

SMILIN' ED'S

Buster Brown

COMICS

**Book
No. 23**

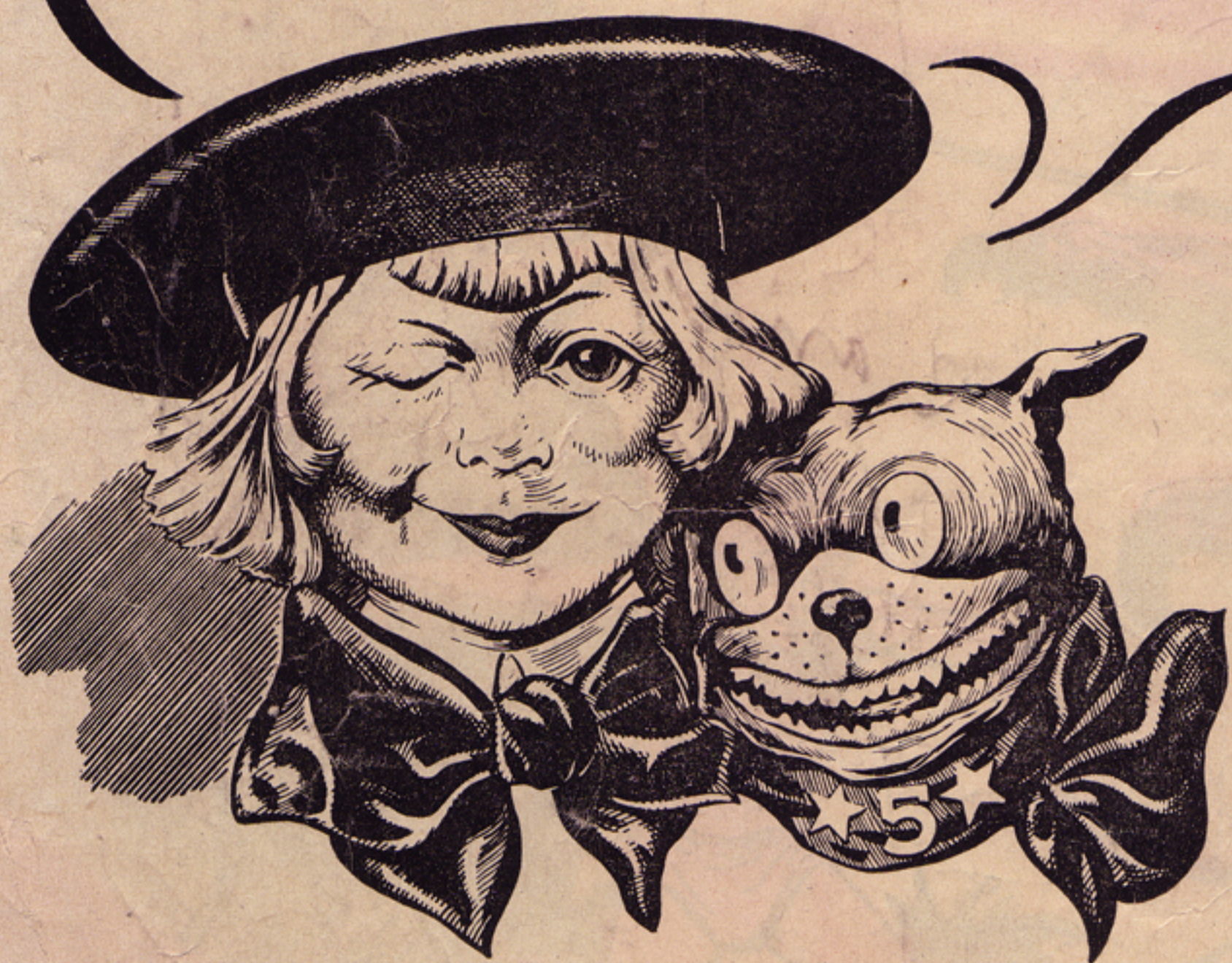


Kids! **TUNE IN THE BUSTER BROWN GANG**
Every Saturday Morning KELO or KFYZ 10:30 A.M.

