

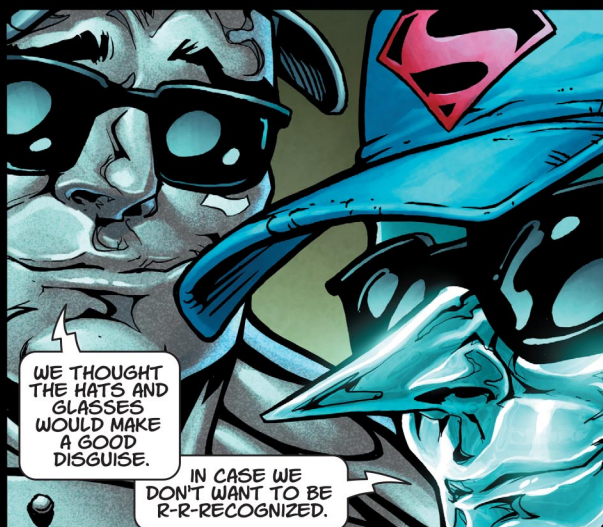


WE WERE ABOUT TO LEAVE.

I GIVE UP, WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO BE DRESSED FOR?

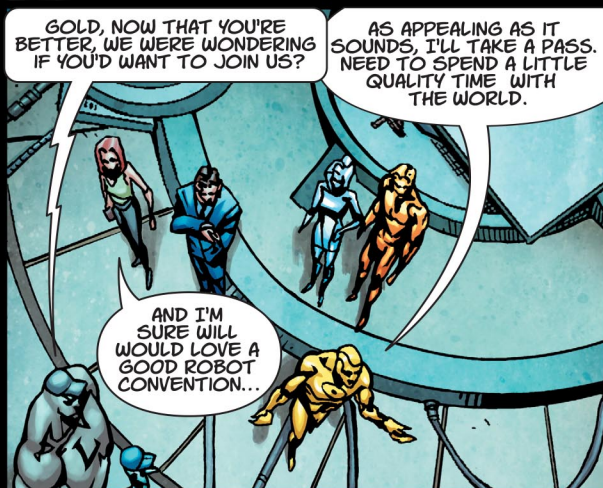
WE'VE BEEN INVITED AS SPECIAL GUESTS TO THIS YEAR'S **ROBOCON**.

IMAGINE THAT... US... **SPECIAL!**



WE THOUGHT THE HATS AND GLASSES WOULD MAKE A GOOD DISGUISE.

IN CASE WE DON'T WANT TO BE R-R-RECOGNIZED.



GOLD, NOW THAT YOU'RE BETTER, WE WERE WONDERING IF YOU'D WANT TO JOIN US?

AS APPEALING AS IT SOUNDS, I'LL TAKE A PASS. NEED TO SPEND A LITTLE QUALITY TIME WITH THE WORLD.

AND I'M SURE WILL WOULD LOVE A GOOD ROBOT CONVENTION...



