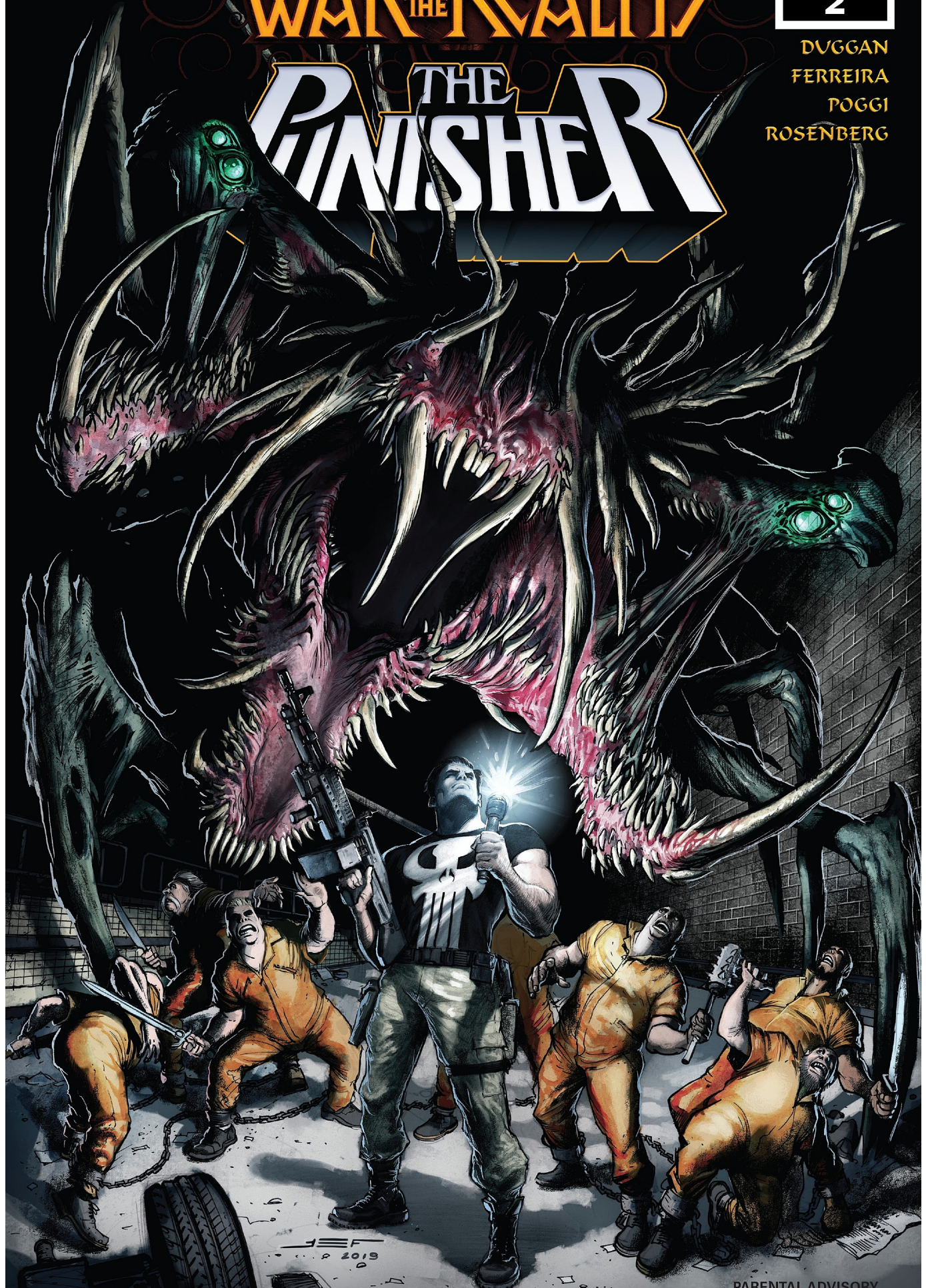


THE WAR OF THE REALMS

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THE PUNISHER



PARENTAL ADVISORY

THE WAR OF THE REALMS

After laying waste to nine of the Ten Realms, the Dark Elf King Malekith and his powerful allies brought the War of the Realms to Midgard, beginning with New York--home of the Punisher.

Frank was battling a Frost Giant when an innocent family got caught in the crossfire. Only the father survived. Frank took him to the nearest hospital, where he met Doctor Baldwin, who was trying to evacuate her patients out of the warzone. Wanting to help, Frank rallied a band of prisoners to act as bodyguards for the helpless hospital residents as they ventured into the Lincoln Tunnel, not knowing what monsters await them in the dark...

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THE LINCOLN TUNNEL.

ARE WE G-GONNA MAKE IT TO NEW JERSEY, DOCTOR BALDWIN?

I KNOW THIS IS HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT I'VE HAD WORSE TRAFFIC IN THE LINCOLN TUNNEL.



