

# ATOMIC CITY



A PLACE CAN BE MAD.  
I CAN FEEL IT.

THIS PLACE IS MAD.

**SHADE**  
the changing girl

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"The whole country was lighted by a searing light with the intensity many times that of the midday sun.

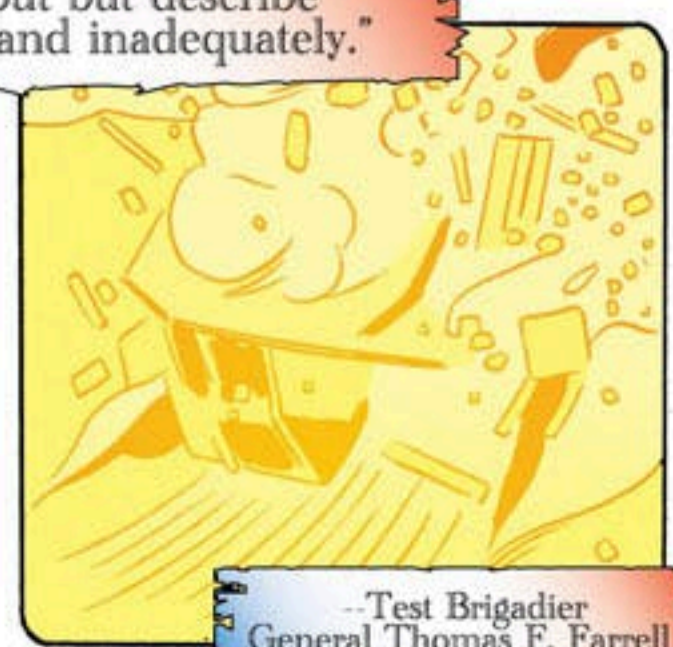
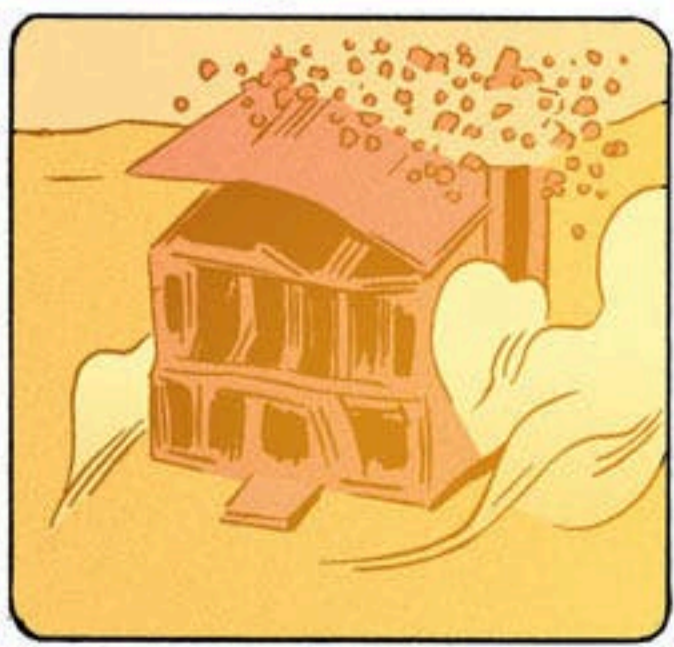
"It was golden, purple, violet, gray and blue.

"It lighted every peak, crevasse and ridge of the nearby mountain range with a clarity and beauty...