PIERRE BOOTERY
PIERRE, S. DAK.
X-RAY FITTING

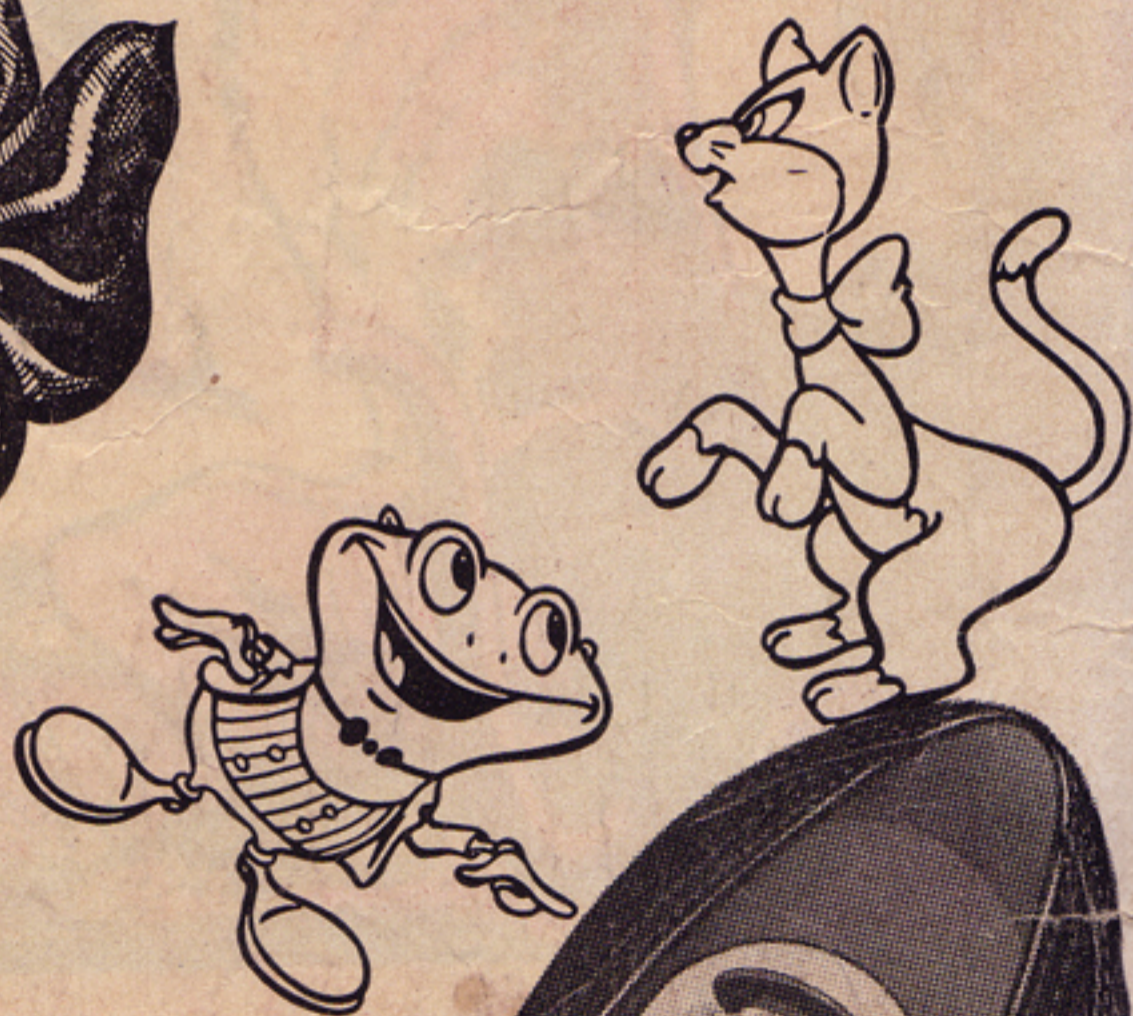


**HEY KIDS... IT'S THE
BUSTER BROWN
Easter Parade!**



Come and get 'em, kids! Those swell-elegant
Easter Parade Shoes are waiting for you right
now at your nearest Buster Brown dealer's.
His name is on the cover of this comic book.

Tell mom you want a pair for Easter today!
And always look for the picture of Tige and me
in the heel of the shoe you try on. That means
you're getting good ol' Buster Brown Shoes!