HEH. NEVER THOUGHT I'D WANT TO SEE NEW JERSEY AS BAD AS I DO.

I SURE HOPE THIS VIGILANTE CAN SEE US THROUGH.



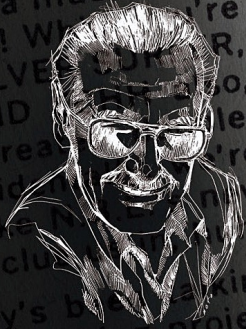
OH GOD!

STAN'S SOAPBOX
JULY 1968

STAN'S SOAPBOX!

We sometimes receive letters accusing us of publishing too many different titles. A number of fans have said it's too expensive trying to buy all our mags, and they ask us not to be so greedy, and to publish less of 'em. So, we thought you might like to hear OUR side of it. The only reason we constantly add new titles is because YOU ask for them. Thousands upon thousands of your letters demanded that we give Cap, Shell-Head, Namor, and all the others their own magazines. In fact, remember when we tried to discontinue the Hulk some years ago? Your unceasing outcry forced us to bring him back, despite the fact that it imposed a tremendous strain upon our already overworked staff. And each time we try to publish fewer 25¢ Summer Specials, you swamp us with letters demanding more than ever. Personally, we'd be happy to let up a bit. Many of us, including yours truly, haven't had a vacation in years! But, our policy was, is, and always will be to give Marveldom what it asks for, and judging by our ever-skyrocketing sales, we're not far from the mark. That's the lowdown, loyal one. We don't want you to spend all your bread on our mags, honest. But, so long as the dramatic demand for them continues, we can't turn a deaf ear. Anyway, remember this: no matter how many stories we create each month, our credo will always be the same — Nil Nisi Optimus — nothing but the best!

—Smiley



STAN LEE
FOREVER



can Matt Murdock t
tonishingly different
MIGHTY THOR #1
menace so powerf
him? Well, mighty
than picture him!
find a way to def
gog, all of Asgard
will triumph at la
CAPTAIN AMERIC
wears a strip of
of his neck, he n
Skull! But, if he
We don't know
can help our s
out of this one
INCREDIBLE H
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Hell
DR.

YOU'RE FOLLOWING A LITTLE TOO CLOSE, DOC.

GRRR
RROO
TIR
GH!







--AND LOUD!



SHOOT IT, FOR %\$#@ SAKE!

OH, MY DUDE-- DON'T DO THAT.



SHOOT THAT THING, YOU MANIAC!

I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE!



NOW YOU'RE NOT.

BLAM



SHOOT!

EVERY BULLET IS PRECIOUS, MORE VALUABLE THAN THE KILLERS I PULLED OFF THE PRISON BUS.



BLAM



RAAAGH!!!





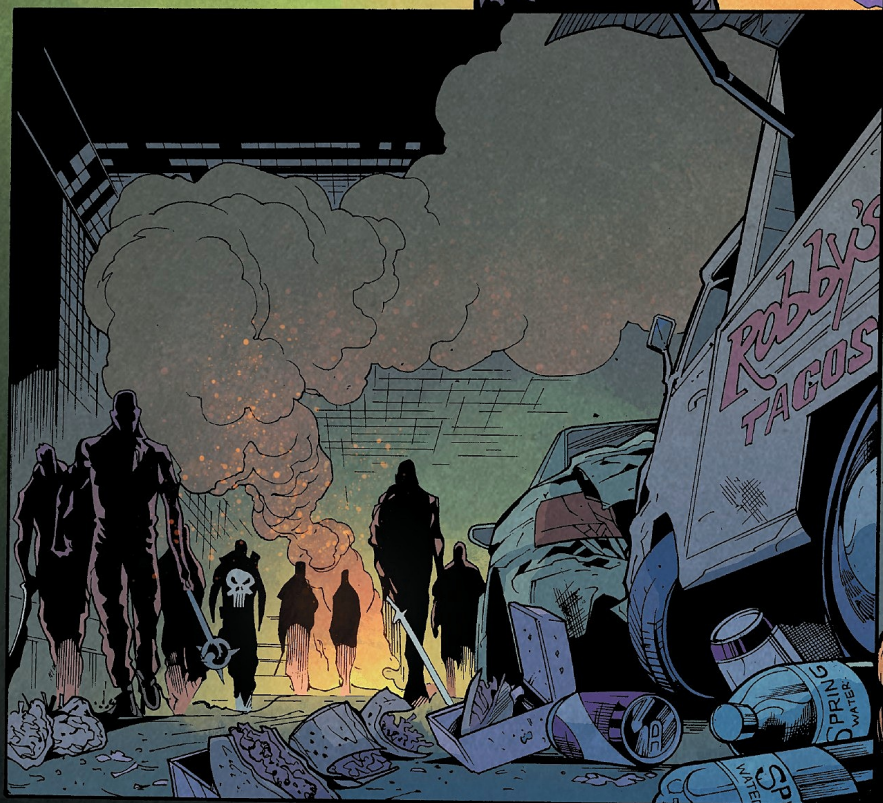


THANKS, YOU'VE BEEN VERY HELPFUL.