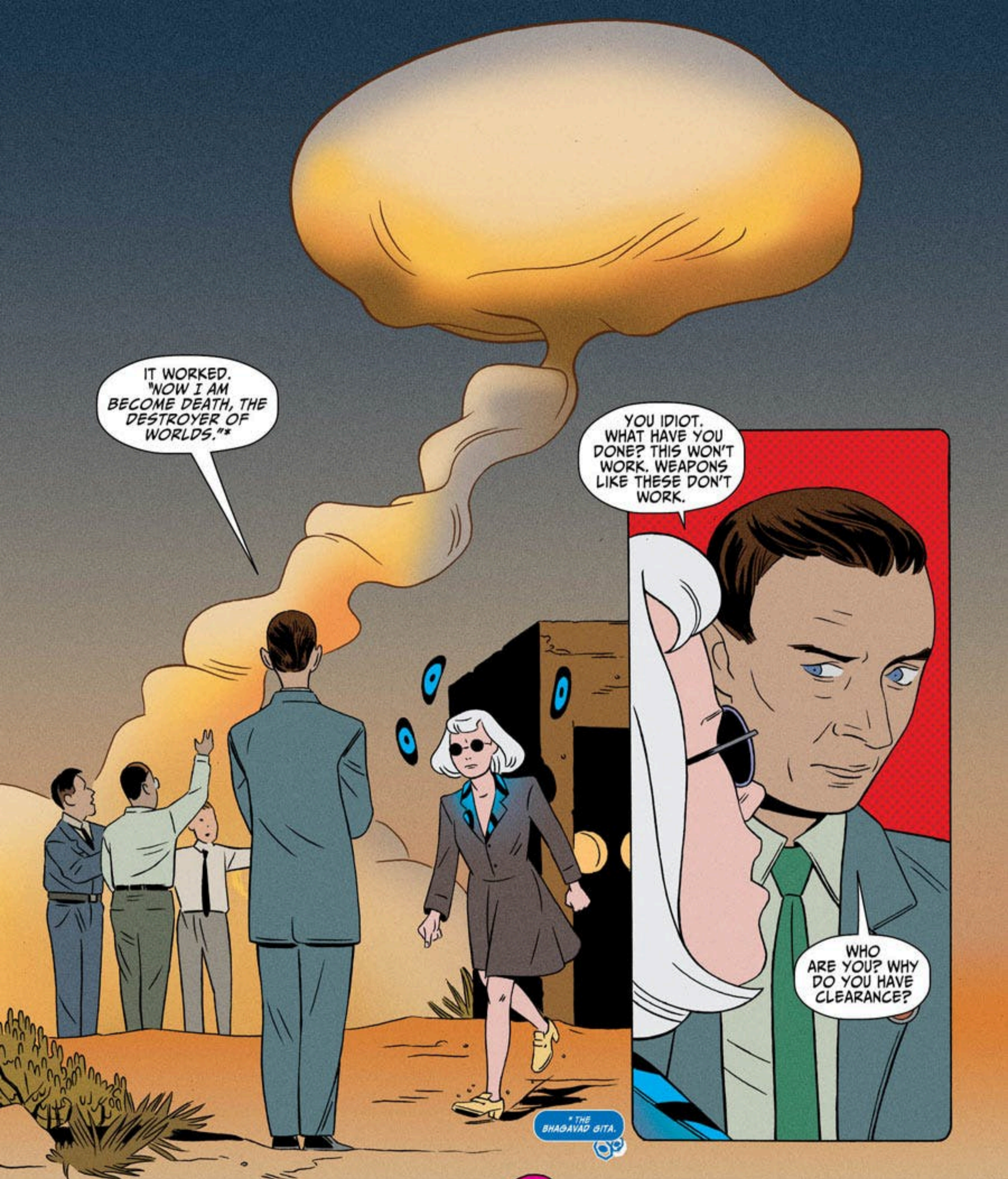


"...that cannot be described but must be seen to be imagined.

"It was that beauty the great poets dream about but describe most poorly and inadequately."



