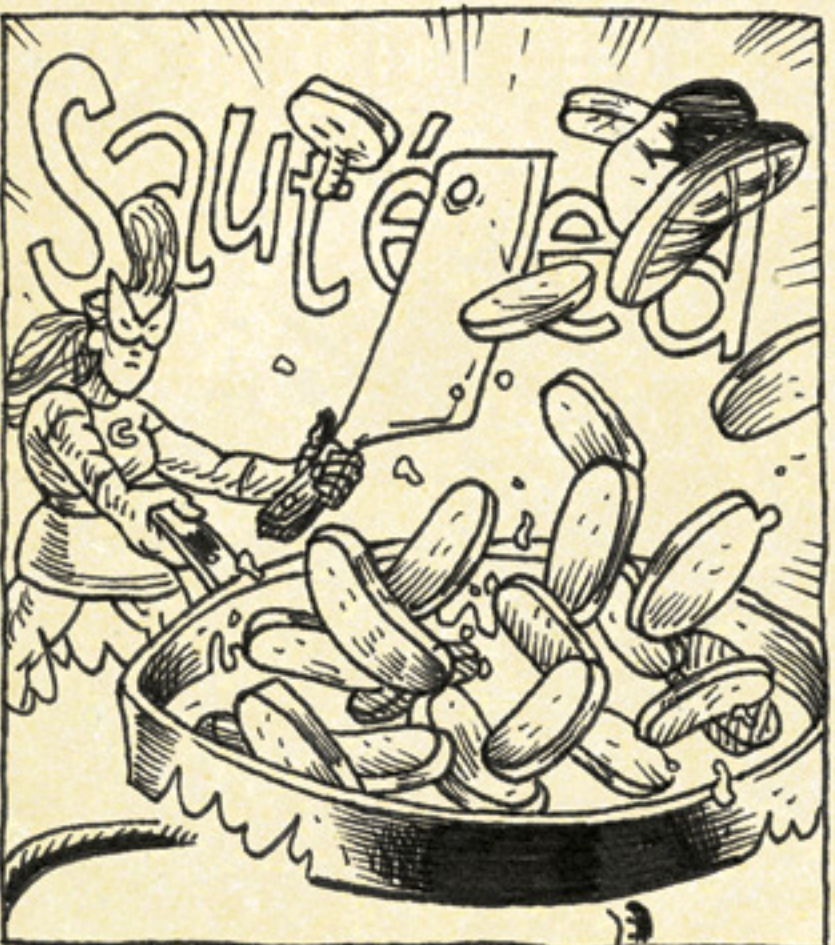
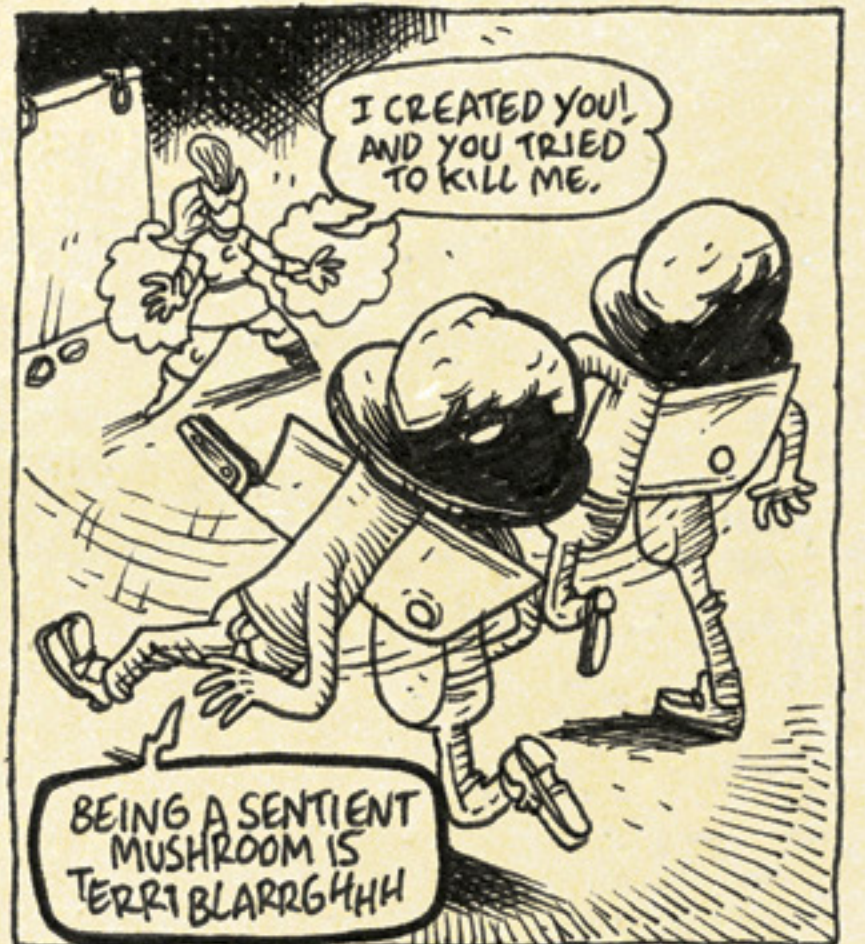
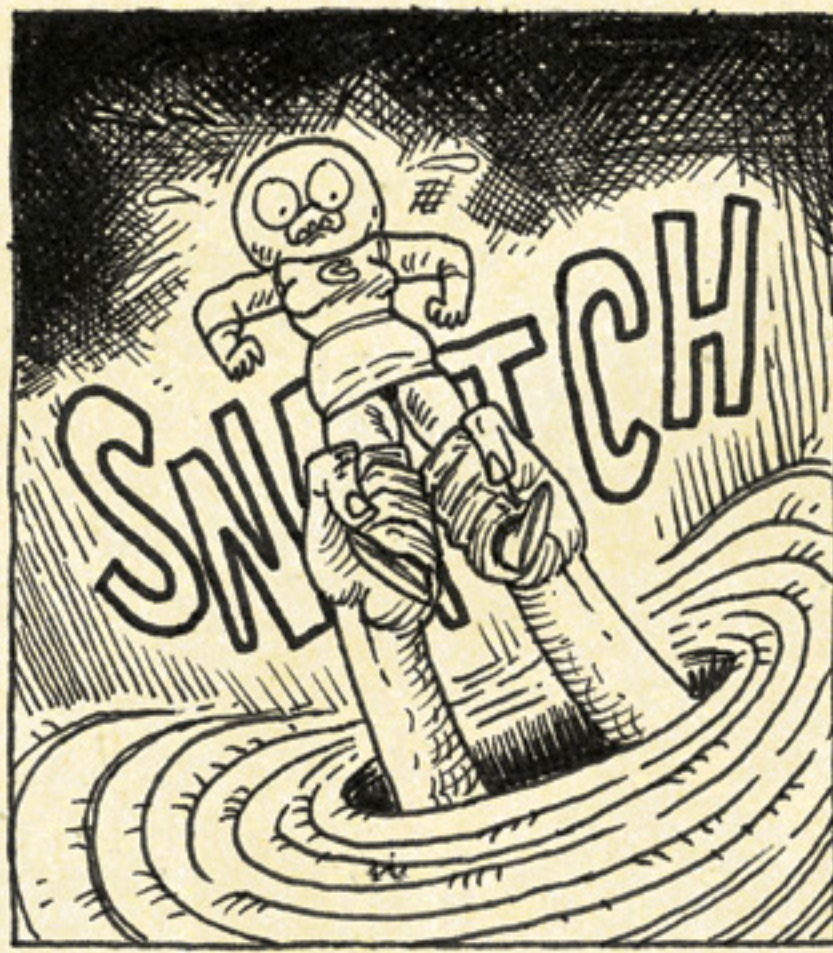
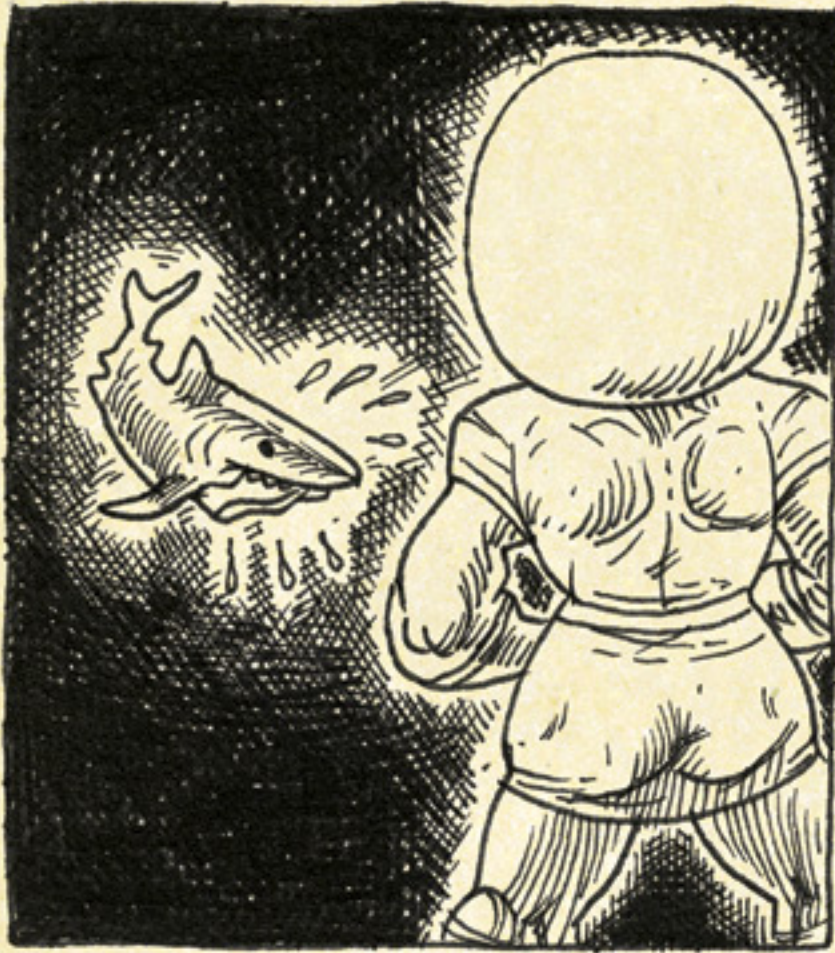
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