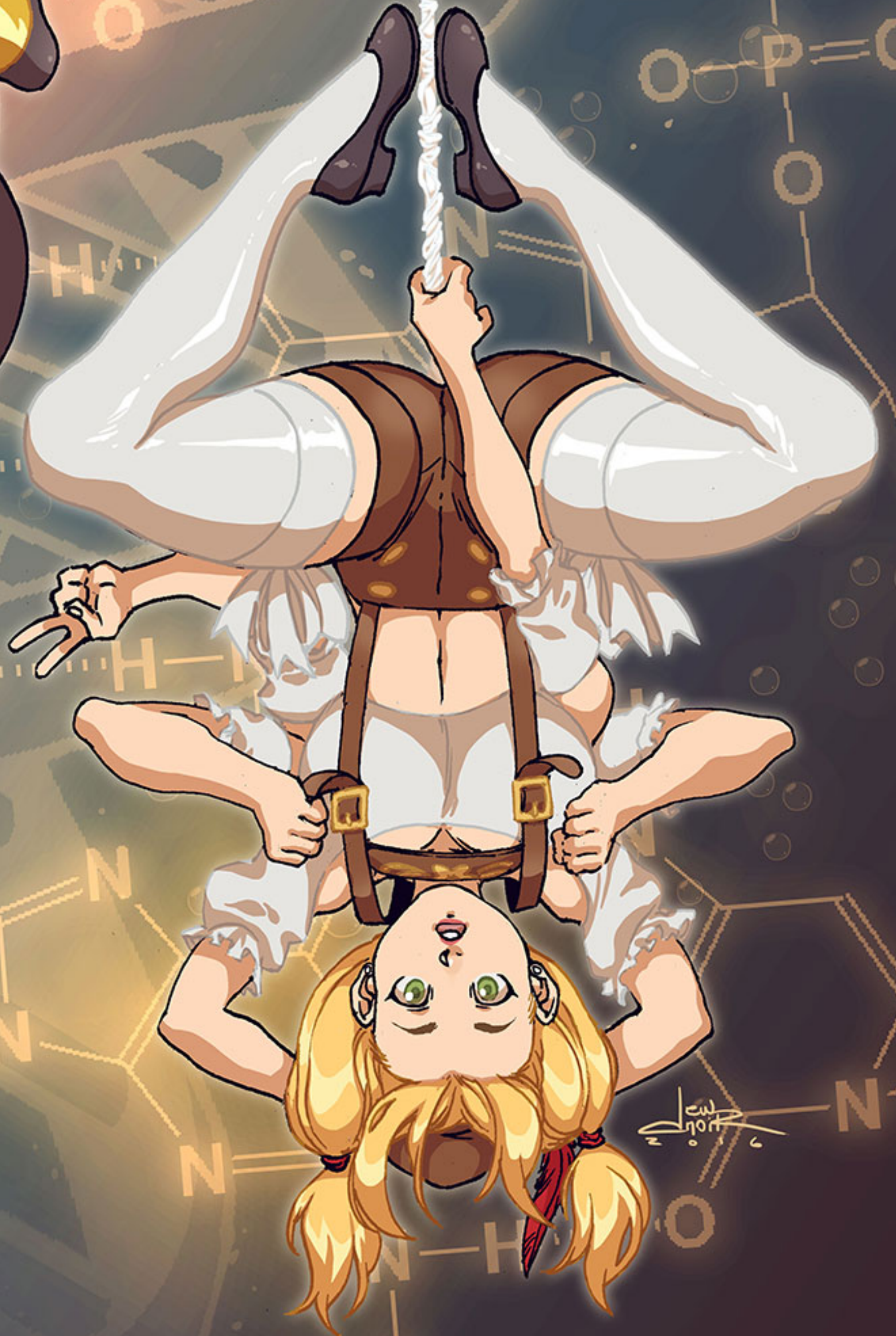
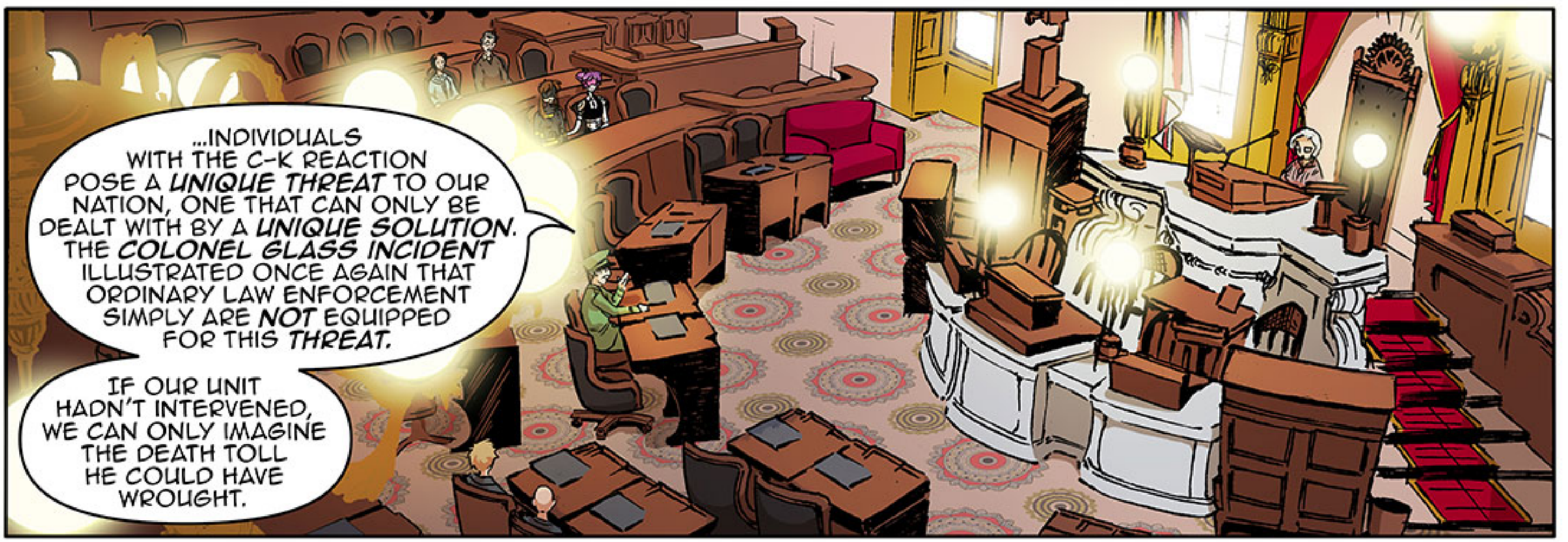


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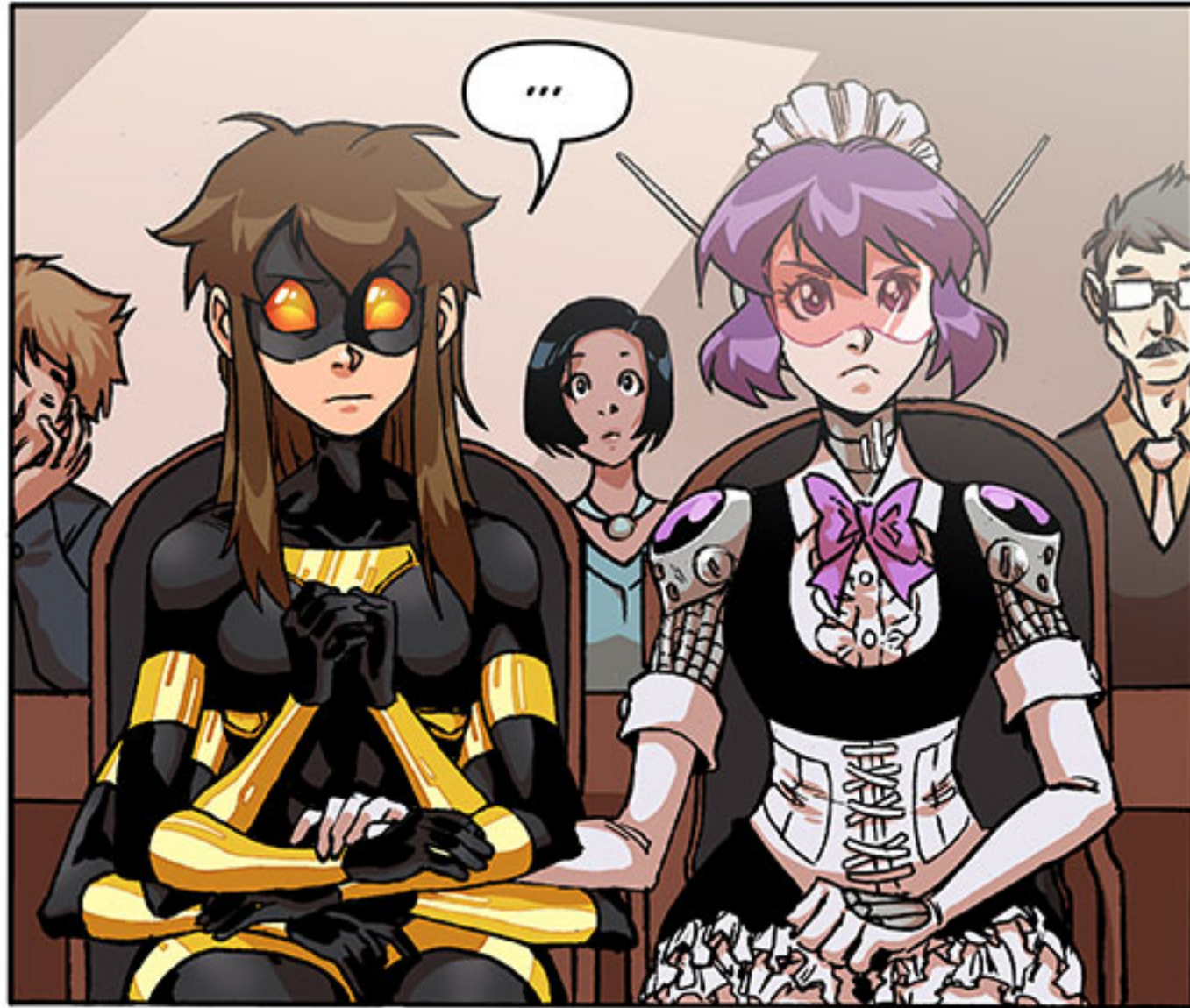


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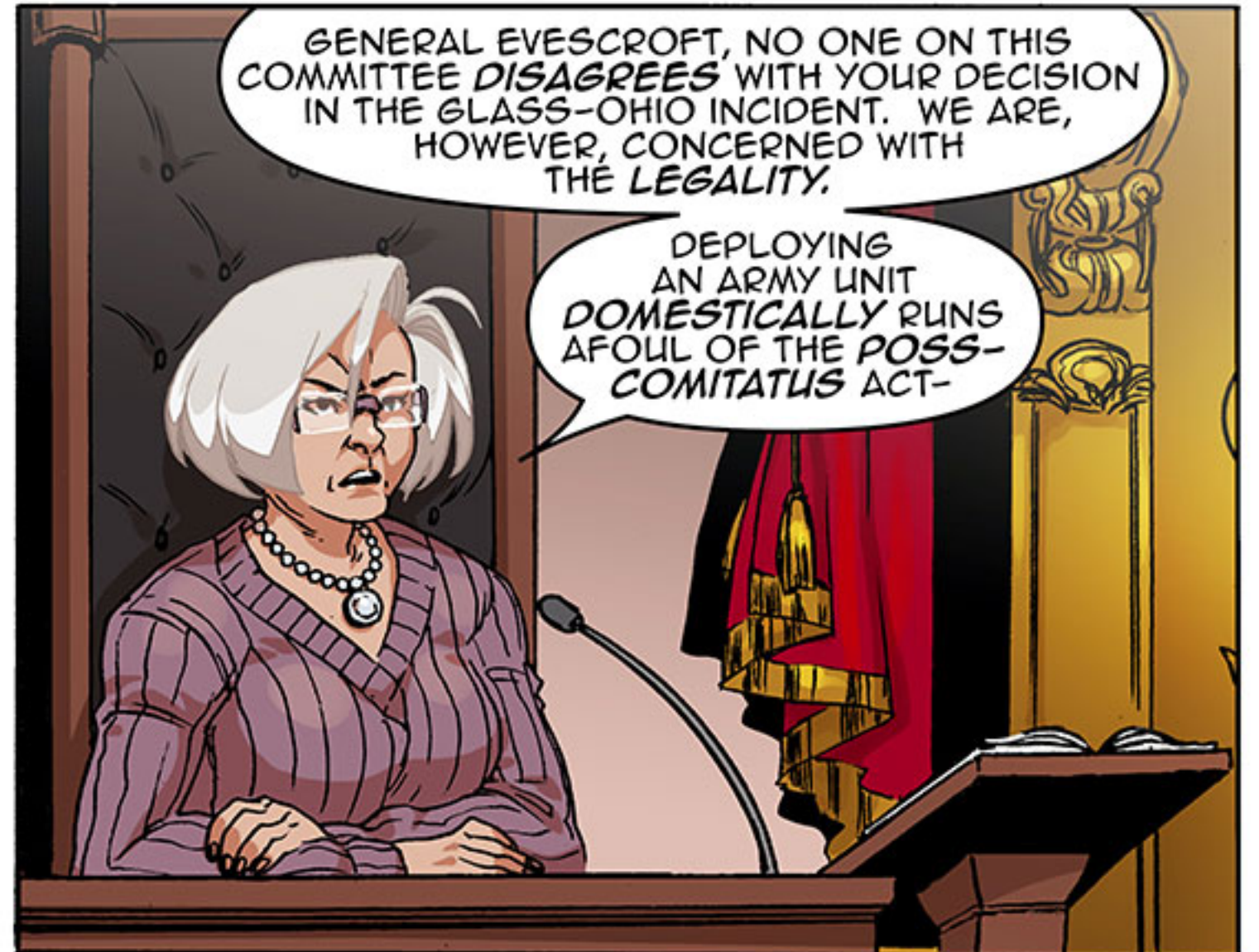


...INDIVIDUALS WITH THE C-K REACTION POSE A **UNIQUE THREAT** TO OUR NATION, ONE THAT CAN ONLY BE DEALT WITH BY A **UNIQUE SOLUTION**. THE **COLONEL GLASS INCIDENT** ILLUSTRATED ONCE AGAIN THAT ORDINARY LAW ENFORCEMENT SIMPLY ARE NOT EQUIPPED FOR THIS **THREAT**.

IF OUR UNIT HADN'T INTERVENED, WE CAN ONLY IMAGINE THE DEATH TOLL HE COULD HAVE WROUGHT.

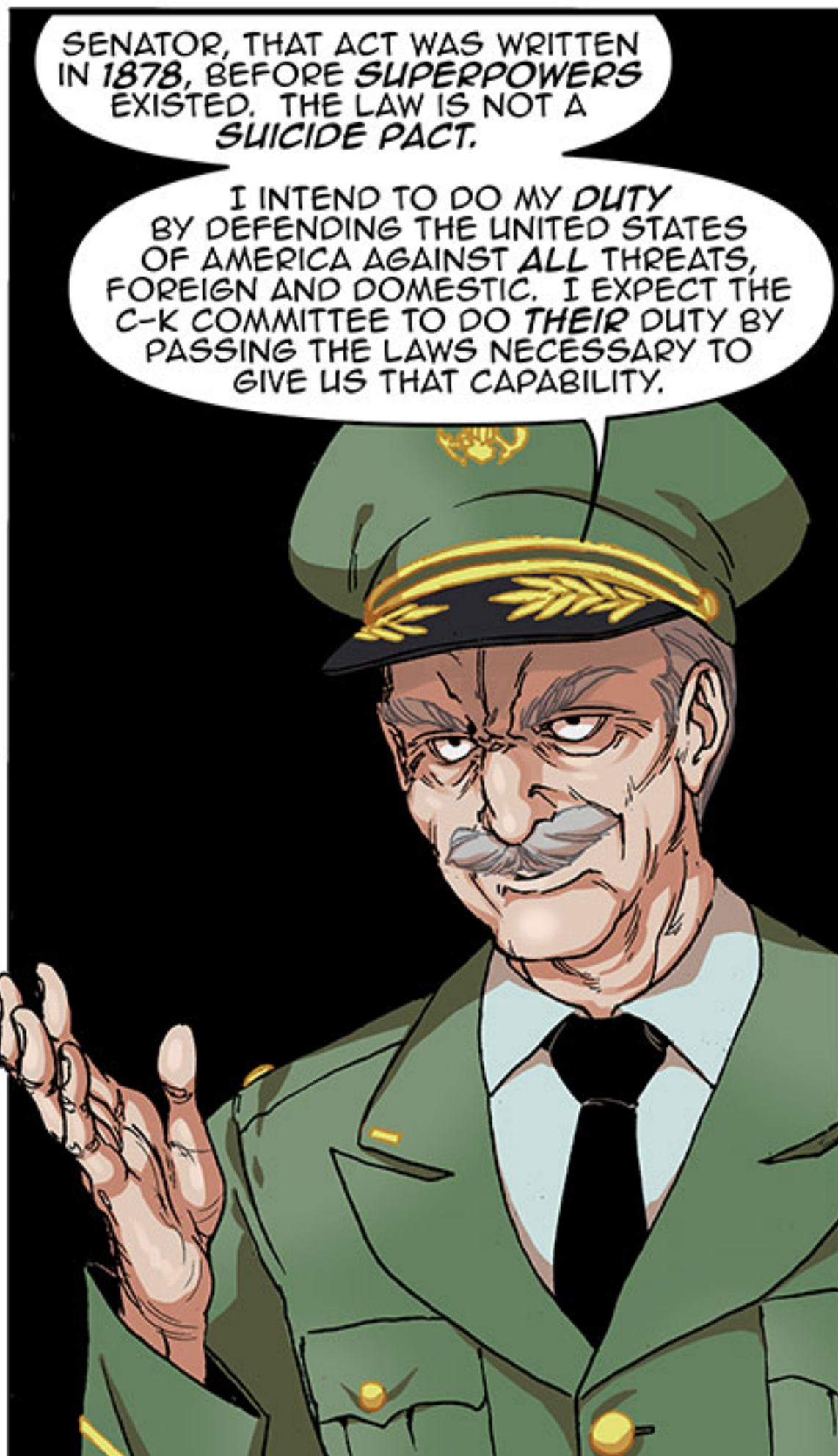


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GENERAL EVESCROFT, NO ONE ON THIS COMMITTEE **DISAGREES** WITH YOUR DECISION IN THE GLASS-OHIO INCIDENT. WE ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED WITH THE **LEGALITY**.

DEPLOYING AN ARMY UNIT **DOMESTICALLY** RUNS AFOUL OF THE **POSS-COMITATUS ACT**-



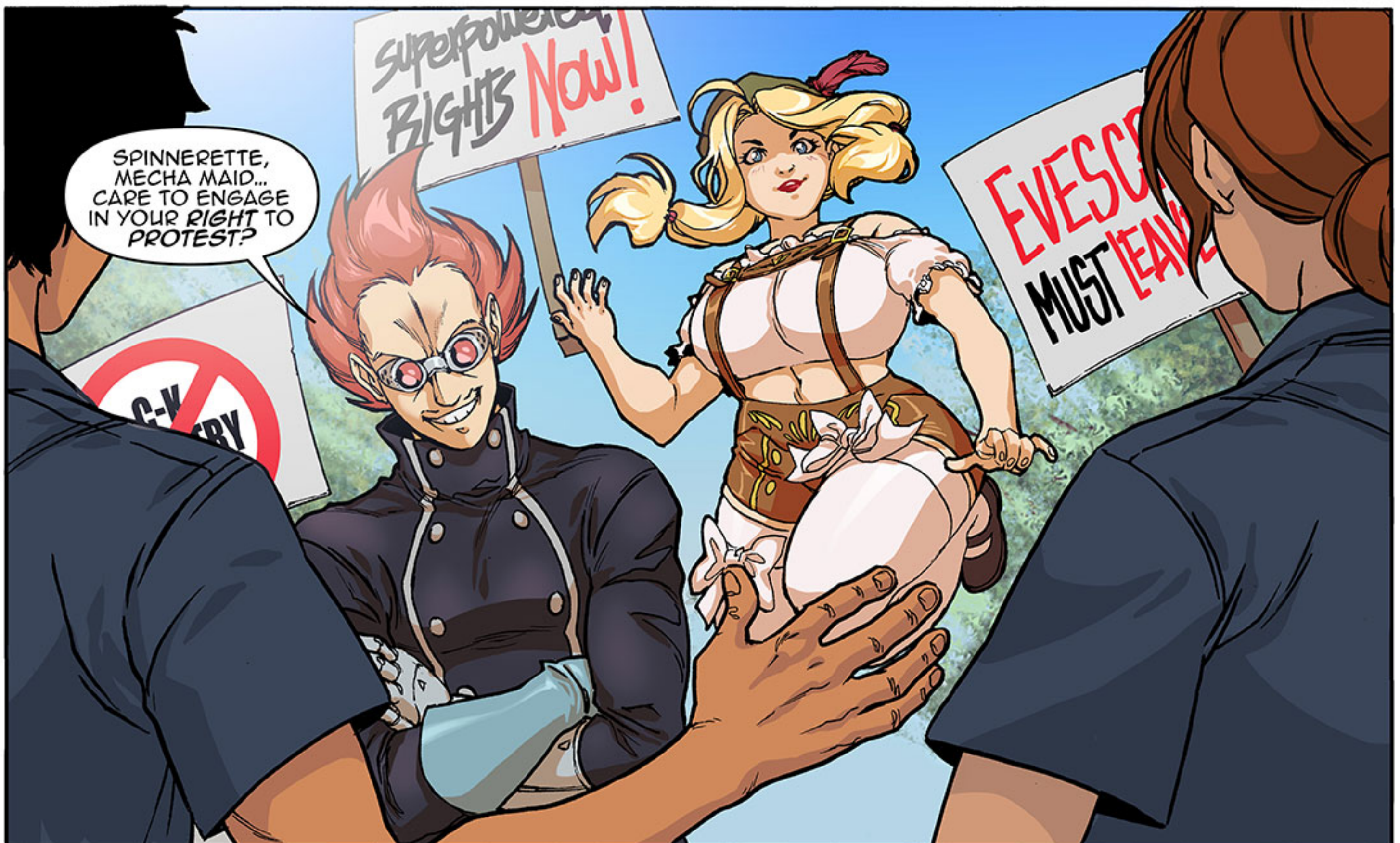
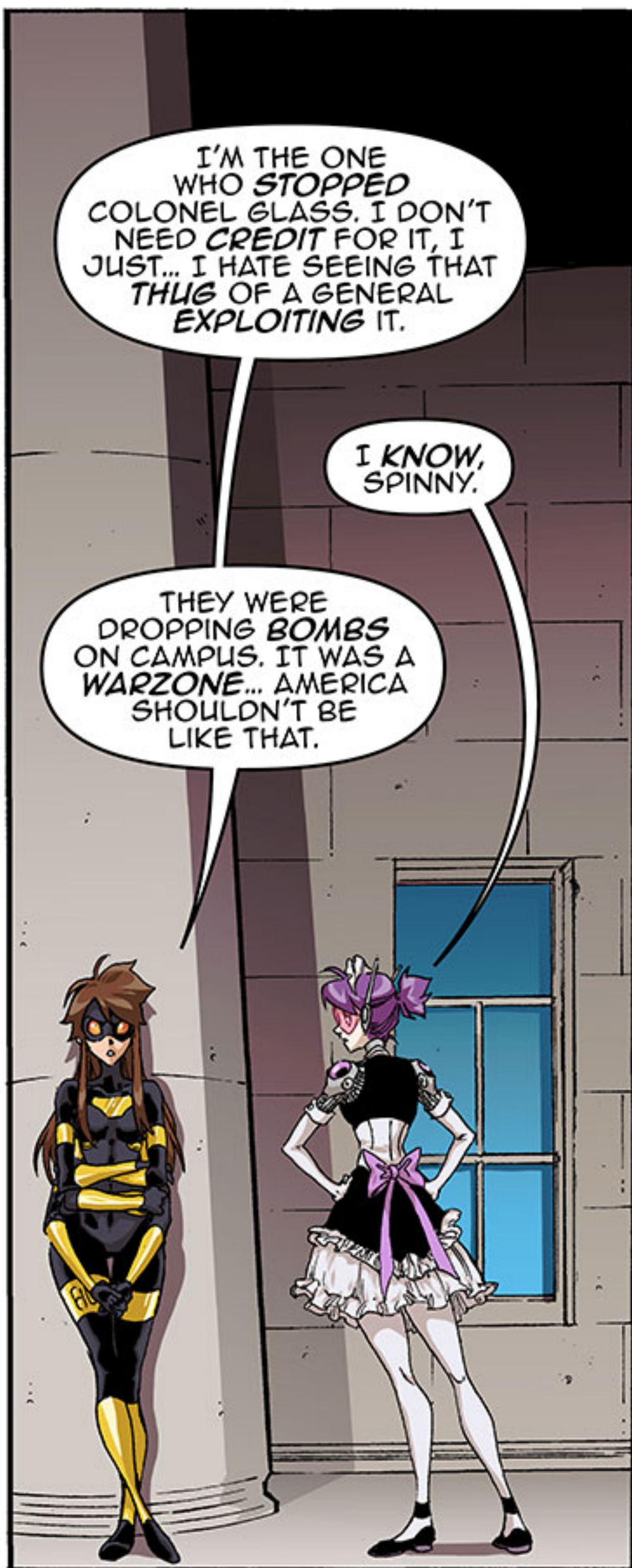
SENATOR, THAT ACT WAS WRITTEN IN 1878, BEFORE **SUPERPOWERS** EXISTED. THE LAW IS NOT A **SUICIDE PACT**.

