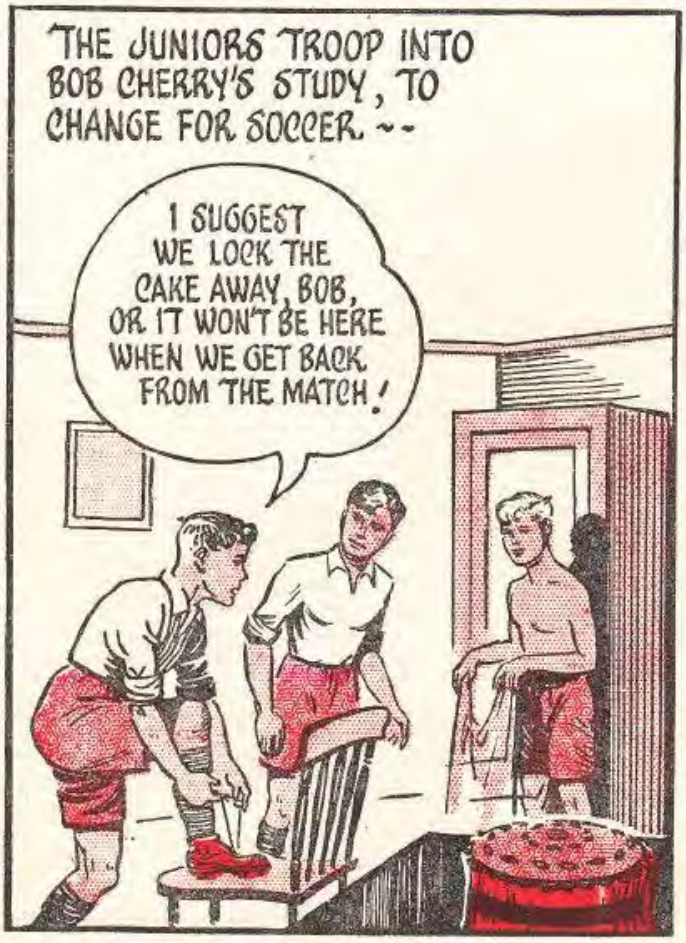
BILLY BUNTER'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

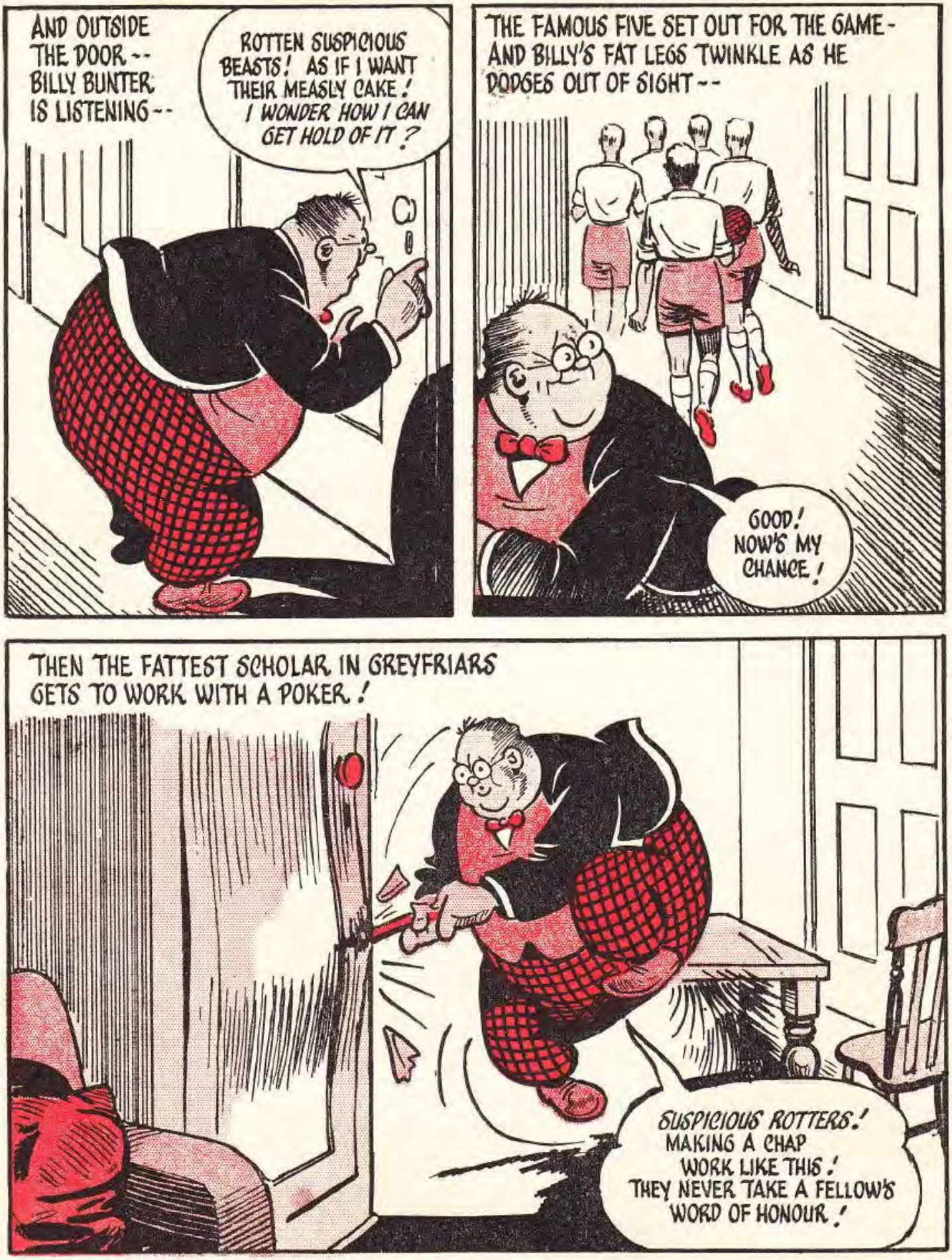
MARJORIE HAZELDENE AND HER FRIENDS PULL UP AS HARRY WHARTON, CAPTAIN OF THE REMOVE, SINGS OUT A GREETING ~~
COMING TO SEE THE REMOVE PLAY FOOTER THIS AFTERNOON, GIRLS?
RATHER! WOULDN'T MISS THE CHANCE OF SEEING YOU WHACKED BY THE UPPER FOURTH!
HA! HA! HA!
WHAT'S MORE WE'RE INVITING OURSELVES TO TEA AFTER THE MATCH ~~ AND WE DON'T WANT ANY OF YOUR STALE BUNS THIS TIME~~ I'VE MADE A CAKE FOR THE OCCASION.
CRIKEY! SOME CAKE!
SEE YOU AT THREE O'CLOCK! CHEERIO!
I SAY, YOU ROTTERS~~ DID SOMEONE SAY CAKE?
SO LONG, GIRLS!