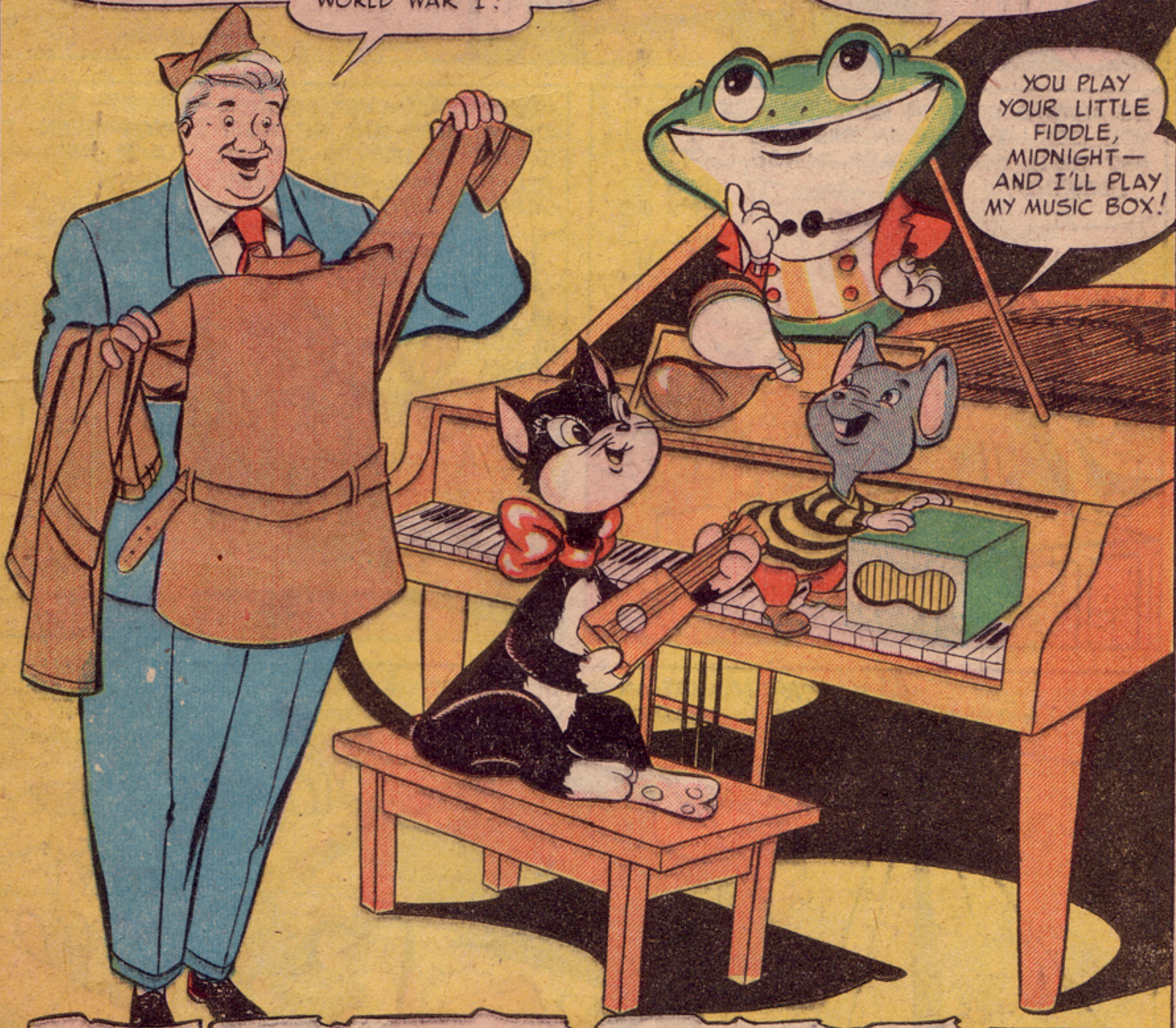
Smilin' Ed AND HIS Gang

ENTERTAIN THE ARMY

MY GOODNESS, WE'VE BEEN INVITED TO COME TO THE ARMY CAMP TO ENTERTAIN THE SOLDIERS, AND WE MUST GET READY IN A HURRY! I'M GOING TO WEAR MY ARMY UNIFORM FROM WORLD WAR I!

NOW LET ME SEE... I SUPPOSE IT'S UP TO ME TO DECIDE ON SOME CLEVER THINGS FOR US TO DO— IT IS, IT IS!

YOU PLAY YOUR LITTLE FIDDLE, MIDNIGHT— AND I'LL PLAY MY MUSIC BOX!

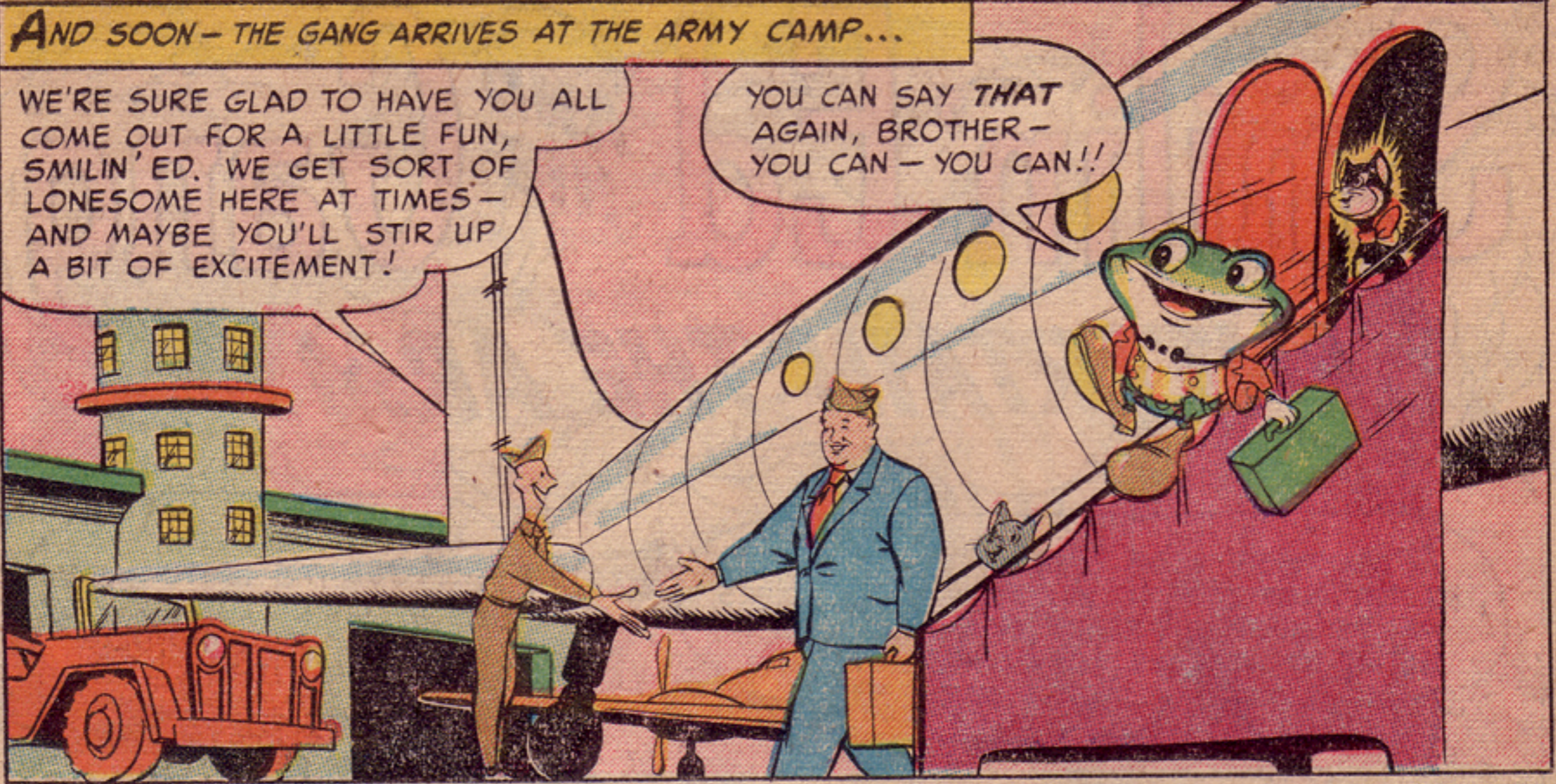


YES, SMILIN' ED AND HIS GANG ARE GOING TO ENTERTAIN THE SOLDIERS IN AN ARMY CAMP. SO, SQUEEKIE THE MOUSE, MIDNIGHT THE CAT AND FROGGY THE GREMLIN GLEEFULLY LOOK FORWARD TO PLENTY OF FUN WITH THE U.S. ARMY!

AND SOON - THE GANG ARRIVES AT THE ARMY CAMP...