I'LL BREAK YOUR BONES AND--WHAT'S THAT?



BA
BOOM



DON'T MIND IF I DO.



HOLY &##\$,
WE'RE ONLY
HALFWAY
THROUGH?



NEW YORK

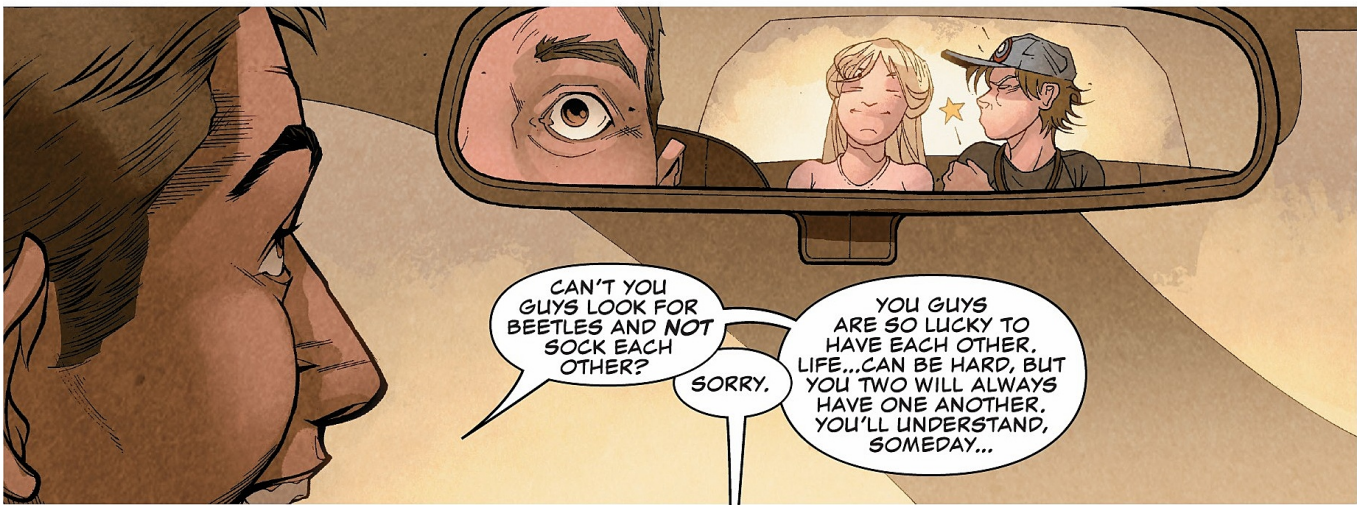
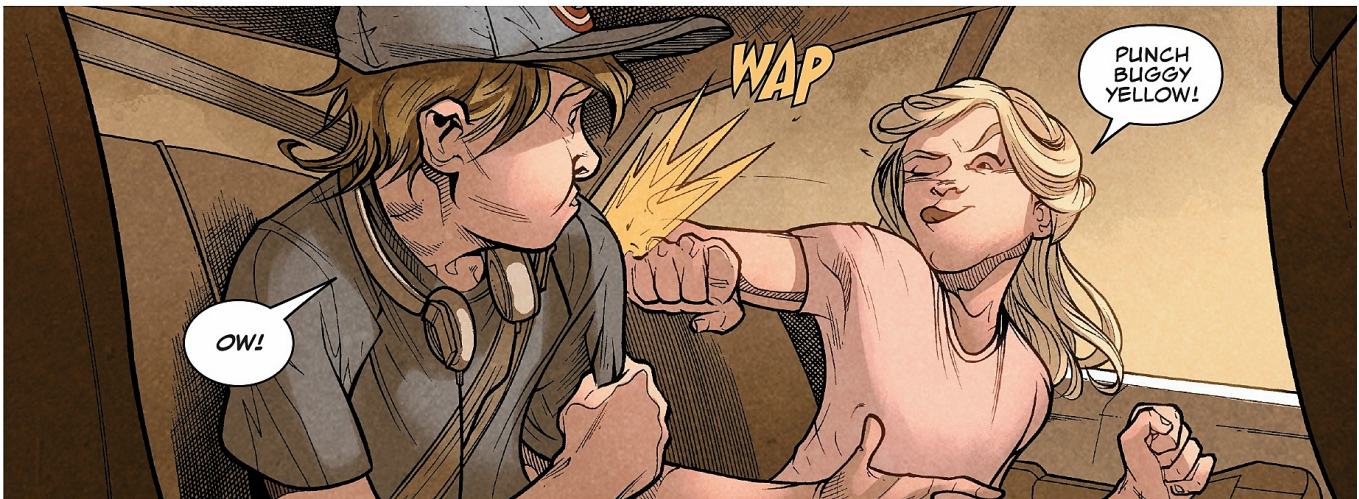
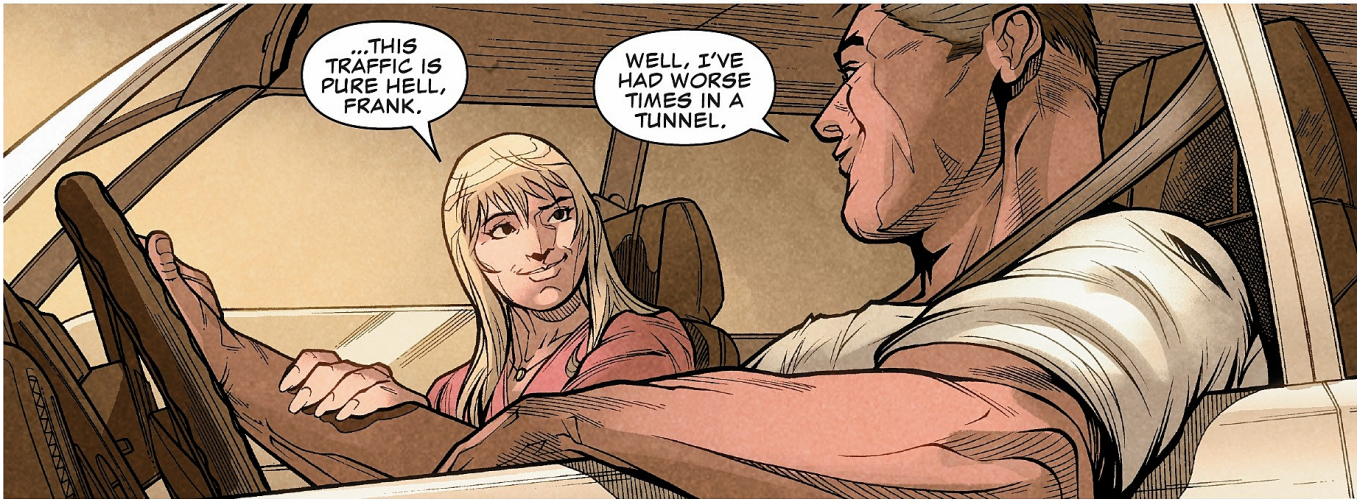
