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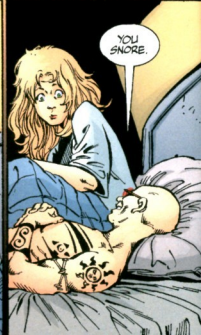
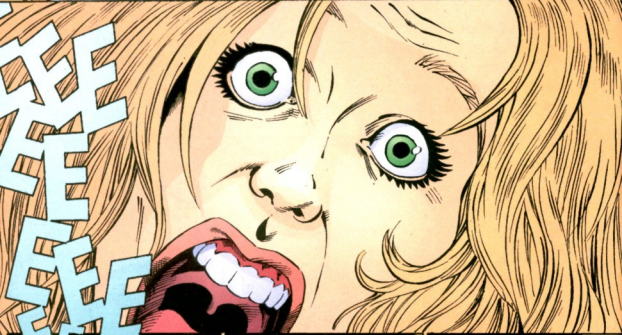
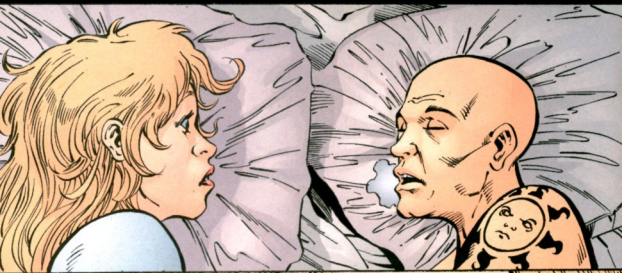


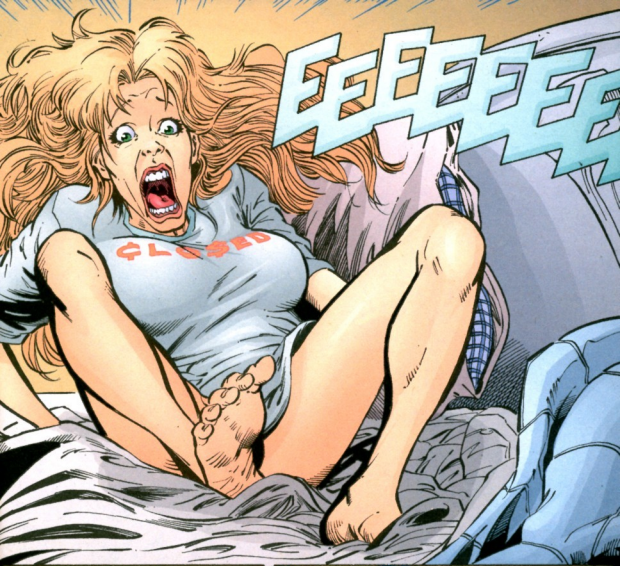
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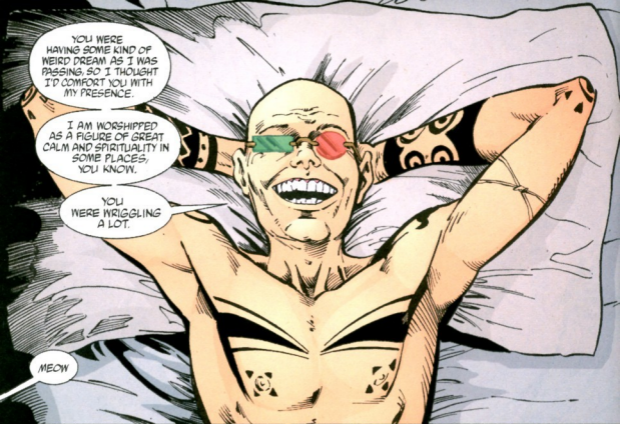
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YOU WERE HAVING SOME KIND OF WEIRD DREAM AS I WAS PASSING, SO I THOUGHT I'D COMFORT YOU WITH MY PRESENCE.

I AM WORSHIPPED AS A FIGURE OF GREAT CALM AND SPIRITUALITY IN SOME PLACES, YOU KNOW.

YOU WERE WRIGGLING A LOT.

MEOW



LOOK, IT'S THE CAT. WHAT'S THAT IN YOUR MOUTH, GIRL?

AWWWWWW, AIN'T THAT CUTE. SHE'S BROUGHT YOU A PRESENT.