BILLY BUNTER, THE FAT OWL OF THE REMOVE, BLINKS OVER JOHNNY BULL'S SHOULDER ~~
ROLL AWAY~~ YOU FAT FROG!
SHAN'T! IT'S NOT YOUR CAKE, YOU BEAST!

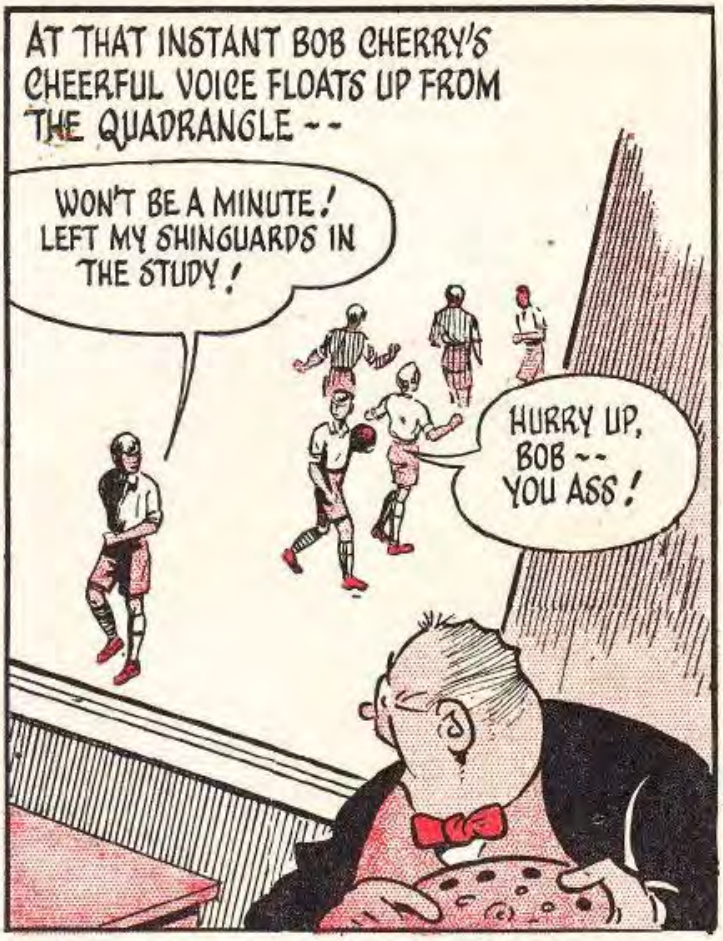
I SAY, BOB, OLD CHAP~~ I SUPPOSE YOU WOULDN'T LIKE ME TO CARRY THAT FOR YOU!
YOU SUPPOSE RIGHT OLD FAT MAN!
EYES OFF THAT CAKE~~ YOU FAT BURGLAR!