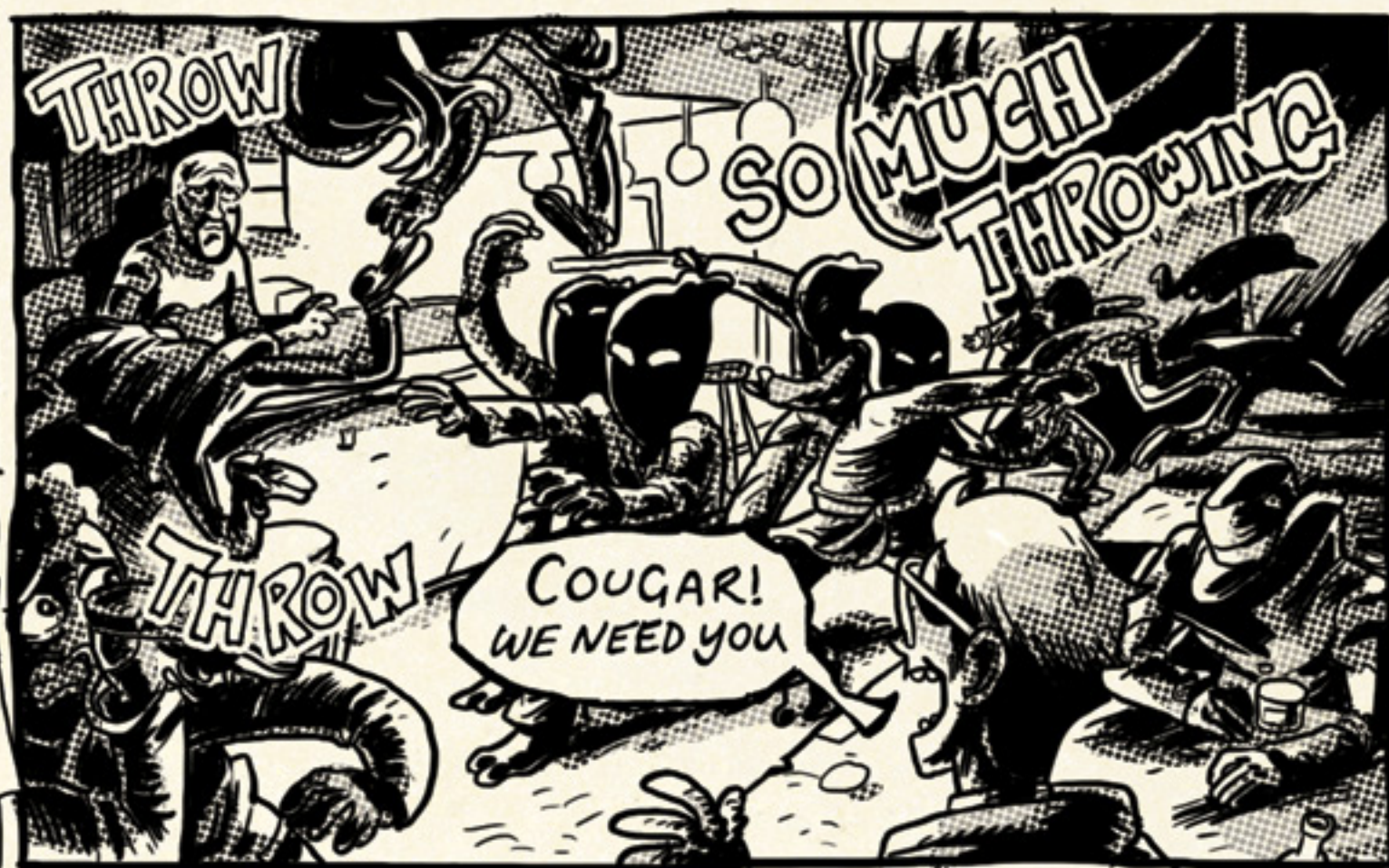
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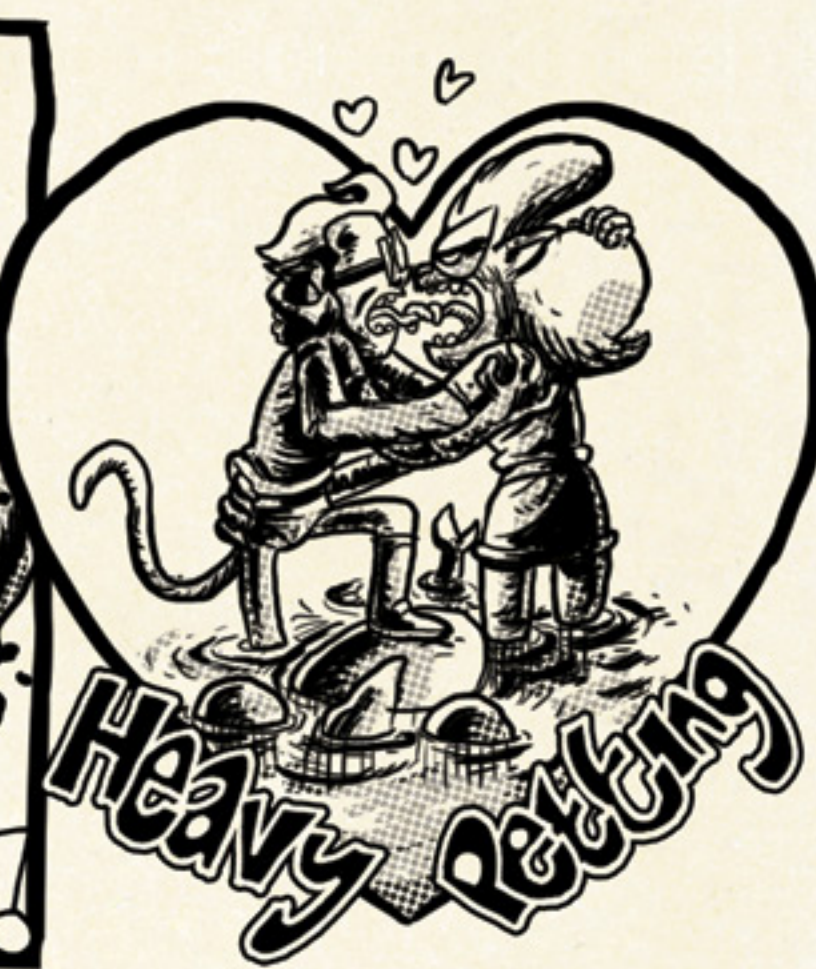
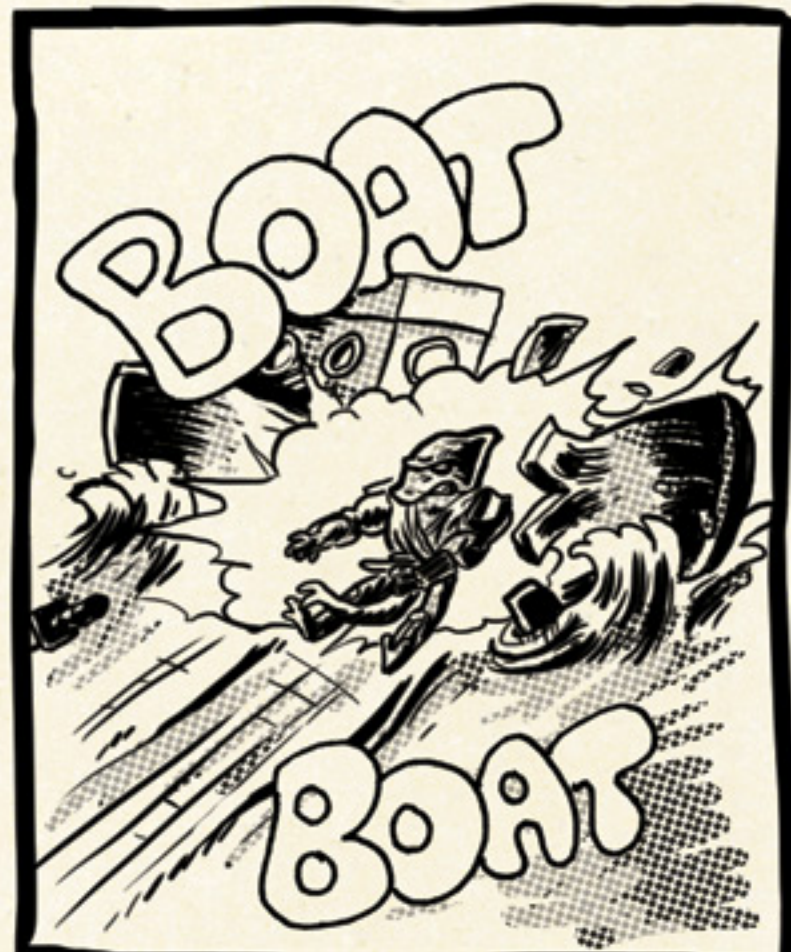
