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OUR GAME LITTLE CRIME-BUSTER, PHANTOM LADY, CAN LICK TWICE HER WEIGHT IN FLESH AND BLOOD CROOKS, BUT THE GOING REALLY GETS ROUGH WHEN SHE IS PITTED AGAINST A MECHANICAL BRAIN. THERE ARE CHILLS GALORE AND THRILLS APLENTY AS SHE SWINGS INTO A JET-PROPELLED PLOT TO SOLVE THE CASE OF THE ROBBING ROBOT!

A WAVE OF CUNNINGLY CONTRIVED CRIMES WHICH HAS SWEEPED THE CITY HAS LEFT THE POLICE HELPLESS...



I DON'T KNOW, SIR! ANOTHER HOLDUP TONIGHT! A BANK MESSENGER! IT'S A SERIES OF PERFECT CRIMES, AND... YES, SIR! YES, SIR, WE'RE DOING OUR BEST!



NO MORE EXCUSES, DONOVAN! AS MAYOR, I DEMAND THAT IT'S STOPPED! I'LL GIVE YOU TWENTY-FOUR HOURS TO DO THAT... OR HAND IN YOUR RESIGNATION!



I'M BEAT! THE WHOLE FORCE IS BEAT! UNLESS... THERE'S ONE CHANCE... ONE! IF I COULD GET IN TOUCH WITH THE PHANTOM LADY!

AND AT THAT VERY BUSY MOMENT... A PERFECT JOB! THE WATCHMAN WAS A CINCH! AND HERE'S OUR GETAWAY CAR RIGHT ON SCHEDULE!

ROBBIN' BANKS IS GETTIN' EASY ENOUGH TO DO IN OUR SLEEP!

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MEANWHILE, SANDRA KNIGHT AND DON BORDEN ARE RETURNING FROM A LENGTHY VACATION...

GEE, IT'S GOOD TO GET BACK! I SURE MISSED THE RADIO IN THOSE NORTH WOODS!

TURN ON THE PORTABLE YOU PICKED UP AT THE AIRPORT, DON! YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET SOME LOCAL NEWS BY NOW!

LISTEN! THAT'S IT, ISN'T IT? THAT'S OUR LITTLE OLD TOWN!

YOU'RE DIAL-HAPPY, DON! WE'RE LANDING ANYWAY!

BUT I'M JUST AS INTERESTED! THE PHANTOM LADY'S BEEN OUT OF TOUCH A LONG TIME...

AND... POLICE CHIEF PATTON CONTINUES HIS FRANTIC APPEALS UNSUCCESSFULLY TO THE PHANTOM LADY! HE CONFESSES THE POLICE ARE HELPLESS IN THIS WAVE OF CLEVER CRIME AND IT IS HIS CONVICTION THAT ONLY THE PHANTOM LADY CAN HALT THE FLOOD OF...



GOLLY! NO PRESENT FOR DAD! HE'D BE HEARTBROKEN! BUT MAYBE I CAN FIND SOMETHING YET!

SANDRA! ARE YOU CRAZY? YOU'RE LUGGAGE! BESIDES, WHAT ON EARTH DOES YOUR DAD NEED? COME HERE! HEY...

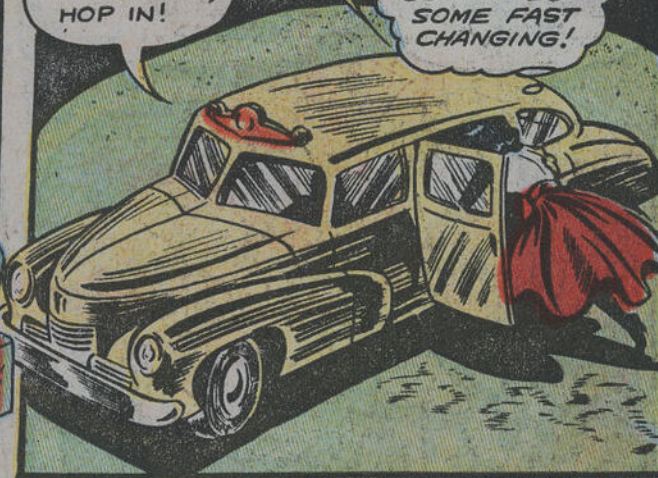


MINUTES LATER...

YES, MAN! I'LL HAVE YOU THERE IN NO TIME, HOP IN!

THANKS! HURRY!

GOOD THING WE HAVE TO PASS THROUGH A TUNNEL BECAUSE I'VE GOT TO DO SOME FAST CHANGING!