THE JUNIORS TROOP INTO BOB CHERRY'S STUDY, TO CHANGE FOR SOCCER ~~
I SUGGEST WE LOCK THE CAKE AWAY, BOB, OR IT WON'T BE HERE WHEN WE GET BACK FROM THE MATCH!

FRANK NUGENT RISES AND LOCKS THE CAKE IN THE CUPBOARD ~~
GOOD IDEA, FRANKY~~ THAT'LL KEEP IT SAFE FROM THAT FAT FOOD-HOG BUNTER..!


AND OUTSIDE THE DOOR -- BILLY BUNTER IS LISTENING --
ROTTEN SUSPICIOUS BEASTS! AS IF I WANT THEIR MEASLY CAKE! I WONDER HOW I CAN GET HOLD OF IT?
THE FAMOUS FIVE SET OUT FOR THE GAME - AND BILLY'S FAT LEGS TWINKLE AS HE DODGES OUT OF SIGHT --
GOOD! NOW'S MY CHANCE!
THEN THE FATTEST SCHOLAR IN GREYFRIARS GETS TO WORK WITH A POKER!
SUSPICIOUS ROTTERS! MAKING A CHAP WORK LIKE THIS! THEY NEVER TAKE A FELLOW'S WORD OF HONOUR!

THE WRECKED DOOR SWINGS OPEN AND BUNTER'S MOUTH WATERS ~~
L-SAY! THIS IS A SMASHING CAKE!


AT THAT INSTANT BOB CHERRY'S CHEERFUL VOICE FLOATS UP FROM THE QUADRANGLE ~~
WON'T BE A MINUTE! LEFT MY SHINGUARDS IN THE STUDY!
HURRY UP, BOB ~~ YOU ASS!

OH, LOR! HE'S COMING BACK! I'LL TAKE THE CAKE WITH ME..!

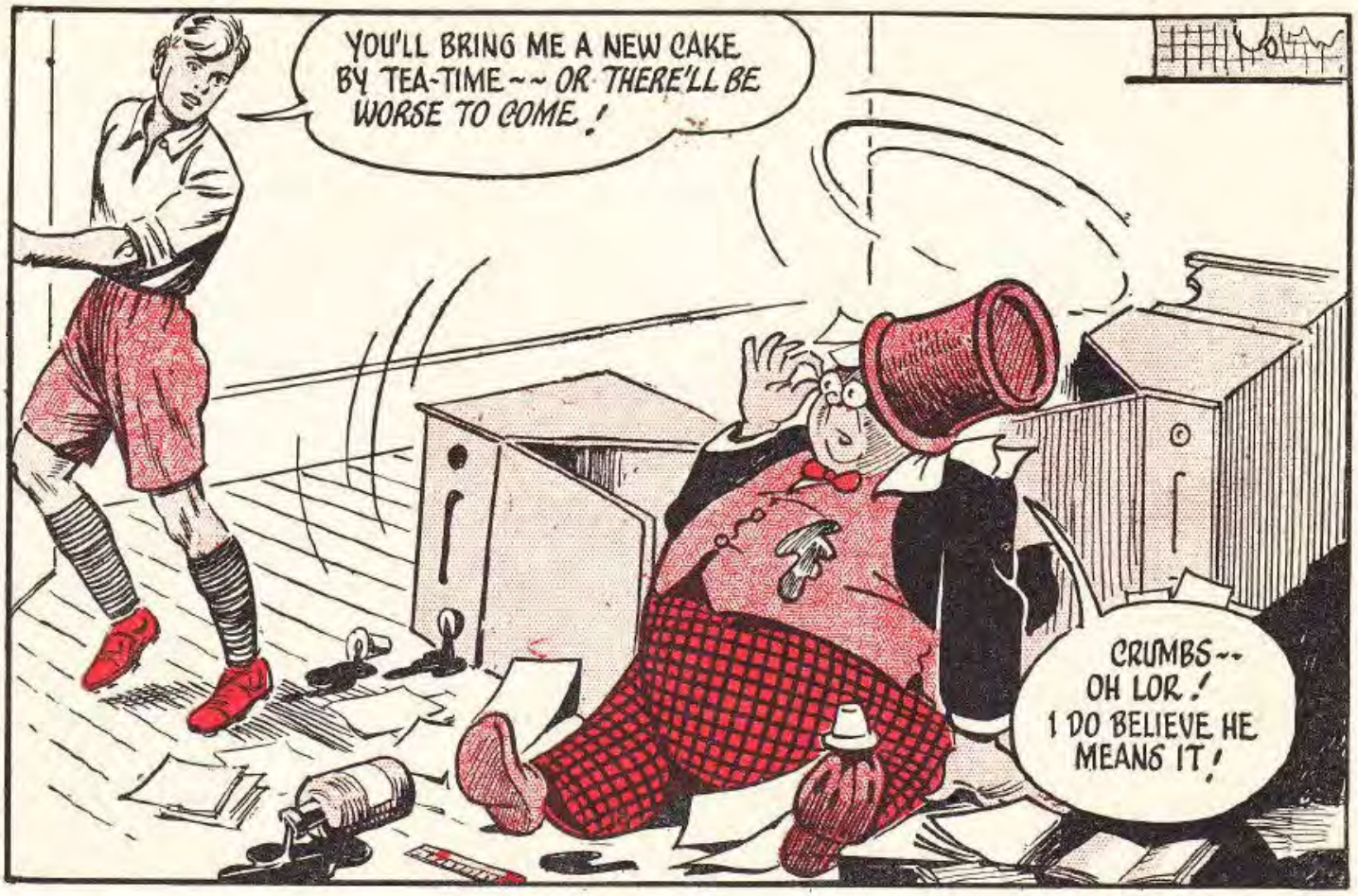
OOOOF!
WHOOOOPS!