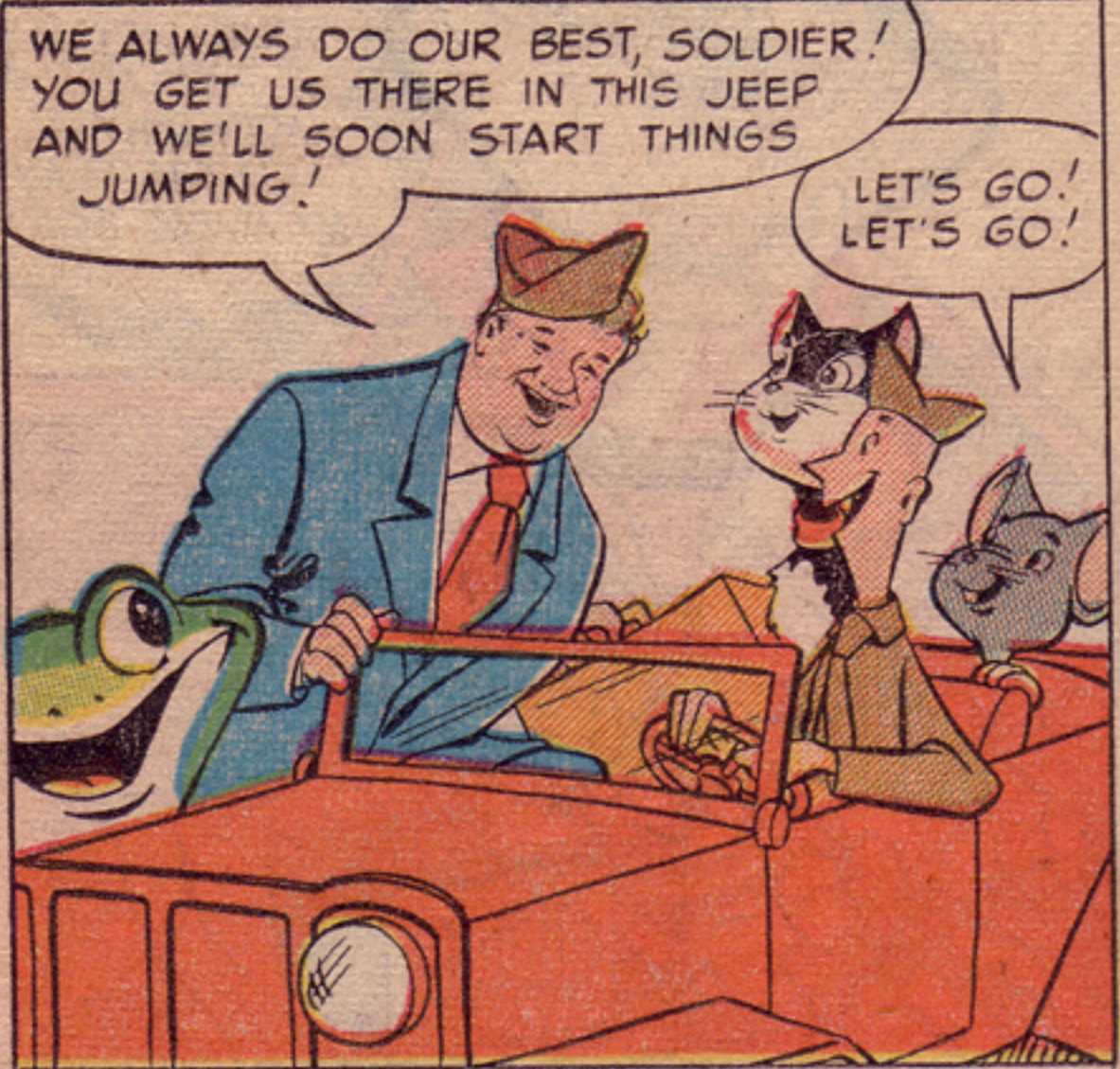
WE'RE SURE GLAD TO HAVE YOU ALL COME OUT FOR A LITTLE FUN, SMILIN' ED. WE GET SORT OF LONESOME HERE AT TIMES - AND MAYBE YOU'LL STIR UP A BIT OF EXCITEMENT!

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN, BROTHER - YOU CAN - YOU CAN!!