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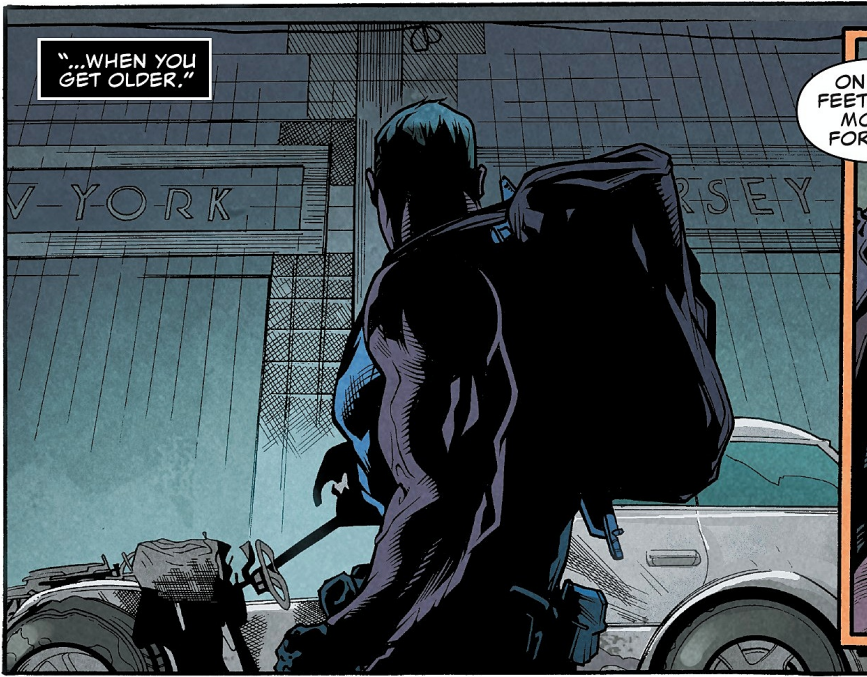
I CAN'T
BELIEVE
WE'RE ONLY
AT THE
MIDPOINT.

IT
FEELS LIKE
WE'VE BEEN
DOWN HERE
FOREVER...

NEW YORK

NEW JERSEY





"...WHEN YOU GET OLDER."



ON YOUR FEET, WE'RE MOVING FORWARD.



THAT BELONGS TO THE WOUNDED IN THE REAR.