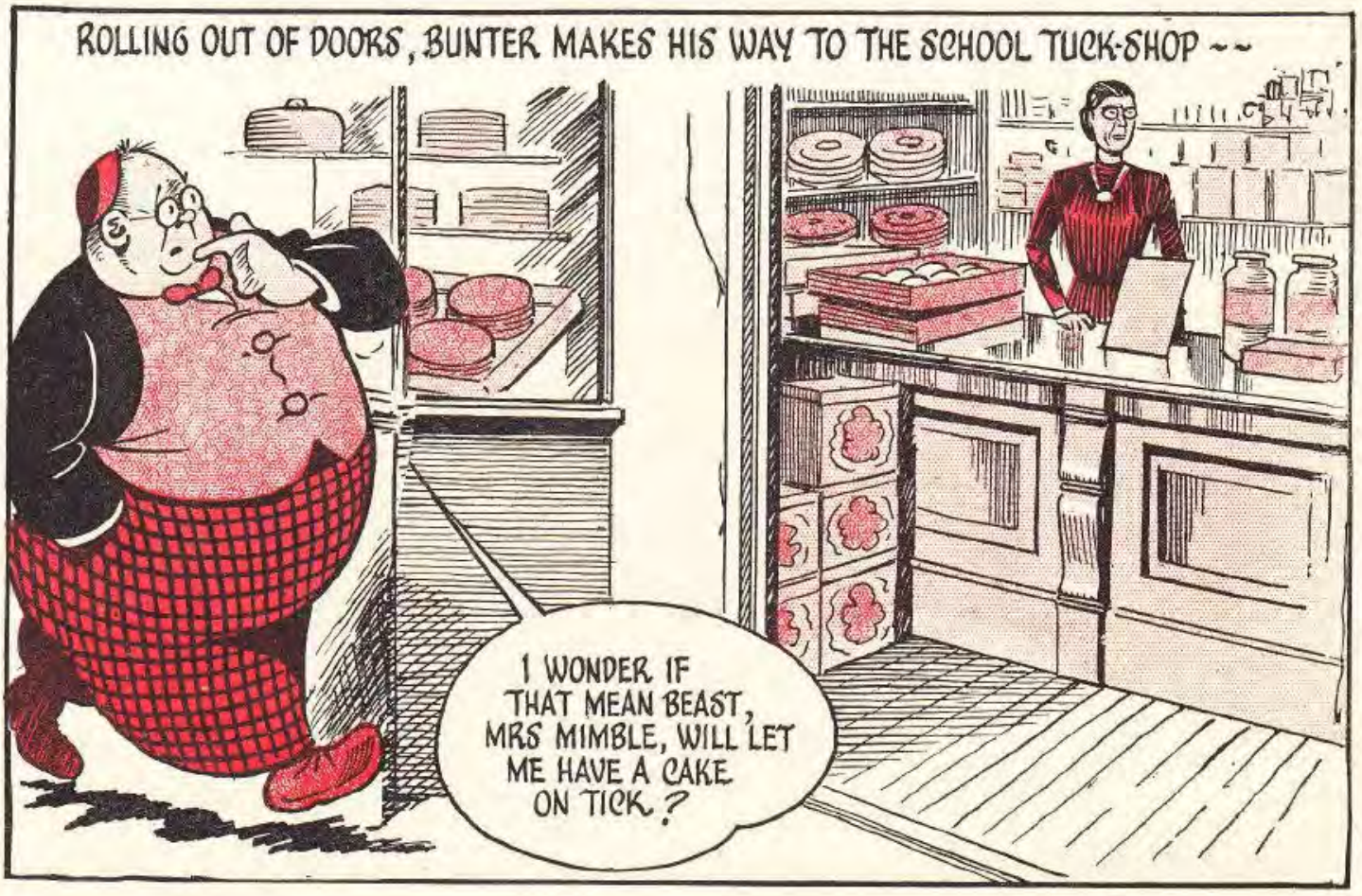
CAREFUL WITH THAT CAKE-- ER--I MEAN--O LOR-- FANCY BUMPING INTO YOU, MR QUELCH, SIR!
GREEDY YOUTH! I SHALL PUNISH YOU BY SENDING THIS CAKE TO THE LOCAL HOSPITAL! GO TO THE FORM-ROOM AND WRITE OUT A HUNDRED LINES -- "-- I MUST LOOK WHERE I AM GOING!"