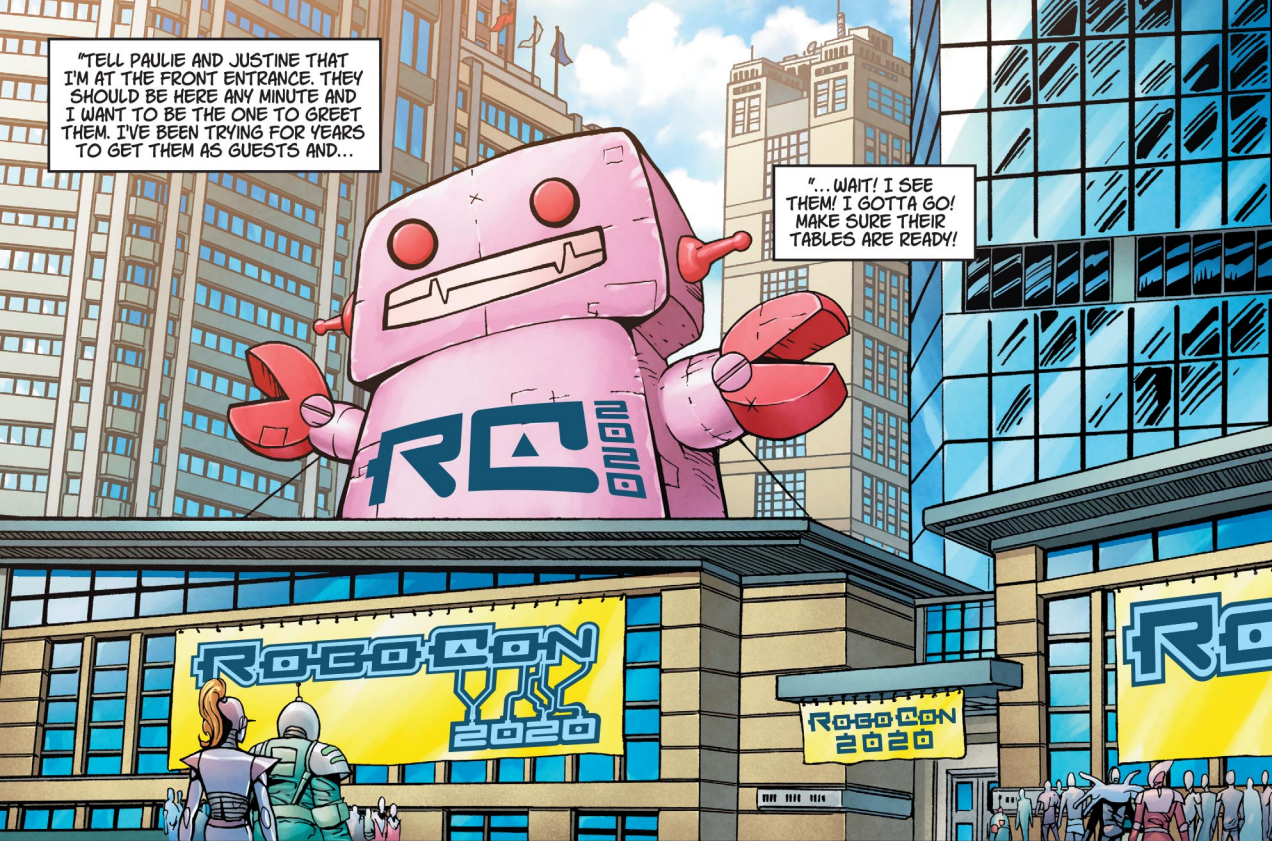
... BUT HE HAS PLANS FOR A PRIOR ENGAGEMENT.

WE SHOULD BE GOING.

NOT WITH THE ROBOTS... NOT WITH THE HUMANS. EVER WONDER WHERE YOU TRULY BELONG?

"TELL PAULIE AND JUSTINE THAT I'M AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE. THEY SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE AND I WANT TO BE THE ONE TO GREET THEM. I'VE BEEN TRYING FOR YEARS TO GET THEM AS GUESTS AND...

"...WAIT! I SEE THEM! I GOTTA GO! MAKE SURE THEIR TABLES ARE READY!"

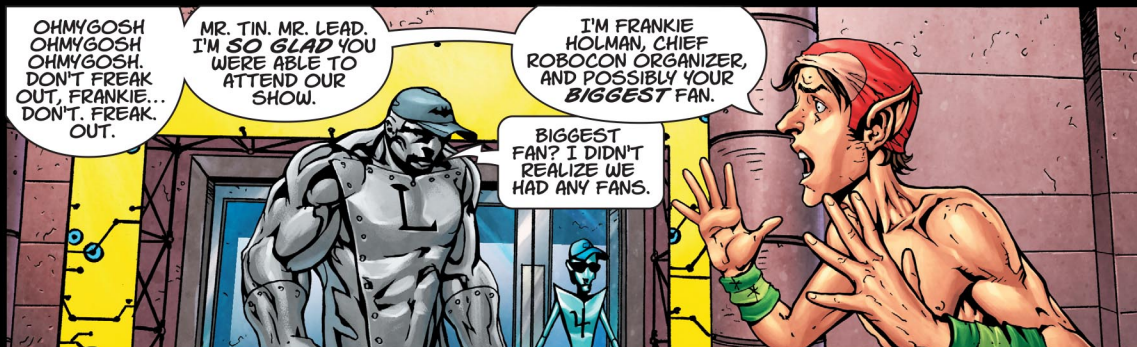


OHMYGOSH
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DON'T FREAK
OUT, FRANKIE...
DON'T. FREAK.
OUT.

MR. TIN. MR. LEAD.
I'M *SO GLAD* YOU
WERE ABLE TO
ATTEND OUR
SHOW.

I'M FRANKIE
HOLMAN, CHIEF
ROBOCON ORGANIZER,
AND POSSIBLY YOUR
BIGGEST FAN.