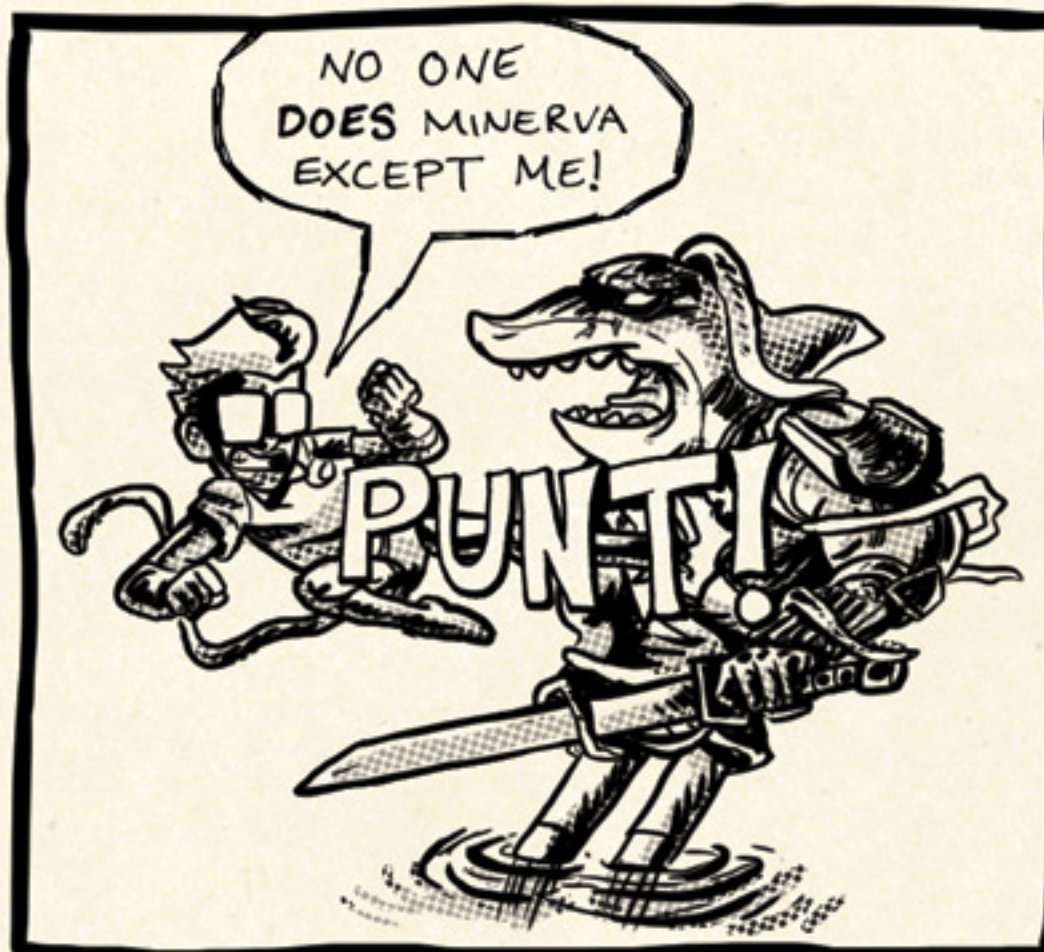
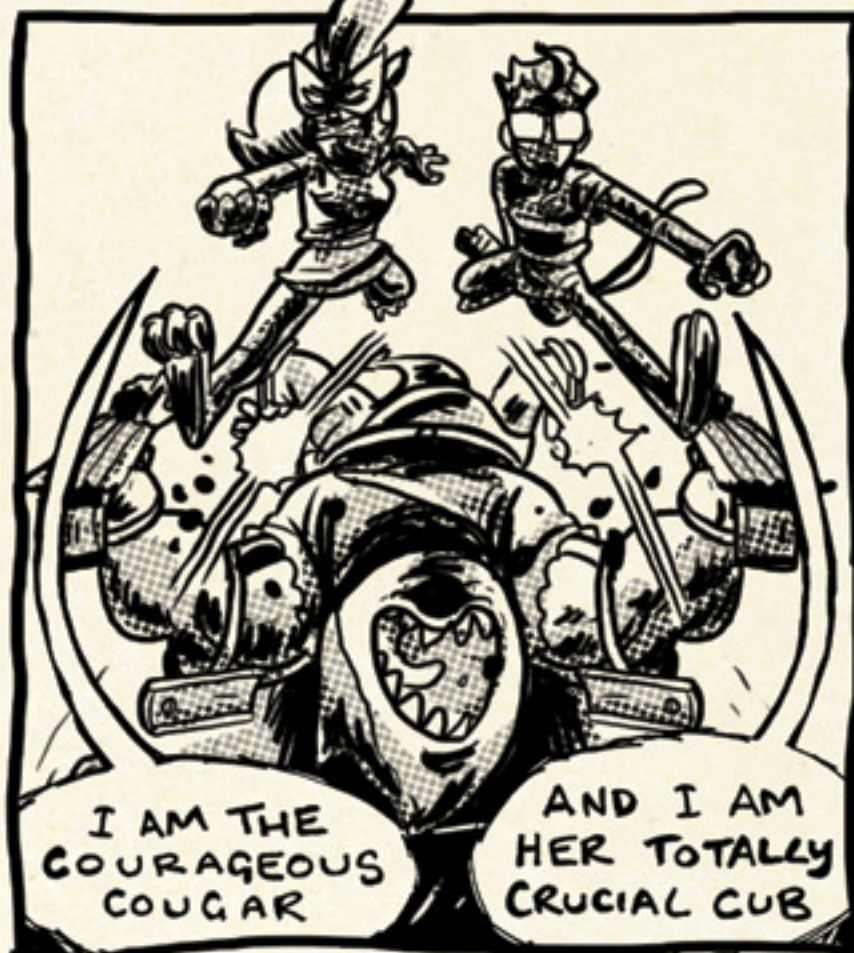
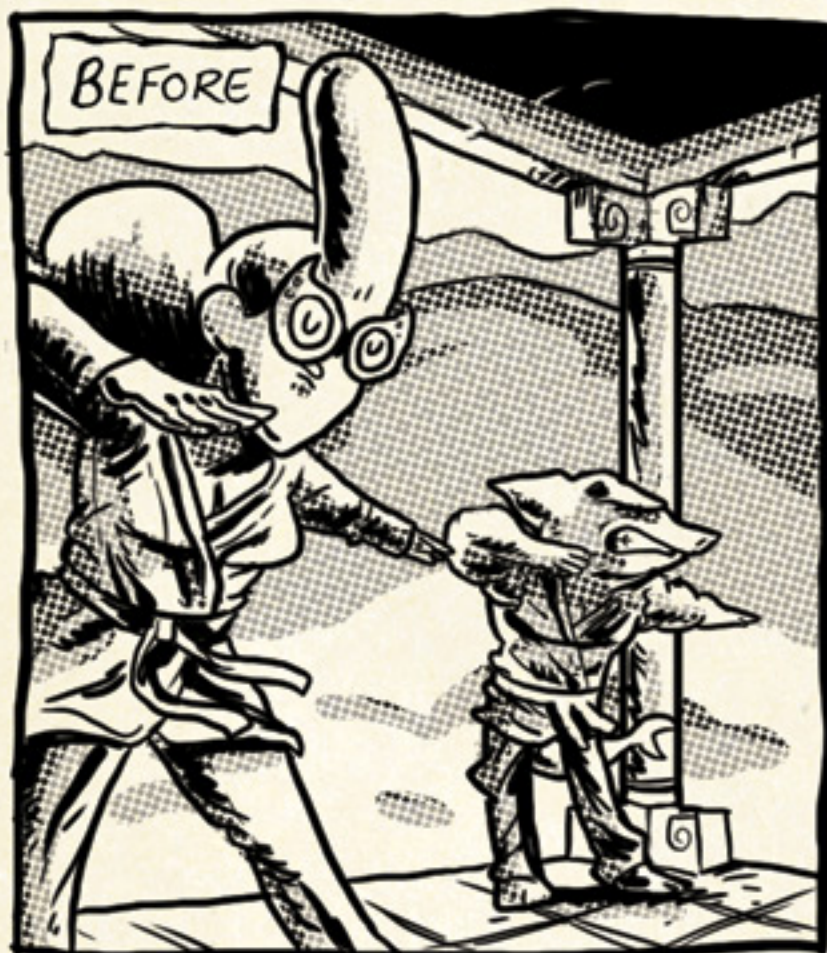
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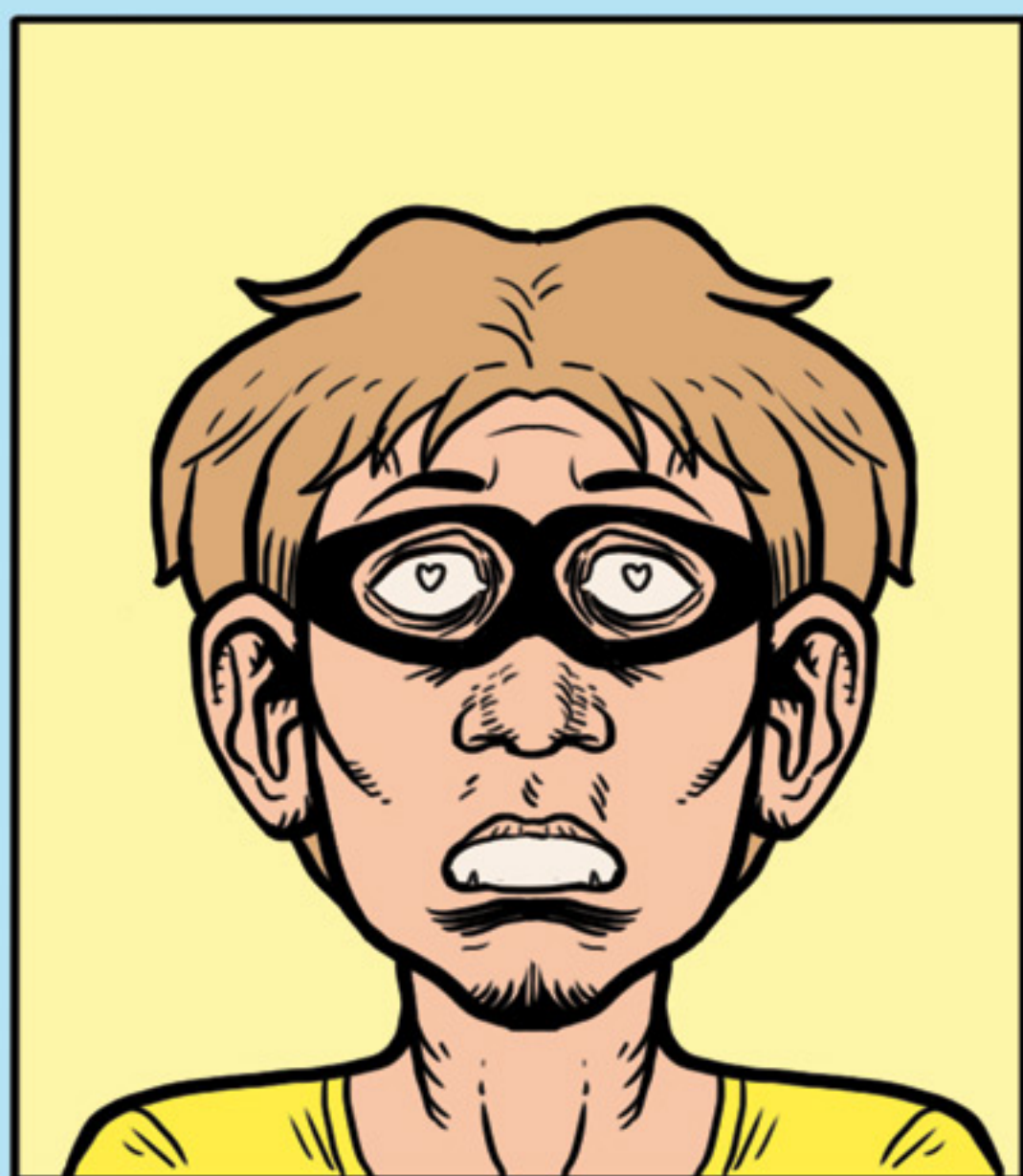