AS BUNTER GOES DISMALLY TO THE FORM-ROOM--BOB CHERRY ENTERS HIS STUDY--
WHY-- THE FAT THIEF! HE'S BAGGED THE CAKE! I'LL SPIFFLICATE HIM-- I'LL-- I'LL-- WAIT TILL I FIND HIM!

IN THE FORM-ROOM, BUNTER GROANS OVER HIS DESK--
GROO! I BET QUELCHY IS EATING IT HIMSELF-- THE THIEVING ROTTER!

THE DOOR CRASHES OPEN--
SO THERE YOU ARE-- YOU FAT TOAD! WHERE'S MY CAKE? IF YOU'VE EATEN IT-- I'LL BASH YOU!
OW! IT WASN'T ME! I--I DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD A CAKE! IT WAS SOME OTHER GREEDY ROTTER!

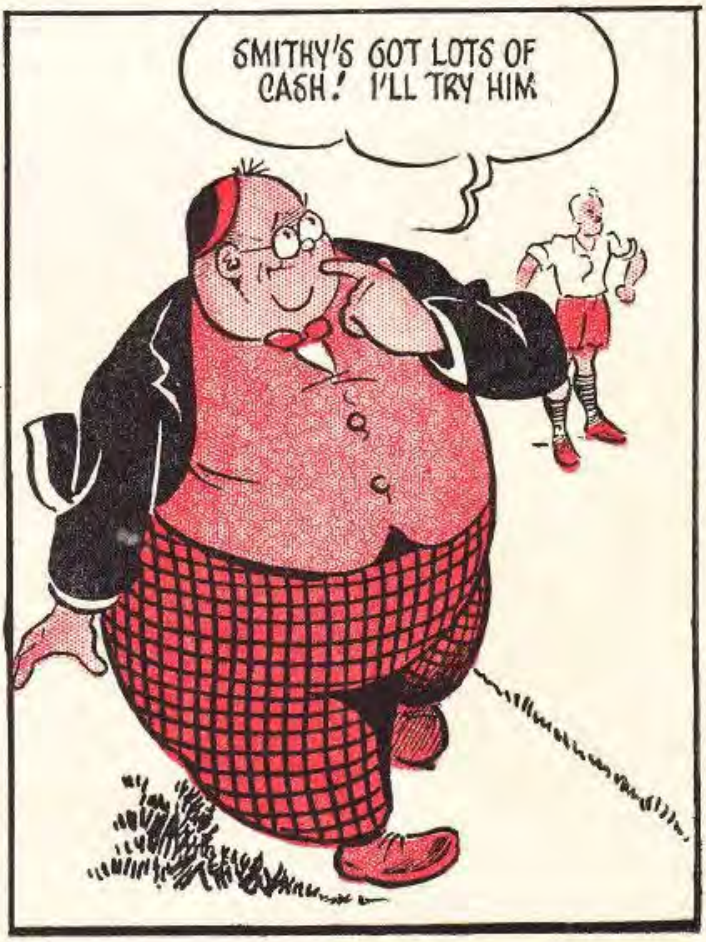

YOU'LL BRING ME A NEW CAKE BY TEA-TIME ~~ OR THERE'LL BE WORSE TO COME!
CRUMBS ~~ OH LOR! I DO BELIEVE HE MEANS IT!