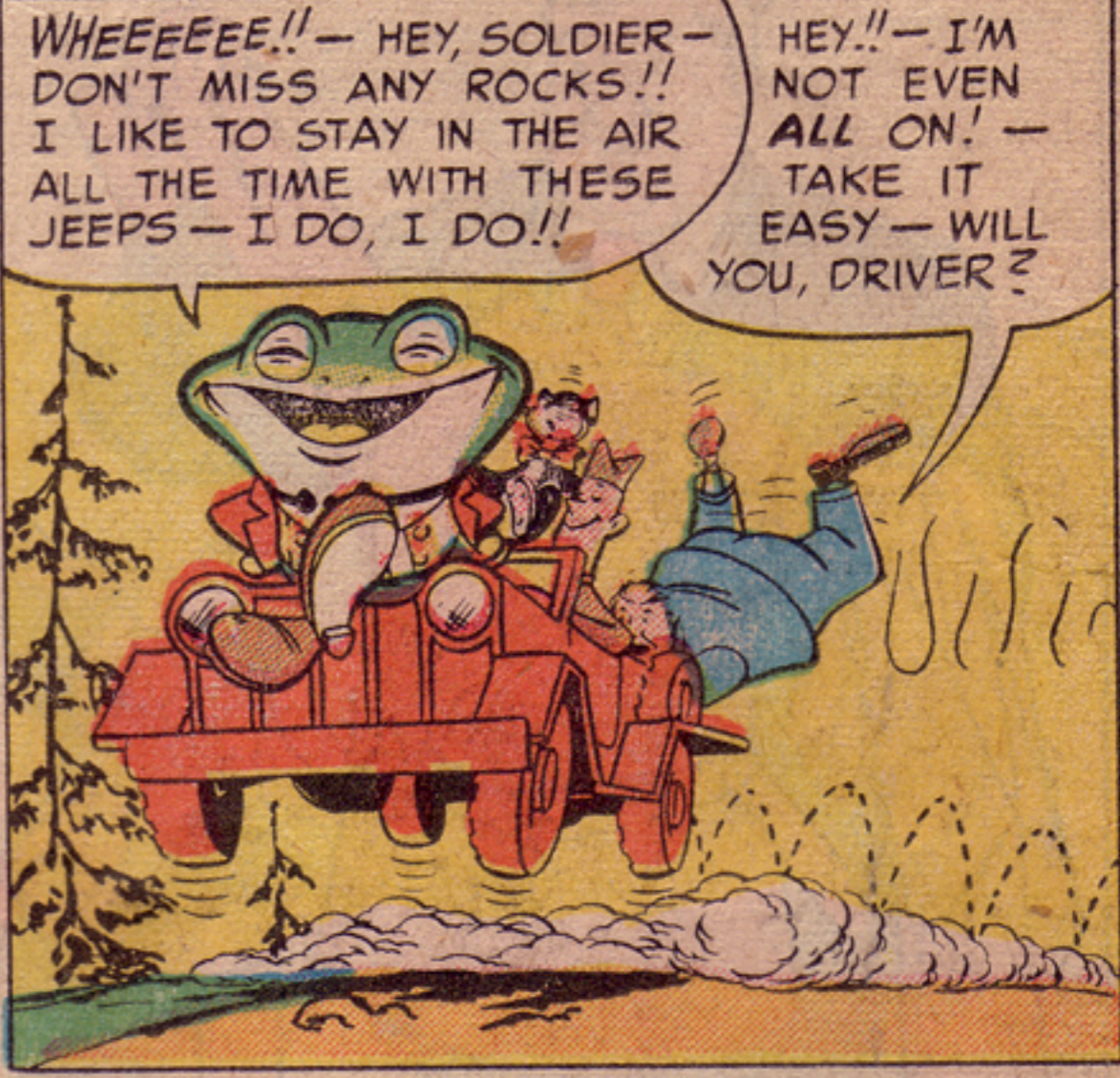
WE ALWAYS DO OUR BEST, SOLDIER! YOU GET US THERE IN THIS JEEP AND WE'LL SOON START THINGS JUMPING!

LET'S GO! LET'S GO!



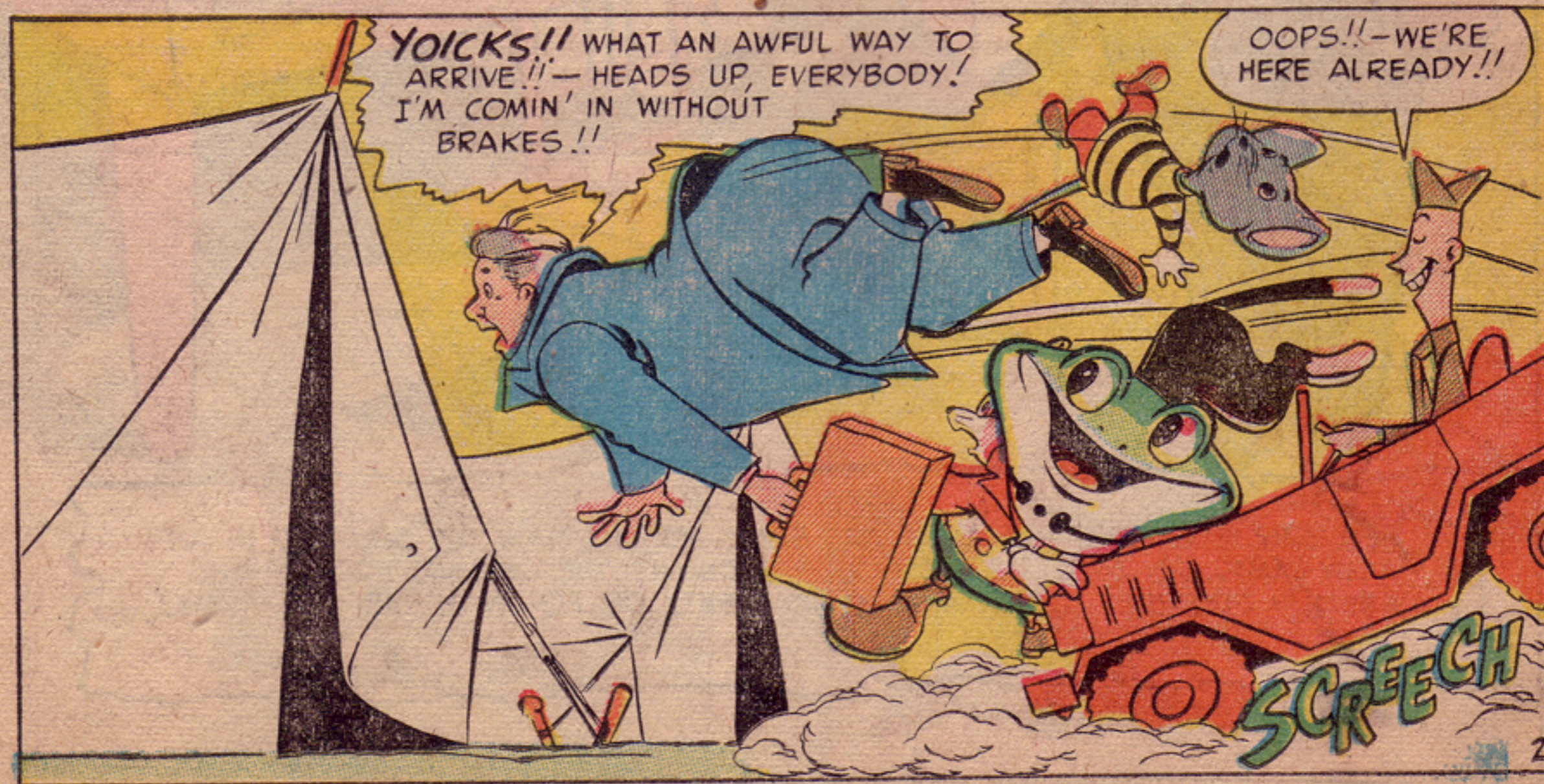
WHEEEEE!! - HEY, SOLDIER - DON'T MISS ANY ROCKS!! I LIKE TO STAY IN THE AIR ALL THE TIME WITH THESE JEEPS - I DO, I DO!!