ACK.

SPIT.

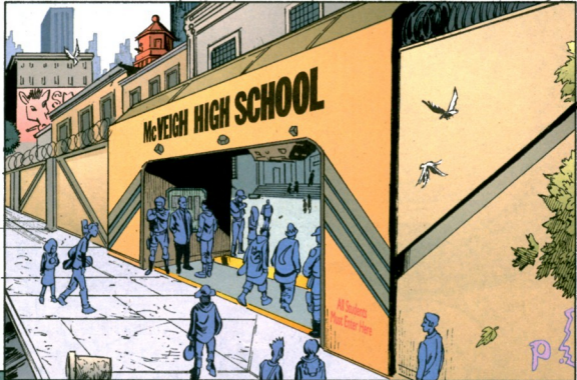


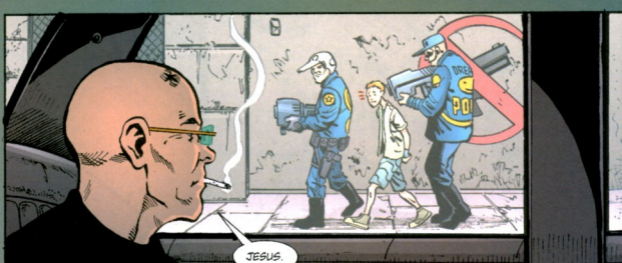
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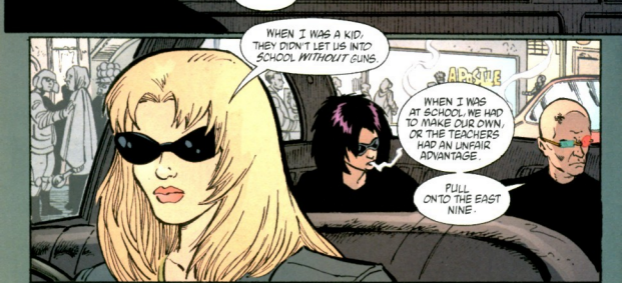
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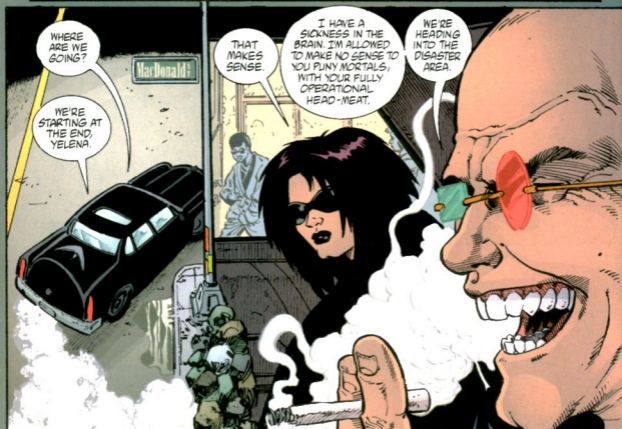
JESUS.



WHEN I WAS A KID, THEY DIDN'T LET US INTO SCHOOL WITHOUT GUNS.

WHEN I WAS AT SCHOOL, WE HAD TO MAKE OUR OWN, OR THE TEACHERS HAD AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

PULL ONTO THE EAST NINE.



WHERE ARE WE GOING?

WE'RE STARTING AT THE END, YELENA.

THAT MAKES SENSE.

I HAVE A SICKNESS IN THE BRAIN. I'M ALLOWED TO MAKE NO SENSE TO YOU PUNY MORTALS, WITH YOUR FULLY OPERATIONAL HEAD-MEAT.

WE'RE HEADING INTO THE DISASTER AREA.





Vita Severn Memorial

Federal Disaster Zone

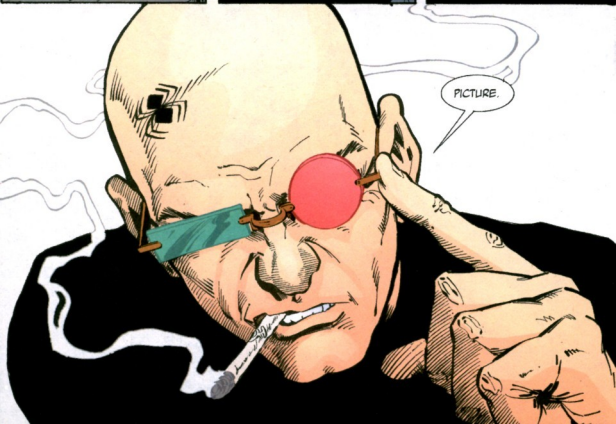
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HAVEN'T
DONE
A DAMNED
THING.