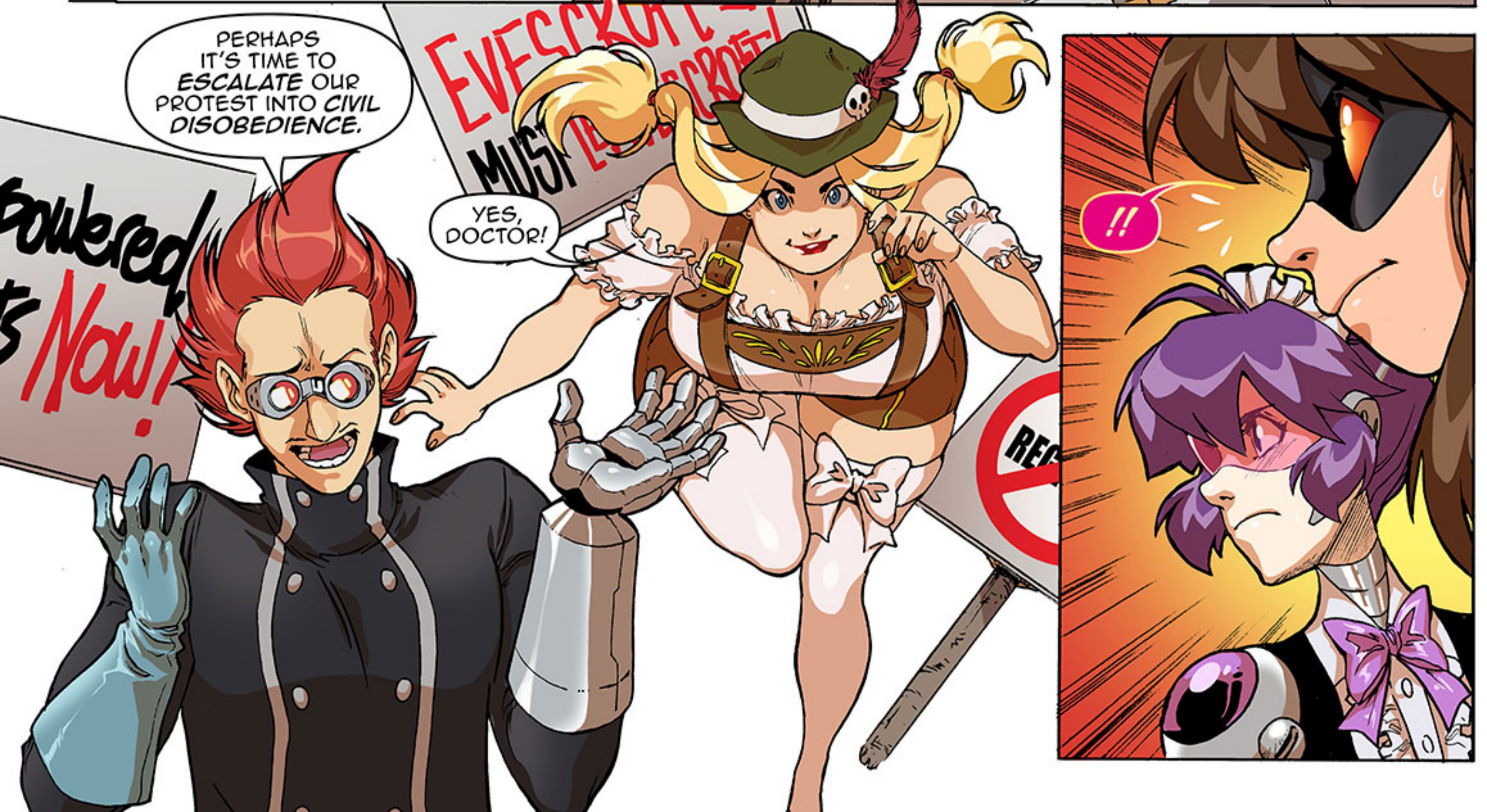
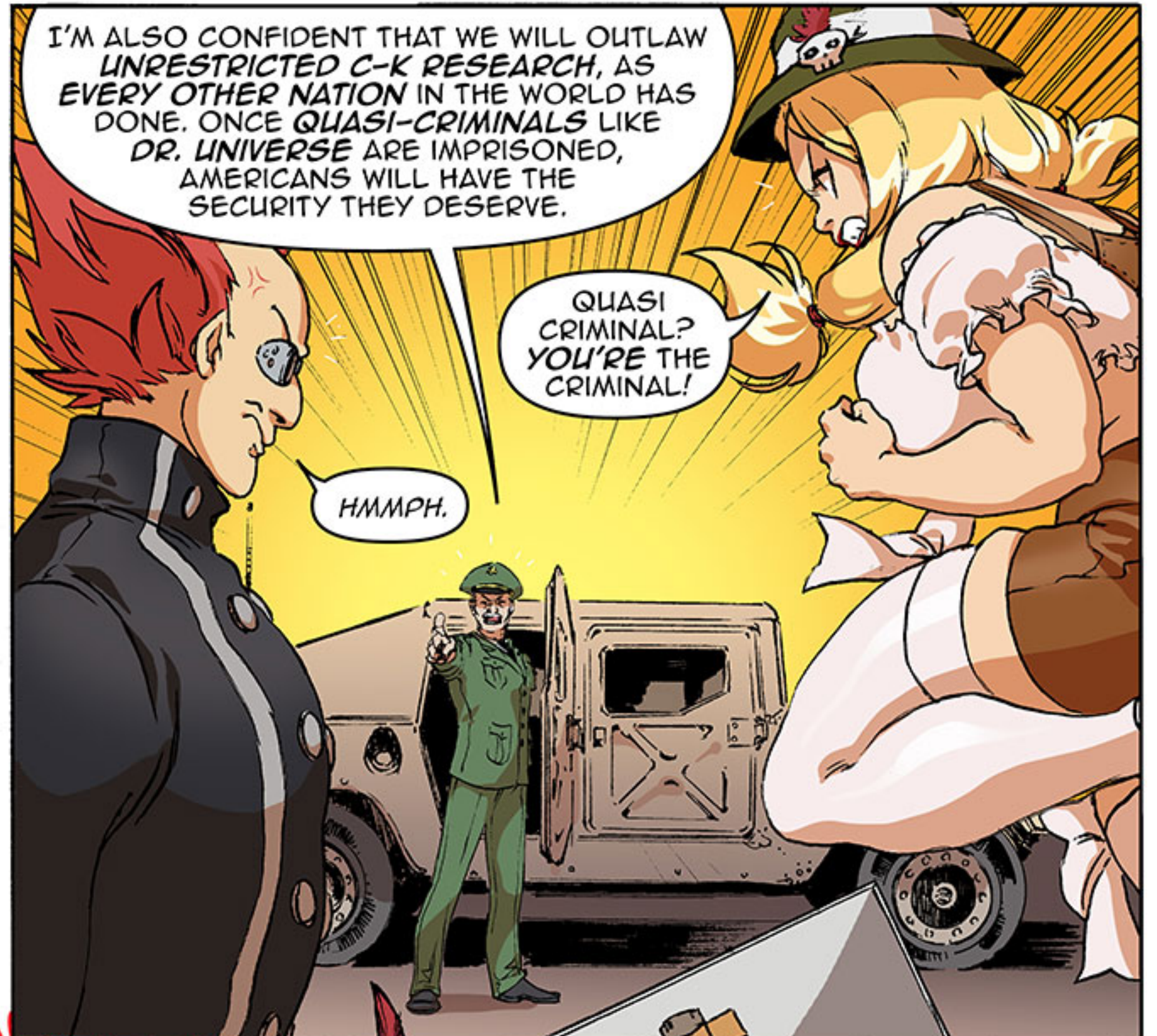
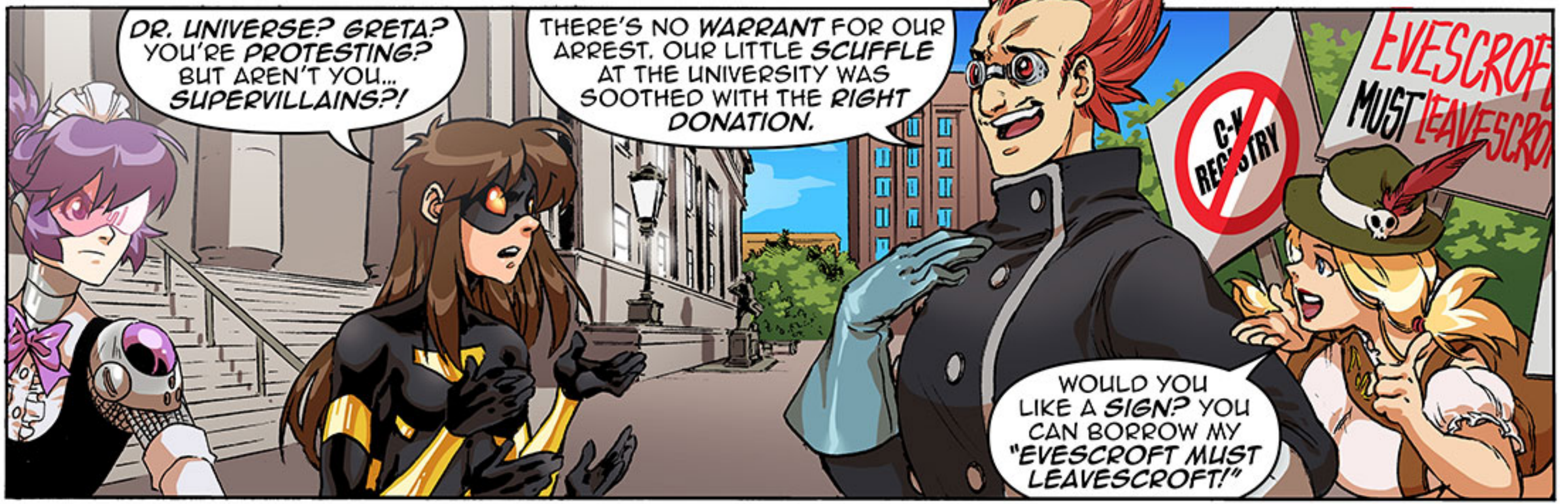
I INTEND TO DO MY **DUTY** BY DEFENDING THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AGAINST **ALL THREATS**, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC. I EXPECT THE C-K COMMITTEE TO DO **THEIR DUTY** BY PASSING THE LAWS NECESSARY TO GIVE US THAT **CAPABILITY**.



I'VE HAD ENOUGH. LET'S GO.

TIGER, DURING THE NIGHT OF THE GLASS-OHIO INCIDENT...







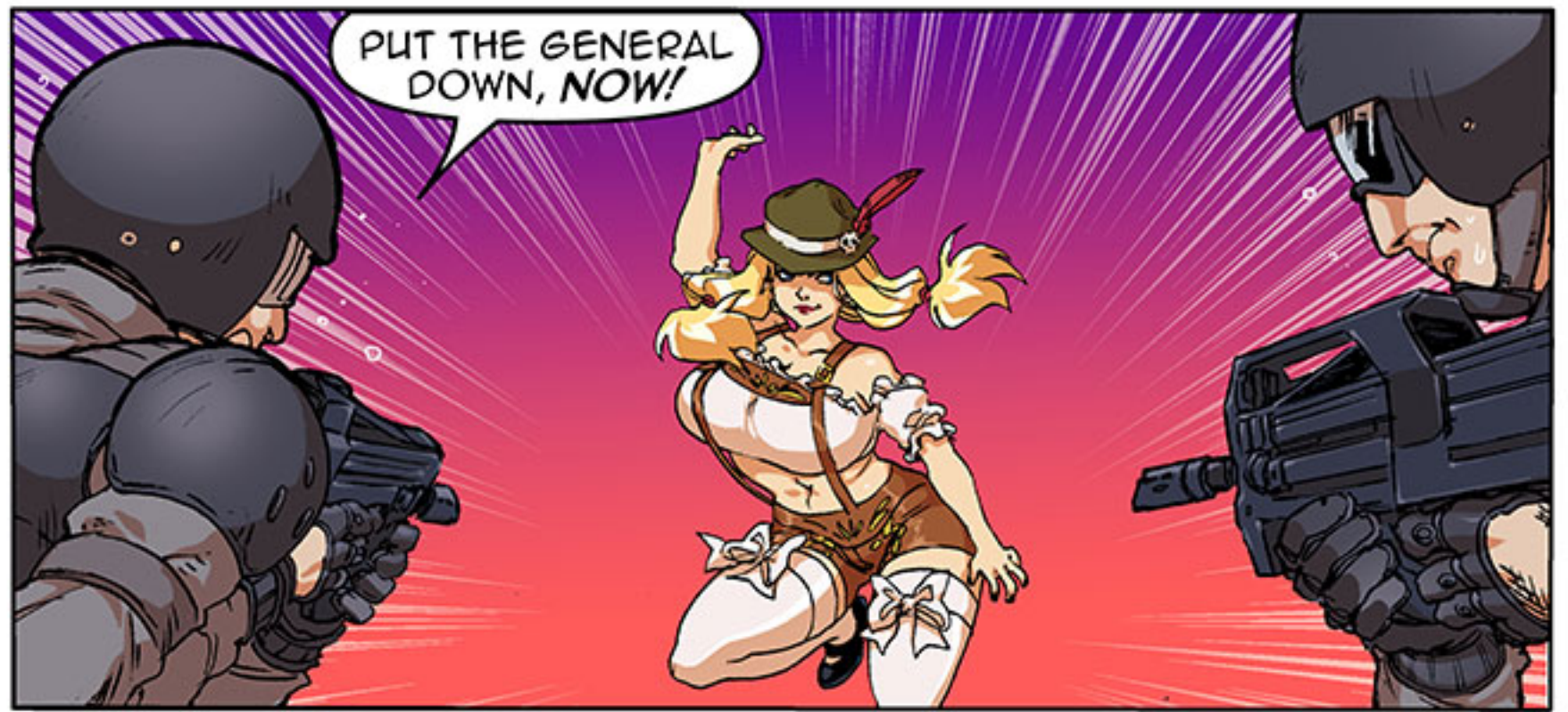
HEIT'S A DAMN SHAME
UNIVERSE ISN'T STUPID ENOUGH
TO ATTACK US RIGHT HERE. I'D
LOVE TO GIVE THE MEDIA A
DEMONSTRATION OF OUR
ANTI C-K WEAPONS.



WHAT
THE?!



HOLD UP,
GENERAL! THE
PEOPLE DESERVE TO
HEAR MY SIDE OF
THE ARGUMENT.



PUT THE GENERAL
DOWN, NOW!

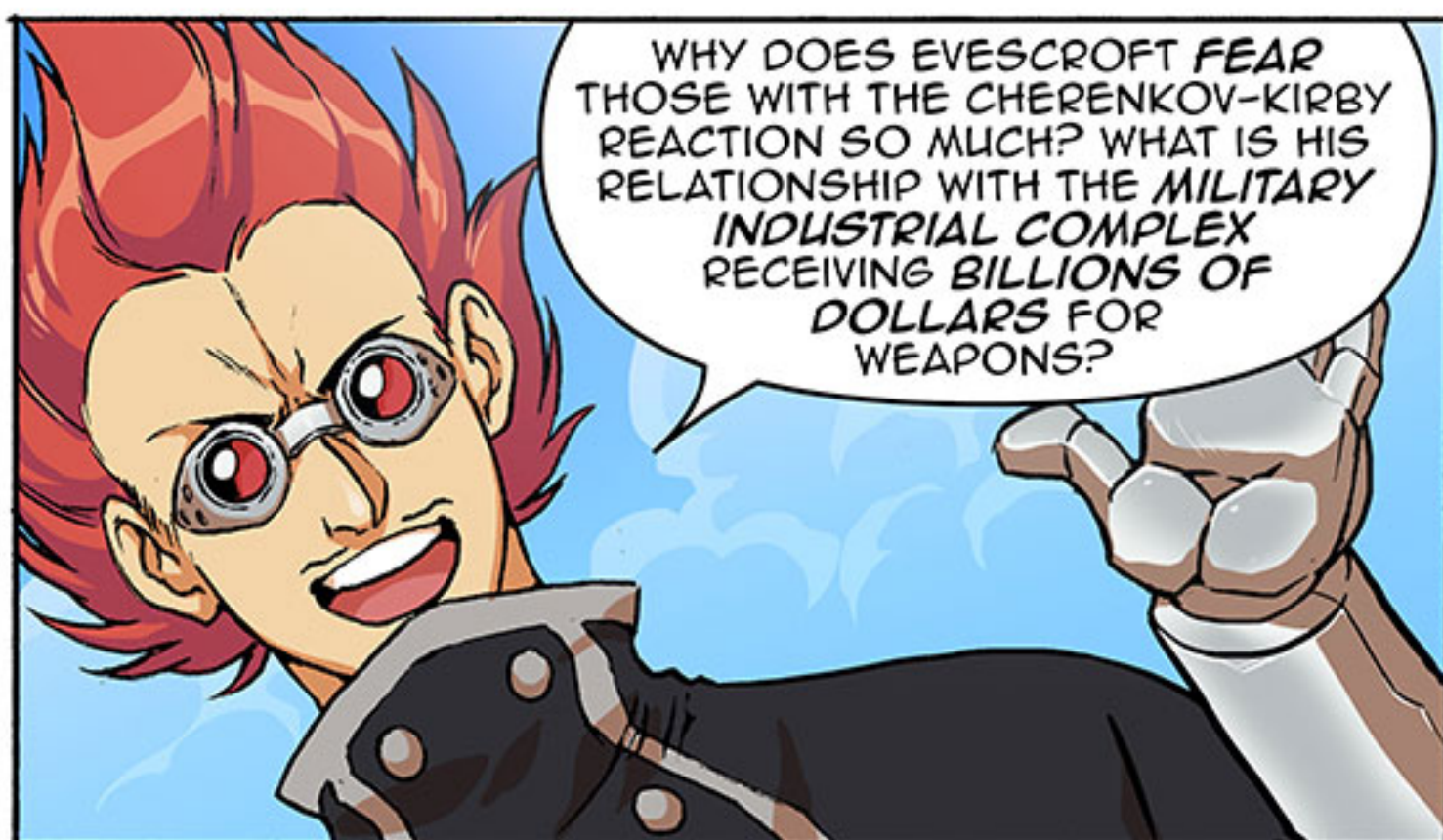


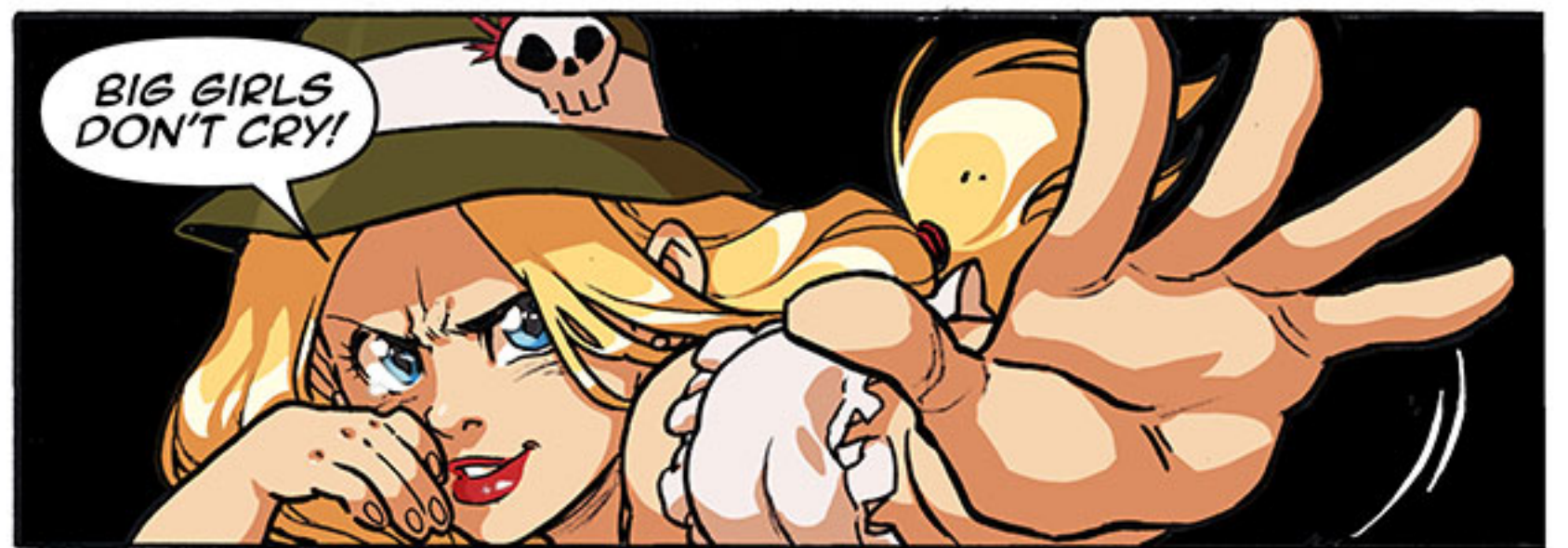
OR YOU'LL
SHOOT? AND
LET EVECROFT
PLUMMET? I
THINK NOT.

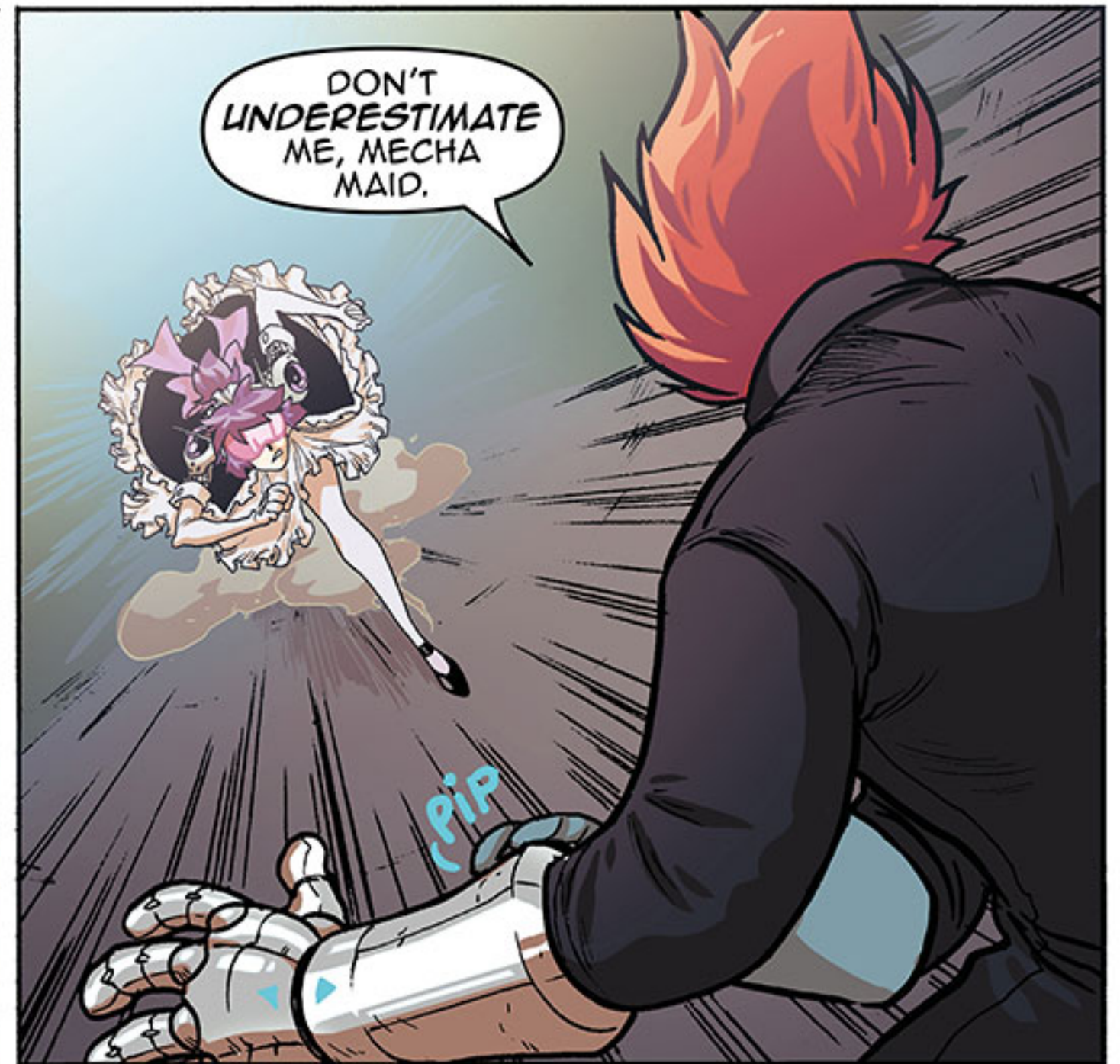
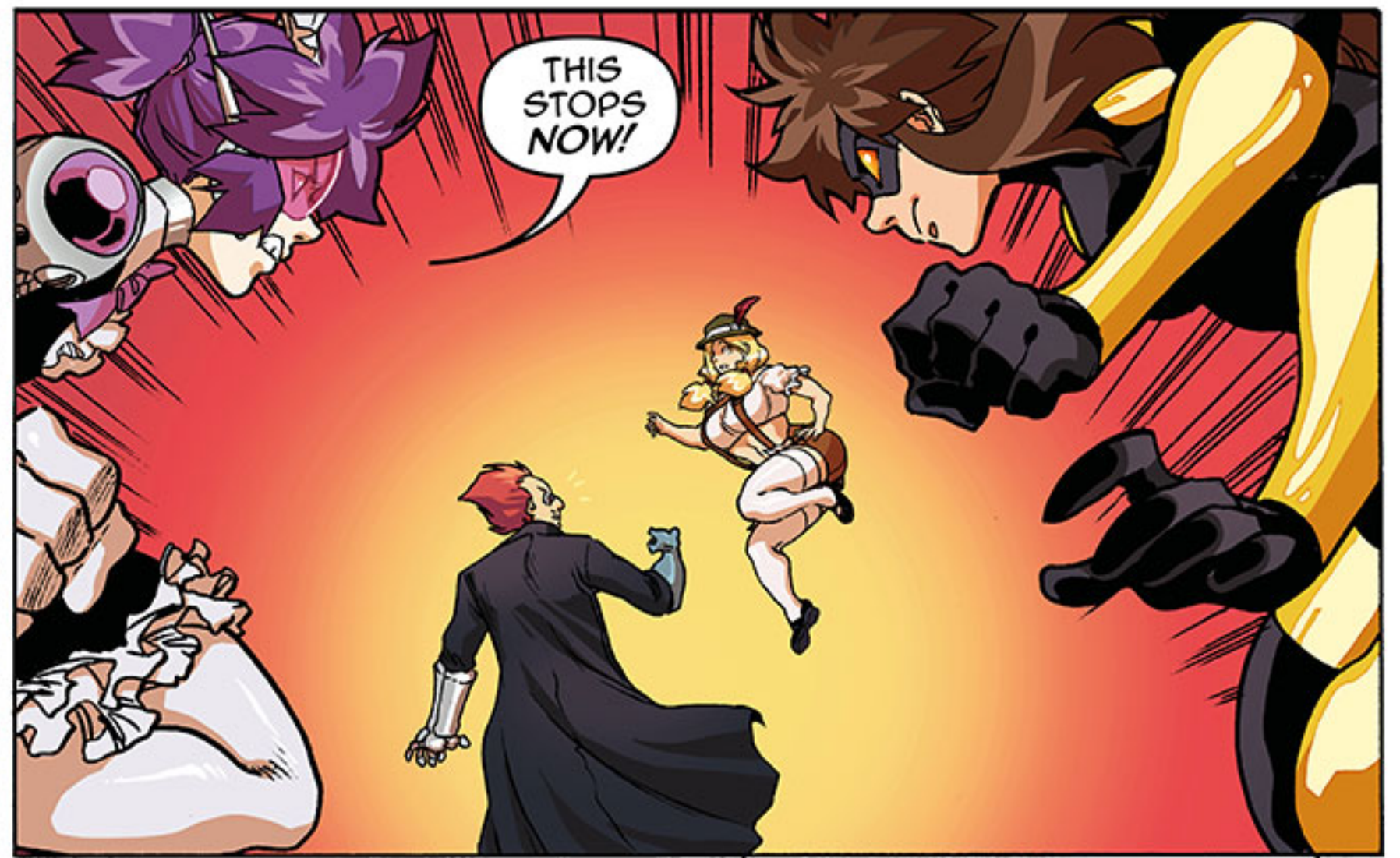