--Test Brigadier  
General Thomas F. Farrell

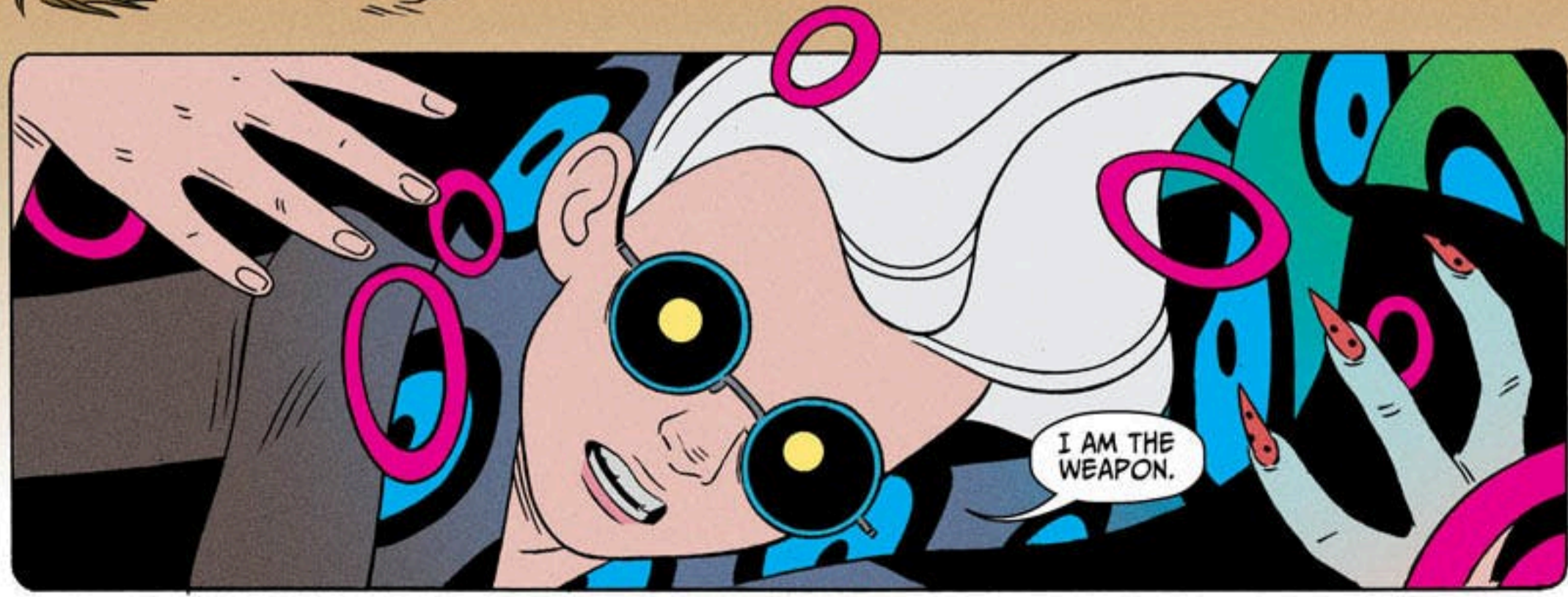


IT WORKED.  
"NOW I AM  
BECOME DEATH, THE  
DESTROYER OF  
WORLDS."\*

YOU IDIOT.  
WHAT HAVE YOU  
DONE? THIS WON'T  
WORK. WEAPONS  
LIKE THESE DON'T  
WORK.

WHO  
ARE YOU? WHY  
DO YOU HAVE  
CLEARANCE?

\* THE  
BHAGAVAD GITA.



I AM THE  
WEAPON.



HURRY UP. THE TOUR BUS IS LEAVING SOON.

OOH. NEXT UP IS A FALL-OUT SHELTER. FUN!

THESE PEOPLE DON'T KNOW HOW OR WHEN TO BE HORRIFIED.



"HORROR LOOMS TOO LARGE TO SEE UP CLOSE."



"ONE CAN ONLY MANAGE TO SWALLOW ITS FURY IN BITS."



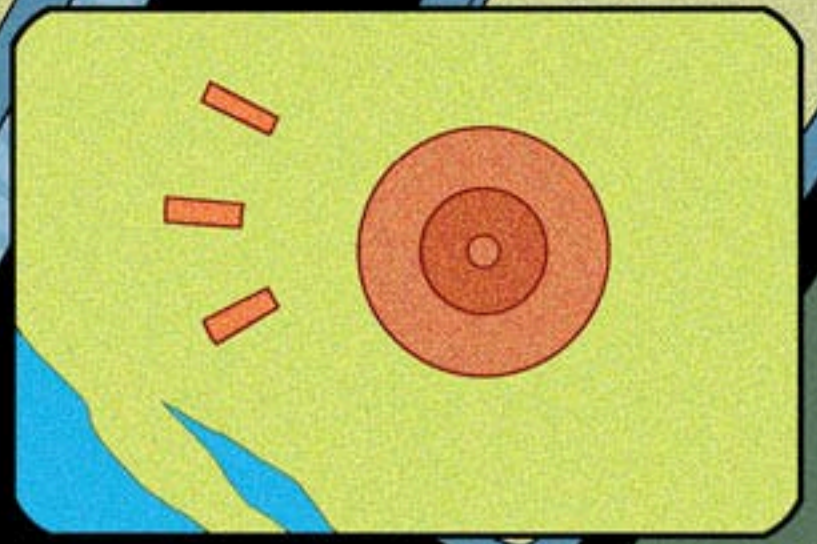
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"AND SAVOR ITS SWEET TASTE OF STRANGE COLORS."