BIGGEST
FAN? I DIDN'T
REALIZE WE
HAD ANY FANS.

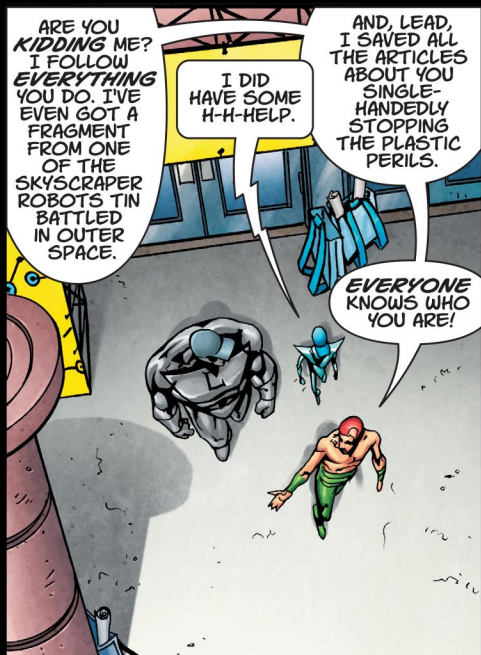


ARE YOU
KIDDING ME?
I FOLLOW
EVERYTHING
YOU DO. I'VE
EVEN GOT A
FRAGMENT
FROM ONE
OF THE
SKYSCRAPER
ROBOTS TIN
BATTLED IN
OUTER
SPACE.

I DID
HAVE SOME
H-H-HELP.

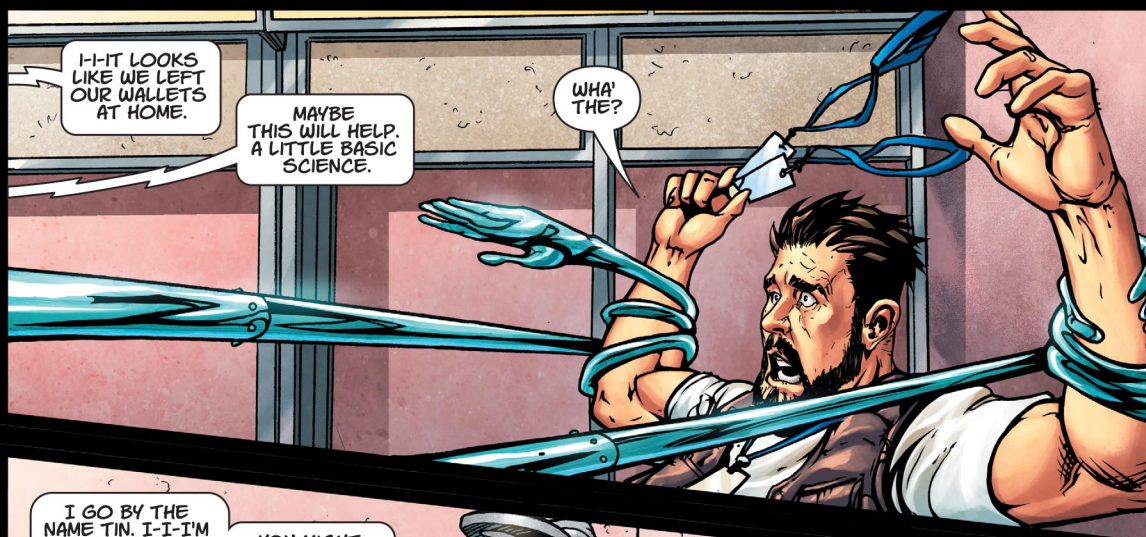
AND, LEAD,
I SAVED ALL
THE ARTICLES
ABOUT YOU
SINGLE-
HANDEDLY
STOPPING
THE PLASTIC
PERILS.

EVERYONE
KNOWS WHO
YOU ARE!



SORRY,
KIDS, YOU
CAN'T GET
IN WITHOUT
ANY I.D.