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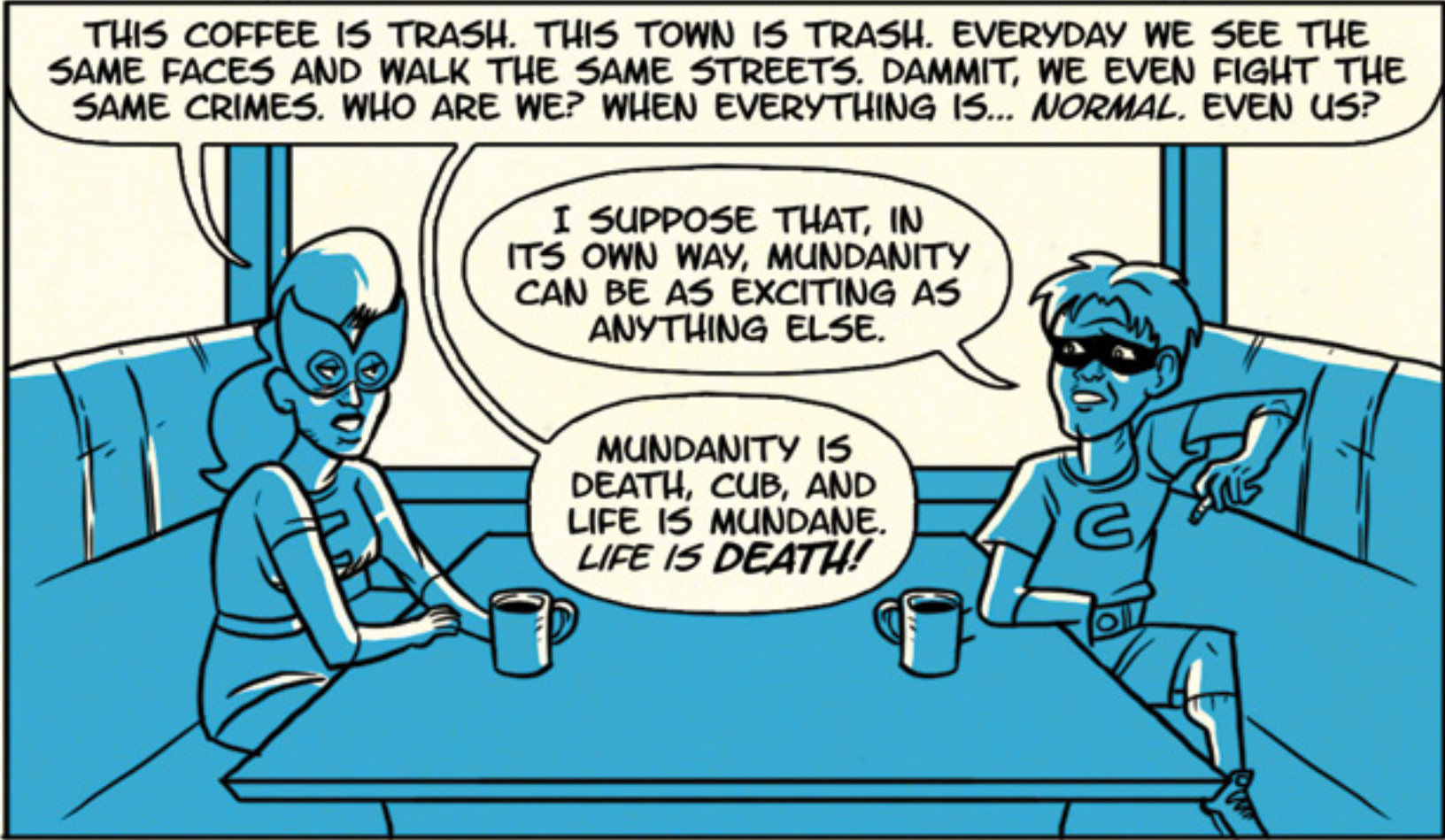