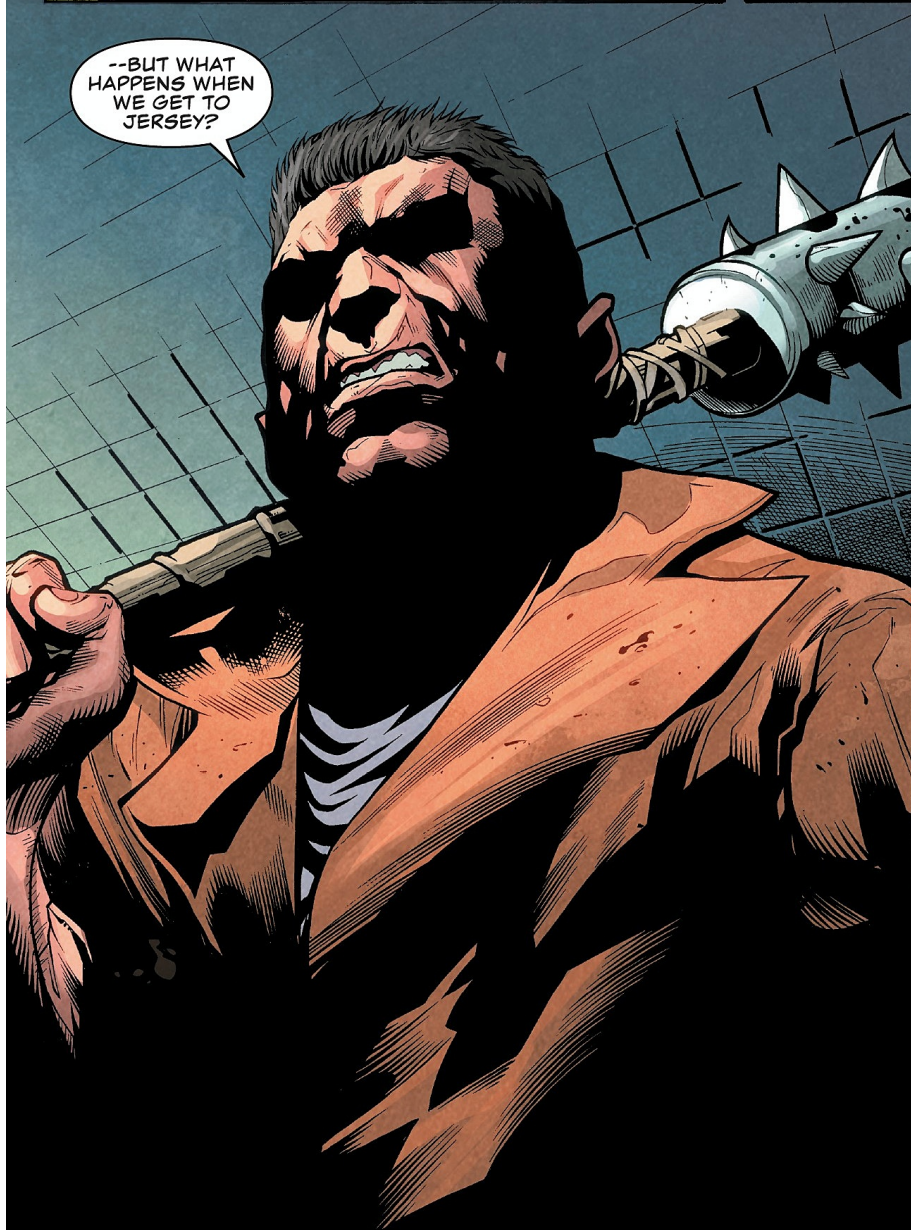




KEEP WALKING, FERRANTE. OR YOU'RE GONNA FIND OUT YOU DON'T NEED TEETH IN ORDER TO MARCH AND FIGHT.



FINE--



--BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE GET TO JERSEY?



WE'RE STILL A LONG WAY FROM JERSEY.

TSK, TSK. WHAT HAVE WE HERE?



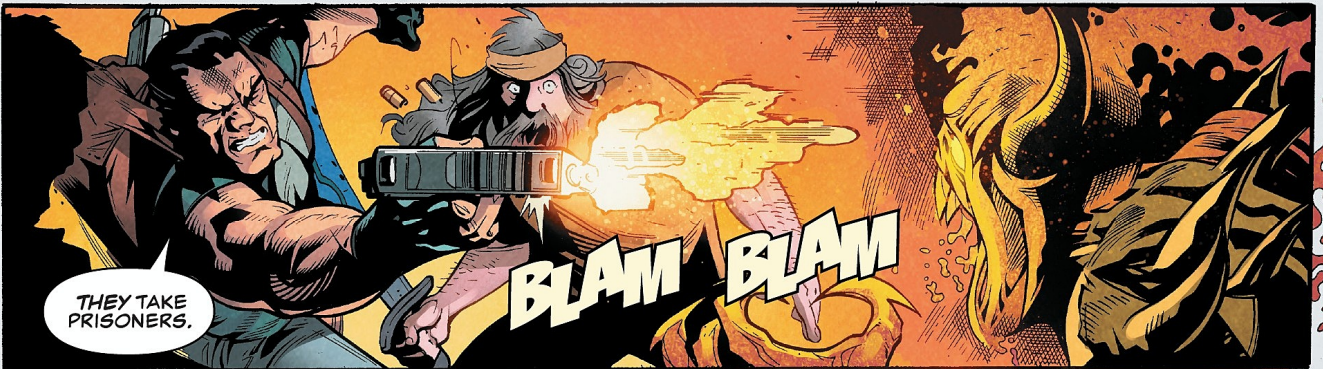
WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH OUR OLD TROLL PAL, KENROG?