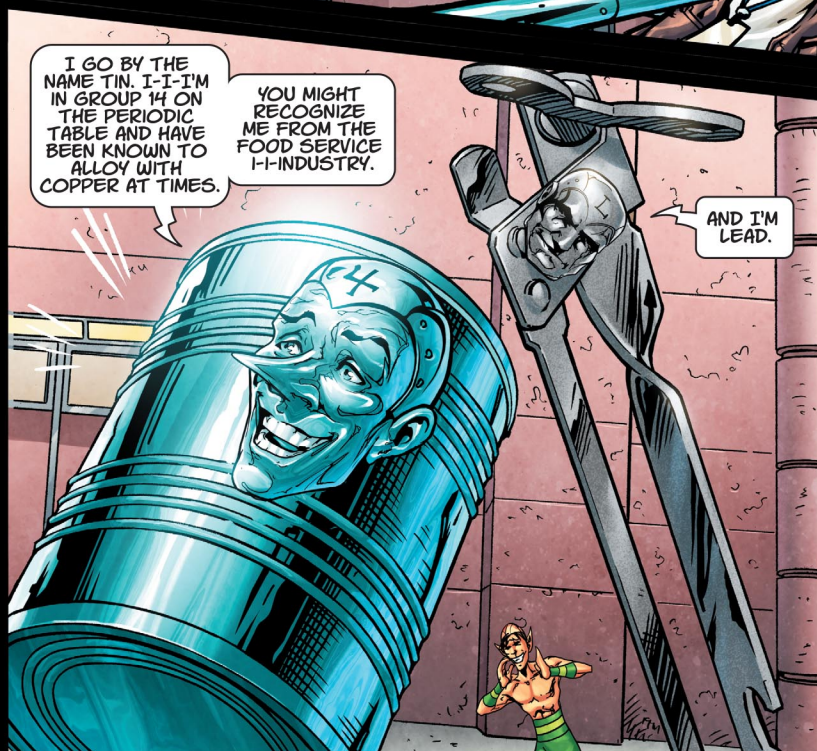




I-I-IT LOOKS LIKE WE LEFT OUR WALLETS AT HOME.

MAYBE THIS WILL HELP. A LITTLE BASIC SCIENCE.

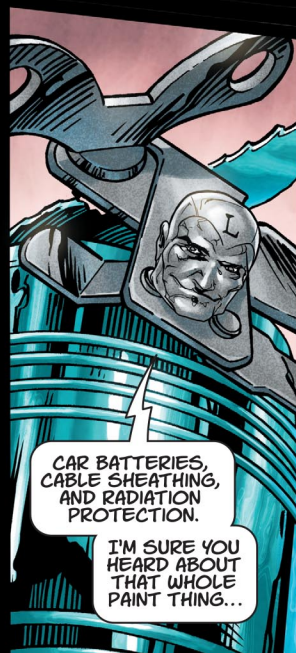
WHA' THE?



I GO BY THE NAME TIN. I-I-I'M IN GROUP 14 ON THE PERIODIC TABLE AND HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO ALLOY WITH COPPER AT TIMES.

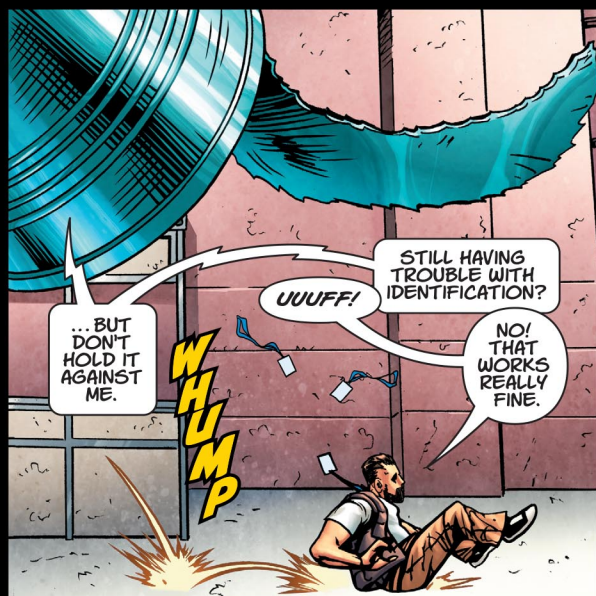
YOU MIGHT RECOGNIZE ME FROM THE FOOD SERVICE I-I-INDUSTRY.

AND I'M LEAD.



CAR BATTERIES, CABLE SHEATHING, AND RADIATION PROTECTION.

I'M SURE YOU HEARD ABOUT THAT WHOLE PAINT THING...



... BUT DON'T HOLD IT AGAINST ME.

UUUFF!

STILL HAVING TROUBLE WITH IDENTIFICATION?

NO! THAT WORKS REALLY FINE.

WHUMP



WELCOME TO ROBOCON!

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TIN V.I.P.