WHAT IS A HERO? I KNOW I'M A HERO. AN ARTIST AND A HERO. BUT WHO DOES SOCIETY CLASS AS A HERO? WHICH COMICS WORSHIPPING, COSTUME WEARING PHILISTINES ARE TRULY CELEBRATED?



SUPER
HEROES!

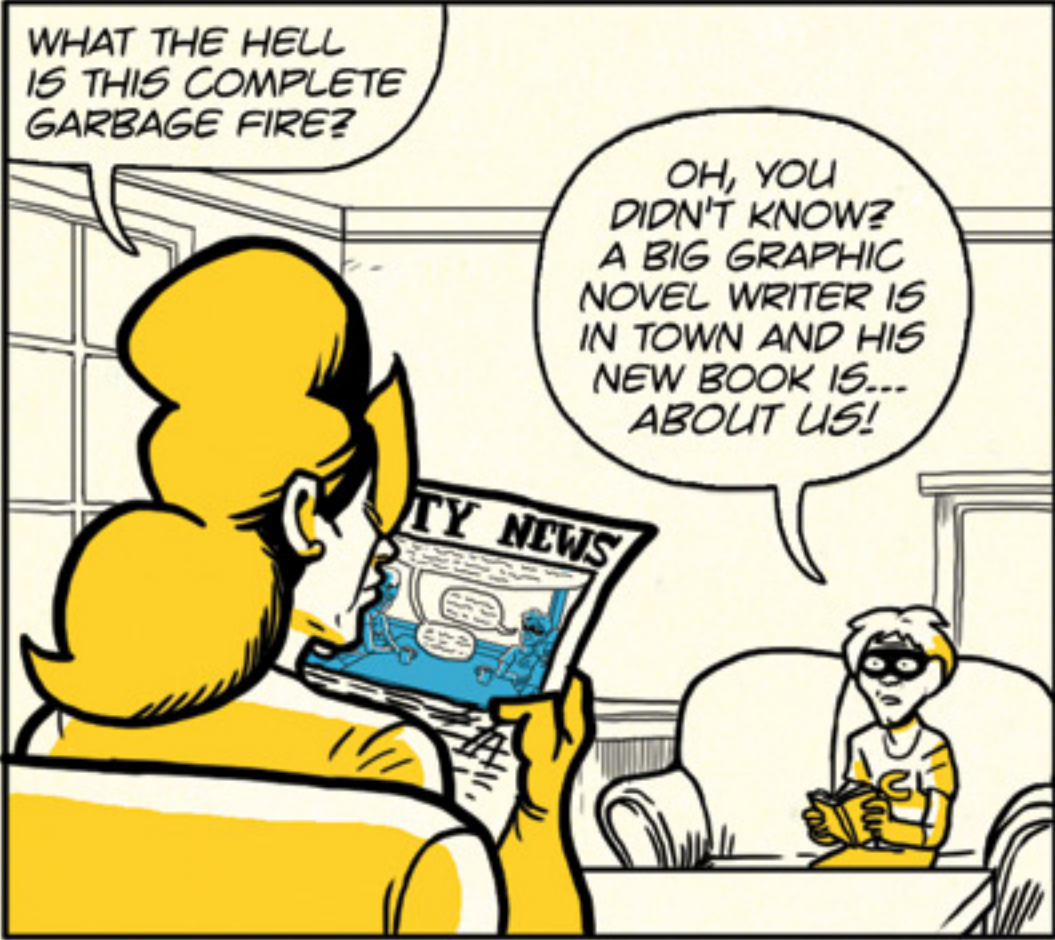


THIS COFFEE IS TRASH. THIS TOWN IS TRASH. EVERYDAY WE SEE THE SAME FACES AND WALK THE SAME STREETS. DAMMIT, WE EVEN FIGHT THE SAME CRIMES. WHO ARE WE? WHEN EVERYTHING IS... *NORMAL*. EVEN US?

I SUPPOSE THAT, IN ITS OWN WAY, MUNDANITY CAN BE AS EXCITING AS ANYTHING ELSE.

MUNDANITY IS DEATH, CUB, AND LIFE IS MUNDANE. LIFE IS *DEATH*!

BORED of LIFE



WHAT THE HELL IS THIS COMPLETE GARBAGE FIRE?

OH, YOU DIDN'T KNOW? A BIG GRAPHIC NOVEL WRITER IS IN TOWN AND HIS NEW BOOK IS... ABOUT US!



THIS PRETENTIOUS PRATTLE IS UNCONSCIONABLE. I'M PUTTING A STOP TO THIS RIGHT NOW.

THROW



BUT IT'S DON CLAWES! HE'S THE MOST FAMOUS GRAPHIC NOVELIST IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD AND HE *HATES* SUPER HEROES. WE SHOULD BE HONOURED.



QWOMATOPOEIA



MEGAVILLE MIGHT BE A TRASH HEAP BUT IT'S MY TRASH HEAP!

LOOK AT THESE FEEBLE CREATURES. ACTUALLY BELIEVING THEY'RE HAPPY WITH THIS EXISTENCE. THE STUPIDITY OF IT ALL.



IMAGINING THEIR LIVES ARE ANYTHING BUT FODDER FOR THE CREATIVE MINDS OF THE WORLD.



WHO ARE WE? LIKE, WHEN I WAS A CHILD I WOULD LISTEN TO WHITE NOISE BECAUSE IT CALMED ME DOWN. NOW? NOW WE ARE THE WHITE NOISE. LIFE IS WHITE NOISE. IT'S TERRIBLE THE WAY PEOPLE LIVE.



FOR FUCK'S SAKE. THAT'S IT.



WE'RE **HEROES**, CUB. WE KICK ASS AND WE SAVE IT. WHAT WE **DON'T** DO IS SIT AROUND PONDERING LIFE'S MUNDANITY LIKE SOME COLLEGE KID WHO JUST SMOKED THEIR FIRST JOINT AND BORROWED A BUKOWSKI BOOK FROM THE LIBRARY.