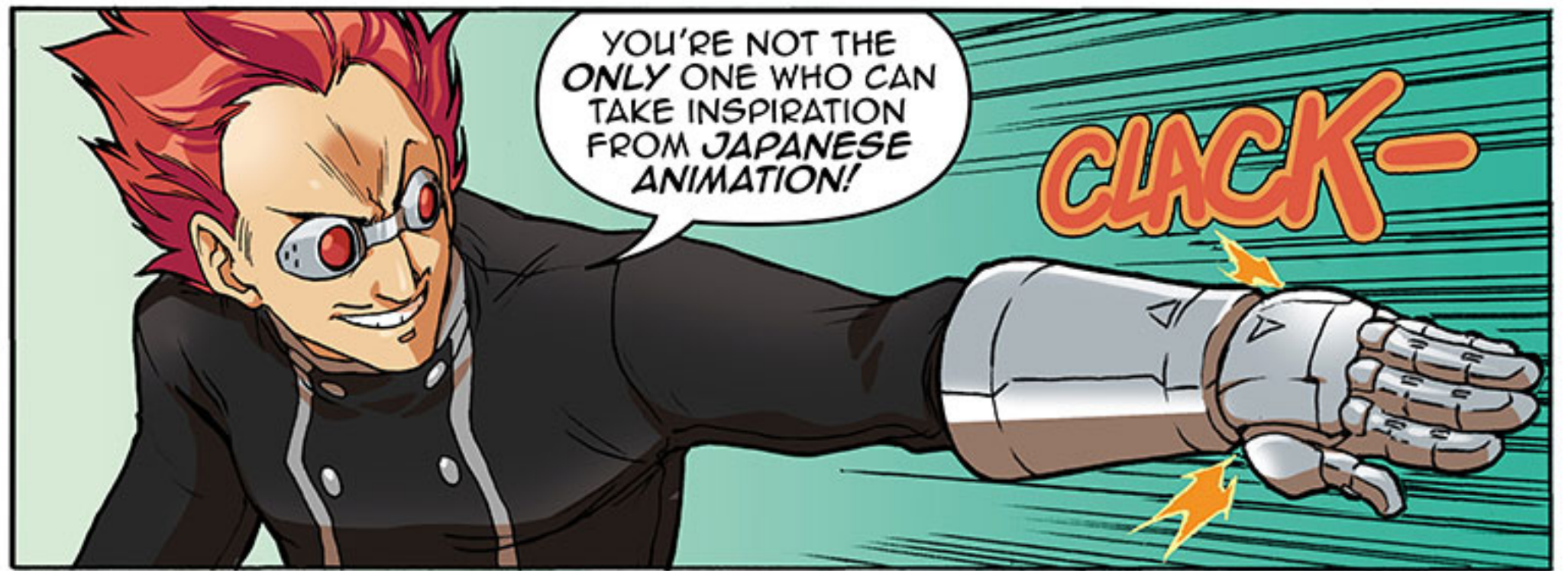
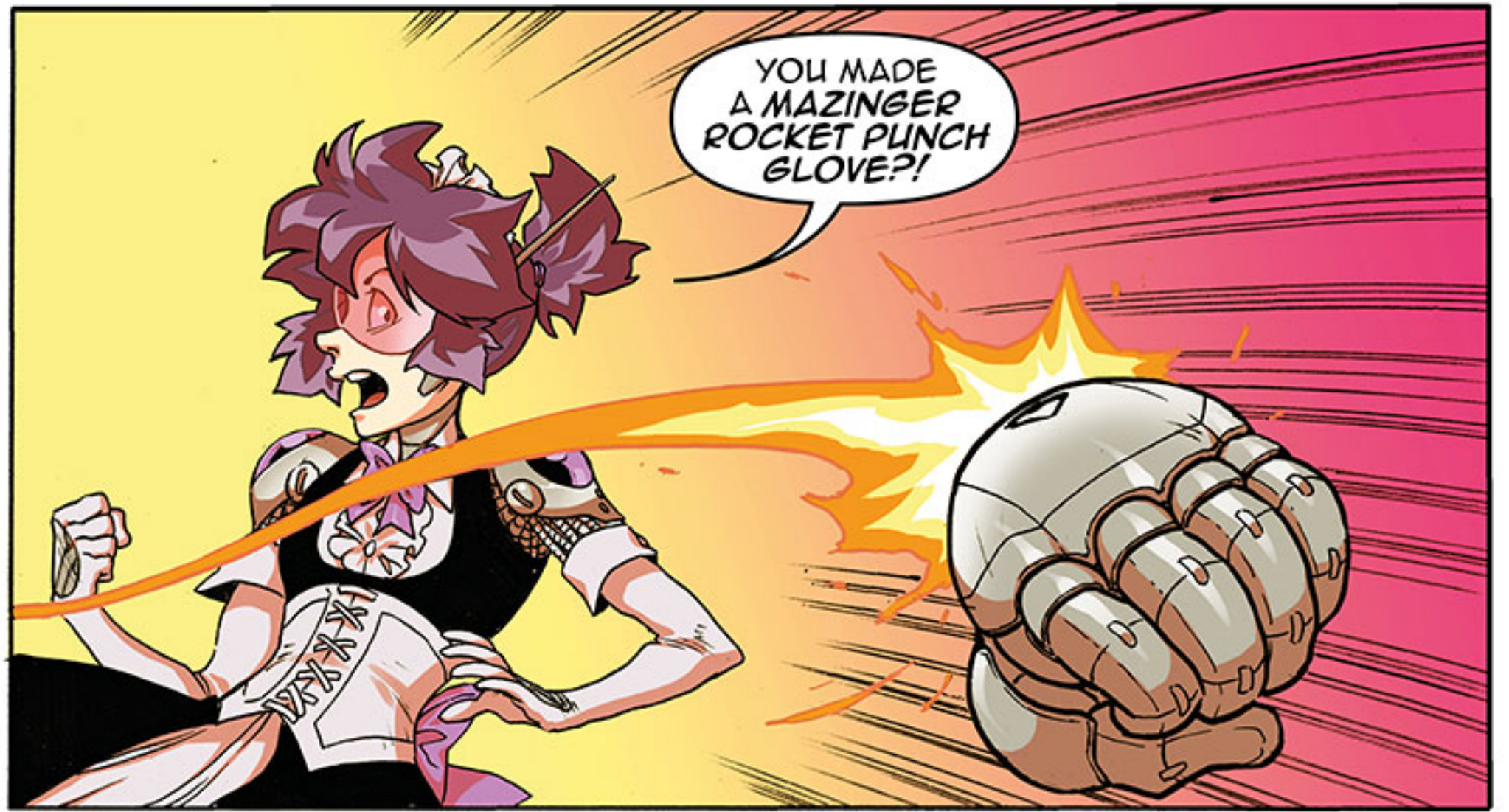
THIS IS
BAD, MECHA
MAID.

GET READY...
THIS IS GOING
TO GET WORSE
BEFORE IT GETS
BETTER.

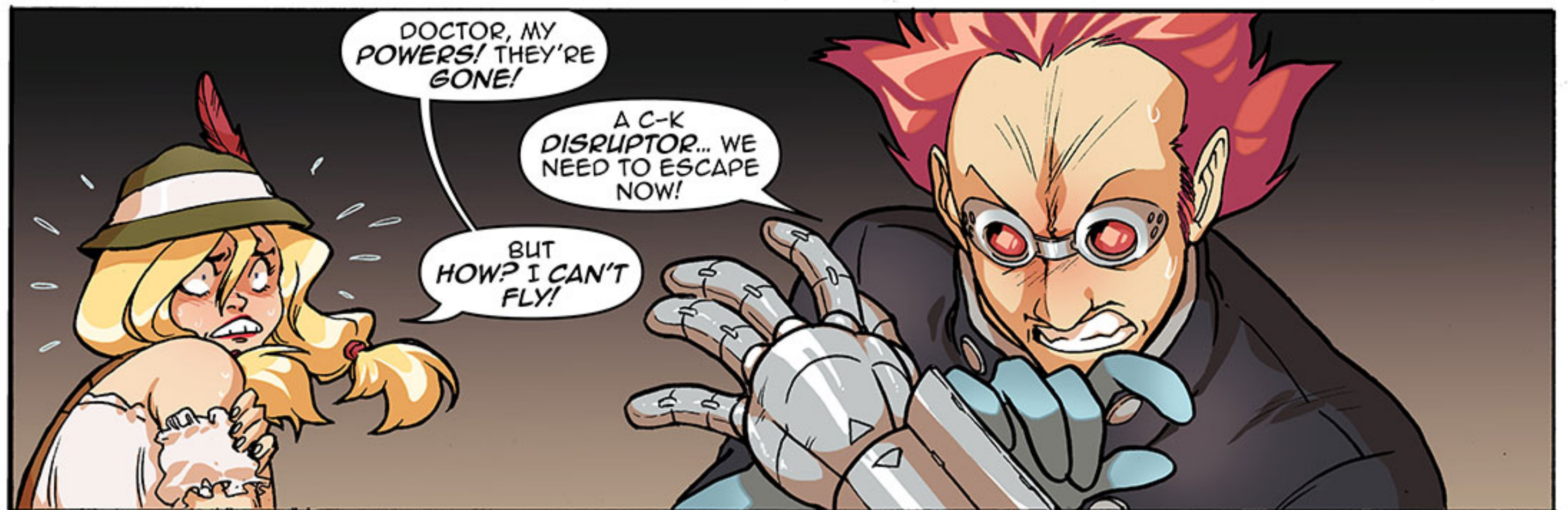




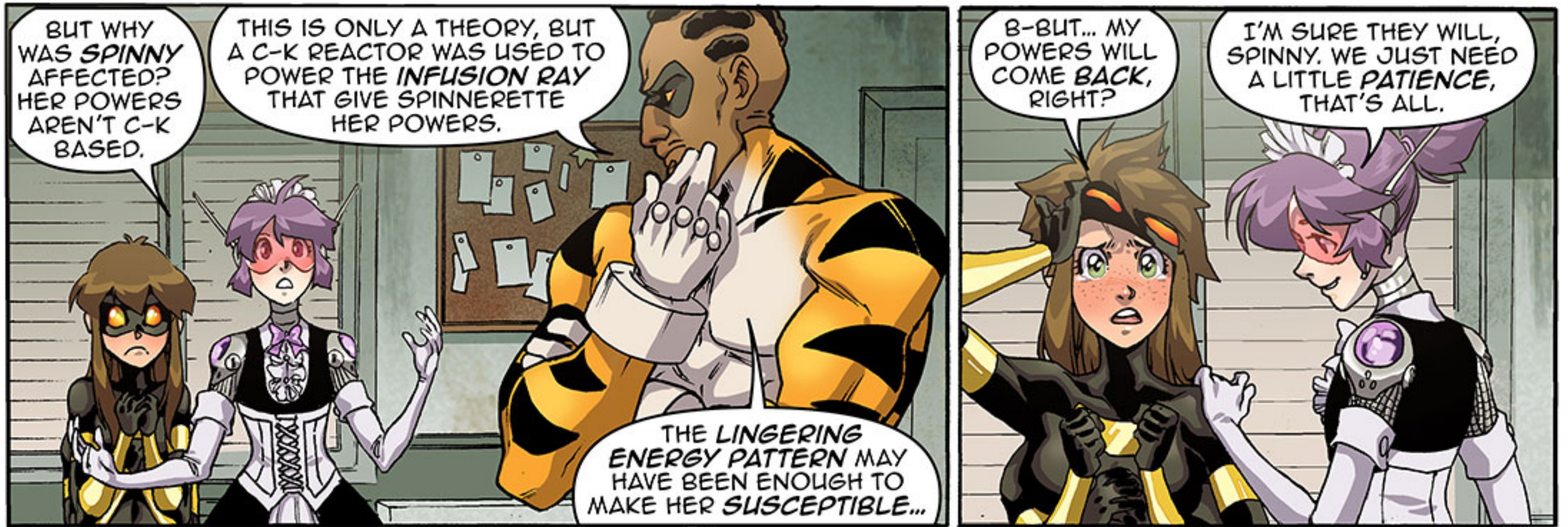












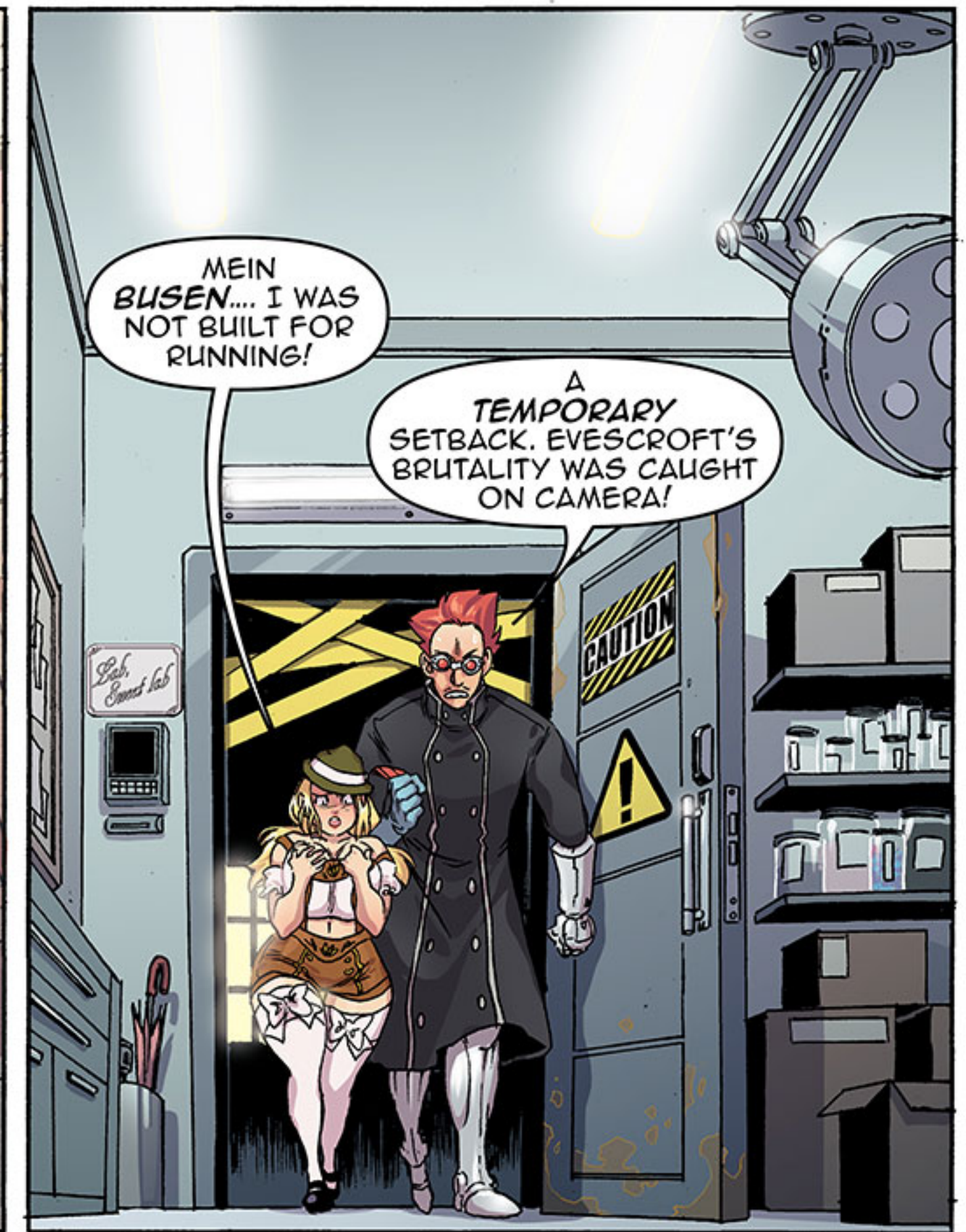


HAHH
HAHH I
HAVEN'T HAD TO
RUN LIKE THAT
IN AGES.

HAHH I
TOO, HAVE BEEN
SOMEWHAT *SPOILED*
FLYING BY YOUR
POWERS.

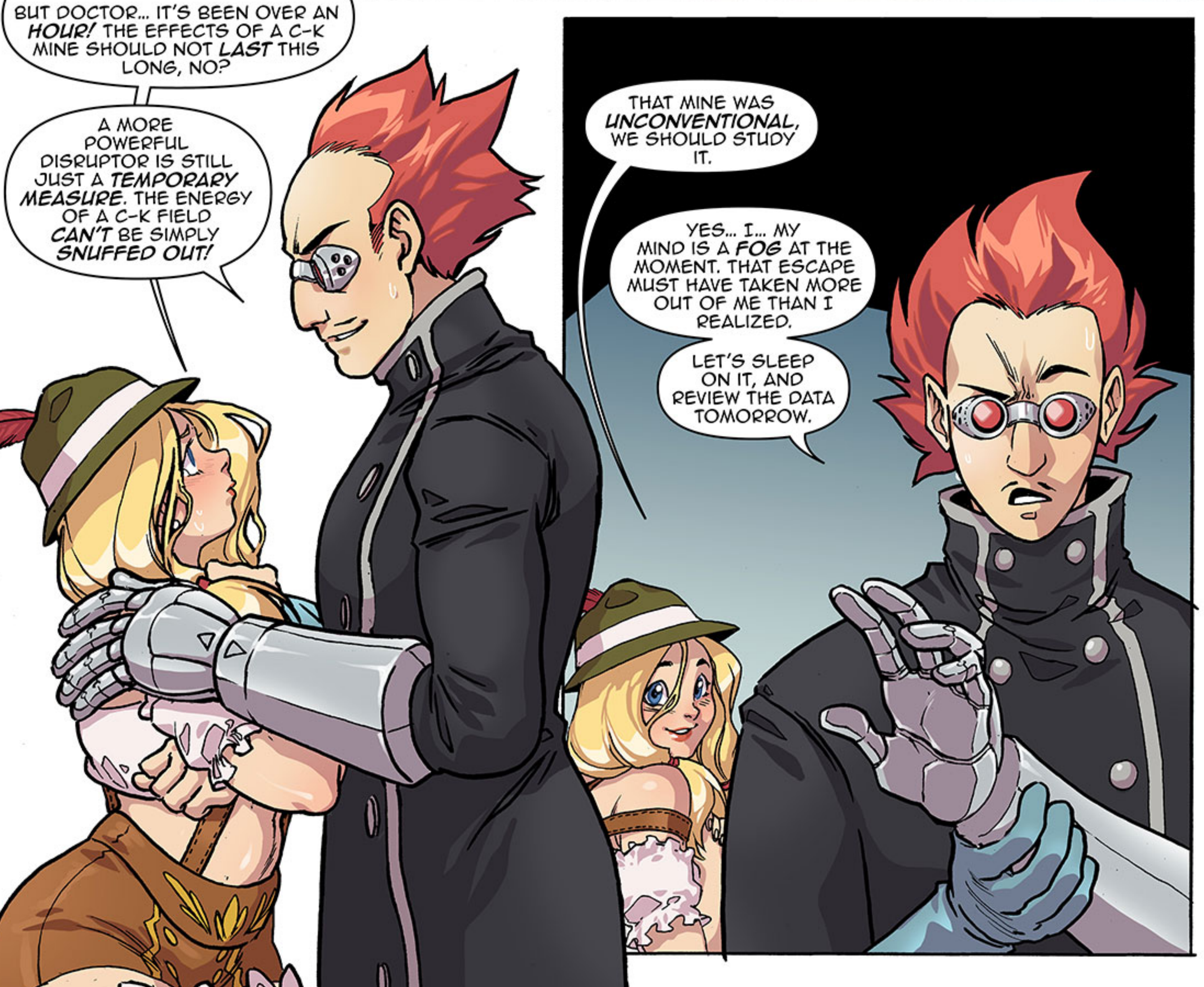
BUT DOCTOR... IT'S BEEN OVER AN
HOUR! THE EFFECTS OF A C-K
MINE SHOULD NOT LAST THIS
LONG, NO?

A MORE
POWERFUL
DISRUPTOR IS STILL
JUST A *TEMPORARY*
MEASURE. THE ENERGY
OF A C-K FIELD
CAN'T BE SIMPLY
SNUFFED OUT!



MEIN
BISEN... I WAS
NOT BUILT FOR
RUNNING!

A
TEMPORARY
SETBACK. EVESCROFT'S
BRUTALITY WAS CAUGHT
ON CAMERA!

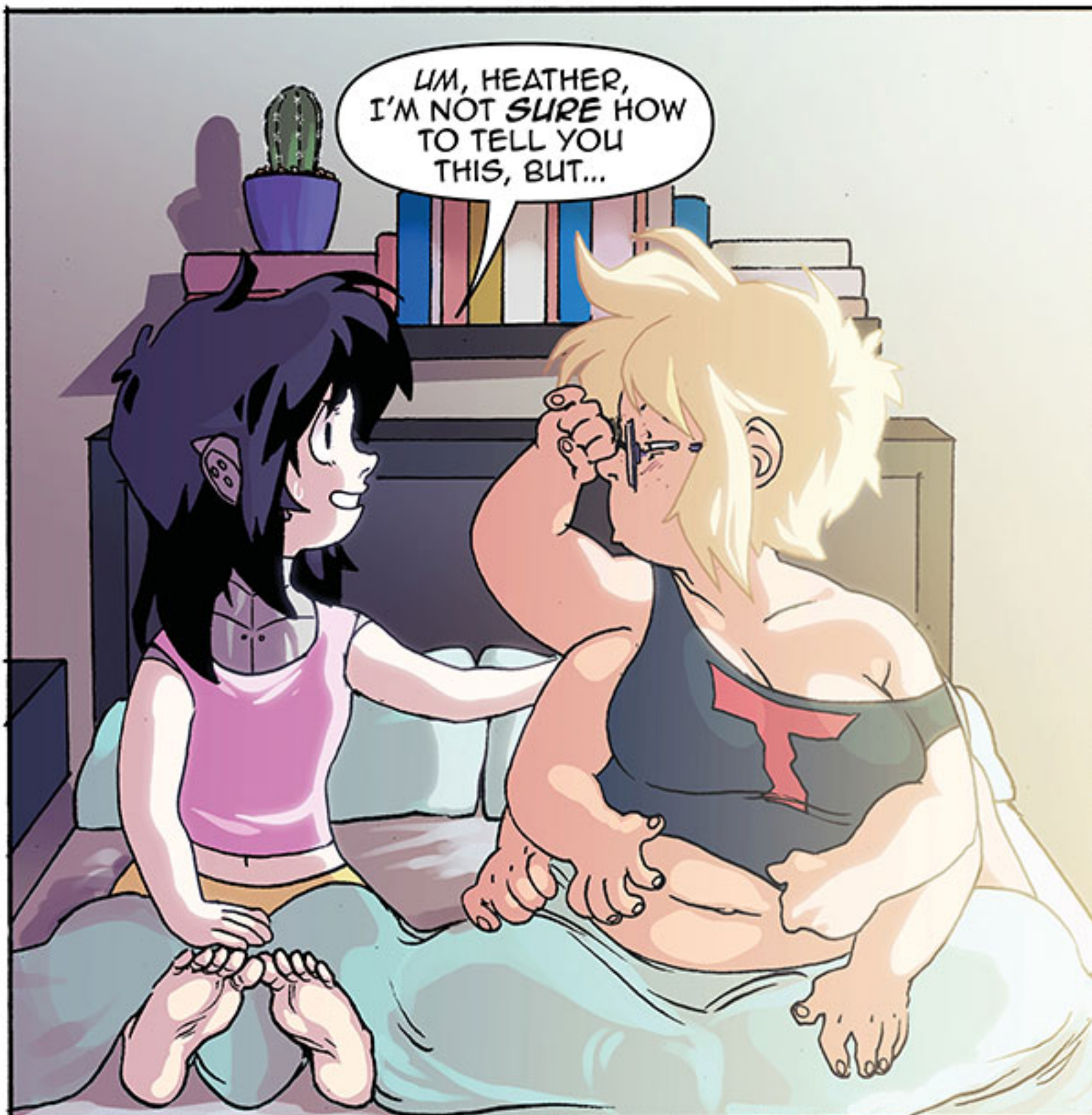
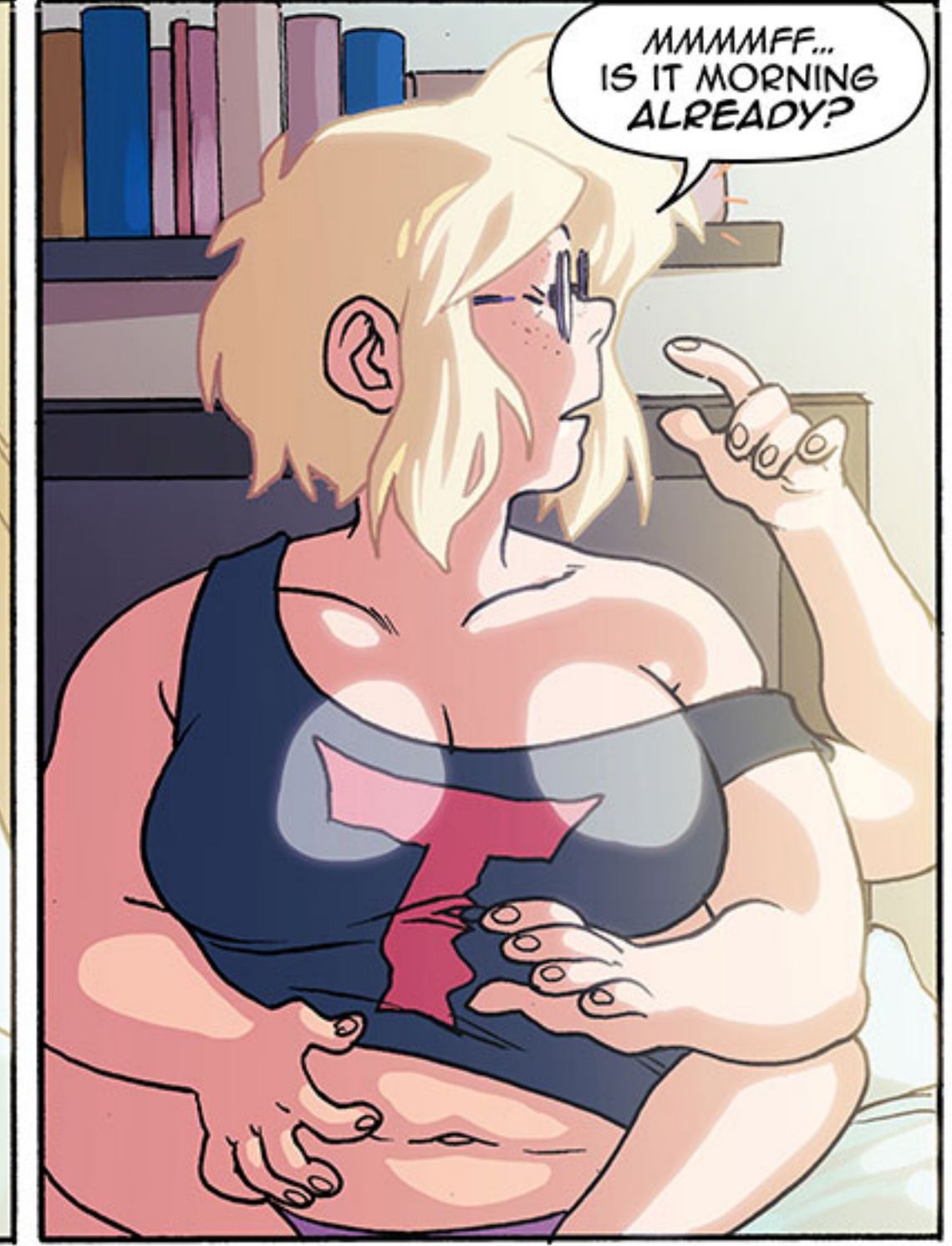
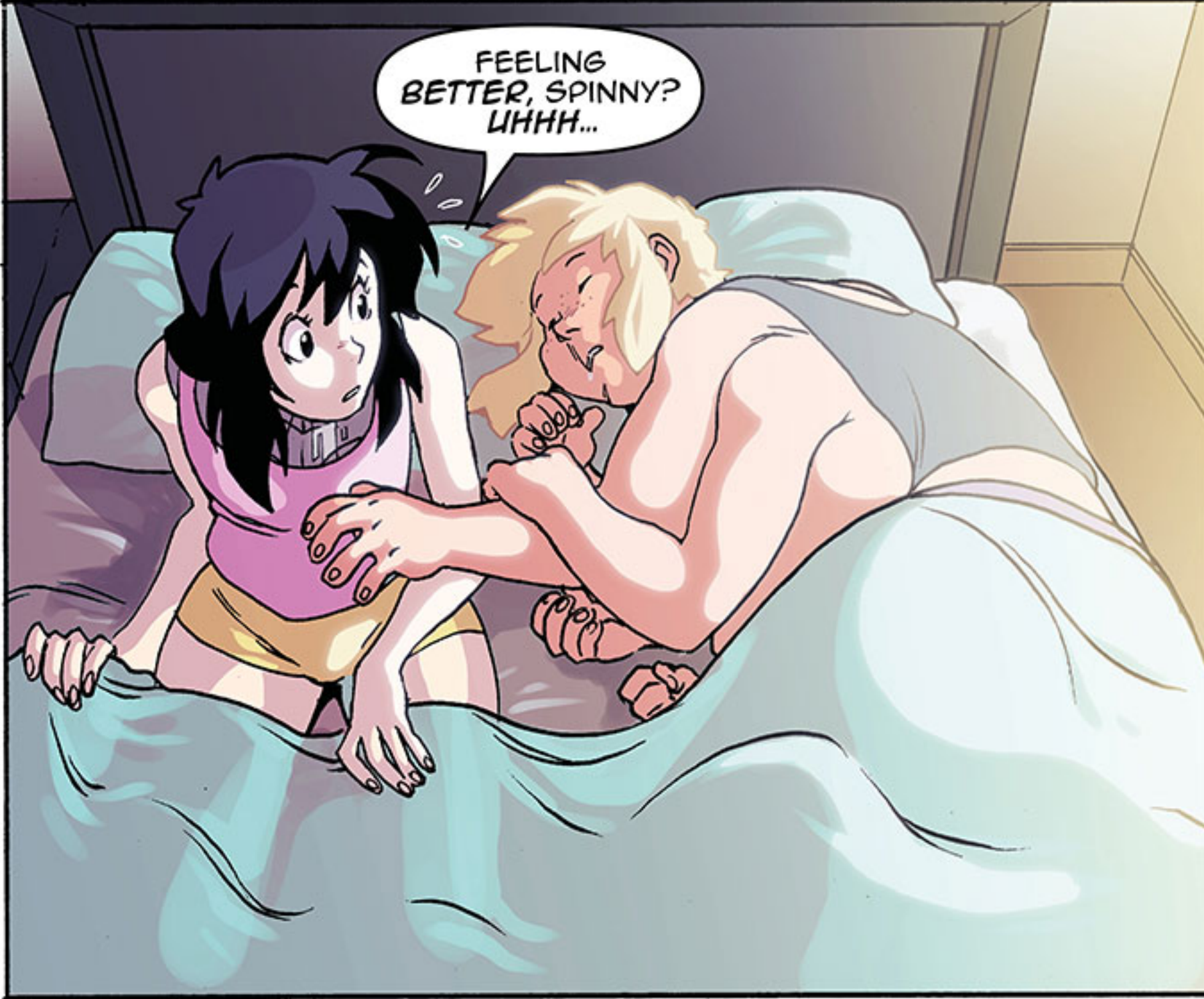
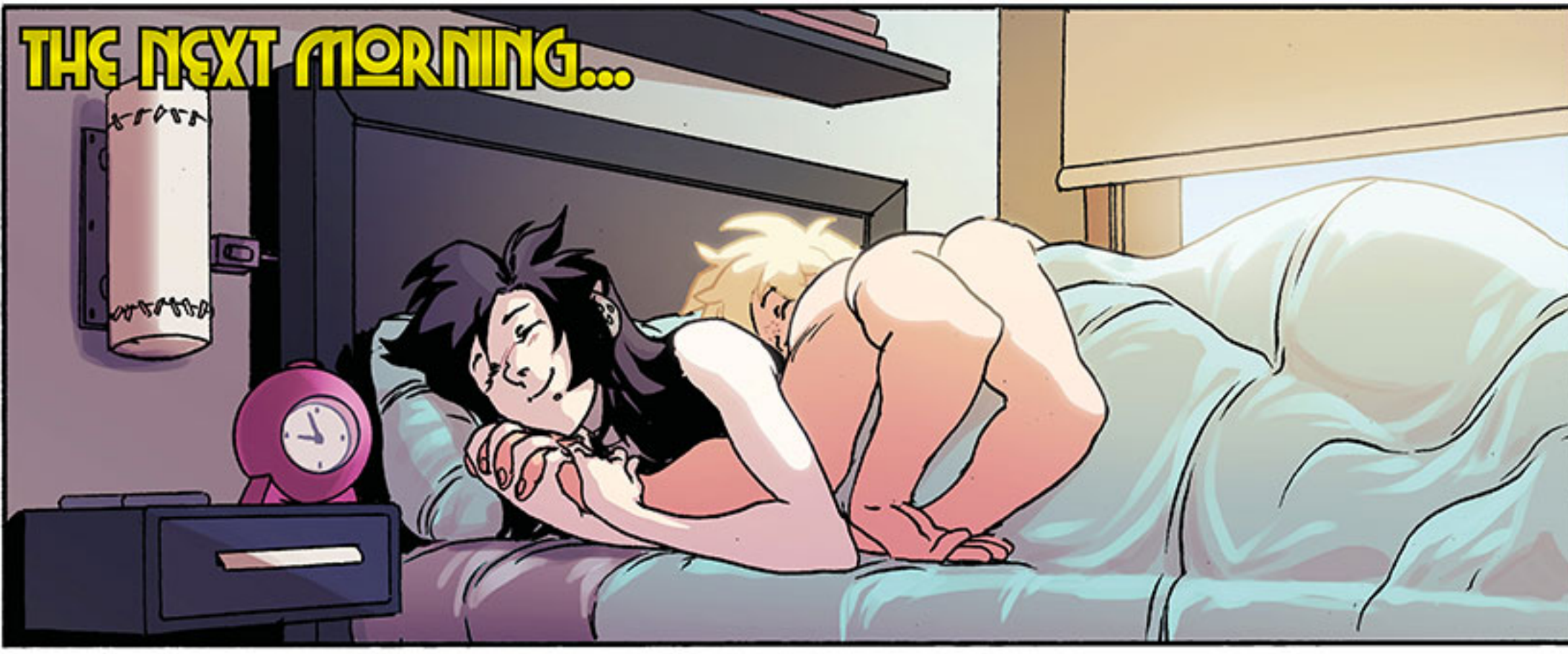