AVENGE HIM!



THIS WORLD ALREADY HAS "AVENGERS," AND UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, WE'RE NOT THOSE BUMS.



THEY TAKE PRISONERS.

BLAM BLAM





ALL OF YOU
HAVE LEFT YOUR
SENSES!

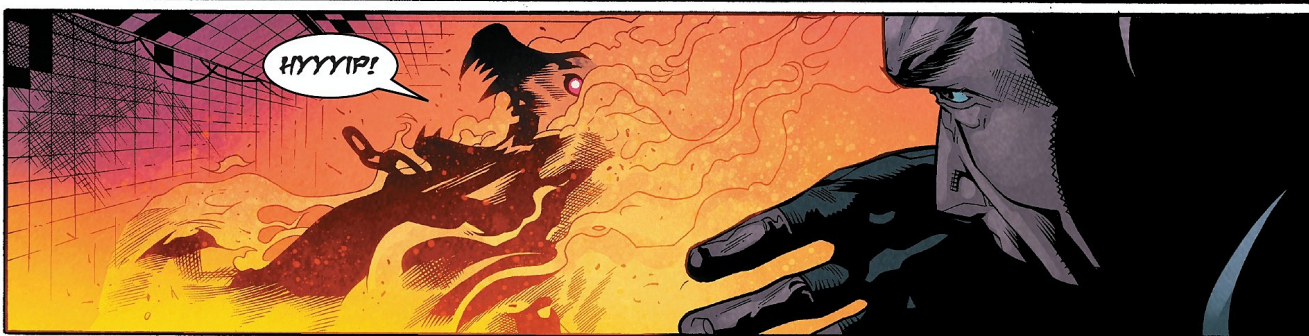
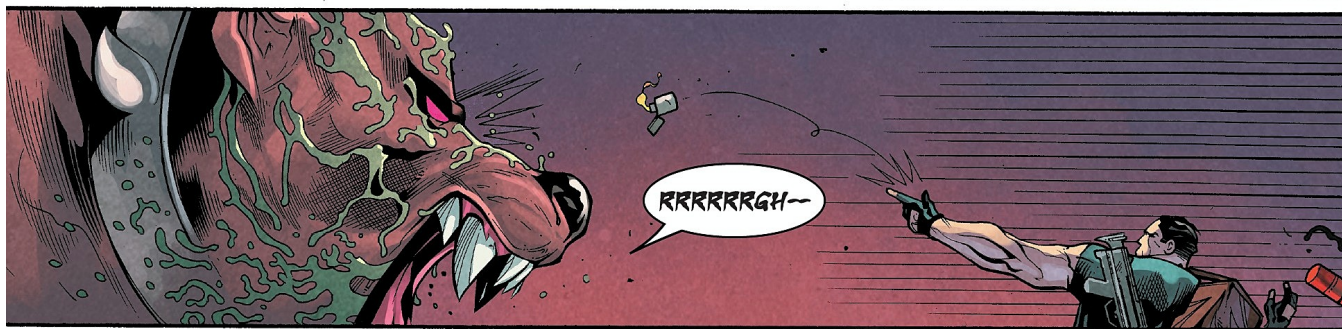
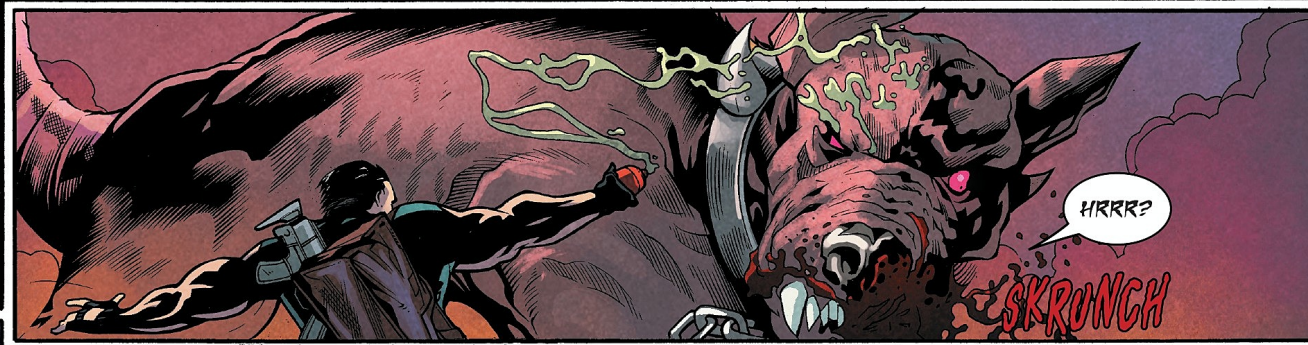
THESE
MONSTERS ARE
DELICIOUS!

