

"SO WHERE WERE WE? OH, YEAH, BACK TO THESE DOPES. THEY NEVER STOP. ONE FIGHT WRAPPED AND OFF THEY GO LOOKING FOR ANOTHER.

"I'D JUST FINISHED WHOOPING BLACK ADAM UP AND DOWN THE PAVEMENT AND NEXT THING YOU KNOW HE'S IN THE BATCAVE, MIXING IT UP WITH THE PANCAKE PATROL.



"WHO, LET IT BE SAID, WERE BUSY JUMPING FROM ONE SCUFFLE TO ANOTHER, TOO. LIKE THEY GOT TWITCHY AFTER A FEW HOURS NOT POUNDING BAD GUYS INTO THE DIRT.

"BUNCH OF SADISTS.

"IN MY PROFESSIONAL OPINION, THEY'RE IN A FEEDBACK LOOP. EACH ONE CONVINCES THE OTHER ALL OF THIS IS TOTALLY NORMAL BEHAVIOR.

"COMBINED WITH DELUSIONAL EXHIBITIONISM...

"... WHERE THEY TRICK EACH OTHER INTO BELIEVING THE BATTLE IS WON WHEN IT'S FAR FROM IT.



"THAT'S ENOUGH, ADAM. YOU'RE DONE."



"YOU PRESUME TOO MUCH..."

"MAYBE THEY'RE MASOCHISTS, AFTER ALL."

*ALL HOPE SEEMED TO BE LOST.

*SOME OF THEM BELIEVE IN SELF-RELIANCE. PLUS THE POWER OF RANGED WEAPONS.

*BUT DO THEY THANK OLLIE? NOOOO. GOTTA ROLL ON TO THE NEXT SCENE, STOKE MORE DRAMA.



*BUT NOT ALL HEROES WEAR CAPES, OR BRACELETS, OR RINGS.

*AND EXPLOSIONS.

CAN IT BE FIXED?

THE OPTICAL RESONATOR IS BEYOND REPAIR. EVEN WITH LUTHOR, WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO BUILD A NEW ONE.



LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GONNA NEED SOME HELP...



*ANOTHER TICKING CLOCK TO GIVE THEIR LIVES MEANING.



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AND WHAT DID FATE DO, YOU ASK?

THE PANCAKE DIMENSION.

"FATE SAID,
'SURE THING.
COMIN'
RIGHT UP."

WE SHOULD
BE ABLE TO LOCK
ONTO THEIR SIGNATURES
AND PULL THEM BACK TO
OUR DIMENSION.

THERE,
I'M VIBRATING
AT THE RIGHT
FREQUENCY.
DO IT.

THE
CONTAINMENT
FIELD IS UP,
BUT THE LEVELS
ARE SPIKING.
SHUT IT DOWN,
CYBORG.

IT'S
OKAY!

LET'S HAVE A WAR

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I'VE
GOT IT.

"CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?
I CAN'T CATCH A BREAK
TO SAVE MY LIFE.

WONDERFUL, VIC.
GREAT JOB.

...NEED MORE
THAN PAWNS IF WE'RE
GOING TO TAKE DOWN
SUPERMAN.