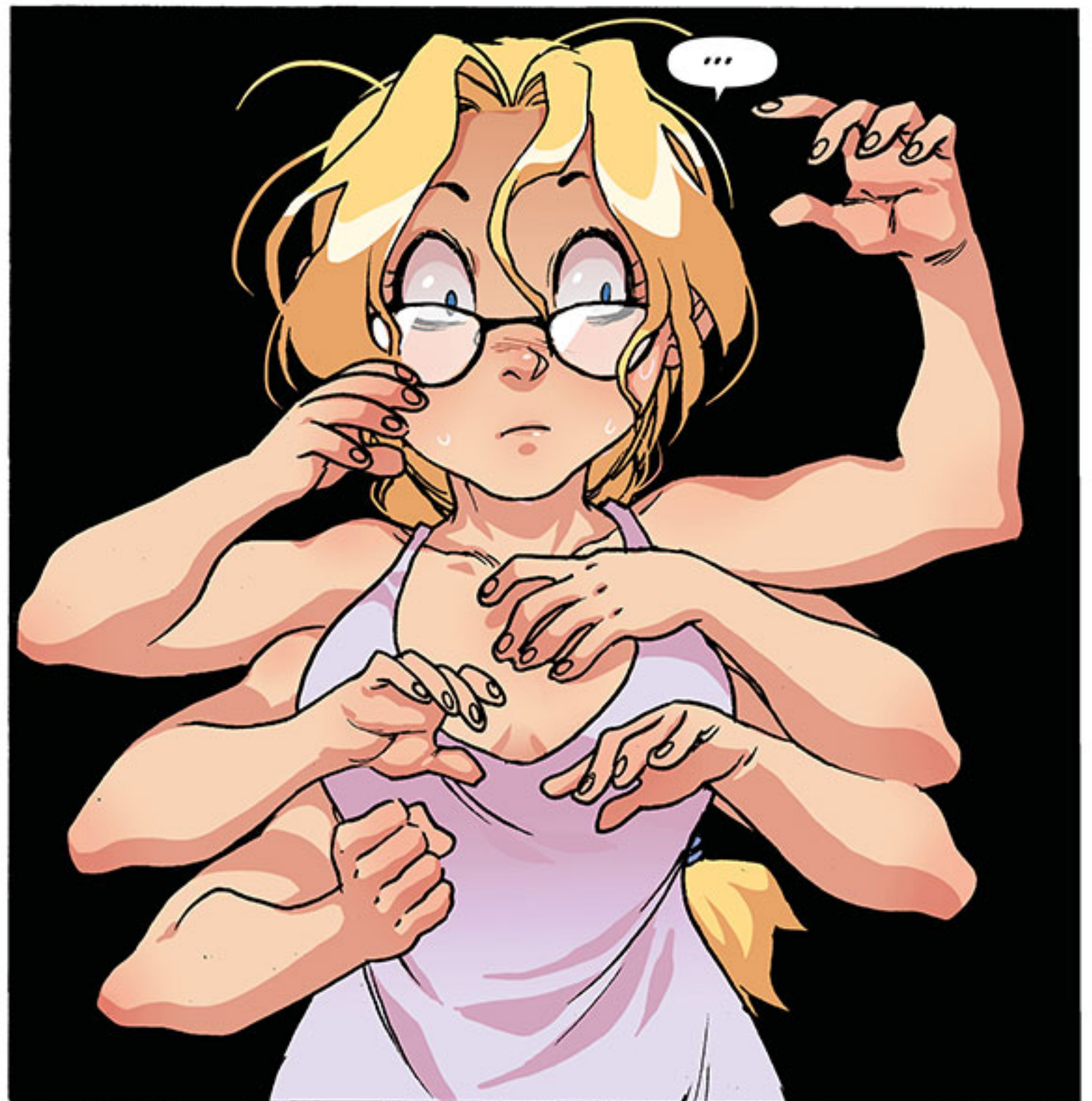
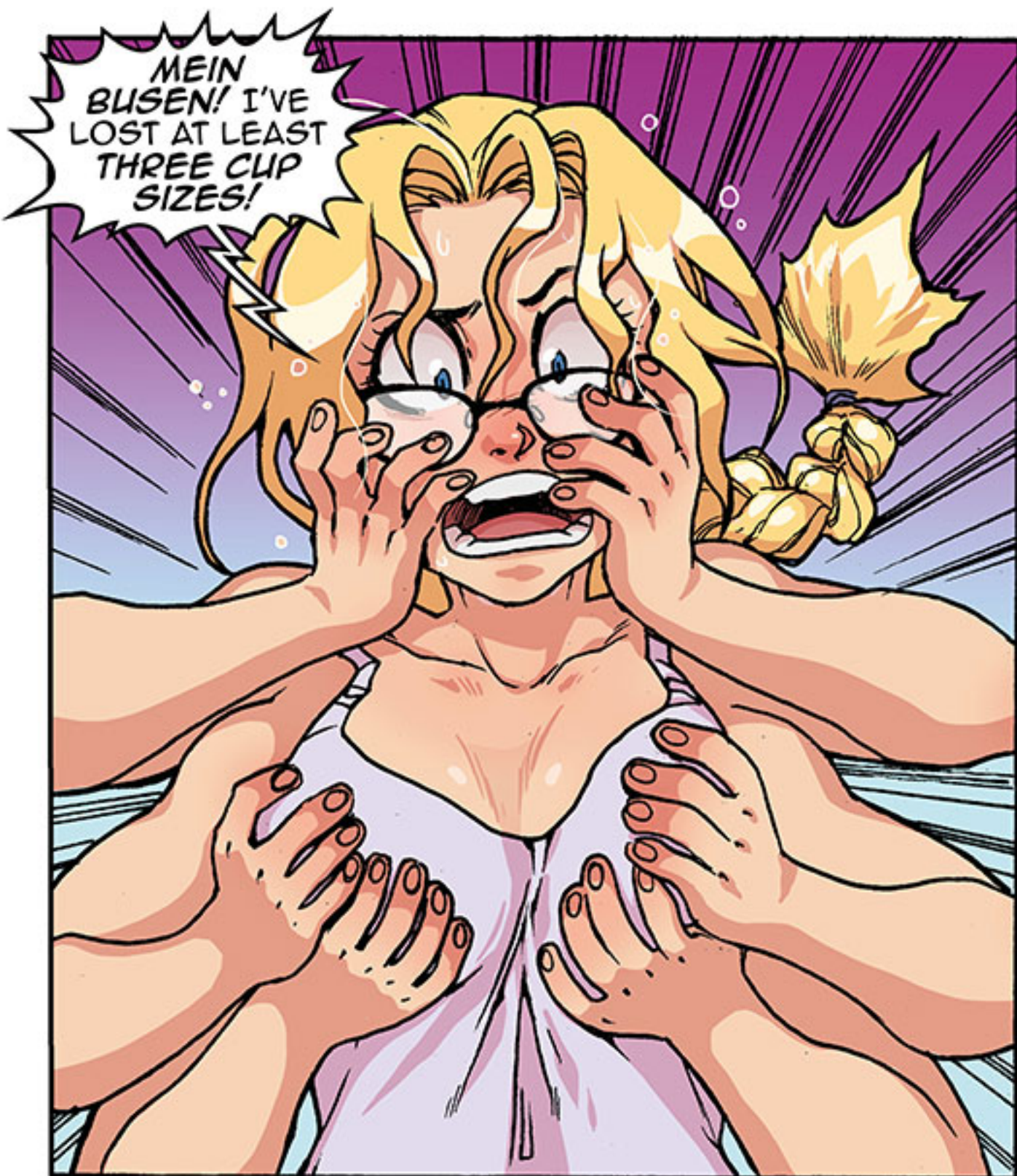
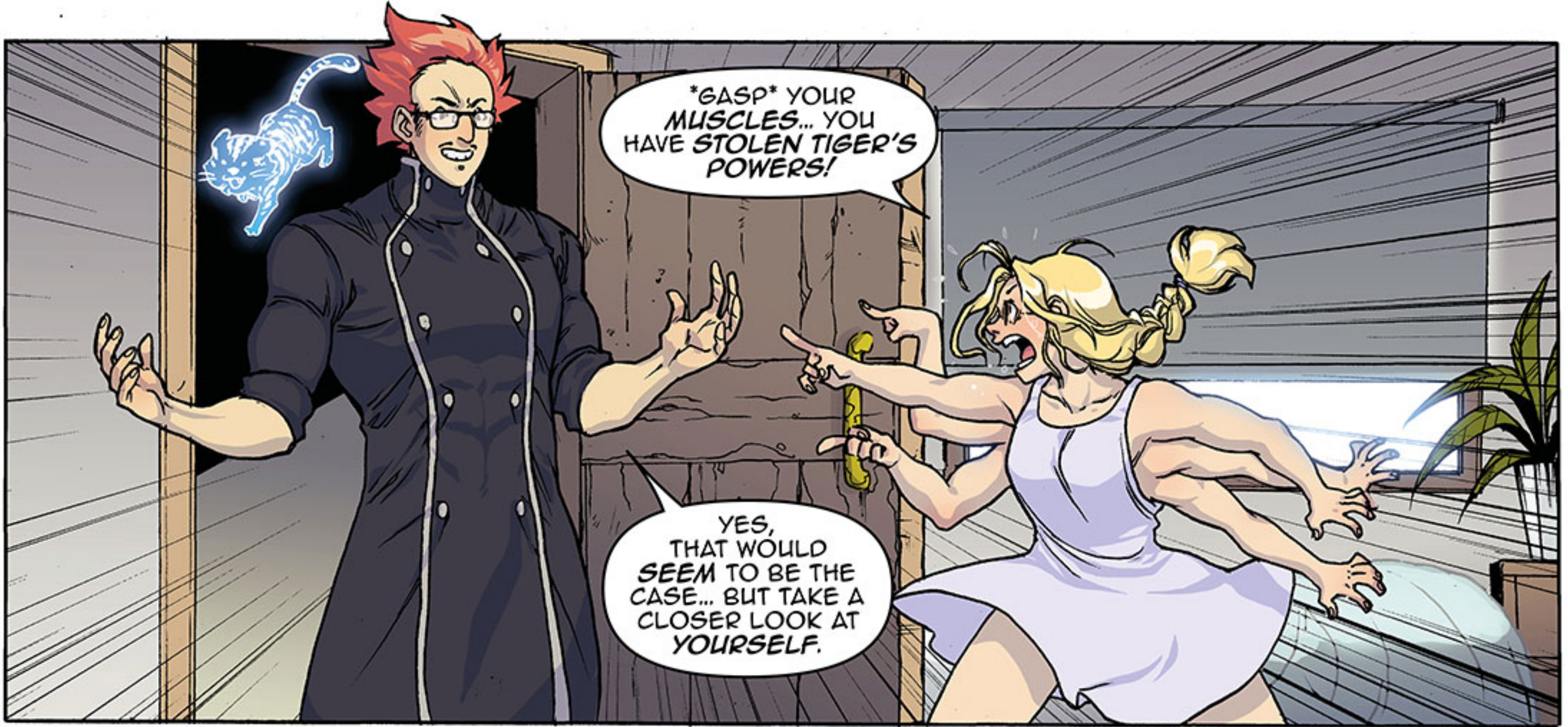
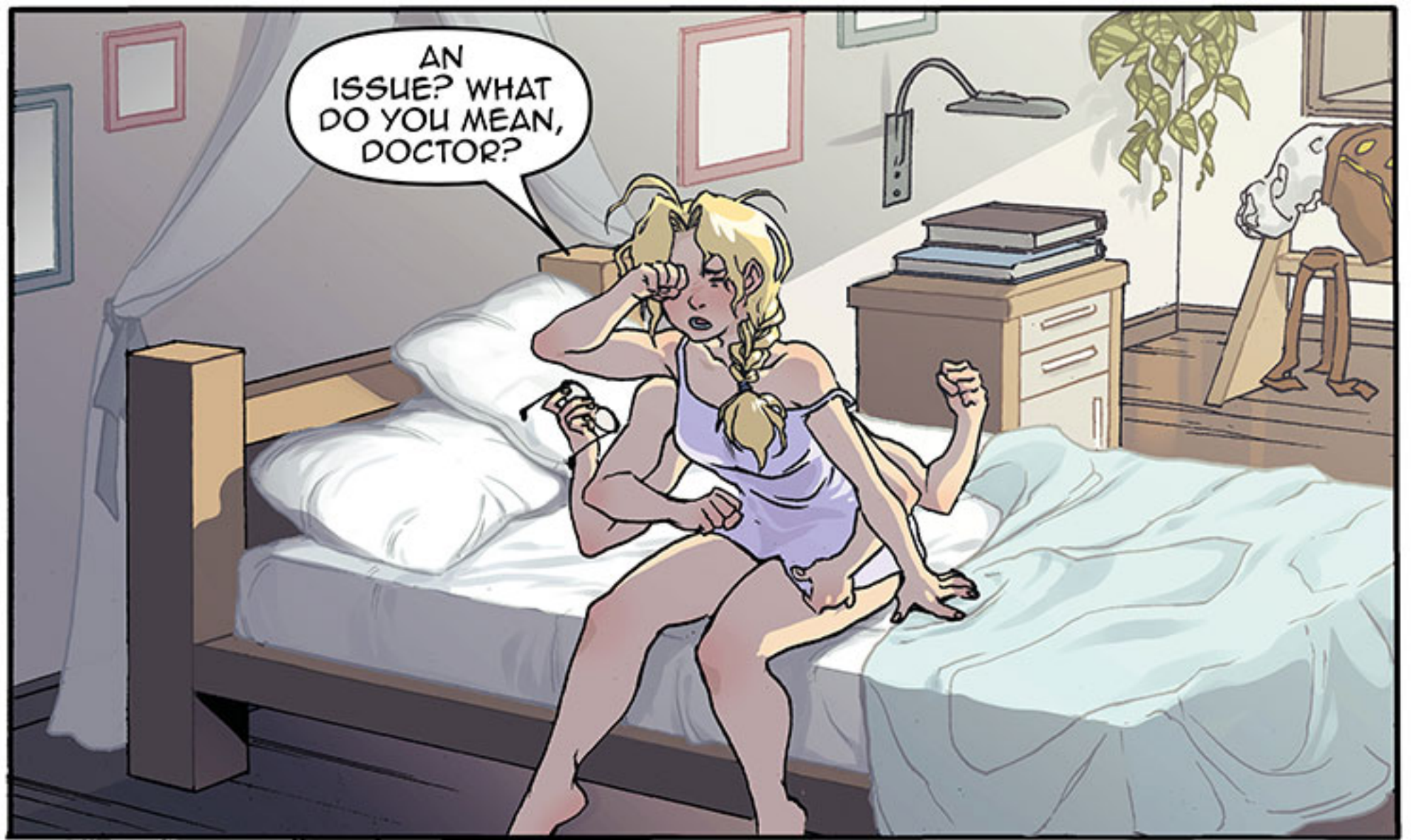
THAT MINE WAS
UNCONVENTIONAL,
WE SHOULD STUDY
IT.

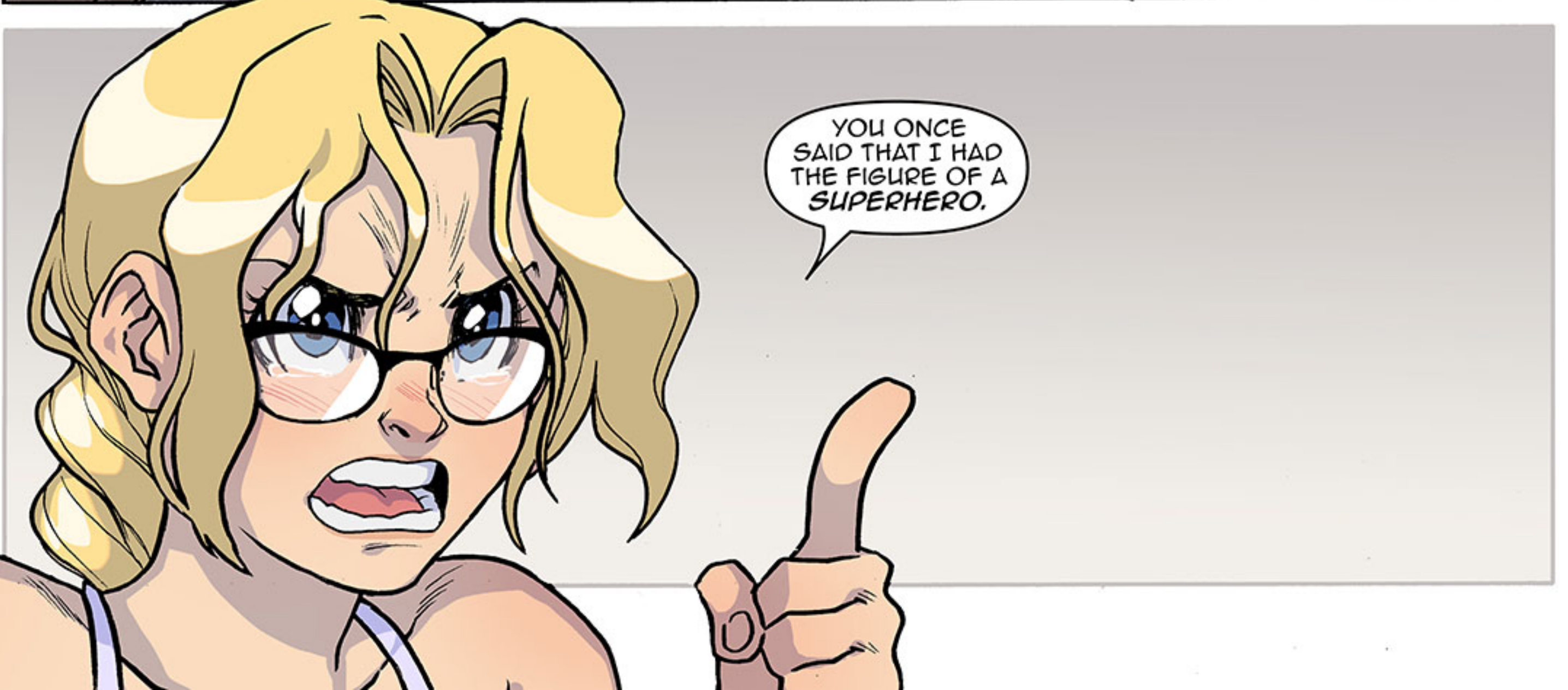
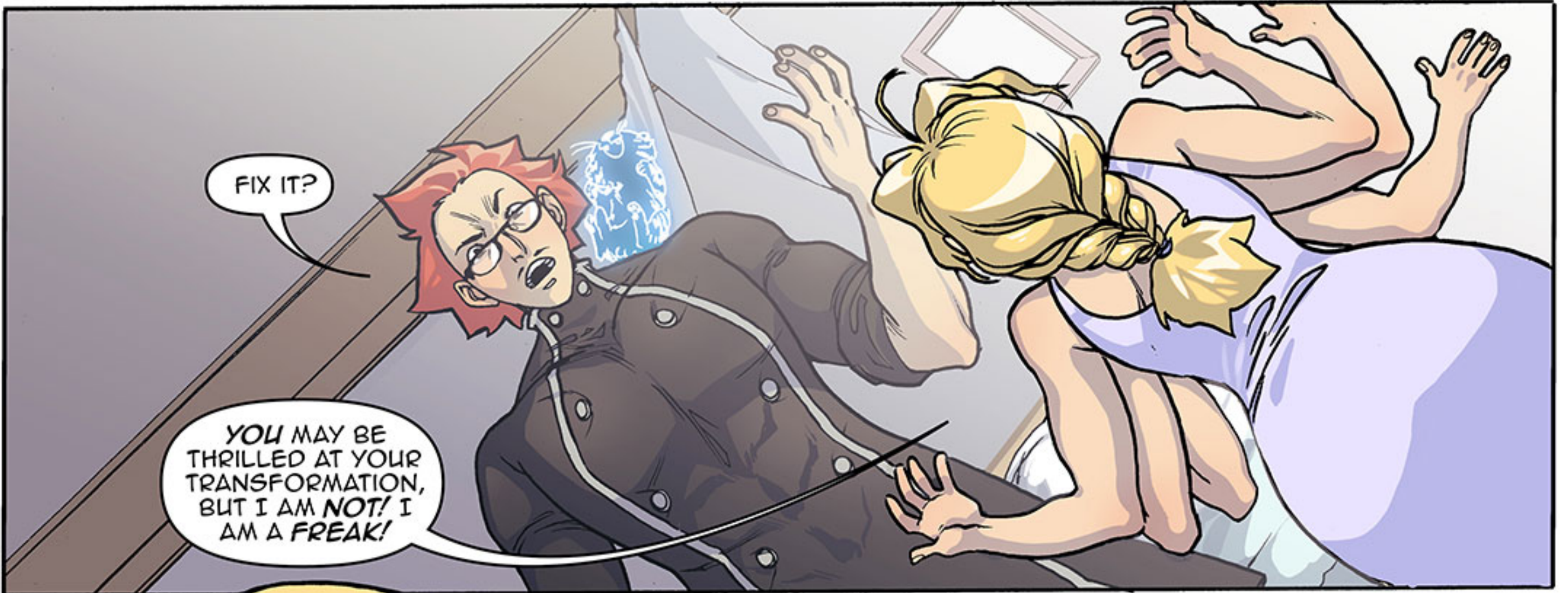
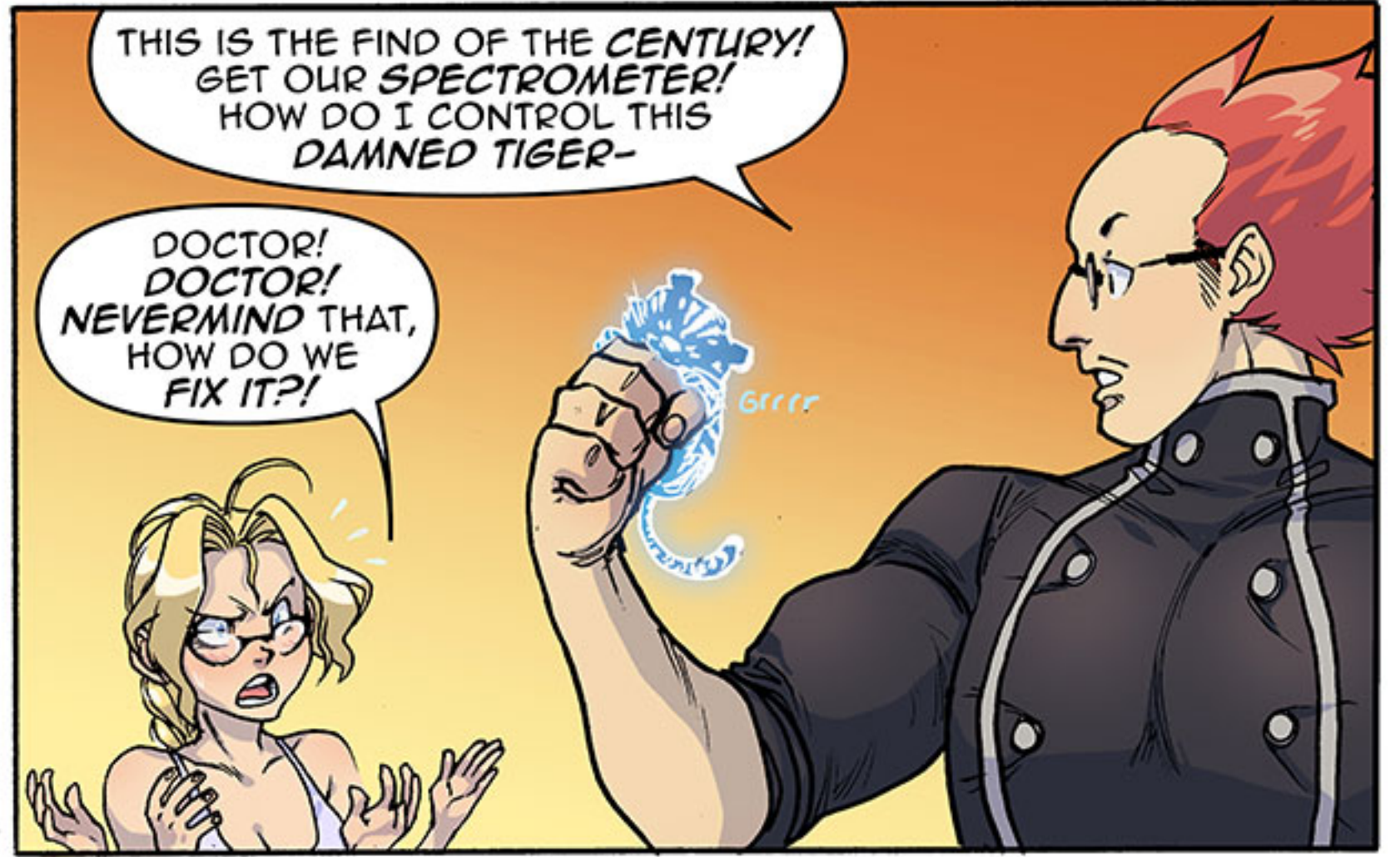
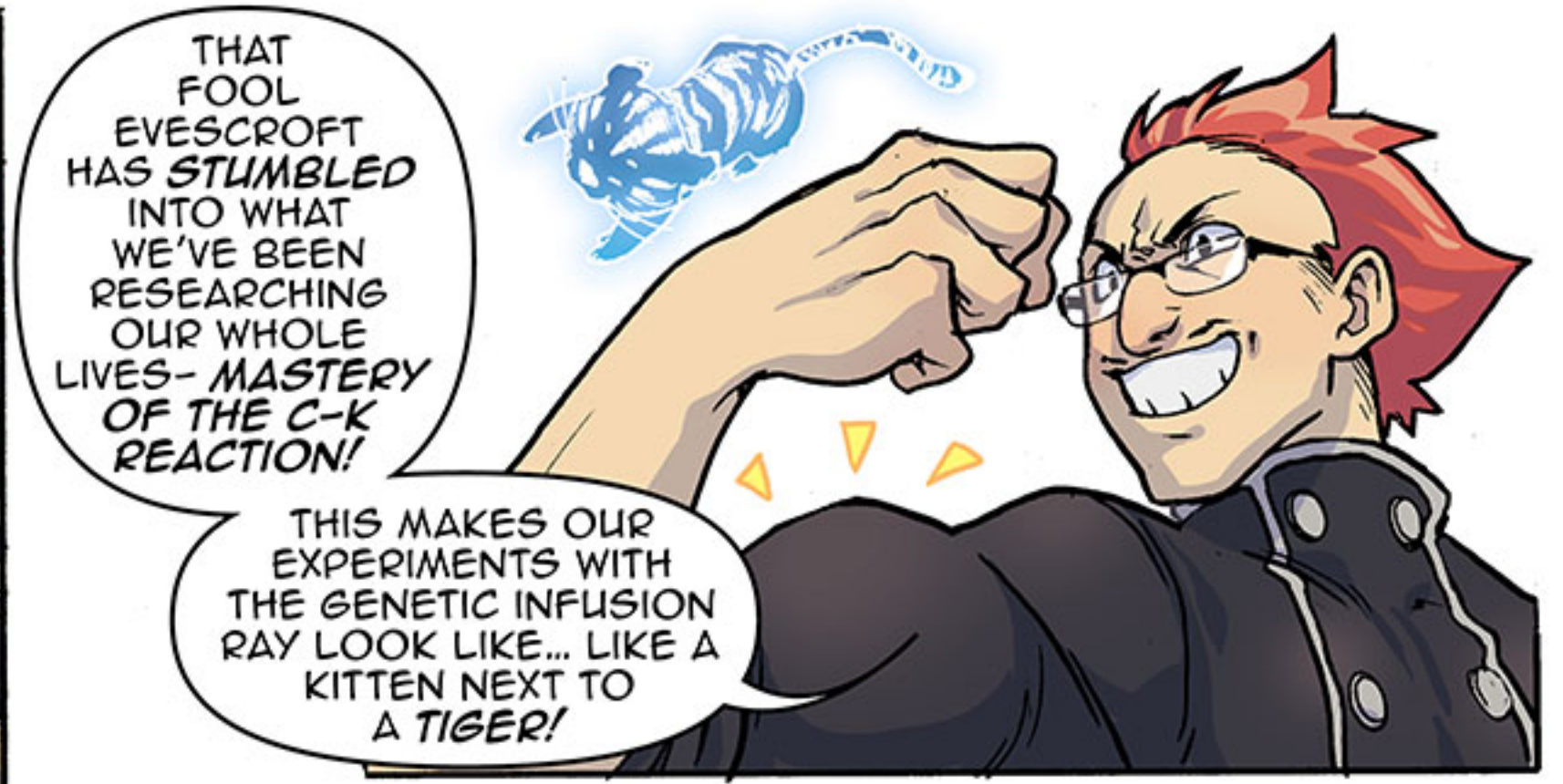
YES... I... MY
MIND IS A *FOG* AT THE
MOMENT. THAT ESCAPE
MUST HAVE TAKEN MORE
OUT OF ME THAN I
REALIZED.