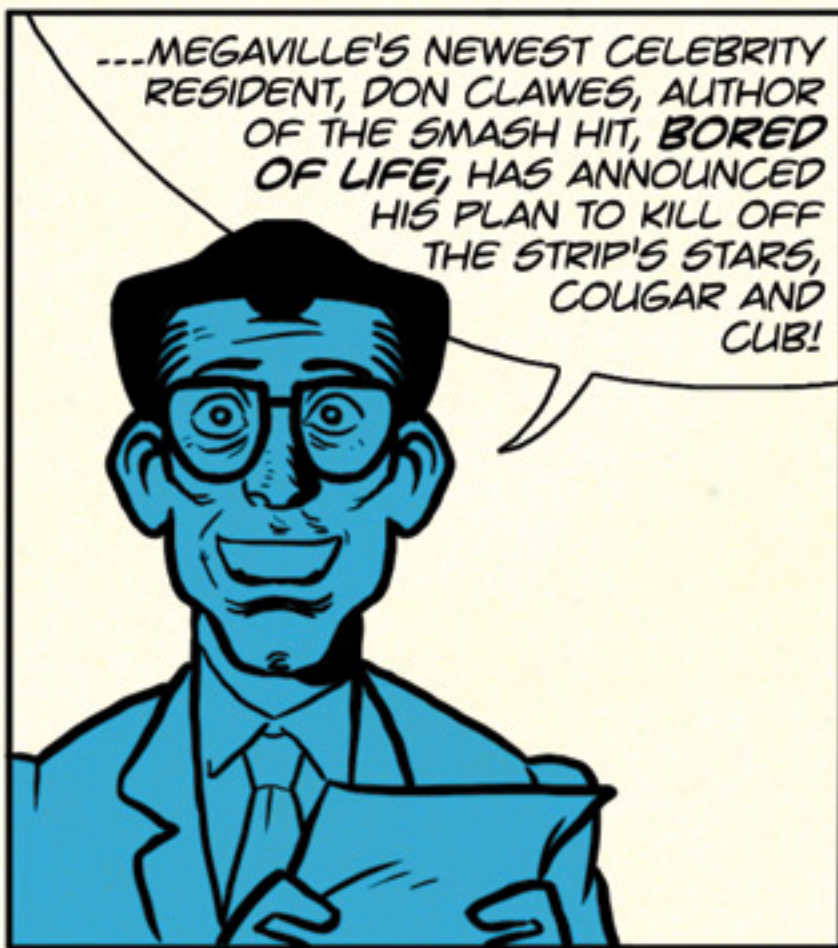
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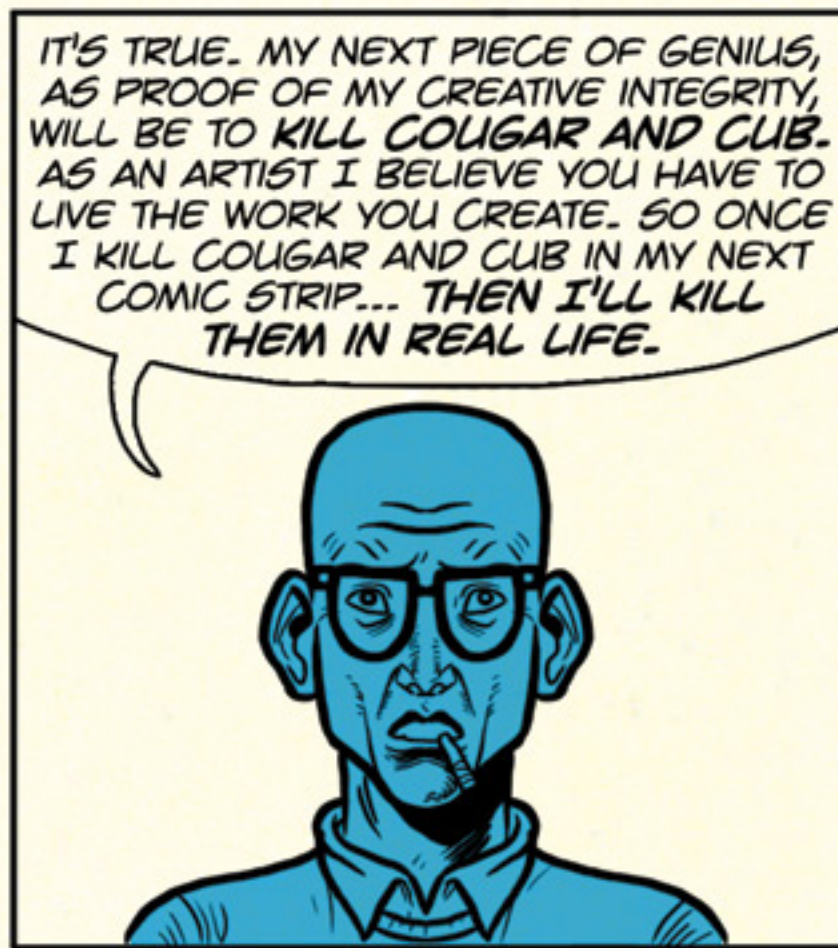
THIS JUST IN...



...MEGAVILLE'S NEWEST CELEBRITY RESIDENT, DON CLAWES, AUTHOR OF THE SMASH HIT, **BORED OF LIFE**, HAS ANNOUNCED HIS PLAN TO KILL OFF THE STRIP'S STARS, COUGAR AND CUB!



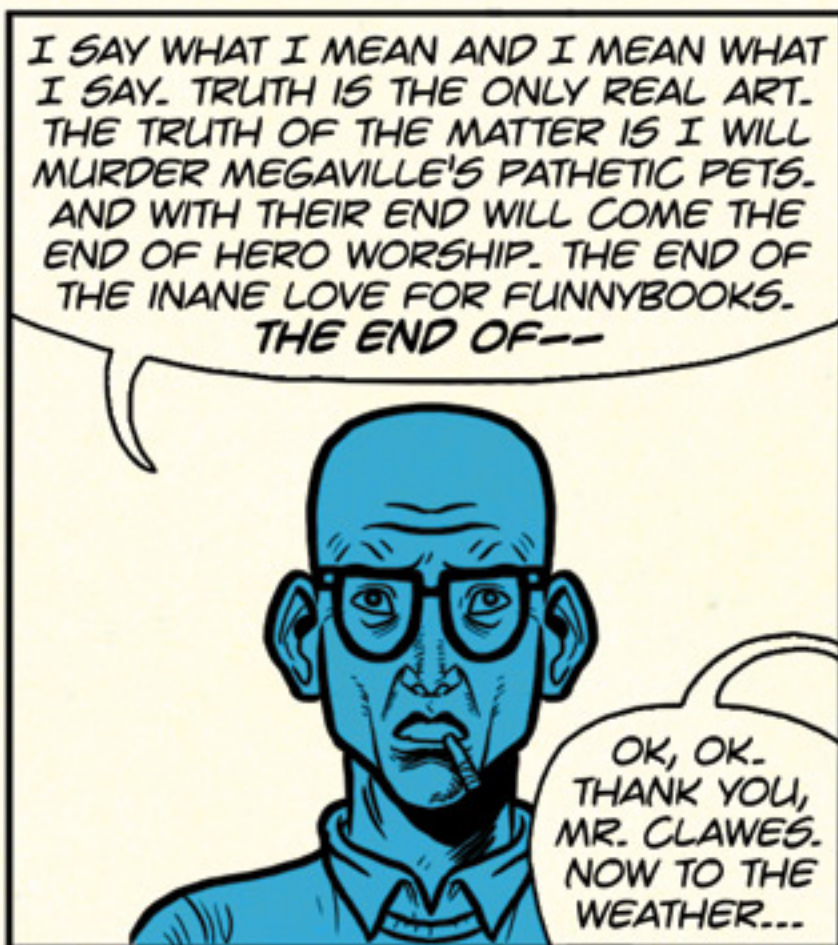
IT'S TRUE. MY NEXT PIECE OF GENIUS, AS PROOF OF MY CREATIVE INTEGRITY, WILL BE TO **KILL COUGAR AND CUB**. AS AN ARTIST I BELIEVE YOU HAVE TO LIVE THE WORK YOU CREATE. SO ONCE I KILL COUGAR AND CUB IN MY NEXT COMIC STRIP... THEN I'LL KILL THEM IN REAL LIFE.



WAIT, MR. CLAWES. YOU CAN'T REALLY MEAN TO SAY YOU'RE GOING TO **KILL MEGAVILLE'S BELOVED CRIMEFIGHTING DUO, COUGAR AND CUB?**



I SAY WHAT I MEAN AND I MEAN WHAT I SAY. TRUTH IS THE ONLY REAL ART. THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS I WILL MURDER MEGAVILLE'S PATHETIC PETS. AND WITH THEIR END WILL COME THE END OF HERO WORSHIP. THE END OF THE INANE LOVE FOR FUNNYBOOKS. **THE END OF--**



OK, OK. THANK YOU, MR. CLAWES. NOW TO THE WEATHER...

IF THAT OVERGROWN ART SCHOOL STUDENT THINKS HE HATES SUPER HEROES NOW, WAIT 'TIL HE GETS A TASTE OF THIS SUPER POWERED PUSSY.