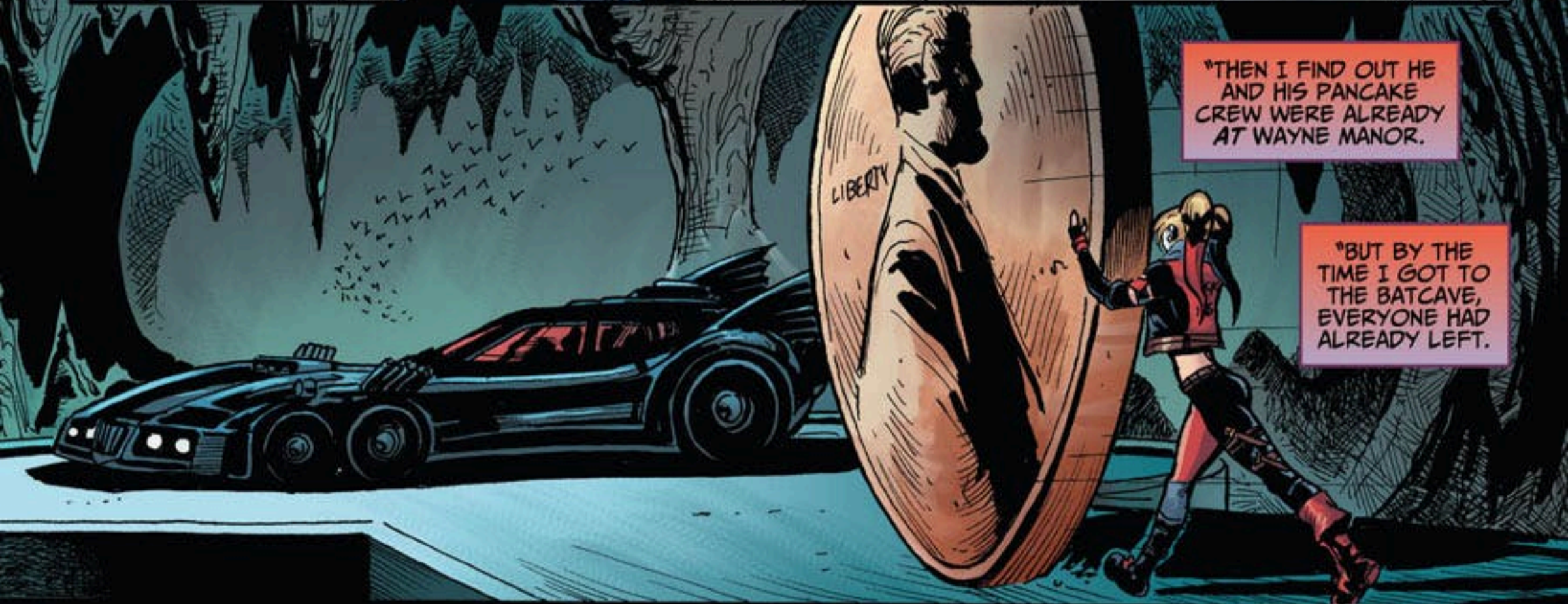
"BUT THE
GOOD GUYS?"

"THEY GET
ALL THE
LUCK."

"WHILE I WAS STUCK DOING NOTHING AT HARLEY HQ LIKE I WAS GROUNDED. OR ON PAROLE.



"I'D TRIED TO MAKE NICE WITH BATS BY STEALING HIS BATMOBILE.



"THEN I FIND OUT HE AND HIS PANCAKE CREW WERE ALREADY AT WAYNE MANOR.

"BUT BY THE TIME I GOT TO THE BATCAVE, EVERYONE HAD ALREADY LEFT.



"BABS WASN'T TAKING MY CALLS ANYMORE.

BABSY, PICK UPPPP. PLEAAAAASE.



"MY COP SHOP FRIENDS HAD NO LEADS.

"EVERYONE GOT TO DO WAR STUFF EXCEPT ME.



"NO ONE WOULD LET ME JOIN IN THEIR REINDEER GAMES.

BOSS? YOU OKAY? GARY'S GONNA BE FINE.

I KNOW THAT, LARRY. I WAS JUST TRYING OUT SOME HARLEY CLAN DESIGNS.

NOT LIKE IT MATTERS ANYMORE.

SINCE WHEN DO WE NEED ANYONE'S PERMISSION TO DO ANYTHING?

YEAH, BOSS, WE CAN FIND SOMEONE OUT THERE THAT NEEDS SMASHING.

WE KNOW SO. YOU TAUGHT US THAT, BOSS. WE GOTTA MAKE OUR OWN FUN.

YEAH BOSS, KATANA IS STILL OUT THERE. WE COULD GO FIND HER AND BEAT HER UP? THAT'D MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER.

YEAH, IT KINDA WOULD, I GUESS.

OKAY. FINE.

YOU REALLY THINK SO?

BUT I CALL DIBS ON THE SWORDS.