HEY!! - I'M NOT EVEN ALL ON! - TAKE IT EASY - WILL YOU, DRIVER?

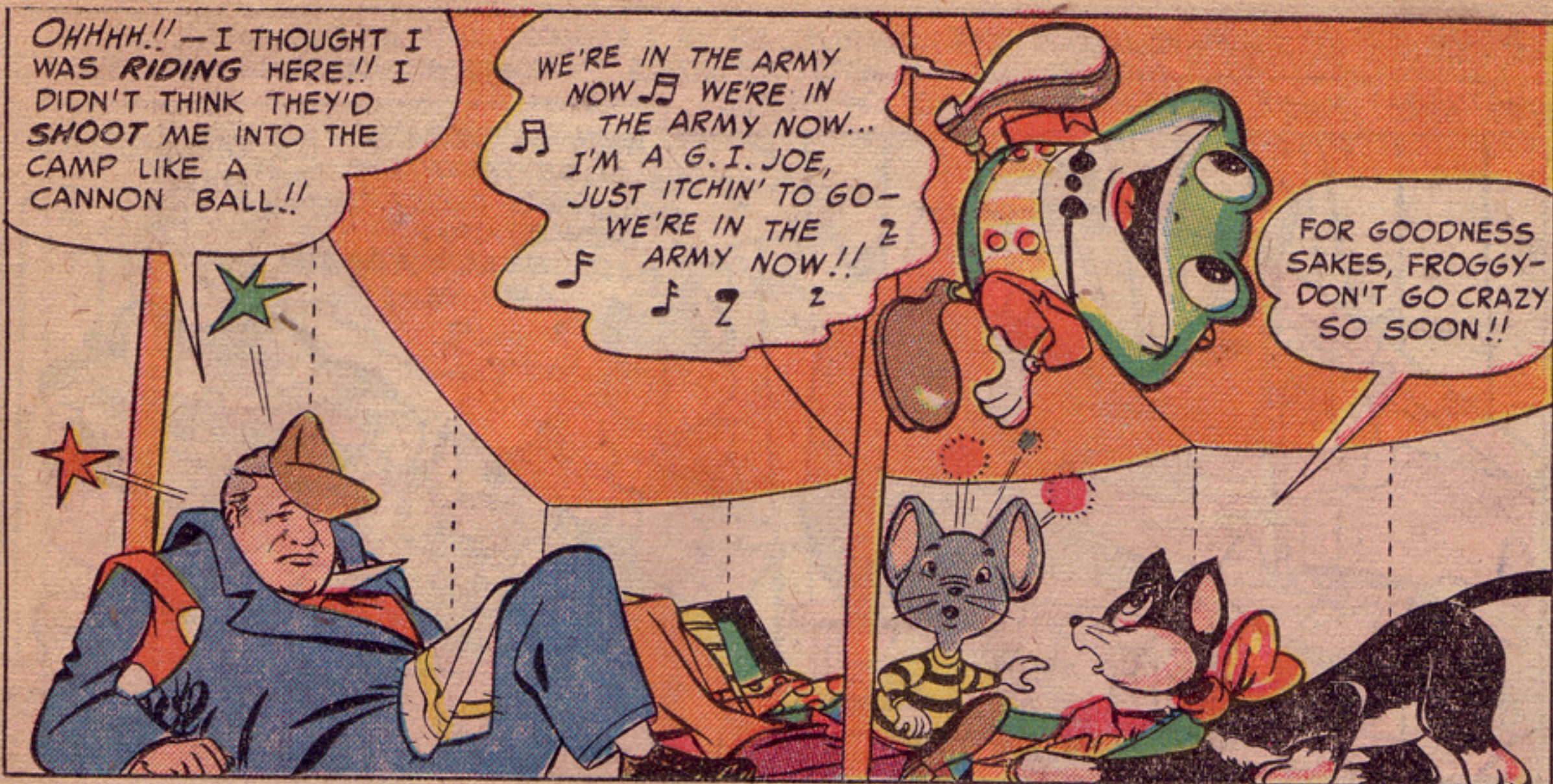


YOICKS!! WHAT AN AWFUL WAY TO ARRIVE!! - HEADS UP, EVERYBODY! I'M COMIN' IN WITHOUT BRAKES!!

OOPS!! - WE'RE HERE ALREADY!!