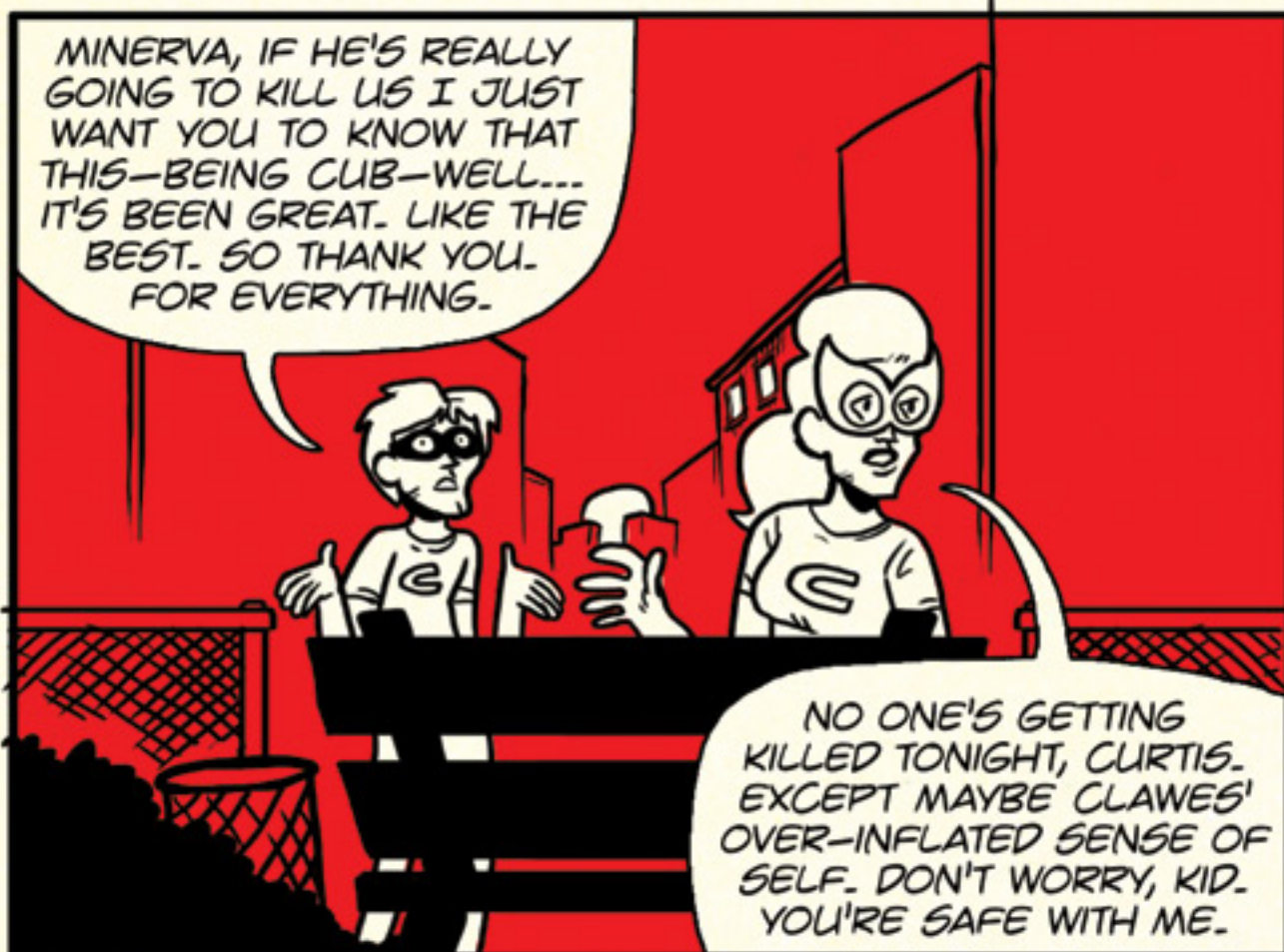
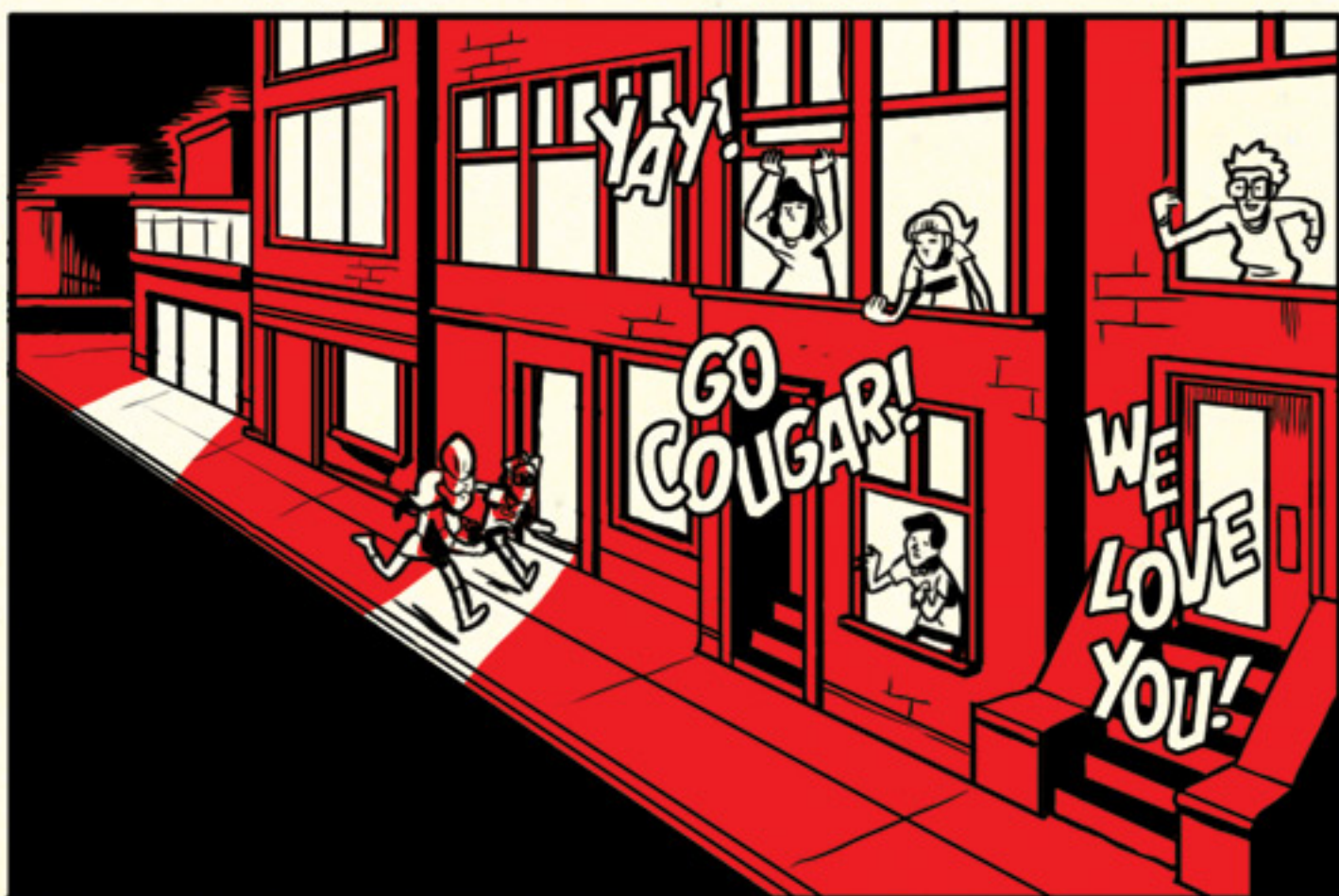




WHEN I GET MY HANDS ON THAT PRETENTIOUS STICK IN THE MUD, I'LL BREAK HIM IN TWO. JUST LIKE A STICK. IN THE MUD.