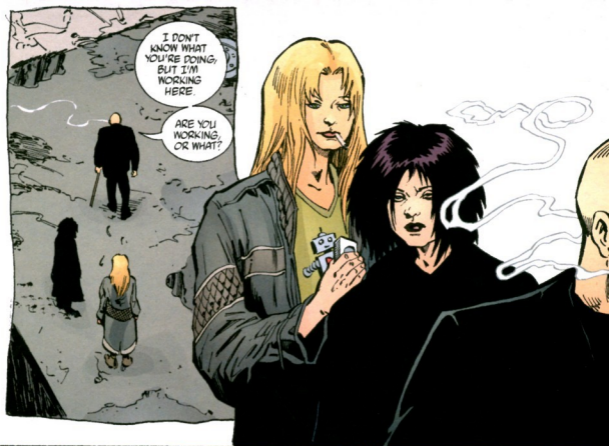
THEY
DECLARED
IT A
DISASTER AND
JUST ROPED
IT OFF.

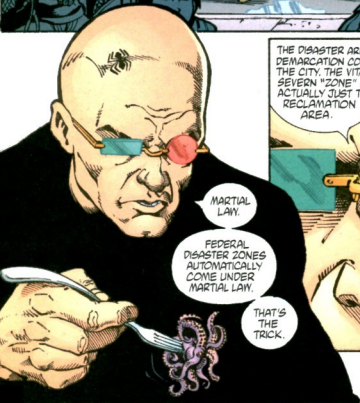
AND
DIDN'T DO
A DAMNED
THING.

HO... T floater sign









MARTIAL LAW.

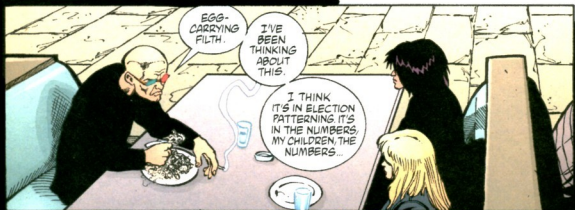
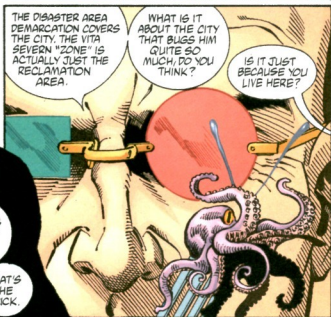
FEDERAL DISASTER ZONES AUTOMATICALLY COME UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

THAT'S THE TRICK.

THE DISASTER AREA DEMARCATION COVERS THE CITY. THE VITA SEVERN "ZONE" IS ACTUALLY JUST THE RECLAMATION AREA.

WHAT IS IT ABOUT THE CITY THAT BUGS HIM QUITE SO MUCH, DO YOU THINK?

IS IT JUST BECAUSE YOU LIVE HERE?



EGG-CARRYING FILTH.

I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS.

I THINK IT'S IN ELECTION PATTERNING IT'S IN THE NUMBERS, MY CHILDREN, THE NUMBERS...



THE CITY WENT
OVERWHELMINGLY TO CALLA-
HAN IN THE ELECTION. THEY SAY
THE CITY GOES THE WAY THE
COUNTRY DOES.

BUT THAT'S
NOT QUITE RIGHT.

IT CHOOSES
PRESIDENTS AND PUNISHES
PRESIDENTS.



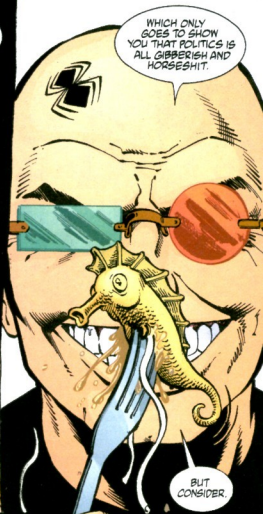
IT'S GOT A
WEIRD PATTERN OF VOTING
AGAINST SECOND-TERM
PRESIDENTS.