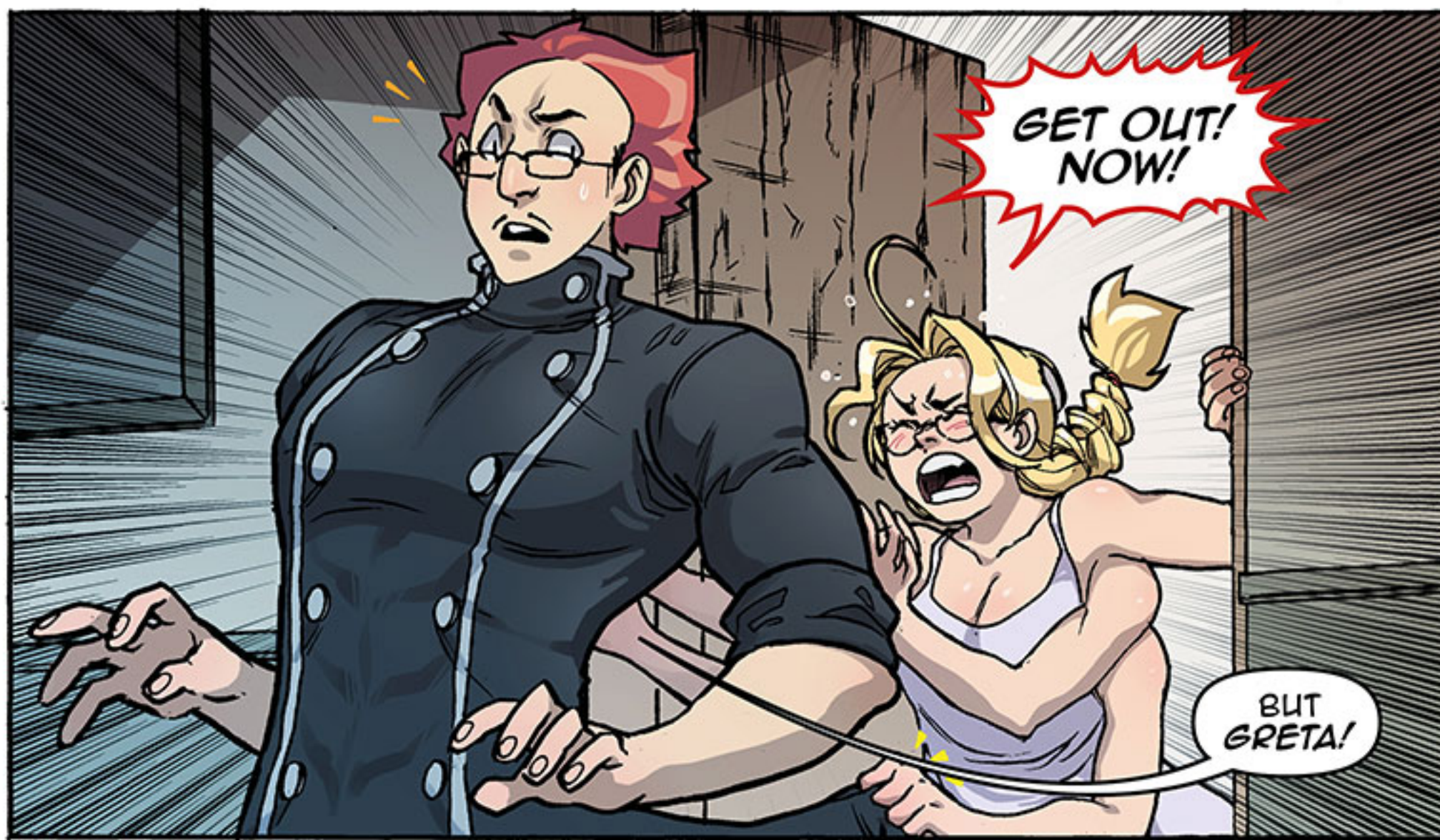
LET'S SLEEP
ON IT, AND
REVIEW THE DATA
TOMORROW.

THE NEXT MORNING...









GET OUT!
NOW!

BUT
GRETA!

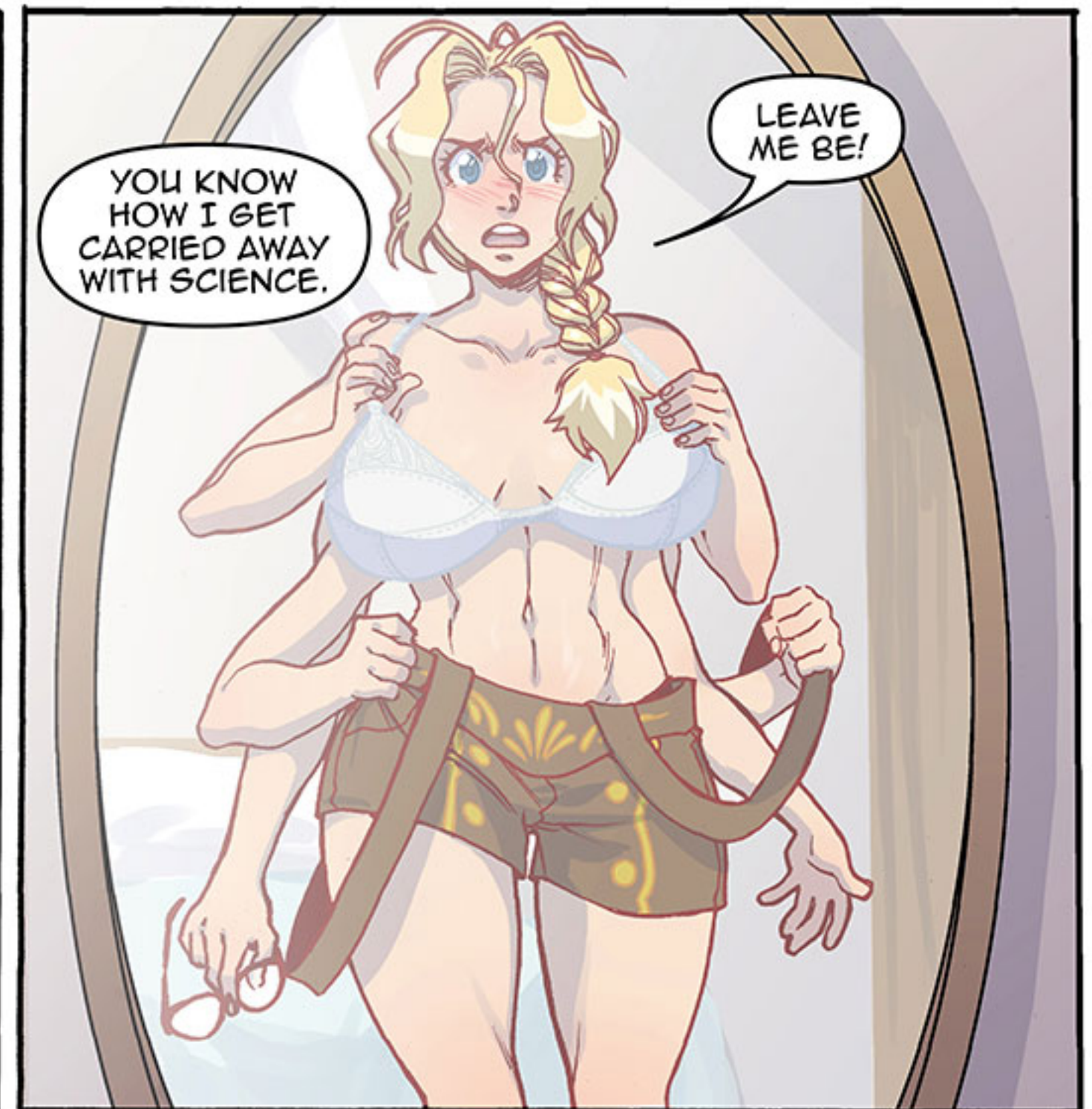


CRASH!



GRETA...
I'M
SORRY!

GO
AWAY!



YOU KNOW
HOW I GET
CARRIED AWAY
WITH SCIENCE.

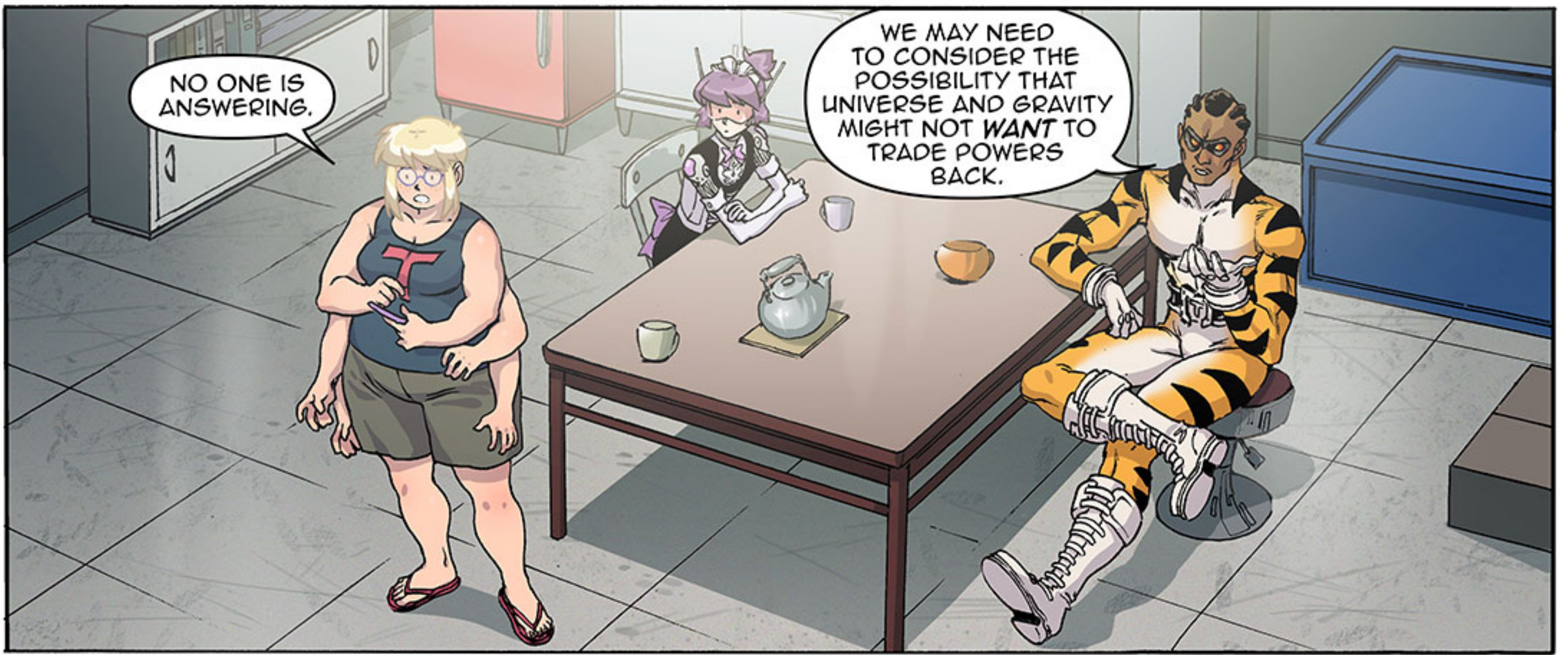
LEAVE
ME BE!



RRRRING!

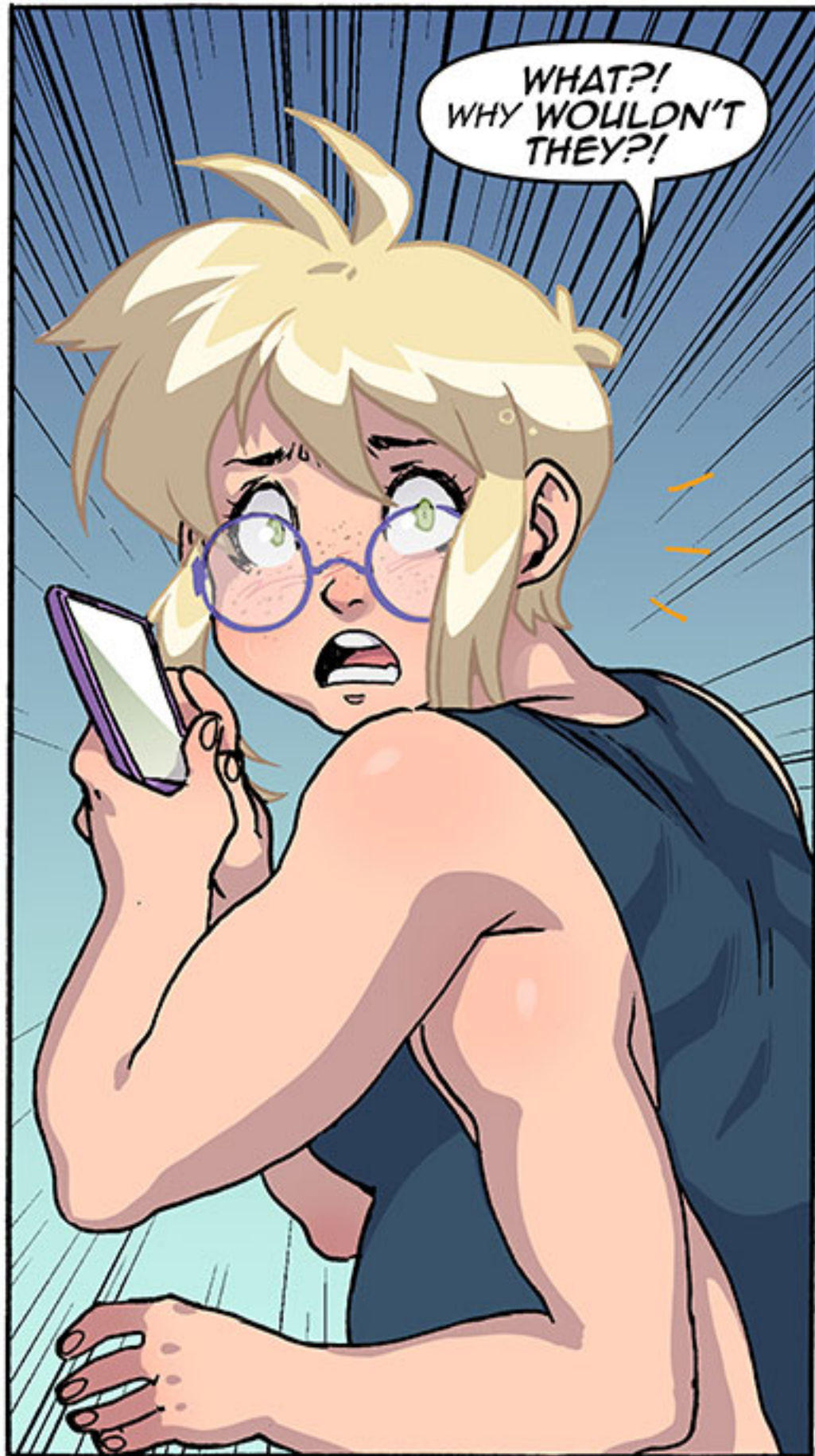
I'LL RESTORE
YOU TO YOUR GLORIOUS
SELF, I PROMISE! I JUST
NEED SOME TIME TO
STUDY IT...

I'LL ORDER US
BREAKFAST IN THE
MEANTIME. AND SOME
CLOTHES FOR YOUR...
TEMPORARY WEIGHT
PROBLEM.

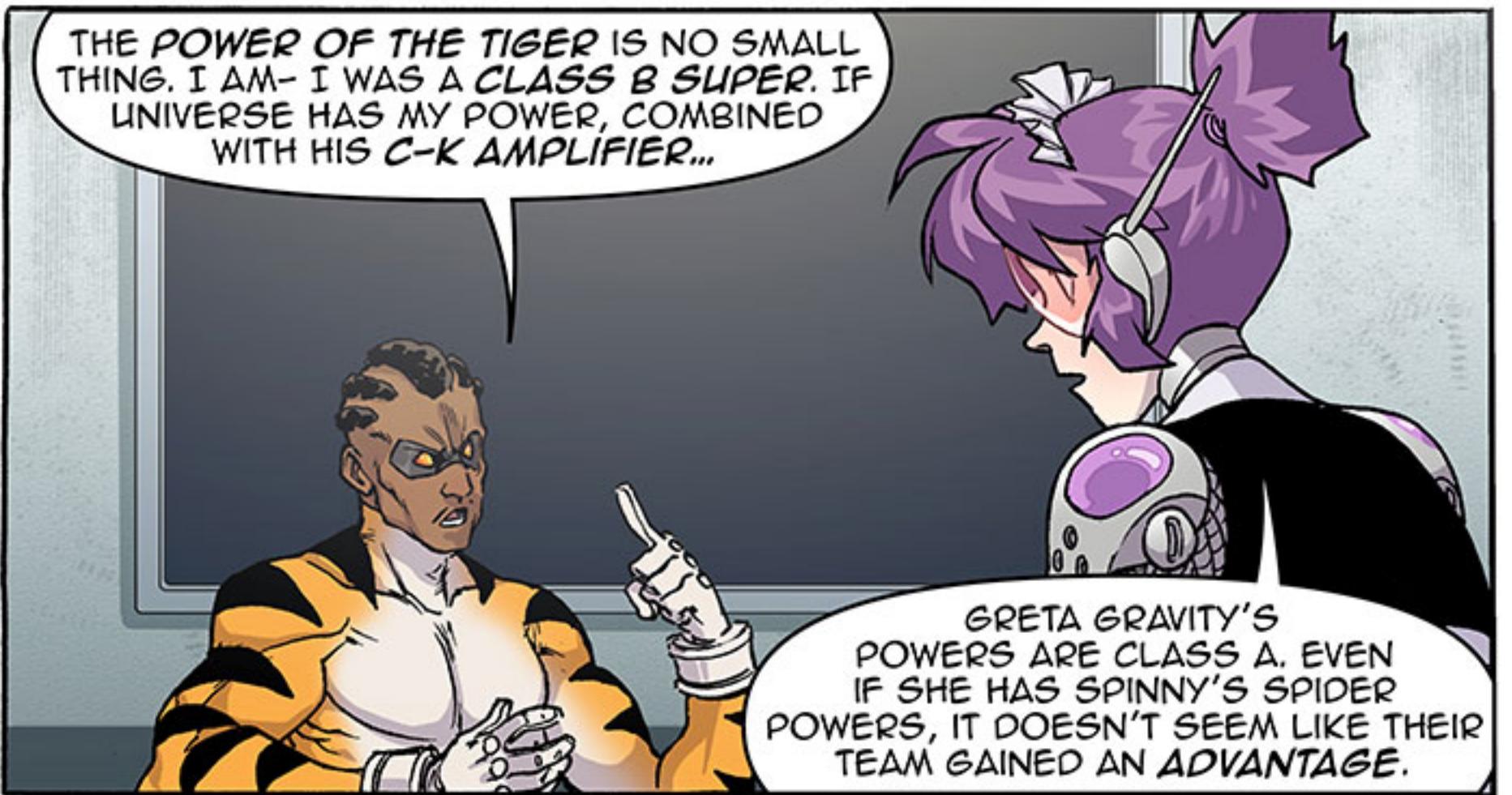


NO ONE IS ANSWERING.

WE MAY NEED TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY THAT UNIVERSE AND GRAVITY MIGHT NOT WANT TO TRADE POWERS BACK.



WHAT?! WHY WOULDN'T THEY?!

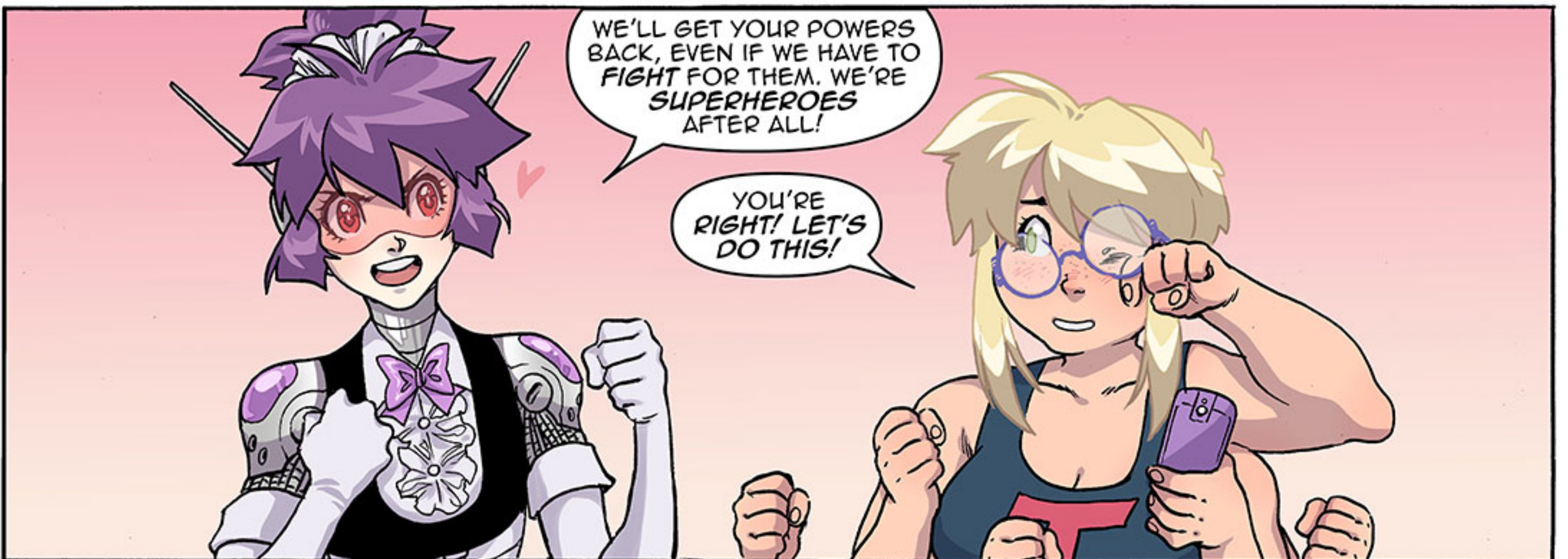


THE POWER OF THE TIGER IS NO SMALL THING. I AM- I WAS A CLASS B SUPER. IF UNIVERSE HAS MY POWER, COMBINED WITH HIS C-K AMPLIFIER...