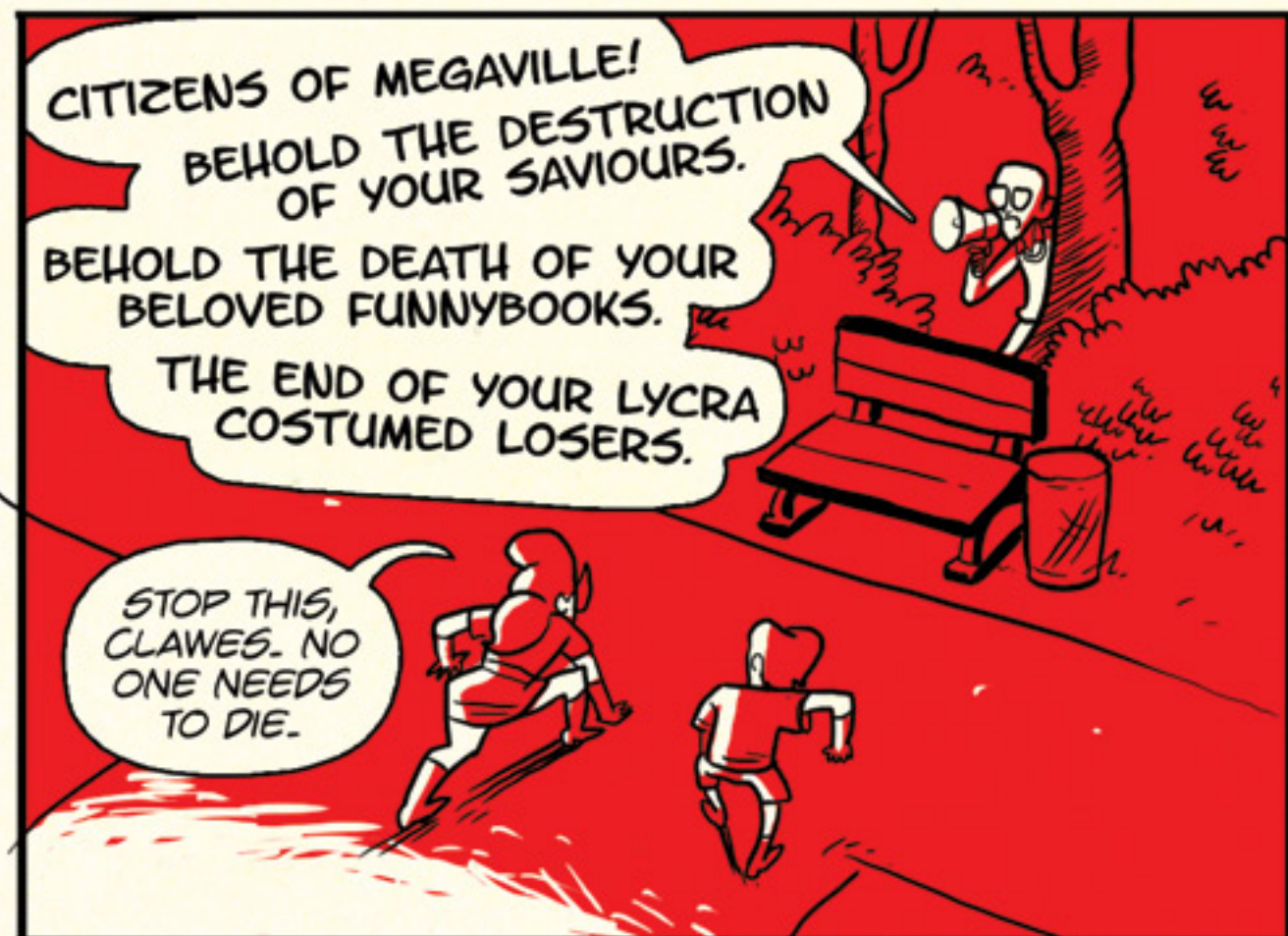
BUT... BUKOWSKI'S COOL, RIGHT? HE'S A GOOD GUY?

SURE, KID. BUKOWSKI WAS GREAT...



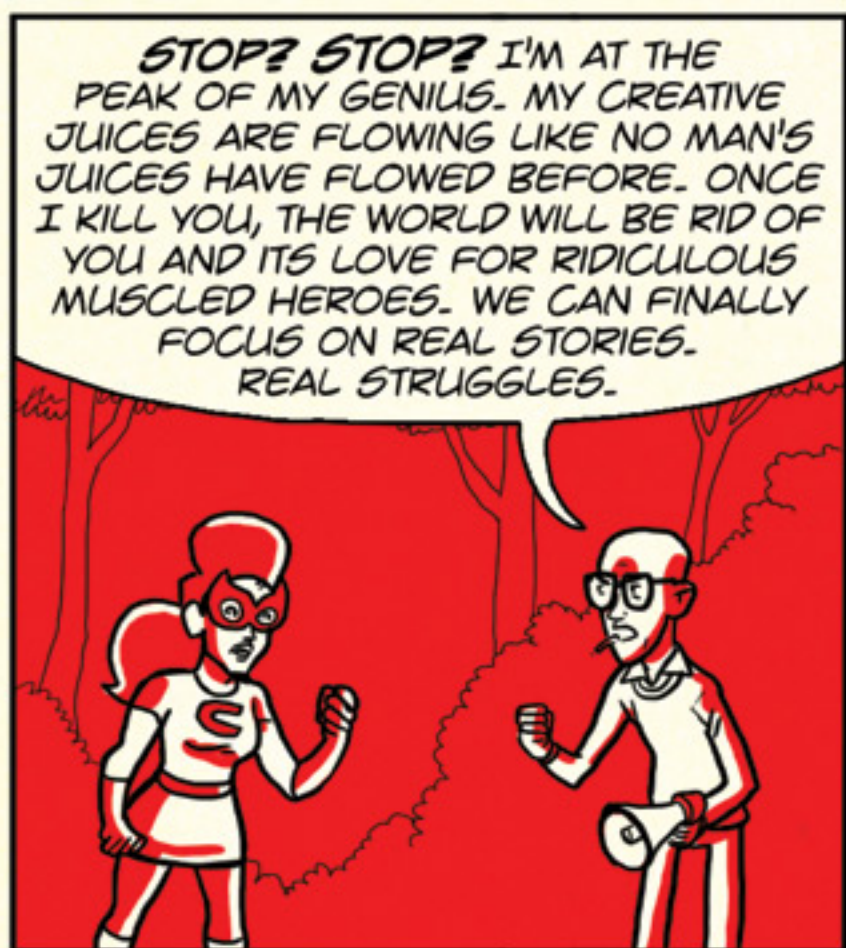
MINERVA, IF HE'S REALLY GOING TO KILL US I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THIS—BEING CUB—WELL... IT'S BEEN GREAT. LIKE THE BEST. SO THANK YOU. FOR EVERYTHING.

NO ONE'S GETTING KILLED TONIGHT, CURTIS. EXCEPT MAYBE CLAWES' OVER-INFLATED SENSE OF SELF. DON'T WORRY, KID. YOU'RE SAFE WITH ME.



CITIZENS OF MEGAVILLE! BEHOLD THE DESTRUCTION OF YOUR SAVIOURS. BEHOLD THE DEATH OF YOUR BELOVED FUNNYBOOKS. THE END OF YOUR LYCRA COSTUMED LOSERS.

STOP THIS, CLAWES. NO ONE NEEDS TO DIE.



STOP? STOP? I'M AT THE PEAK OF MY GENIUS. MY CREATIVE JUICES ARE FLOWING LIKE NO MAN'S JUICES HAVE FLOWED BEFORE. ONCE I KILL YOU, THE WORLD WILL BE RID OF YOU AND ITS LOVE FOR RIDICULOUS MUSCLED HEROES. WE CAN FINALLY FOCUS ON REAL STORIES. REAL STRUGGLES.



REAL STORIES? YOU CO-OPT WORKING CLASS STRIFE TO CREATE A GROTESQUE WARPED VERSION OF A WORLD YOU'VE NEVER BEEN A PART OF!

AND YOU?!?

DRESSING UP AND ATTACKING CIVILIANS AS THEY LIVE THEIR LIVES. YOU'RE A MENACE!



STOP IT! STOP IT! PLEASE. YOU'RE BOTH FLAWED IN YOUR OWN WAYS. EVERYONE IS. BUT TOGETHER WE COULD BE SOMETHING REALLY SPECIAL--



SHUT UP, KID! GET OUT OF MY WAY.

SHOVE



OH MY FUCKING GOD. WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

I'M SORRY. I'M SO SORRY, IT WAS JUST ART. IT WASN'T MEANT TO BE REAL.

ART ISN'T REAL. ART CAN'T HURT PEOPLE. IT CAN'T...



WELL, YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY, KID—YOU SHOULD NEVER MEET YOUR HEROES.

CURTIS CALICO
1976-1998
COLOSSAL CUB.
PIERCE FRIEND.

THE CREATIVE TEAM



ARCHI-TECH

Nick Marino
comic book writer
and letterer

He builds stuff that
doesn't suck.

First appearance:
Time Log #0

@nickmarino

THE QUICKSTER

Daniel Arruda Massa
international cartoonist
and animator

He draws fucking fast.

First appearance:
De Stripper #65

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FIEF DAME

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