THE CITY
WENT AGAINST THE
BEAST IN HIS SECOND
ELECTION.

HE GOT IN
ANYWAY, AND IT'S A
RULE OF THUMB THAT
IF THE CITY GOES
AGAINST A PRESIDENT
GOING FOR HIS SECOND
TERM, THE FUCKER'LL
GET IN ANYWAY.



WHICH ONLY
GOES TO SHOW
YOU THAT POLITICS IS
ALL GIBBERISH AND
HORSESHIT.



BUT
CONSIDER.

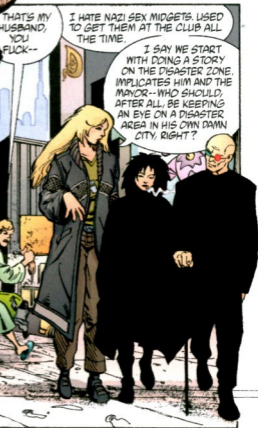


THE CITY WILL
GO AGAINST CALLAHAN
IF HE STANDS FOR A
SECOND TERM.

AND THE
PARTY WON'T STOP
HIM, AND...HELL, COME
ON. FOREGONE CONCLU-
SION. HE'LL GO FOR AS
MANY TERMS AS HE
CAN GET.

BUT HE
KNOWS THE
CITY WILL VOTE
AGAINST HIM.
NO MATTER
WHAT.



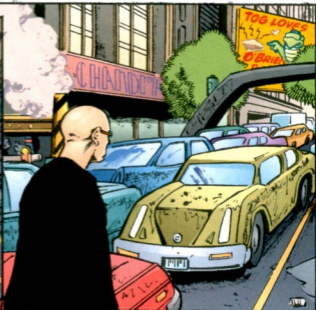




THE MAYOR.
YES.

THE SMILER'S
CREATURE IN CITY
HALL.

WE
NEED
TO KNOW
ABOUT
HIM.



THERE'S
SOMETHING
I HAVEN'T
DONE IN A
WHILE.



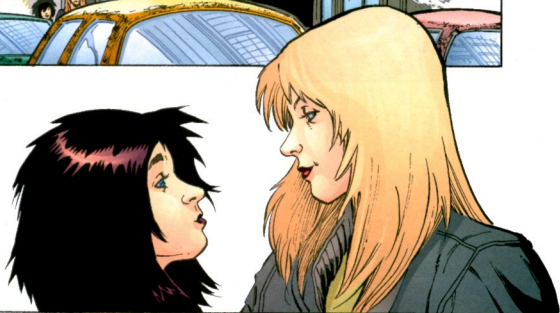
HEY! HEY!
OFF OF THE RIDE,
TINYMEAT!

SILENCE,
VERMIN! I AM
IN COMMAND
HERE!

WHO DID YOU
VOTE FOR, VERMIN
WOMAN? DID YOU
VOTE? CAN YOU
READ? HAVE YOU
GOT THUMBS?

SHOW
ME YOUR
FUCKING
THUMBS!







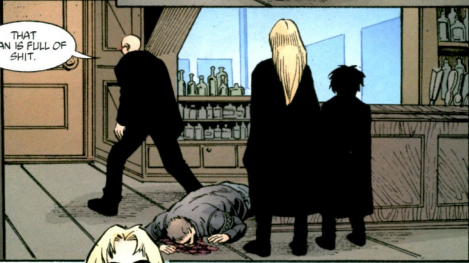




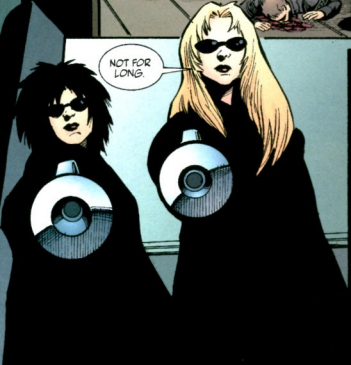




THAT
MAN IS FULL OF
SHIT.



NOT FOR
LONG.





HELLO.
FRED.

THIS IS OUR
FINAL
CONVERSATION.

IT WILL
BE A GOOD
ONE.