"LEST WE BECOME A UNIVERSE THAT SCREAMS FOR ETERNITY."

LOOK FOR A SIGN, SHE SAYS. FOLLOW THE MADNESS, SHE SAYS.

I'LL SHOW YOU WHERE IT LEADS. THE MADNESS LEADS RIGHT BACK TO YOU, MELLU LORAN.



OH SHIT! IT WORKED.

I FOUND SOMETHING! THE MADNESS TRACKING WORKED.

SHOW ME, MRS. DEEPS.



NO MORE GUESSING. IT'S THE BLIP WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR.



PREPARE THE NEXT M-VEST TEAM. THAT'S WHERE WE ATTACK FIRST.



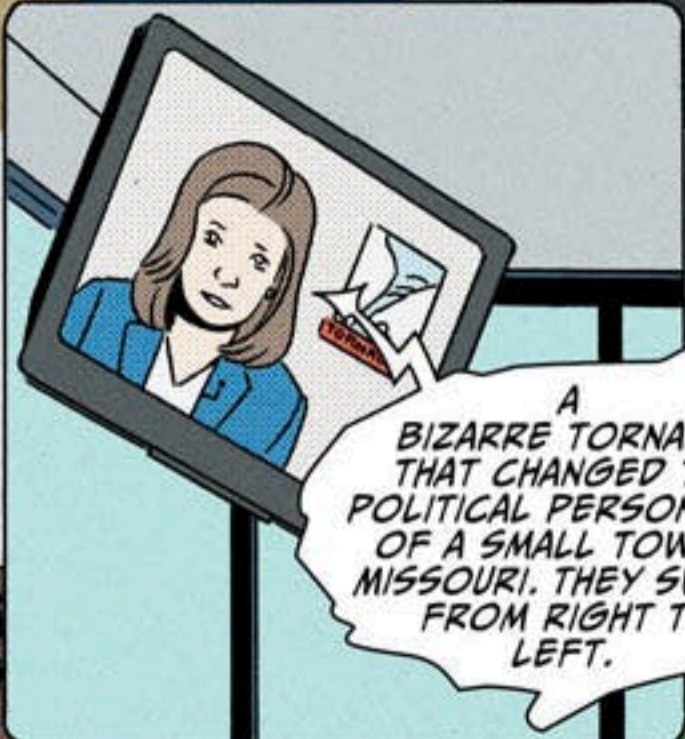


CAN YOU BELIEVE THE MAD STORIES OUT THERE? ADULTS CLAIM THEY REVERTED TO ADOLESCENCE AT A SONIC BOOM SHOW. SOME SAY IT WAS A GIRL, I SAY "WHAT ARE YOU DRINKING?" THIS IS HELLO, GOTHAM.



STRANGE THINGS BEING REPORTED ACROSS THE HEARTLAND. A SINKHOLE THAT LOOKS LIKE A MOUTH WITH TEETH...

...LEAVES PEOPLE SCREAMING IN WESTERN OHIO.



A BIZARRE TORNADO THAT CHANGED THE POLITICAL PERSONALITY OF A SMALL TOWN IN MISSOURI. THEY SWUNG FROM RIGHT TO LEFT.



AND TODAY IT'S NEWS FROM TEXAS. WHERE A HERD OF CATTLE APPARENTLY TRIED TO JUMP OVER THE MOON.



I SEE YOU, SHADE. I'M GOING TO FIND YOU.