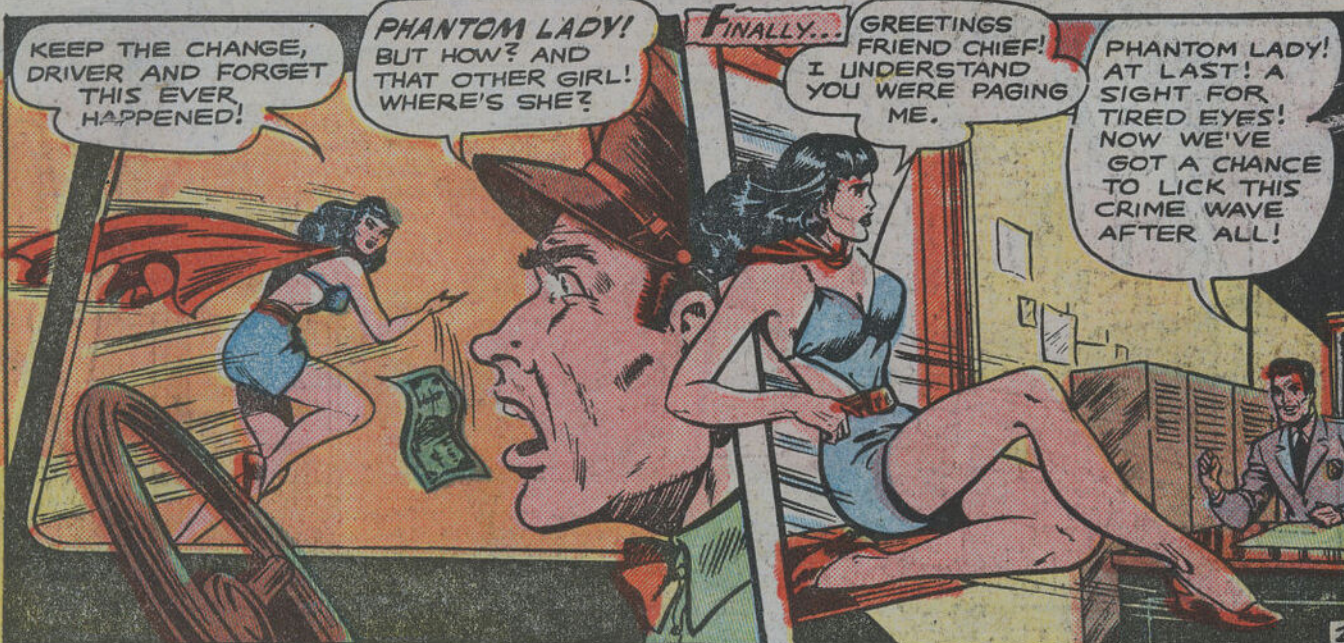
KEEP THE CHANGE, DRIVER AND FORGET THIS EVER HAPPENED!

PHANTOM LADY! BUT HOW? AND THAT OTHER GIRL! WHERE'S SHE?

FINALLY...

GREETINGS FRIEND CHIEF! I UNDERSTAND YOU WERE PAGING ME.

PHANTOM LADY! AT LAST! A SIGHT FOR TIRED EYES! NOW WE'VE GOT A CHANCE TO LICK THIS CRIME WAVE AFTER ALL!



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BETTER PICK UP THAT RINGING PHONE! IT MIGHT BE IMPORTANT!

...AND THAT'S THE SITUATION, PHANTOM LADY! WE NEED YOUR HELP! BLAST THE PHONE... PROBABLY THE MAYOR AT ME AGAIN!



BUT THIS TIME IT'S NOT HIS HIGHNESS, THE MAYOR...

WHAT? YOU... YOU'RE GOING TO DO WHAT? HOLD UP THE FARMERS' BANK AT HIGH NOON? WHY YOU... IN SPITE OF THE WHOLE POLICE FORCE, EH? I'LL... I'LL...

LOOKS LIKE I'M JUST ON TIME!



HA-HA! TEMPER-TEMPER, CHIEF! WE FELT SO SORRY FOR YOU, WE THOUGHT WE'D GIVE YOU SOME REAL INFORMATION THIS TIME! S'LONG, CHIEFY...



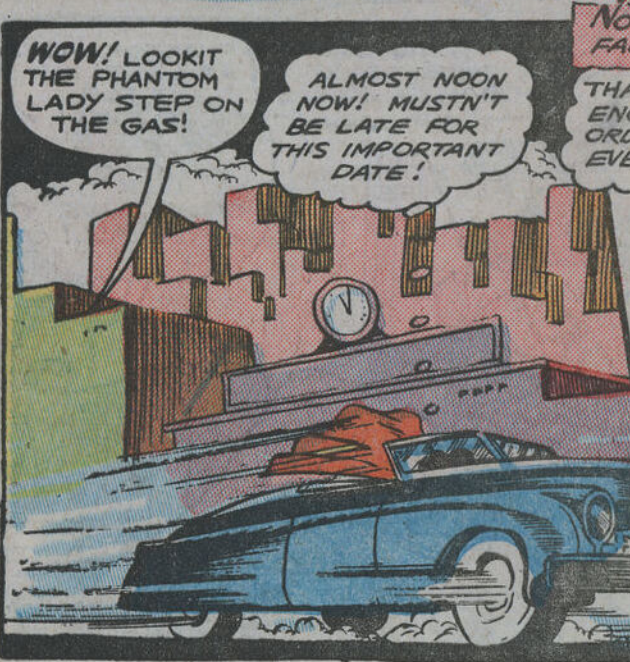
OF ALL THE GILT-EDGED NERVE! THEY WON'T GET AWAY WITH IT! NOT ON YOUR BONNET THEY WON'T! OF COURSE YOU'LL... ER... THAT IS...

SURE I'LL HELP! DEPEND ON ME! I HEARD THE ENTIRE CALL AND I THINK THERE'S SOMETHING MIGHTY FISHY ABOUT I'LL BE SEEING YOU AROUND...



PLEASE, PHANTOM LADY! YOU CAN'T LET US DOWN NOW. WAIT!

THAT CALL WAS AS PHONY AS STAGE-MONEY! I'LL SHOW UP ALL RIGHT, BUT I'LL HANDLE THINGS MY WAY!



WOW! LOOKIT THE PHANTOM LADY STEP ON THE GAS!

ALMOST NOON NOW! MUSTN'T BE LATE FOR THIS IMPORTANT DATE!

NOT FAR AWAY, AT THE FARMERS' EXCHANGE...

THAT GUY LOOKS HARMLESS ENOUGH! BESIDES I'VE GOT ORDERS TO LEAVE EVERYONE IN...



GOTTA REMEMBER EVERYTHING THE DAME TOLD ME! HE'S ONE SMART CHARACTER! AN' HE PROMISED NOTHING WOULD HAPPEN TO ME!