ROLLING OUT OF DOORS, BUNTER MAKES HIS WAY TO THE SCHOOL TUCK-SHOP ~~
I WONDER IF THAT MEAN BEAST, MRS MIMBLE, WILL LET ME HAVE A CAKE ON TICK?

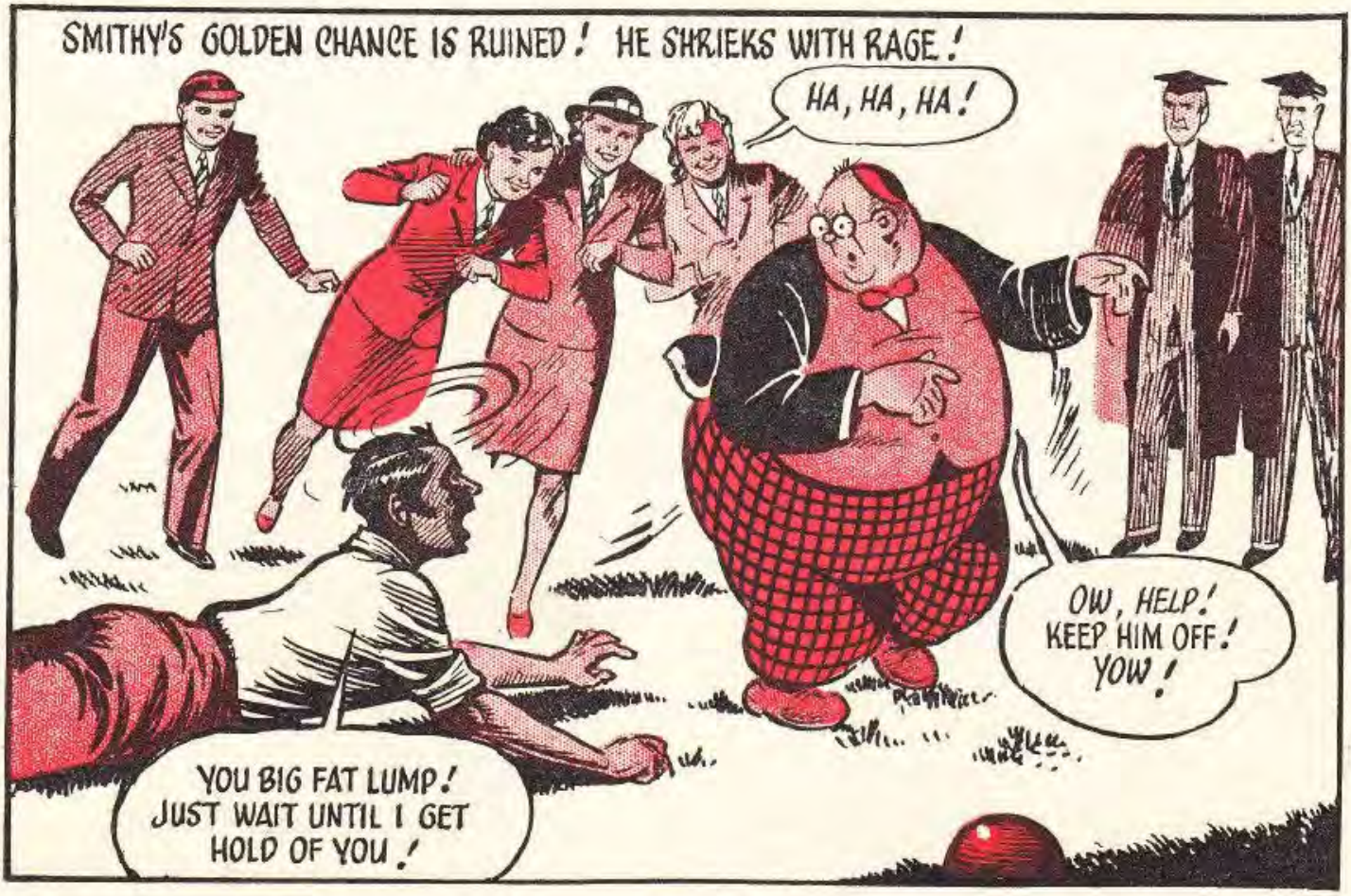
M-MRS MIMBLE~~ IT-IT'S MY BIRTHDAY TODAY~~ AND I'M EXPECTING A POSTAL ORDER~~
NOT ANOTHER THING DO YOU GET, MASTER BUNTER, UNTIL YOU PAY WHAT YOU ALREADY OWE!
BUNTER'S FAT LEGS TAKE HIM TO LITTLE-SIDE WHERE THE REMOVE ARE PLAYING SOCCER~~
JOLLY GOOD MIND TO REPORT HER~~ HULLO! THERE'S THE CLIFF HOUSE GIRLS~~ I WONDER IF~~
LOOK OUT, GIRLS~~ HERE COMES THE PRIZE CADGER OF GREYFRIARS!
GO IT, REMOVE! ON THE BALL!

