

H.J. Ward's cover to the February 1936 issue of SPICY MYSTERY STORIES is one of the most famous of all of the spicy covers. Although a fine cover in its own right, the chief reason it has been reproduced more often than most others is that the cover mentions the story "Bat Man" by Lew Merrill (cloaking the identity of Victor Rousseau). Unfortunately, the story has absolutely nothing to do with Gotham City's Caped Crusader.