GRETA GRAVITY'S POWERS ARE CLASS A. EVEN IF SHE HAS SPINNY'S SPIDER POWERS, IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THEIR TEAM GAINED AN ADVANTAGE.

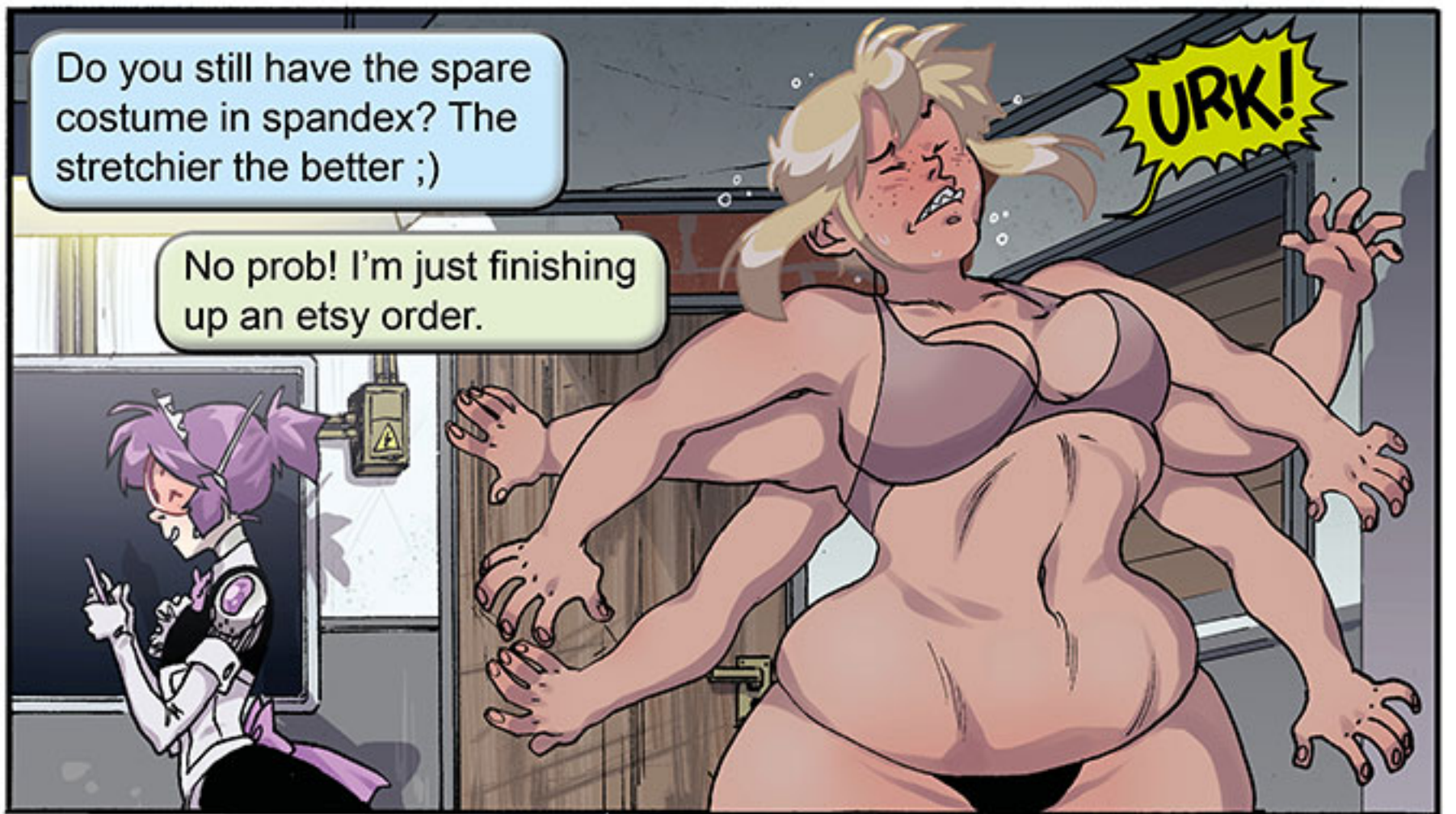
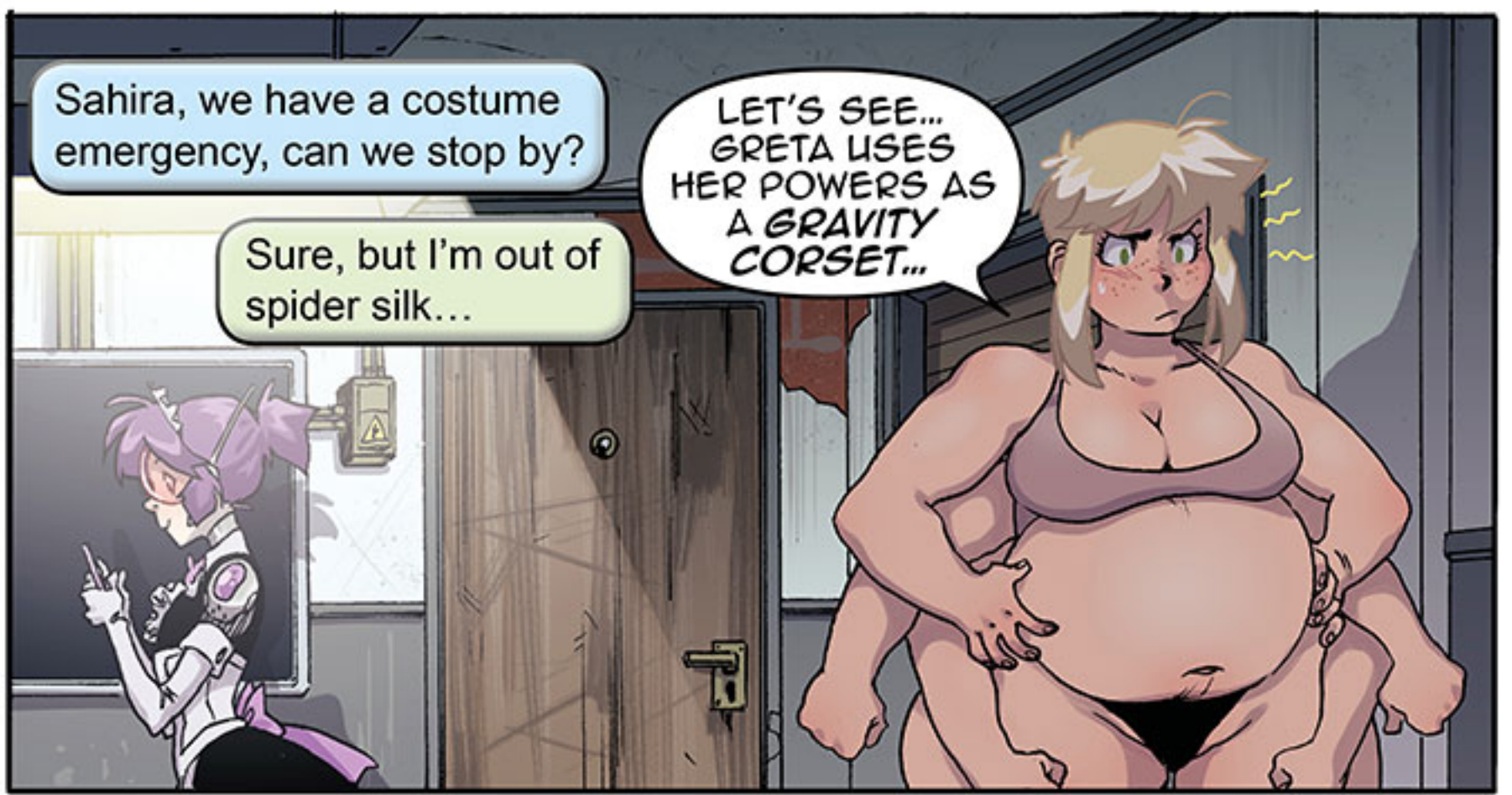


EVEN UNIVERSE ISN'T IMMUNE TO PSYCHOLOGY. TO GO FROM NORMAL TO SUPERPOWERED... IT CAN BE ADDICTIVE.



WE'LL GET YOUR POWERS BACK, EVEN IF WE HAVE TO FIGHT FOR THEM. WE'RE SUPERHEROES AFTER ALL!

YOU'RE RIGHT! LET'S DO THIS!





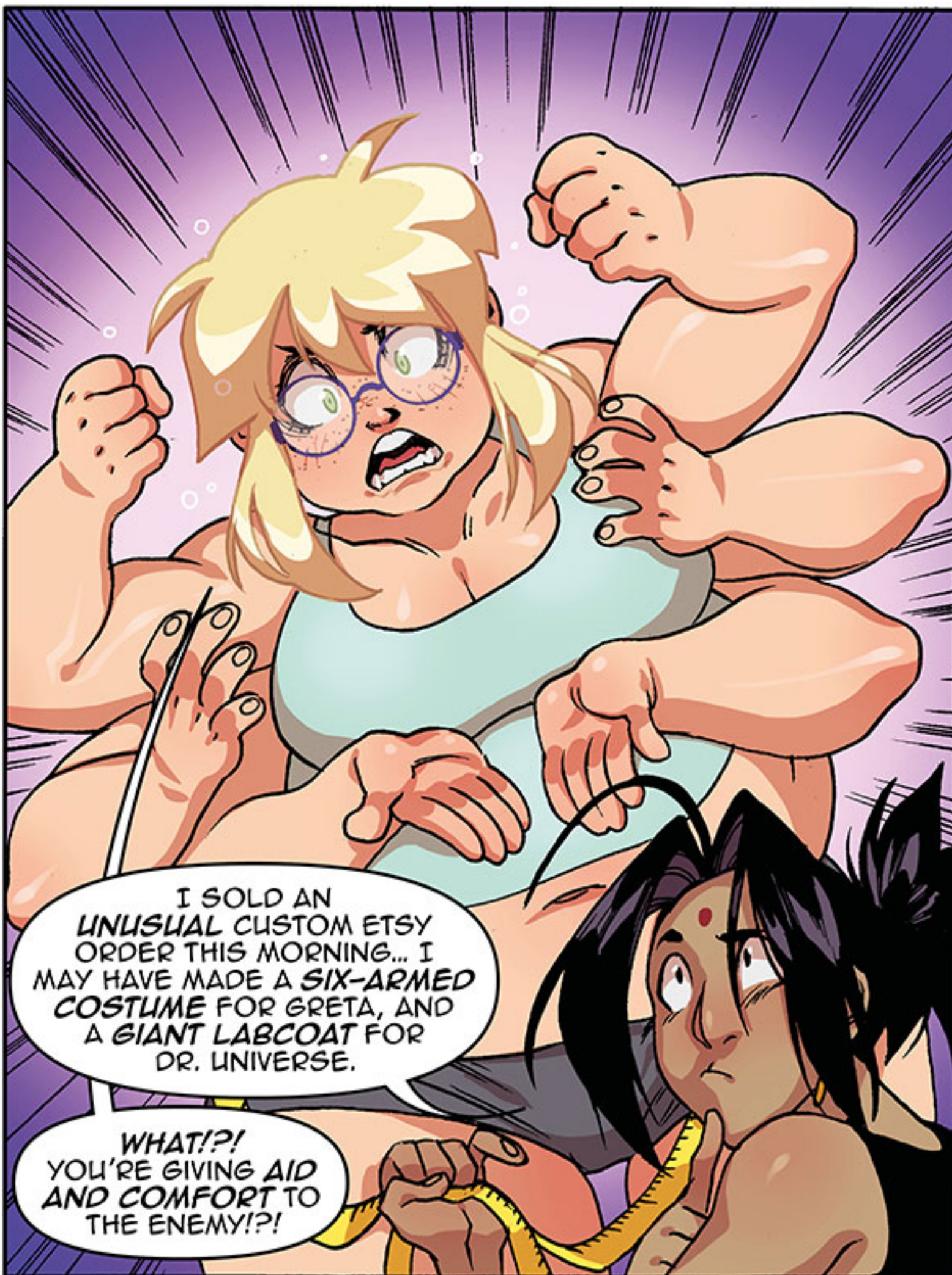
OH MY.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY IT LIKE THAT!



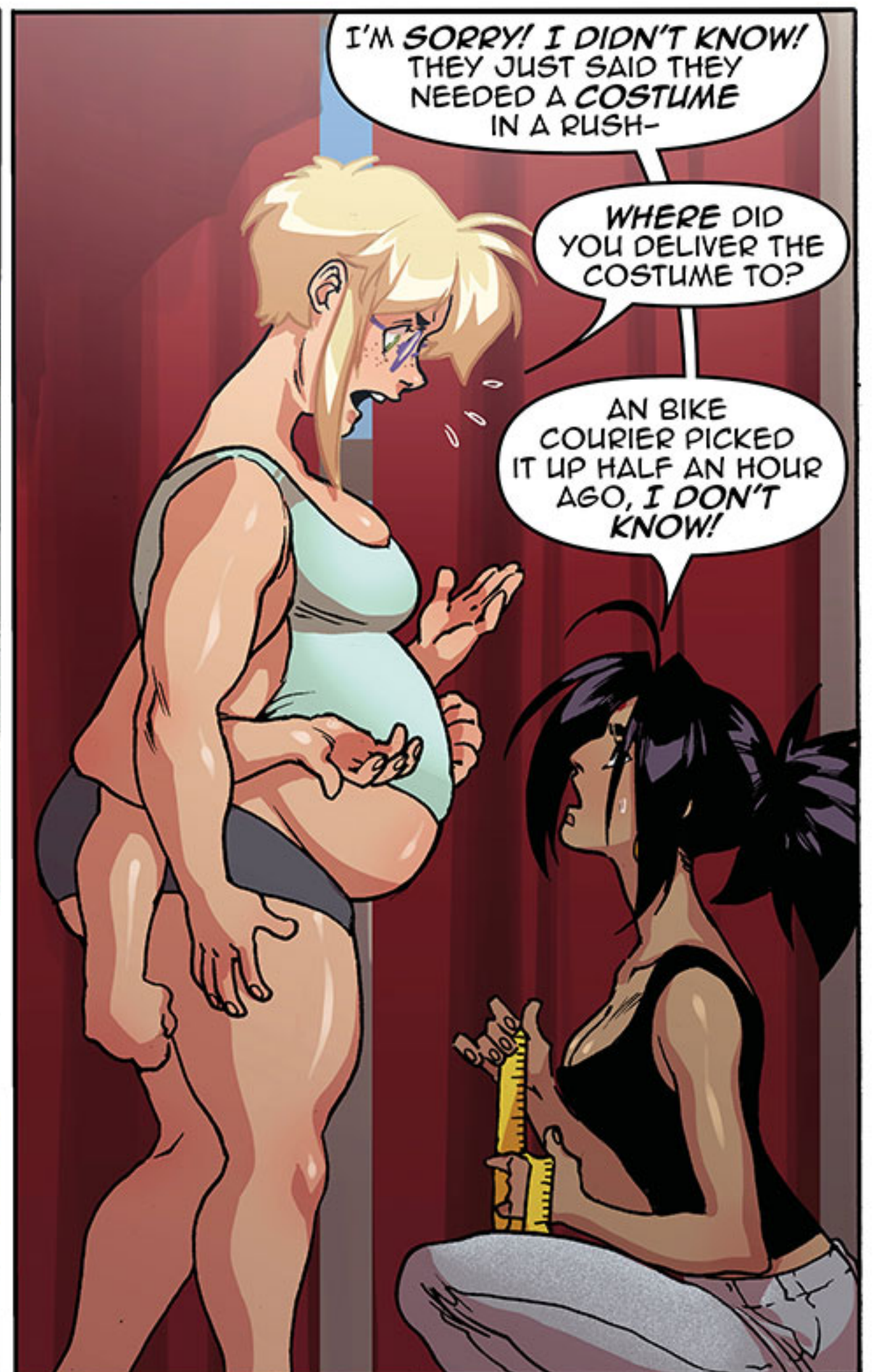
THIS IS A WEIRD QUESTION... BUT DID YOU BY CHANCE SWAP SUPERPOWERS WITH GRETA GRAVITY?

YEAH... I THINK I DID.



I SOLD AN UNUSUAL CUSTOM ETSY ORDER THIS MORNING... I MAY HAVE MADE A SIX-ARMED COSTUME FOR GRETA, AND A GIANT LABCOAT FOR DR. UNIVERSE.

WHAT!?! YOU'RE GIVING AID AND COMFORT TO THE ENEMY!?!



I'M SORRY! I DIDN'T KNOW! THEY JUST SAID THEY NEEDED A COSTUME IN A RUSH-

WHERE DID YOU DELIVER THE COSTUME TO?

AN BIKE COURIER PICKED IT UP HALF AN HOUR AGO, I DON'T KNOW!



MM, Sahira sold a new costume to Greta Gravity!

What!?!

It was picked up by bike courier half an hour ago.

Got it! That should be a 15-20 mile radius.



YOU'RE GOING TO FLY NAKED THROUGH TOWN?! AGAIN!?!

WELL, I...

AT LEAST PUT ON THE SPANDEX COSTUME! IT'LL STRETCH!

LINFFF! WHAT DID THE COURIER LOOK LIKE?

ORANGE HELMET, HE WAS WEARING A 'ZERO' T-SHIRT!

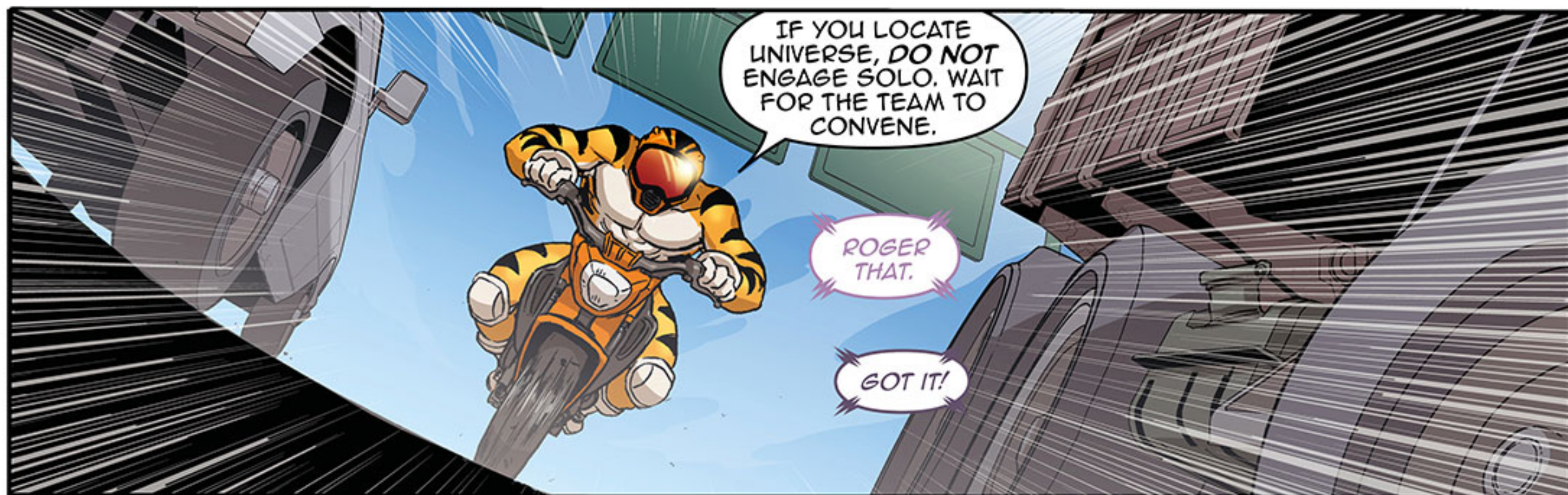


ARE YOU SURE YOU KNOW HOW TO FLY?

THERE'S A LEARNING CURVE TO ANYTHING, I'LL MASTER IT YET!

KRRRNCH!
SNAP!

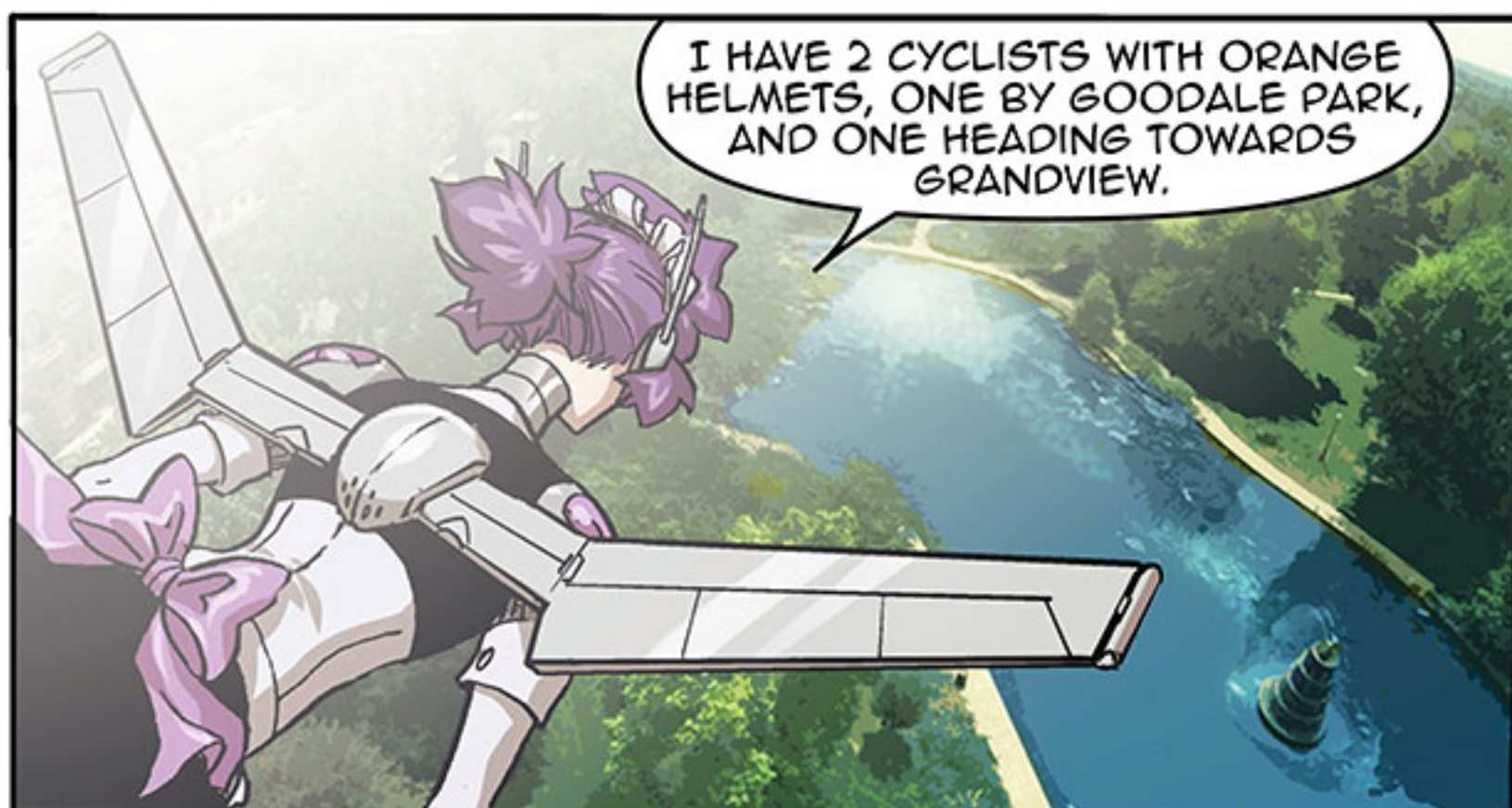




IF YOU LOCATE UNIVERSE, DO NOT ENGAGE SOLO. WAIT FOR THE TEAM TO CONVENE.

ROGER THAT.

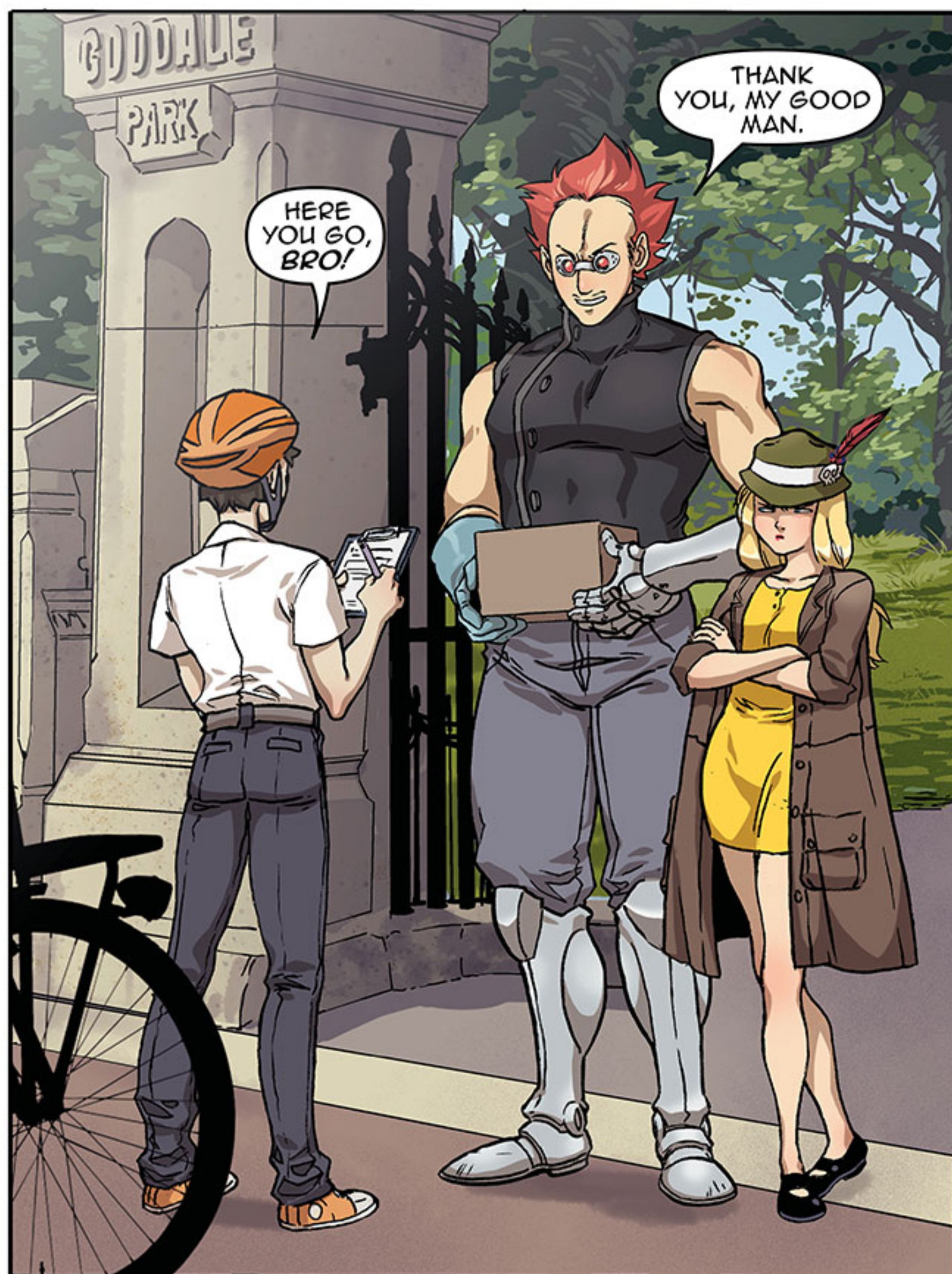
GOT IT!