BLAM

HUH--

S-STAY
BACK!

KRUNCH





AAAH!
HELP!

DAMMIT--
THAT'S THE
DOCTOR.



GO!
WE'LL HOLD
THE LINE.

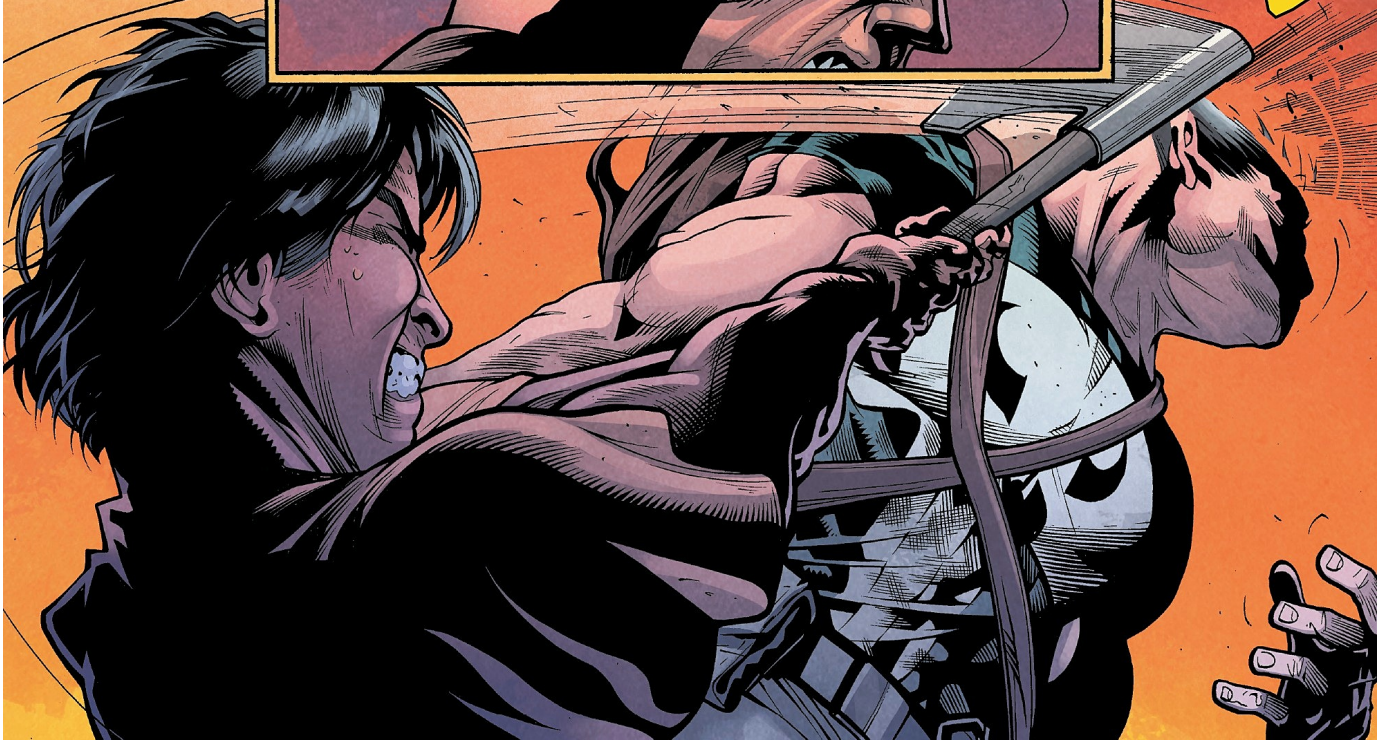
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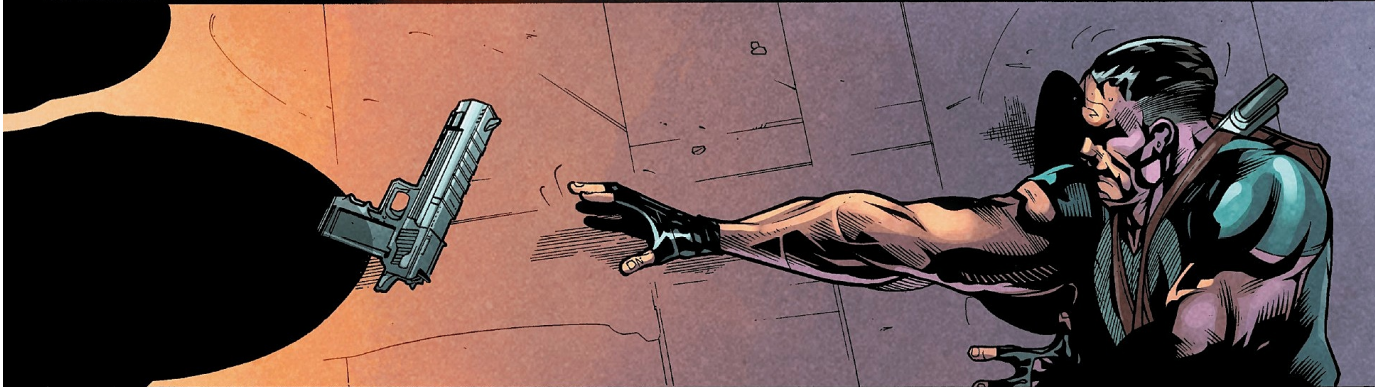


