



*"Black Hammer is easily one of Lemire's best creations."*  
—SCOTT SNYDER (*Batman*)

# BLACK HAMMER

GIANT-SIZED ANNUAL



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Ah, there you are. Yes...I have seen you before. I know it. But I can't quite remember where.

So many things slip my mind these days.

--AND THERE'S ANOTHER DEVASTATING LEFT HOOK! THE CHAMP IS IN DEEP TROUBLE NOW!



# THWAP

OH BOY!  
WHAT A TREAT,  
FOLKS! IT'S SPIRAL  
CITY'S VERY OWN  
COSTUMED CRIME  
BUSTER...  
**ABRAHAM  
SLAM!!**







OH, REX, ARE YOU **SURE** YOU SHOULD DO THIS? IT SEEMS SO DANGEROUS!

I **HAVE** TO, GAIL, BABY. THESE JOCKS CAN'T JUST COME TO SPIRAL CITY AND ACT LIKE THEY **OWN** THE ROADS!



GOOD OL' **REX PACER** IS GONNA SHOW THEM THAT SPIRAL CITY BELONGS TO US!



BIG TALK, REX. I THINK YOUR **GIRLFRIEND** MIGHT HAVE A BETTER CHANCE AGAINST ME THAN **YOU**.



YOU HAVE NO IDEA, DIRK ATWOOD! ALL I WOULD HAVE TO DO IS SAY MY **MAGIC WORD** AND WHAM! **GOLDEN GAIL** WOULD WIPE THAT SMILE OFF YOUR FACE.



BUT THE **LAST** THING I WANT IS FOR REX PACER TO SEE HIS GIRL GAIL IS **REALLY** JUST A **LITTLE KID** WHEN SHE BECOMES **GOLDEN GAIL**!

WISH ME LUCK, BABY.





IT'S ME,  
REX. IT'S  
GAIL.

Poor  
Gail.

Perhaps I  
should destroy  
it? It seems to only  
cause pain. Yet, the  
moment my ray gun  
takes aim, I know  
that this is not  
right.

This is not  
the way it's supposed  
to happen, is it?

I do not  
destroy it.  
At least not  
yet...

There is  
more to this story.  
Things that happened.  
Things I am power-  
less to change.





I DON'T NEED MY BARBADAR  
TO KNOW I'VE FOUND MY PREY.  
THIS PLACE STINKS OF SOME-  
THING *NOT OF THIS WORLD.*

I START TO THINK THAT MAYBE THIS IS A JOB FOR BARBALIEN,  
NOT MARK MARKS, WHEN I GET BLINDSIDED...



AND WHAT I SEE  
NEXT PRETTY MUCH  
MAKES MY MIND UP  
FOR ME.

UH-OH.



MRS.  
BROOKES, I  
PRESUME?

GRRRR...

JUST STAND  
STILL, MA'AM. I'M  
HERE TO HELP.