I HAVE 2 CYCLISTS WITH ORANGE HELMETS, ONE BY GOODALE PARK, AND ONE HEADING TOWARDS GRANDVIEW.

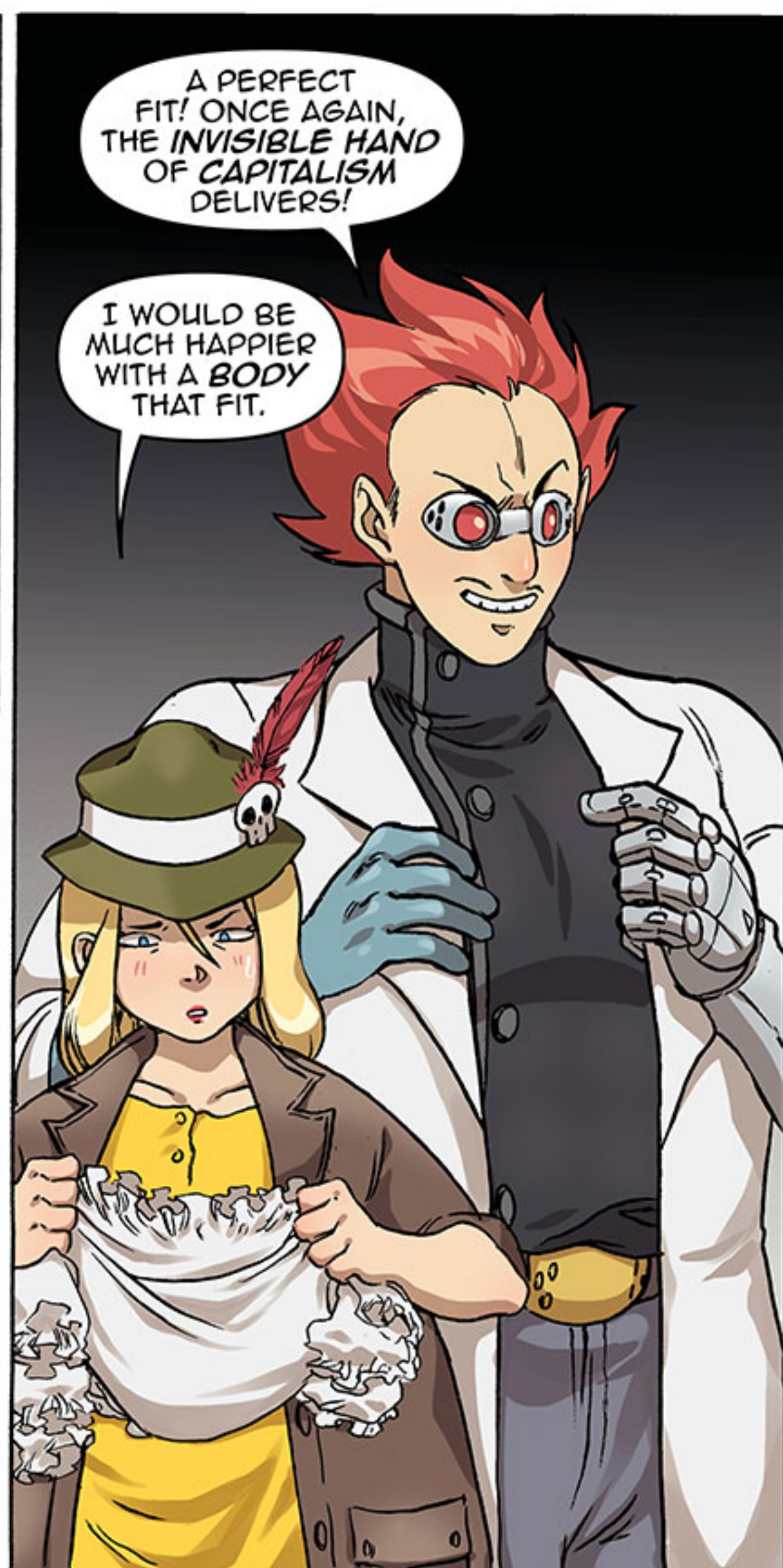


GOODALE PARK... THAT'S IT! IT'S A NULL ZONE, SUPER POWERS ARE SUPPRESSED THERE! IT'S THE SAFEST PLACE FOR TESTING!



THANK YOU, MY GOOD MAN.

HERE YOU GO, BRO!



A PERFECT FIT! ONCE AGAIN, THE INVISIBLE HAND OF CAPITALISM DELIVERS!

I WOULD BE MUCH HAPPIER WITH A BODY THAT FIT.



DOCTOR UNIVERSE AND GRETA ARE 50 METERS AHEAD.

EVEN IF THEY'RE WILLING TO SWAP POWERS BACK... HOW DO WE DO IT?



THE UNIQUE ENERGY SIGNATURE OF THE C-K REACTION MAY BE THOUGHT OF AS ANALOGOUS TO A BALL SITTING IN A VALLEY. IT SEEKS A POSITION OF STABLE POTENTIAL ENERGY.

A STANDARD C-K MINE WOULD ROLL THE BALL OUT OF THE VALLEY AND UP THE HILL, DISRUPTING POWERS. BUT THE BALL WOULD TEND TO RETURN TO THE VALLEY ON IT'S OWN, AS THAT IS THE MOST STABLE POSITION.



IF WE THINK OF OURSELVES AS A SERIES OF VALLEYS AND BALLS, THE NEW C-K BOMB USED BY EVESCROFT THE OTHER DAY HAD SUFFICIENT POWER TO KNOCK ALL OF THE BALLS UP IN THE AIR.

...THE BALLS THEN RETURNED TO AREAS OF LOCAL STABLE POTENTIAL ENERGY, WHICH HAPPENED TO BE IN DIFFERENT VALLEYS THAN FROM WHICH THEY ORIGINATED.



WE NEED A SUFFICIENTLY POWERFUL SHOCK, C-K MINE OR OTHERWISE.

OF COURSE, THAT'S JUST A METAPHOR BASED ON MY QUICK READING OF A FEW WIKIPEDIA PAGES.

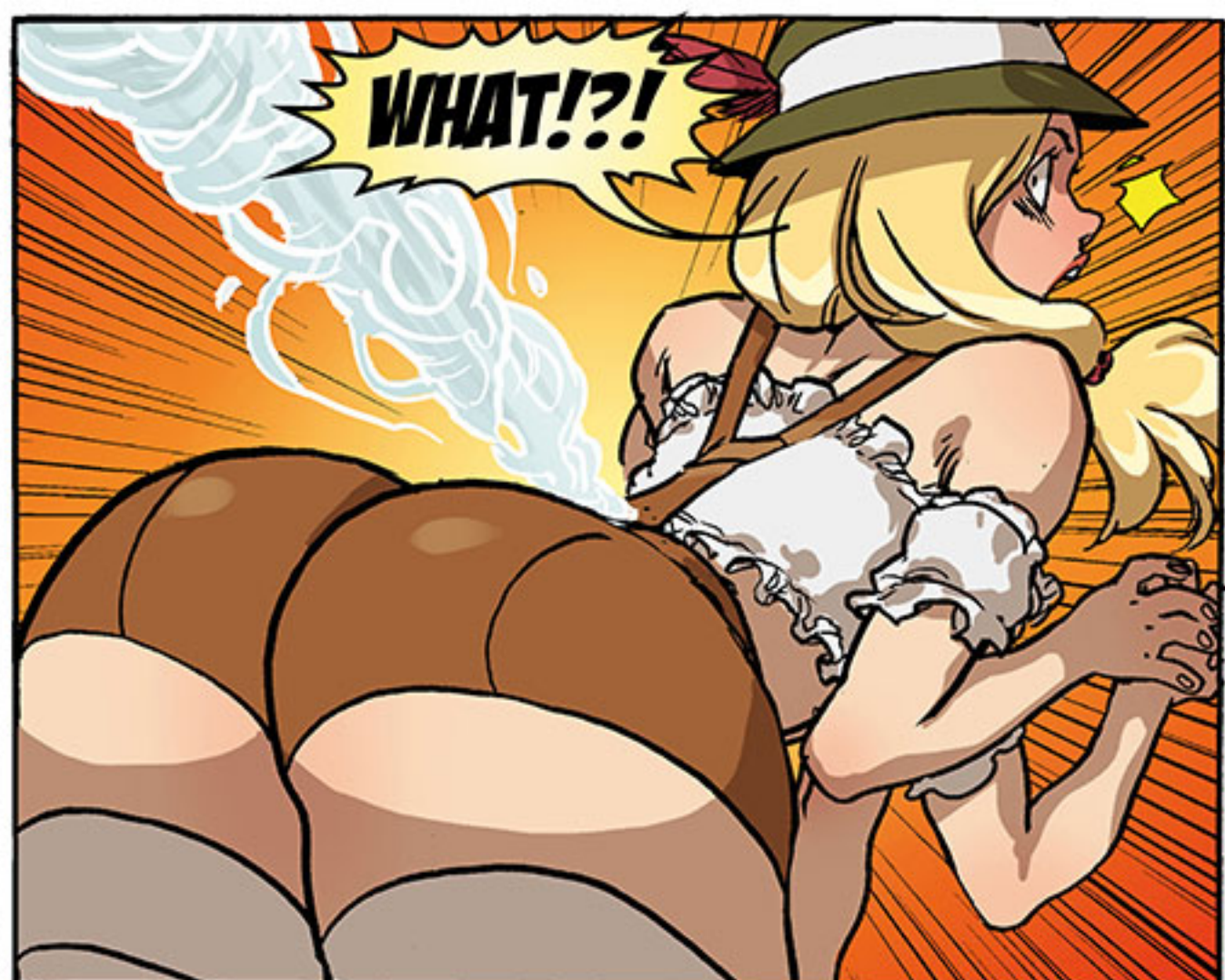
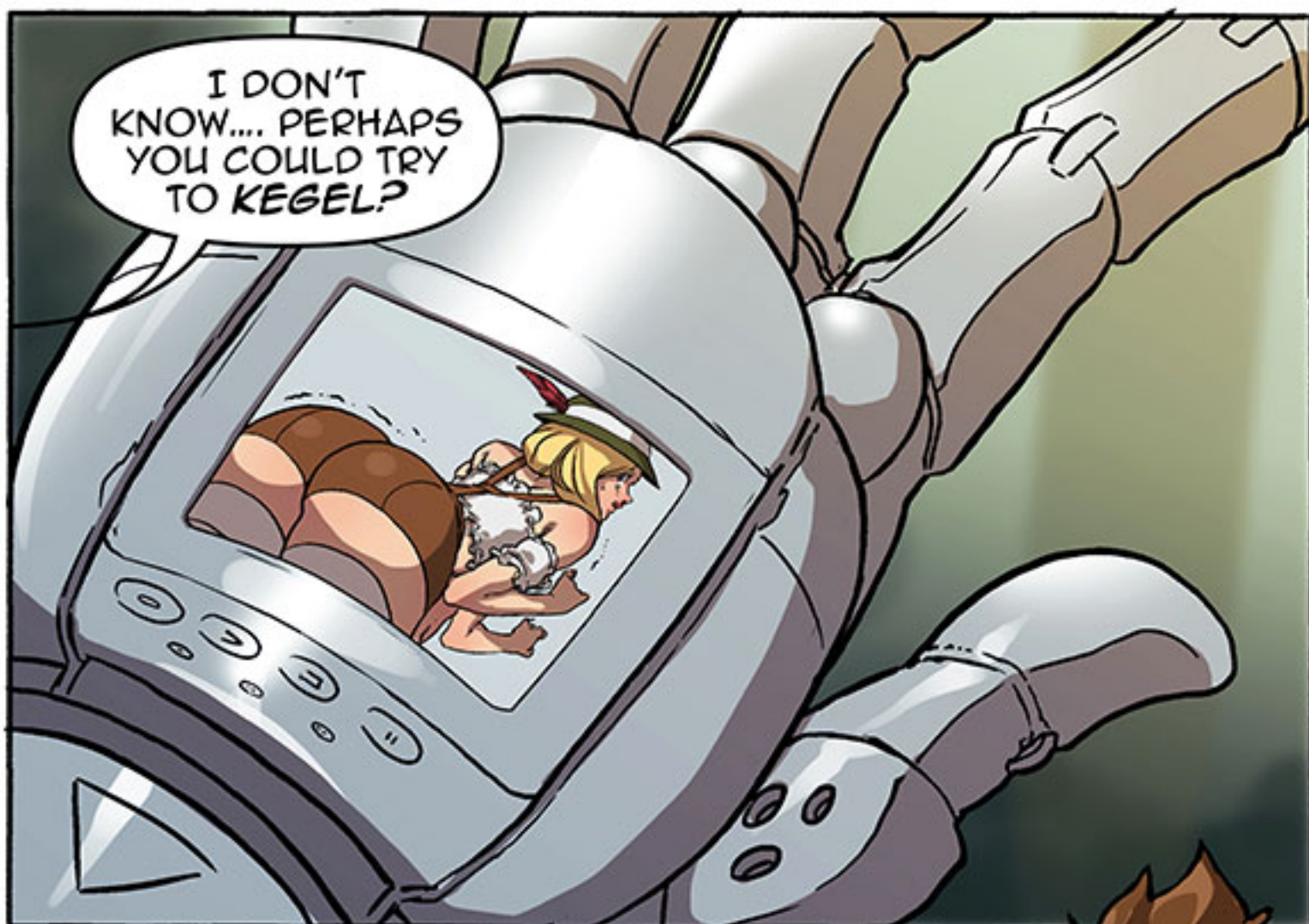
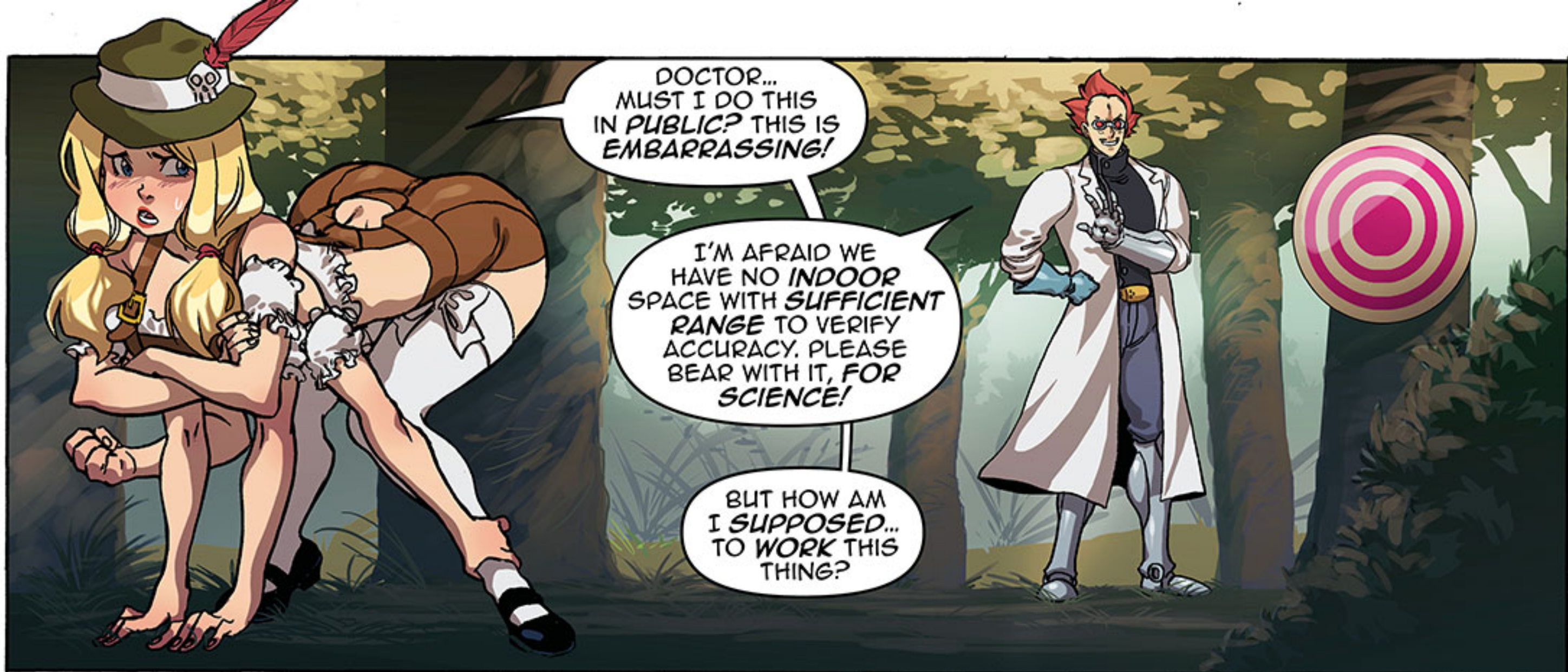
I'M BY NO MEANS AN EXPERT.

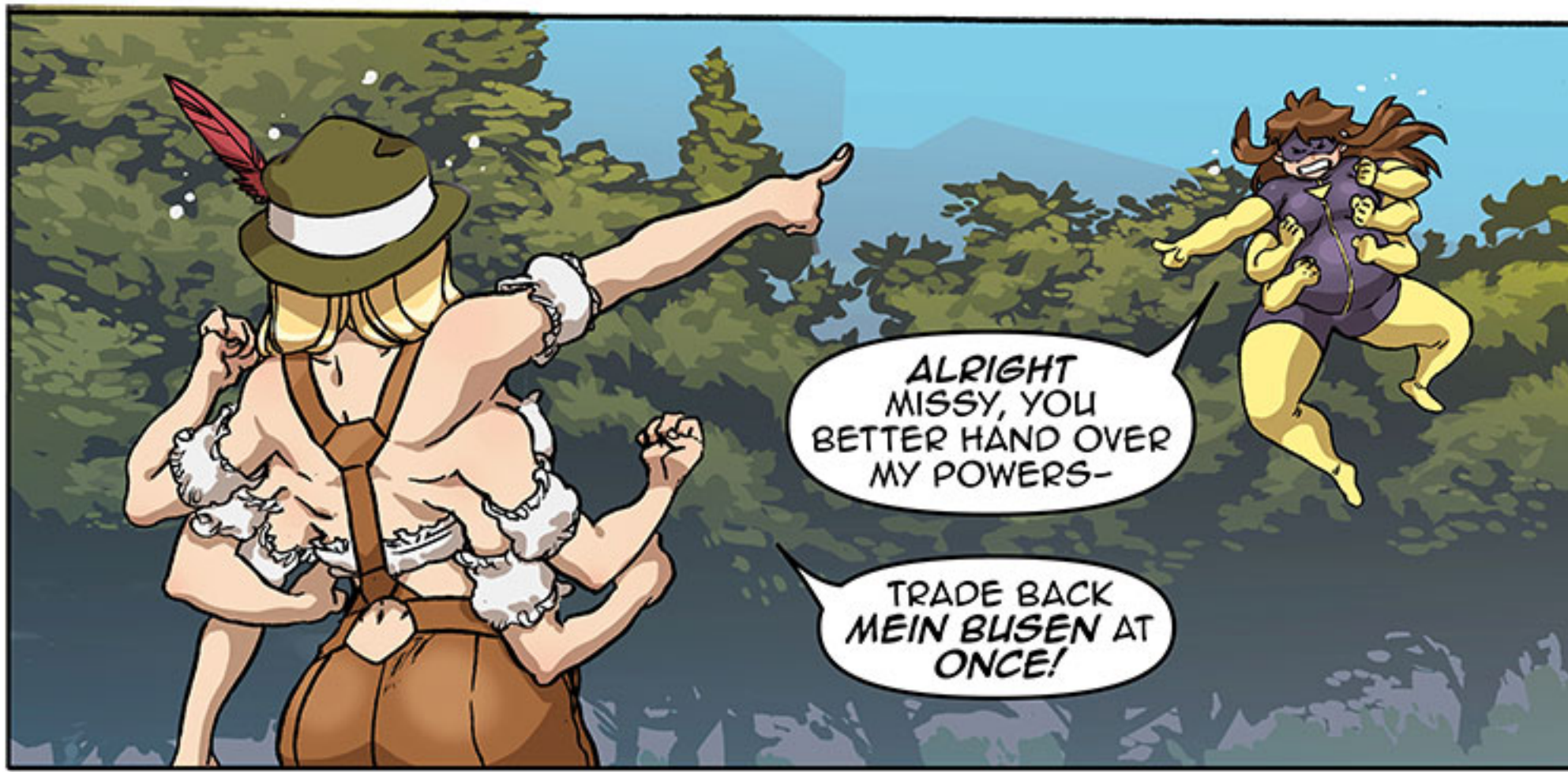


TIGER?

I APOLOGIZE, WAS THAT CONFUSING? PERHAPS IF YOU THINK OF HOW VALENCE ELECTRONS WORK...

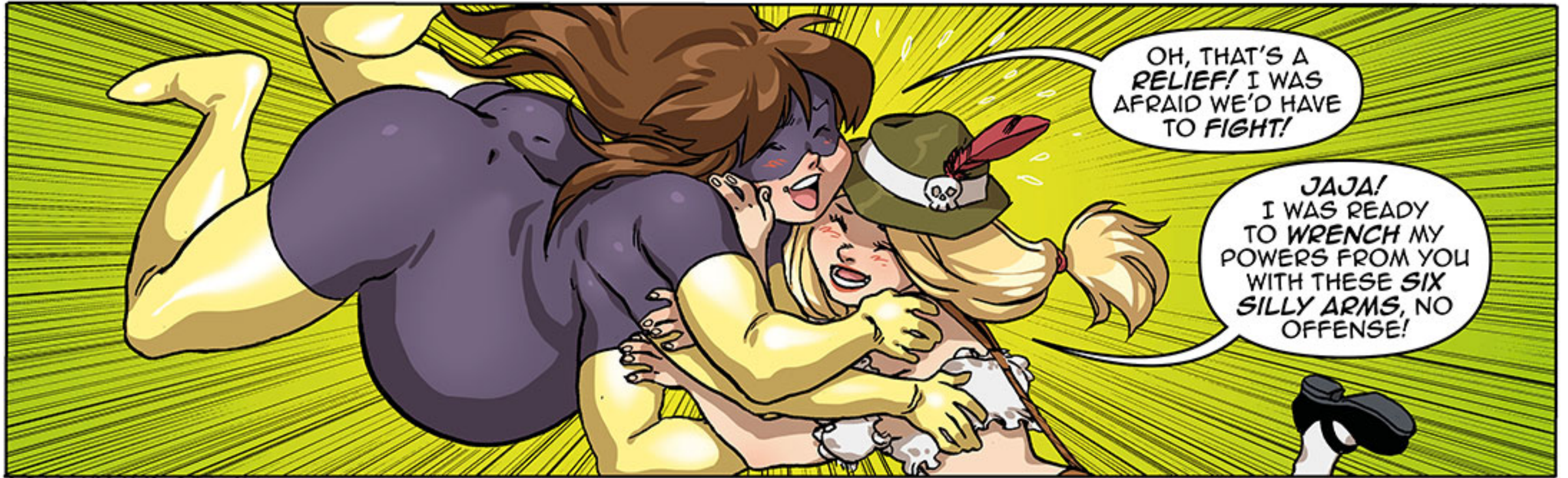
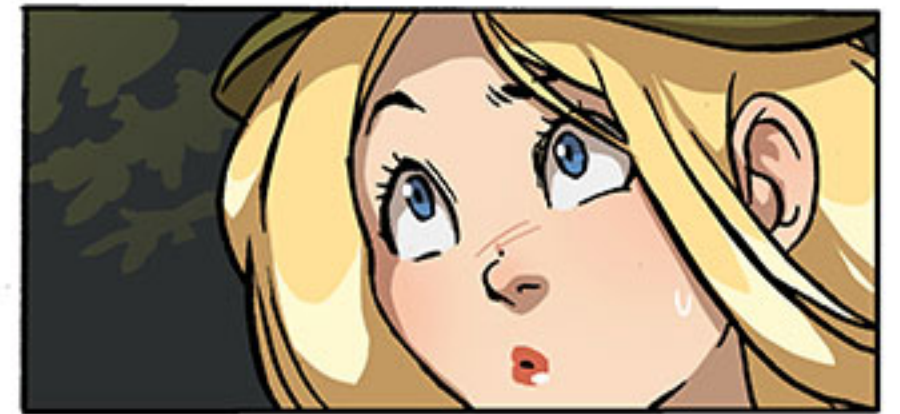
ER, LET'S HAVE A CHAT WITH UNIVERSE FIRST.





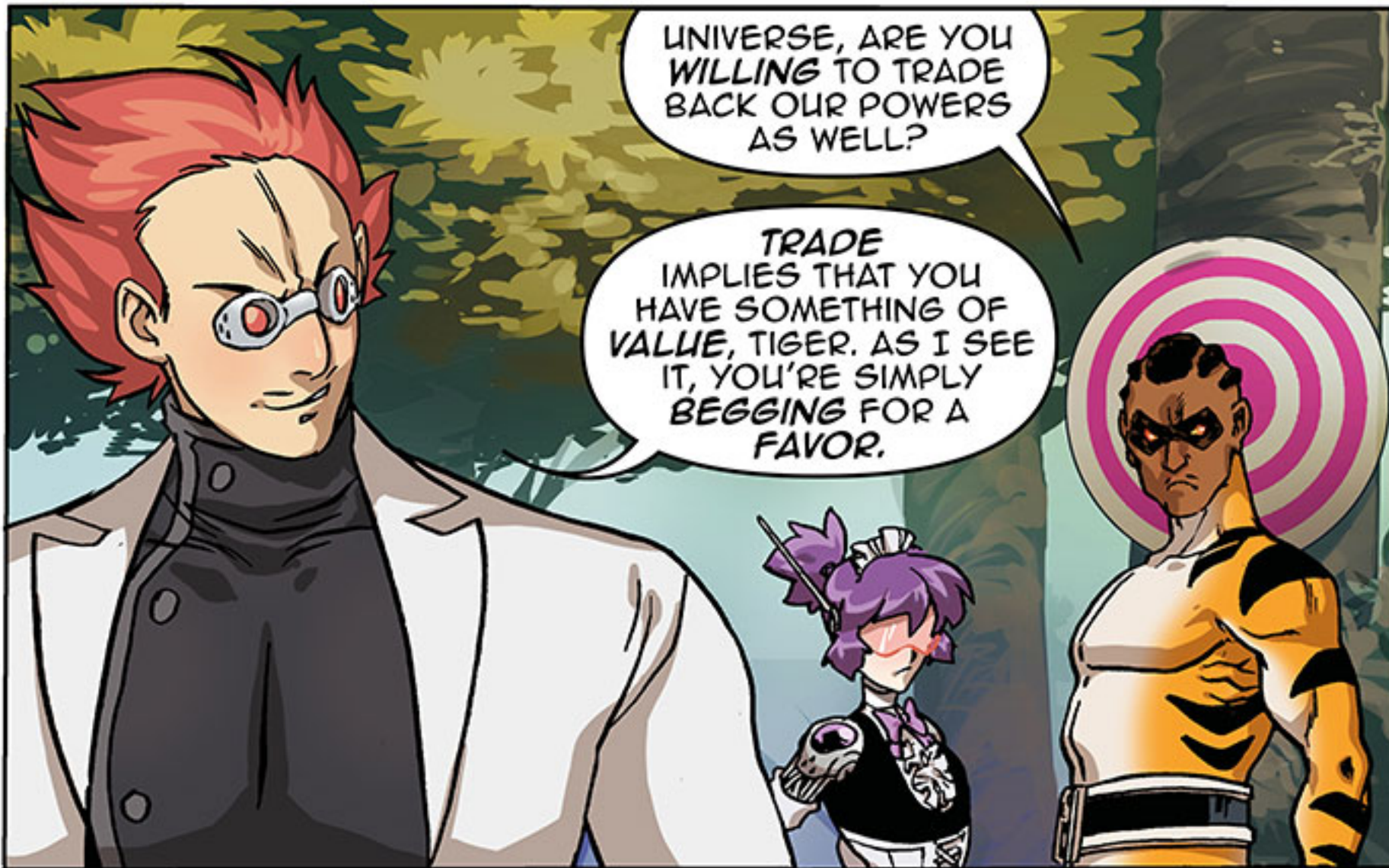
ALRIGHT MISSY, YOU BETTER HAND OVER MY POWERS-

TRADE BACK MEIN BUSEN AT ONCE!