HANG
ON, DOC,
I'M--



WHUDD





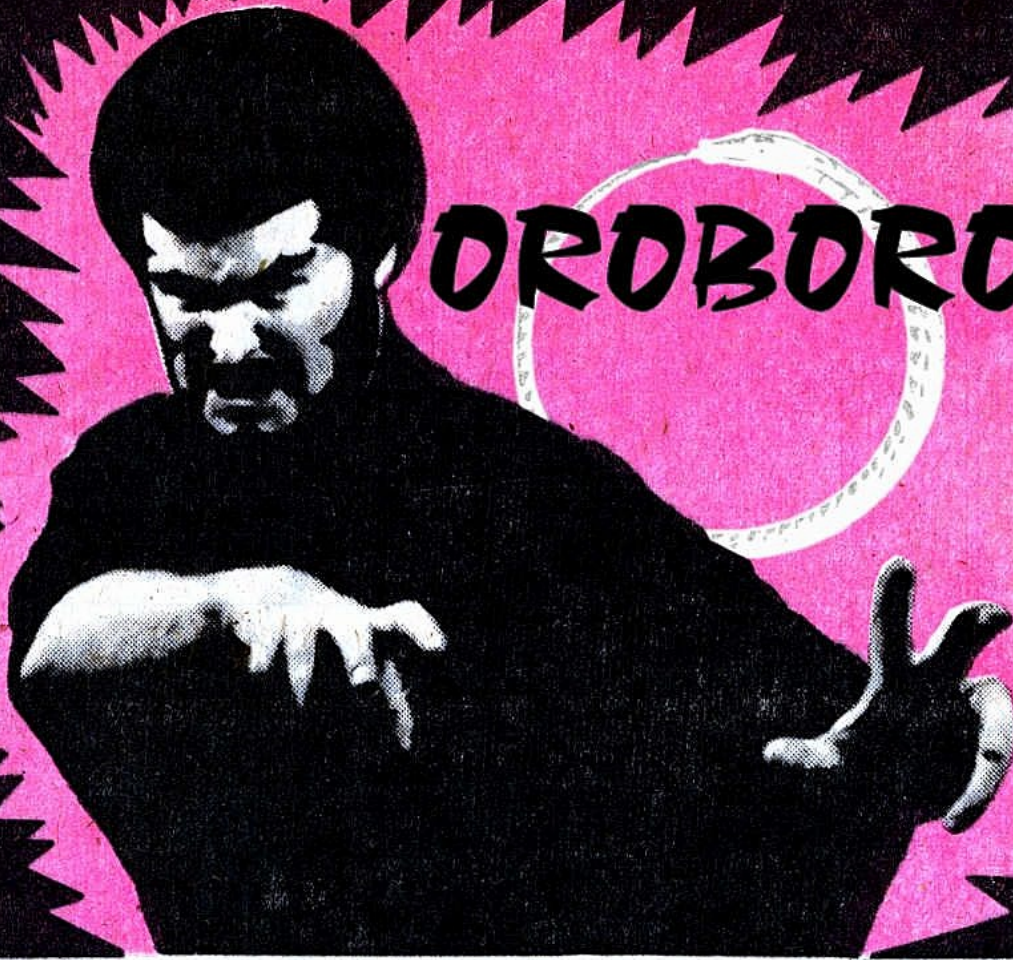


...THAT NOW'S
A GOOD TIME FOR
US TO TALK ABOUT
WHAT HAPPENS
WHEN WE GET TO
JERSEY.

TO BE CONCLUDED...

**NEXT MONTH:
"END OF THE ROAD."**





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