HULLO, GIRLS, CAN YOU LEND ME FIVE BOB ? MY SISTER BESSIE WILL PAY YOU BACK !
NO !!

HURRAH ! GO IT, SMITHY !
VERNON-SMITH, OF THE REMOVE RACES DOWN THE WING -- THE BALL AT HIS FEET .


SMITHY'S GOT LOTS OF CASH ! I'LL TRY HIM

GET OFF THE FIELD, YOU ASS!
I SAY -- SMITHY OLD CHAP --
LET GO -- YOU -- WHOOPS!


SMITHY'S GOLDEN CHANCE IS RUINED! HE SHRIEKS WITH RAGE!
HA, HA, HA!
OW, HELP! KEEP HIM OFF! YOW!
YOU BIG FAT LUMP! JUST WAIT UNTIL I GET HOLD OF YOU!

AS BUNTER SCUTTLES AWAY IN TERROR, HE RUNS INTO THE HEADMASTER AND MR QUELCH.

BUNTER! WHERE ARE YOUR LINES? TAKE THEM TO MY STUDY IMMEDIATELY!

OW! OH! YES, SIR! RIGHT AWAY, SIR!

BLESS MY SOUL!

BUNTER HURRIES OFF TO MR QUELCH'S STUDY.

LOT OF STINGY BEASTS -- WHERE CAN I GET A CAKE?

BUNTER PUTS HIS LINES ON THE TABLE.

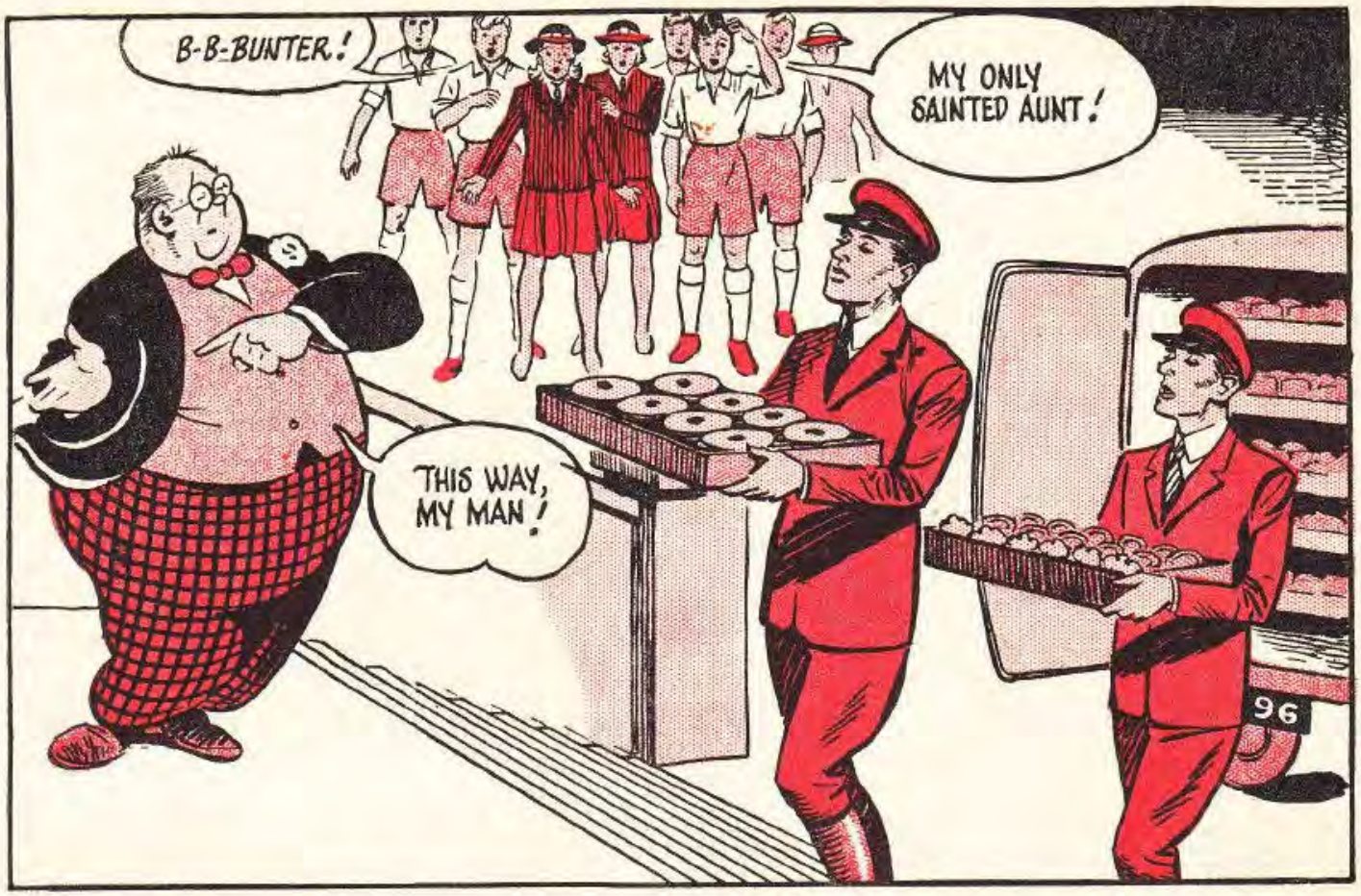
COO! THE PHONE! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA! I ONLY HOPE OLD QUELCHY DOESN'T BUTT IN!