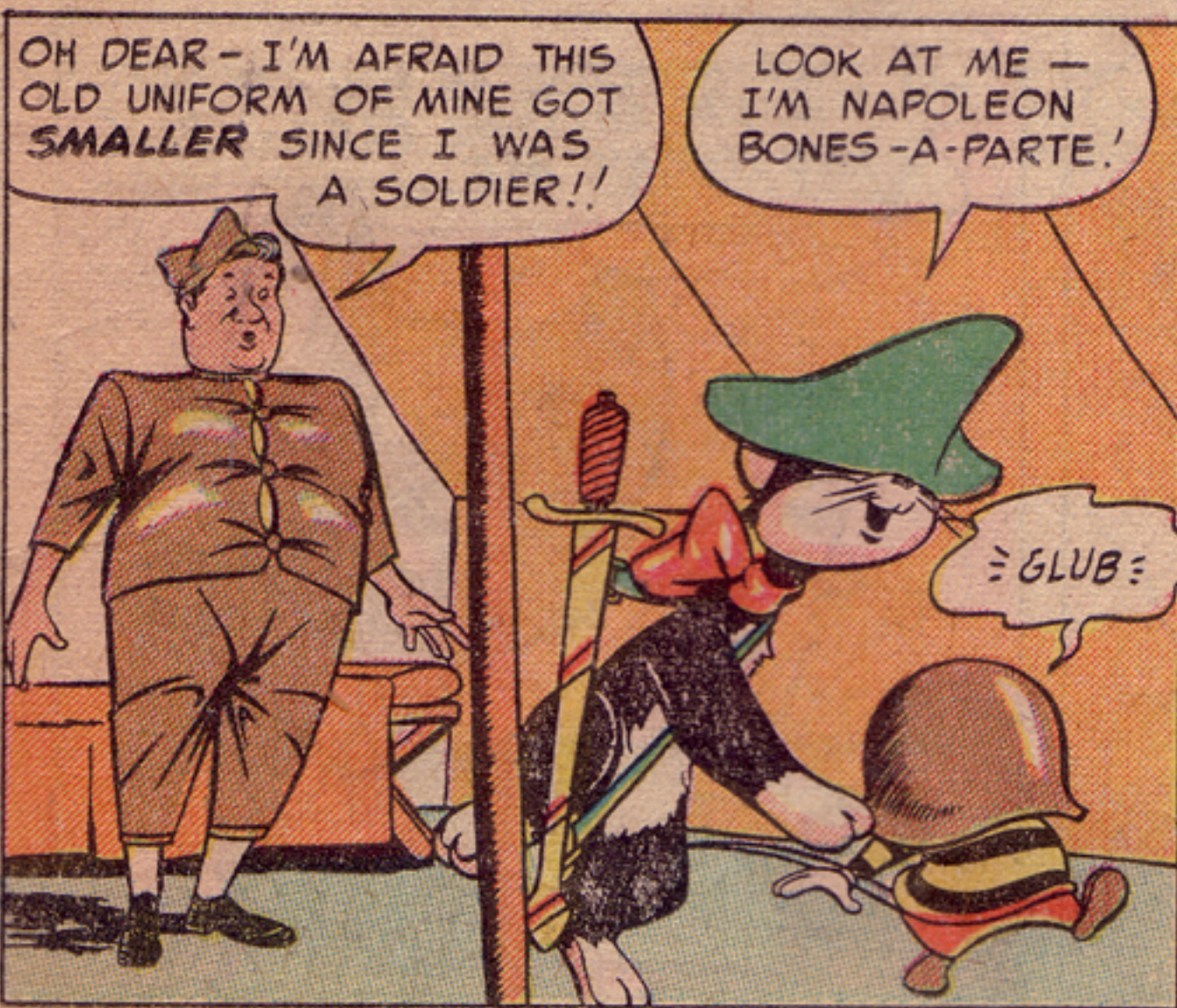
SCREECH



OHHHH!! — I THOUGHT I WAS RIDING HERE!! I DIDN'T THINK THEY'D SHOOT ME INTO THE CAMP LIKE A CANNON BALL!!

WE'RE IN THE ARMY NOW ♪ WE'RE IN THE ARMY NOW... ♪ I'M A G. I. JOE, JUST ITCHIN' TO GO — WE'RE IN THE ARMY NOW!! ♪

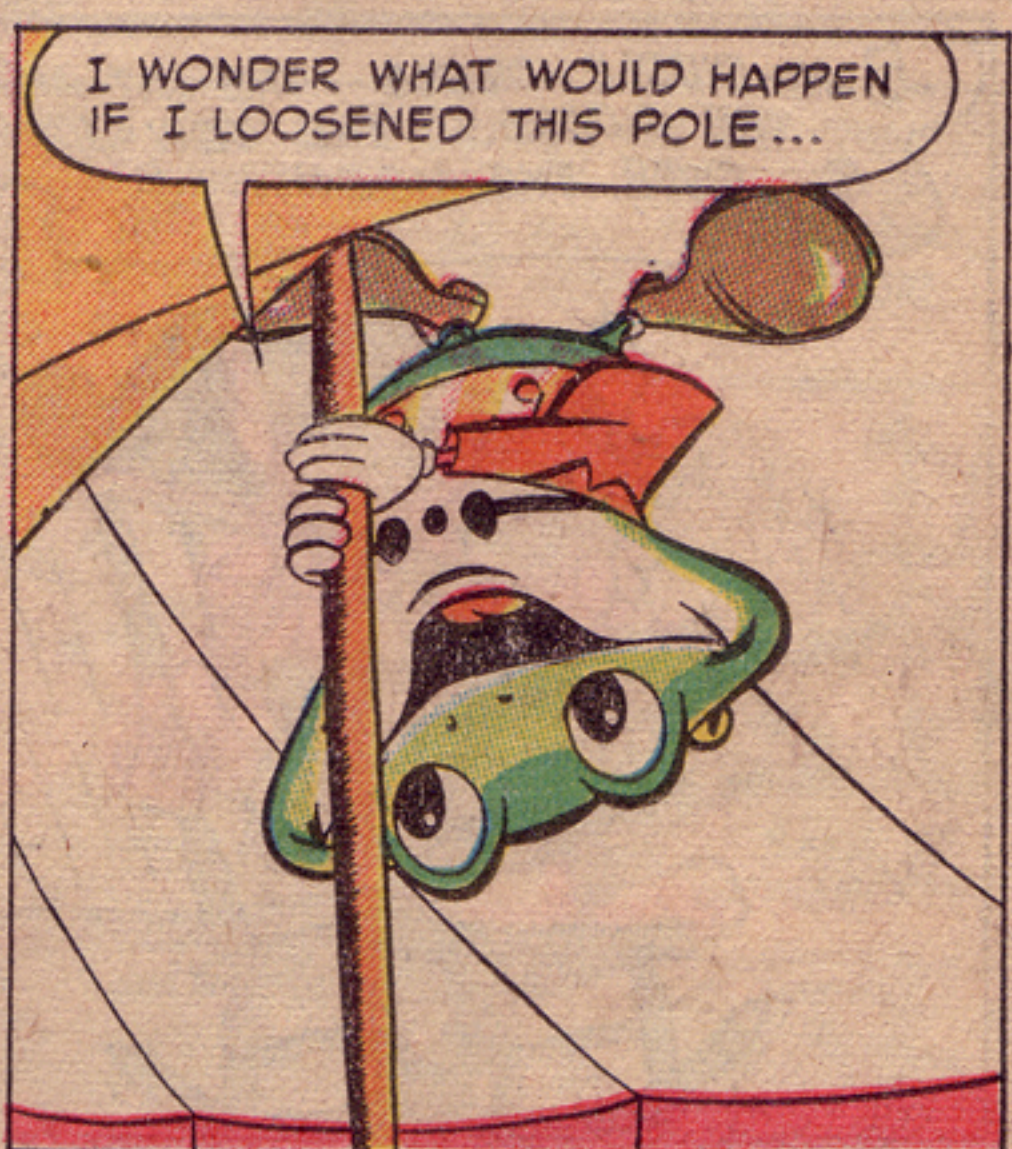
FOR GOODNESS SALES, FROGGY — DON'T GO CRAZY SO SOON!!