OH, THAT'S A RELIEF! I WAS AFRAID WE'D HAVE TO FIGHT!

JAJA! I WAS READY TO WRENCH MY POWERS FROM YOU WITH THESE SIX SILLY ARMS, NO OFFENSE!



UNIVERSE, ARE YOU WILLING TO TRADE BACK OUR POWERS AS WELL?

TRADE IMPLIES THAT YOU HAVE SOMETHING OF VALUE, TIGER. AS I SEE IT, YOU'RE SIMPLY BEGGING FOR A FAVOR.

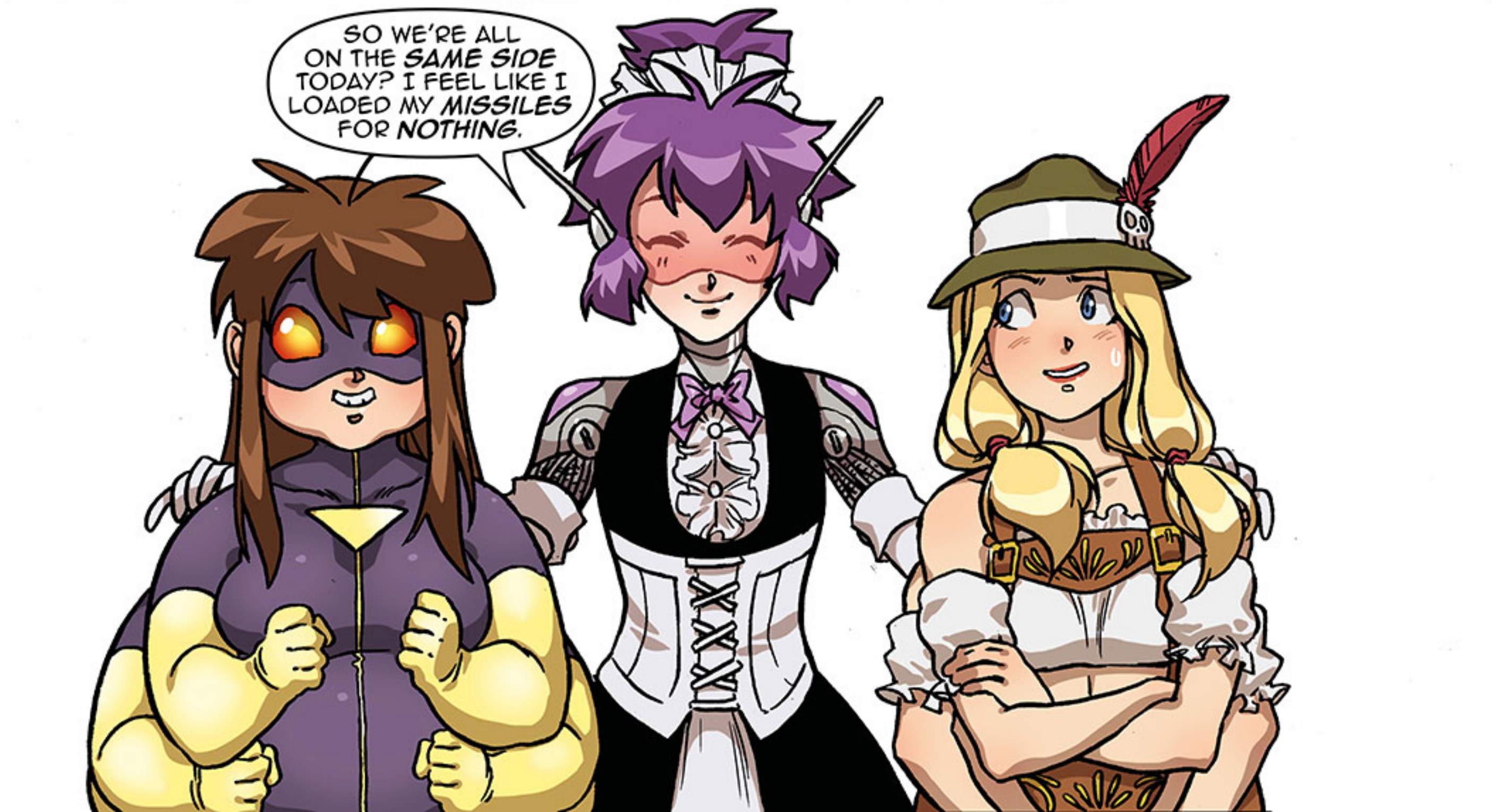
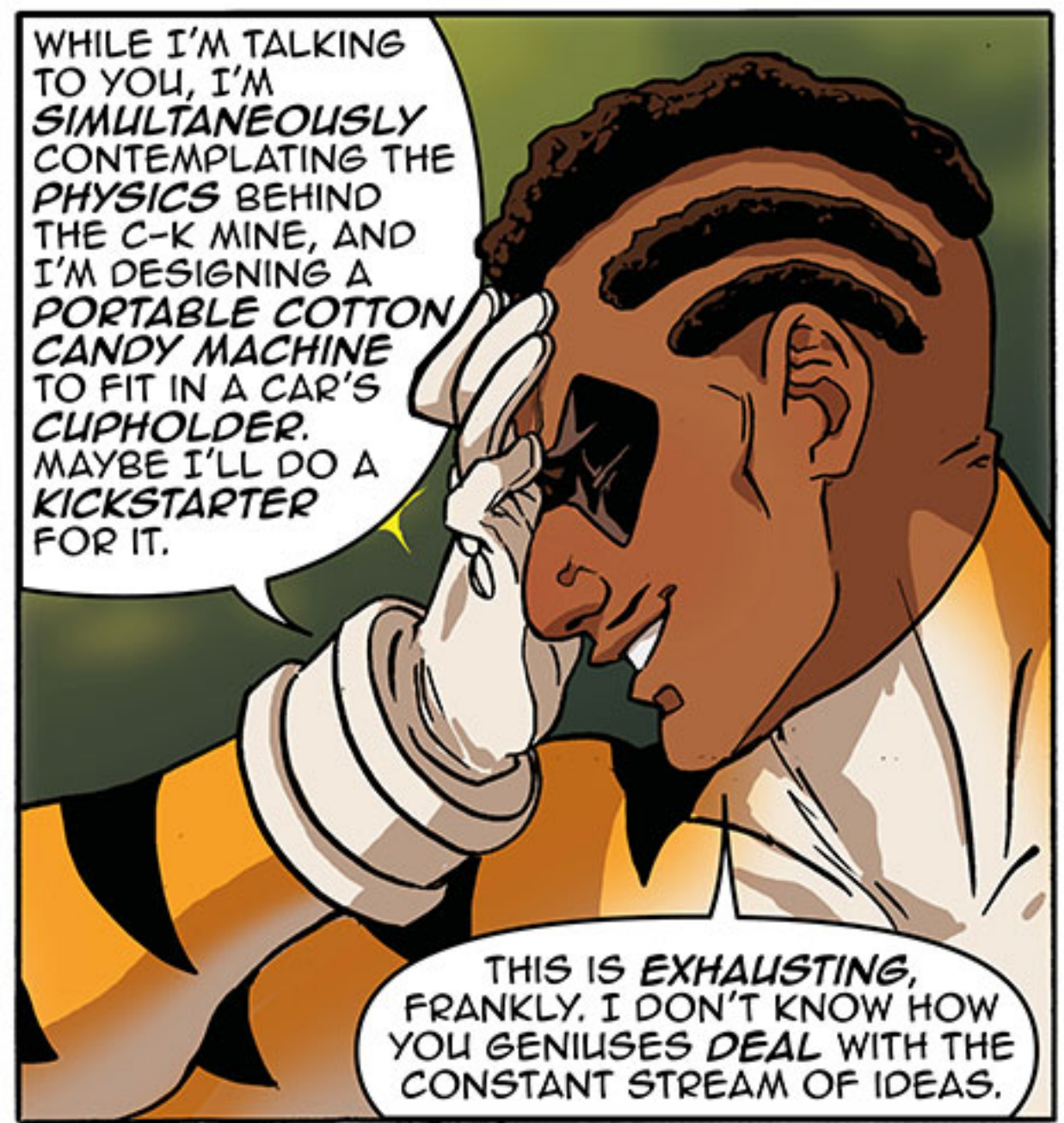


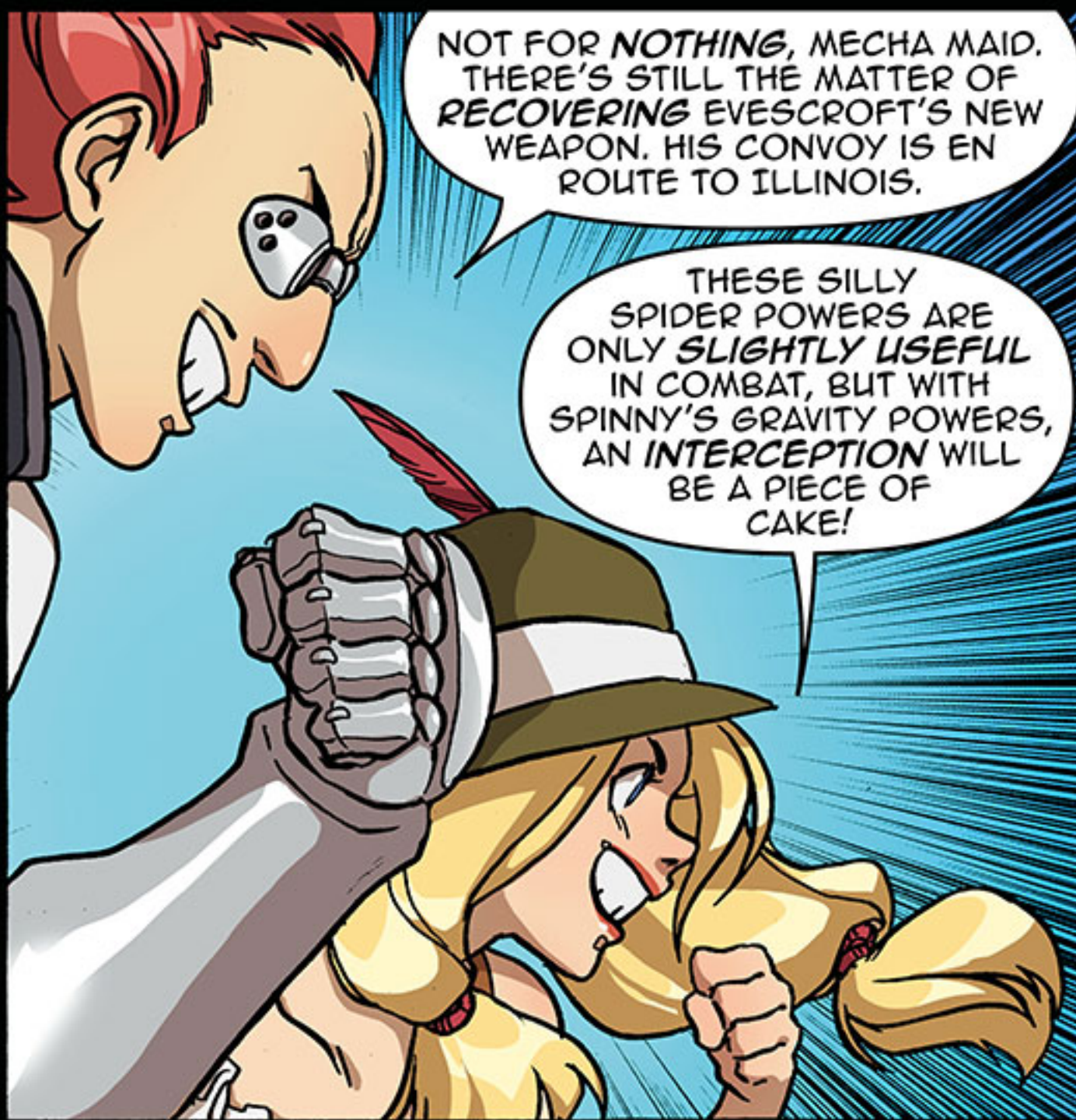
THEN YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED YET.

YOUR GENIUS, DOCTOR UNIVERSE. I HAVE IT.



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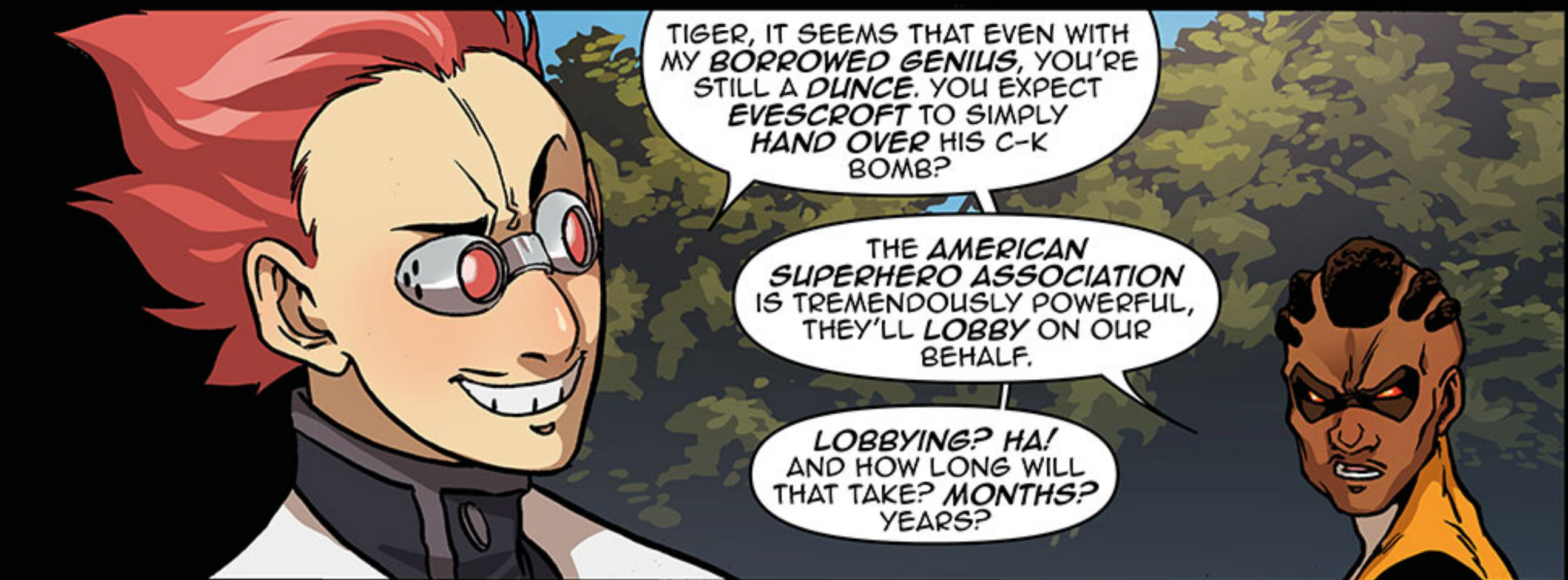
NOT FOR NOTHING, MECHA MAID. THERE'S STILL THE MATTER OF RECOVERING EVESCROFT'S NEW WEAPON. HIS CONVOY IS EN ROUTE TO ILLINOIS.

THESE SILLY SPIDER POWERS ARE ONLY SLIGHTLY USEFUL IN COMBAT, BUT WITH SPINNY'S GRAVITY POWERS, AN INTERCEPTION WILL BE A PIECE OF CAKE!



YOU CAN'T SERIOUSLY BE EXPECTING US TO AID YOU IN AN ASSAULT ON THE ARMY?!

IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN, WE'RE SUPERHEROES!



TIGER, IT SEEMS THAT EVEN WITH MY BORROWED GENIUS, YOU'RE STILL A DUNCE. YOU EXPECT EVESCROFT TO SIMPLY HAND OVER HIS C-K BOMB?

THE AMERICAN SUPERHERO ASSOCIATION IS TREMENDOUSLY POWERFUL, THEY'LL LOBBY ON OUR BEHALF.

LOBBYING? HA! AND HOW LONG WILL THAT TAKE? MONTHS? YEARS?

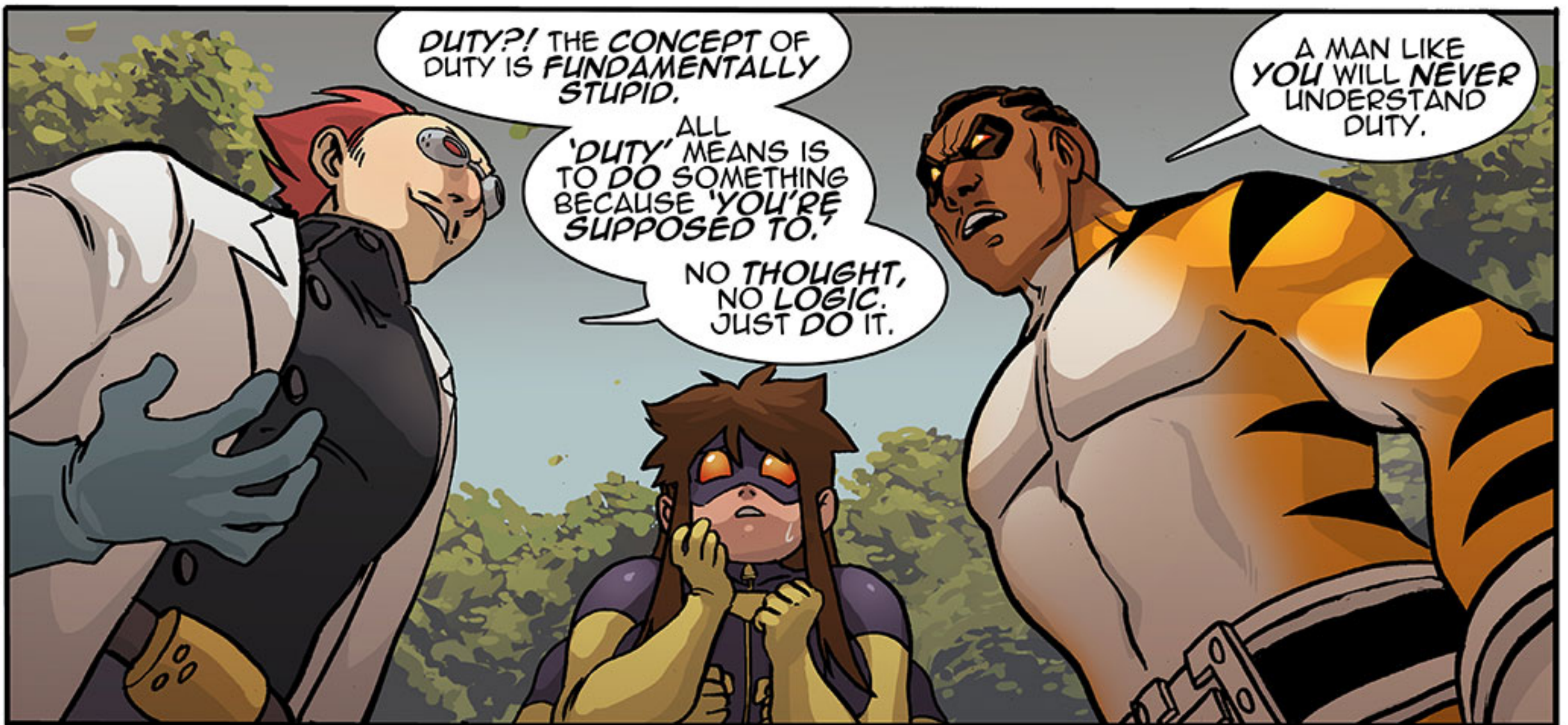


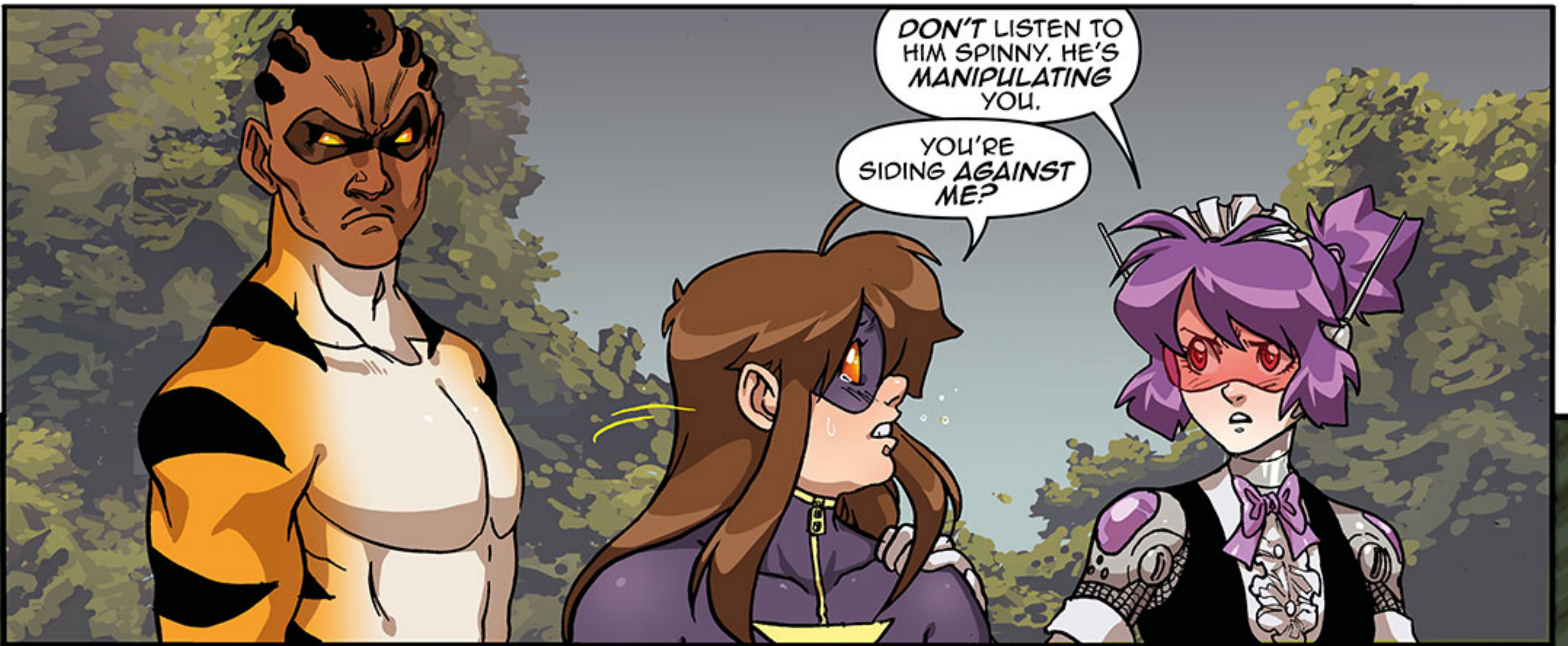
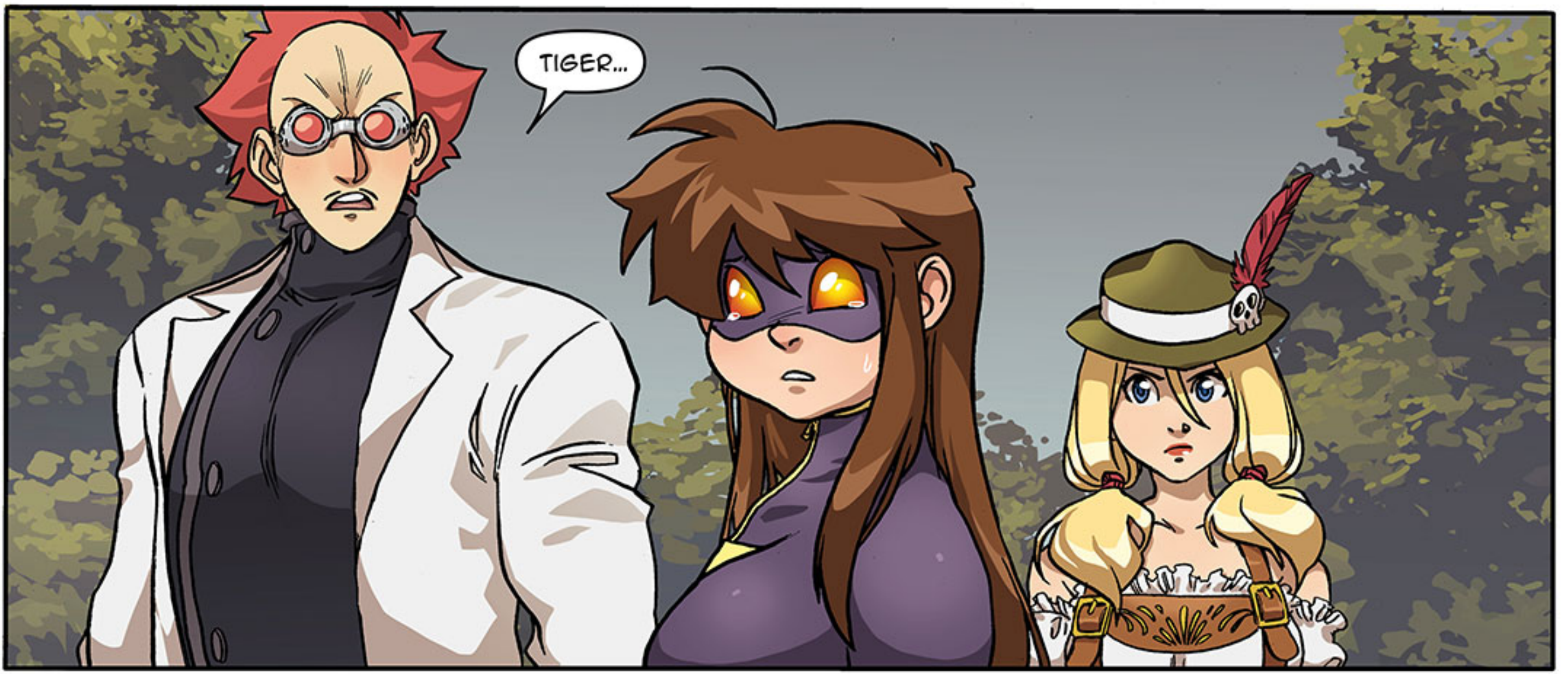
SPINNERETTE, HOW DO YOUR SUPERFLUOUS ARMS FEEL? ANY PAIN, OR SWELLING?

YOUR DNA NO LONGER CONTAINS CODE FOR SIX ARMS. YOUR BODY WILL REJECT THEM.



!!!





ALRIGHT
UNIVERSE, LET'S
DO THIS.



END