HULLO! IS THAT THE COURTFIELD CAKE SHOP? I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO THE MANAGER --

MEANWHILE, ON THE SOCCER FIELD, THE FINAL WHISTLE BLOWS ~~~
WELL PLAYED, REMOVE!
HOPE YOU FELLOWS HAVE GOT A GOOD FEED TO GO WITH MARJORIE'S CAKE~~ I'M FAMISHED!

BOB'S FACE FALLS, AND HE GROANS ~~
OH, CRUMBS! I FORGOT TO TELL YOU. BUNTER PINCHED THE CAKE YOU SENT~~
WHAT! I MADE THAT WITH MY OWN HANDS!
THE FAT ROTTER!

COURTFIELD CAKE SHOP
MY HAT! THE COURTFIELD CAKE SHOP~~ SOMEONE'S IN FUNDS!
MUST BE A GIDDY MILLIONAIRE ~~ IT'S AN EXPENSIVE SHOP!


B-B-BUNTER!
MY ONLY SAINTED AUNT!
THIS WAY, MY MAN!
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YOU KICKED UP A ROTTEN FUSS ABOUT A MEASLY CAKE, CHERRY, BUT I'M NOT THE CHAP TO BEAR A GRUDGE!
DECENT OF YOU!

WELL, I'M INVITING YOU GIRLS -- AND THESE BEASTS HERE -- TO MY BIRTHDAY PARTY AT FIVE PROMPT. THAT SHOULD SQUARE THINGS!
WONDERS WILL NEVER CEASE!

BUNTER'S STUDY TABLE GROANS UNDER THE LOAD ~~
THAT'S THE LOT, SIR. IF YOU'D LIKE TO SETTLE THE BILL, NOW--
DON'T BE SILLY! I HAVEN'T GOT ANY MONEY--ER-- I MEAN CALL BACK LATER, MY GOOD MAN! I'M BUSY AT THE MOMENT!
GINGER BEER
AS BUNTER'S GUESTS APPROACH HIS STUDY, HARRY WHARTON LOOKS SERIOUS~
I DON'T LIKE IT, BOB. IT'S VERY FISHY!
RATS! THAT'S BUNTER'S HEADACHE! COME ON--BEFORE HE CHANGES HIS MIND!
HA, HA, HA!
THE JUNIORS WHISTLE IN AMAZEMENT ~~~
NOTHING MEAN ABOUT ME, I HOPE! COME IN, ALL YOU JOLLY ROTTERS!
MY HAT, BUNTER, YOU HAVE SPREAD YOURSELF!

BUNTER'S BIRTHDAY PARTY GOES WITH A SWING.
I SAY~~ I HOPE YOU DON'T WANT SOME MORE OF THIS TRIFLE, CLARA. IT'S SMASHING!
NOT ANOTHER CRUMB, THANKS!
PHEW! THAT WAS SOME FEED!

THERE IS A KNOCK AT THE DOOR, AND IT OPENS.
EXCUSE ME, SIR, BUT I'D BE PLEASED IF MASTER CHERRY WOULD SETTLE THE BILL NOW!
WHAT!
THE GOODS WERE ORDERED OVER THE PHONE BY A MASTER ROBERT CHERRY. THE BILL IS FOR £2:14:6!
HE--HE USED MY NAME! WHY, THE FAT FROG! SCRAG HIM, CHAPS!
GLUG! GROOH! HOW WAS I TO KNOW THE ROTTER WOULD COME BACK WITH THE BILL? GROOOH!
HA! HA! THANKS FOR THE FEED, BUNTER! BY YOUR NEXT BIRTHDAY YOU MIGHT SAVE UP ENOUGH TO PAY FOR IT!
BILL
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