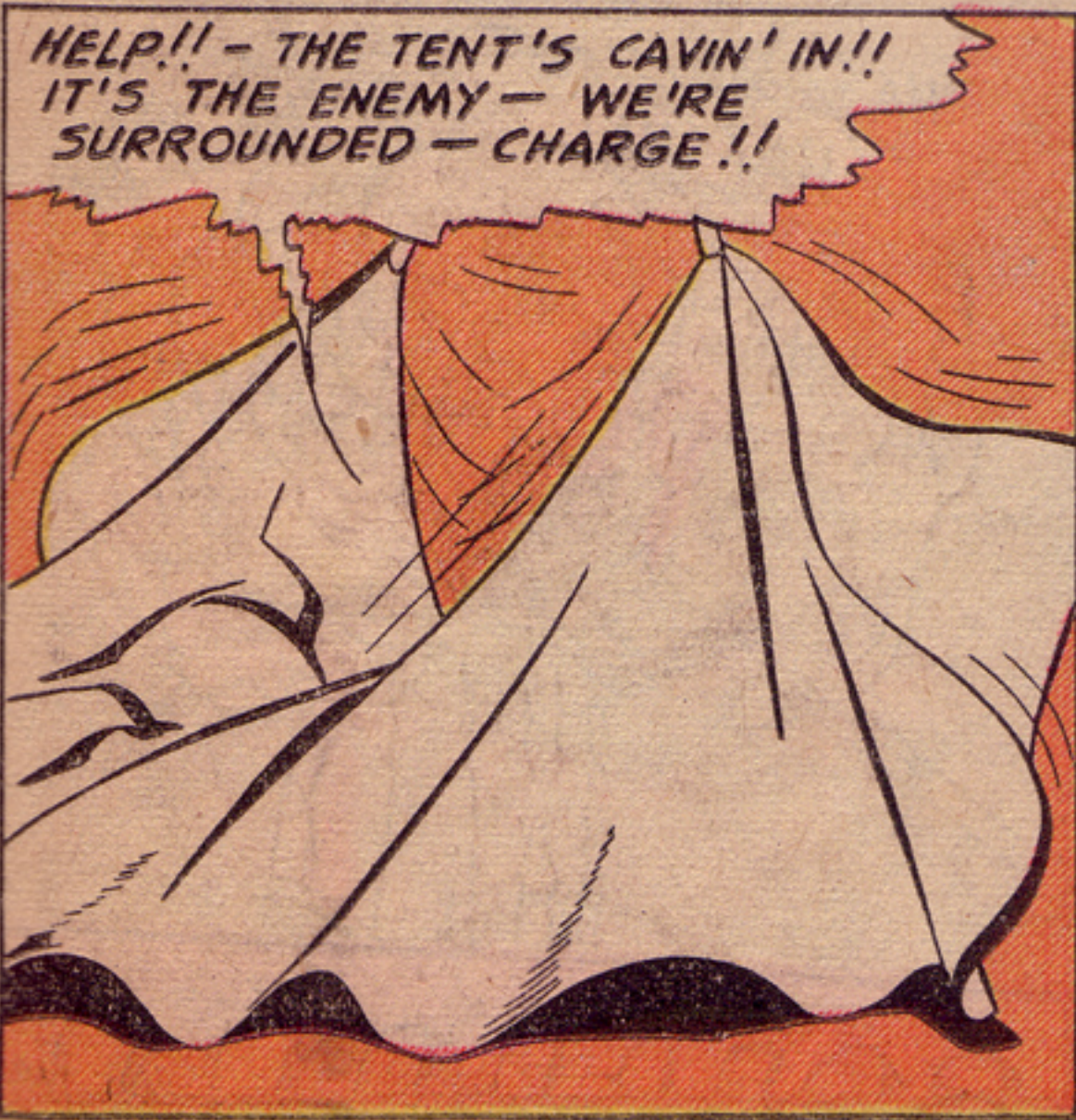
OH DEAR — I'M AFRAID THIS OLD UNIFORM OF MINE GOT SMALLER SINCE I WAS A SOLDIER!!

LOOK AT ME — I'M NAPOLEON BONES — A-PARTE!

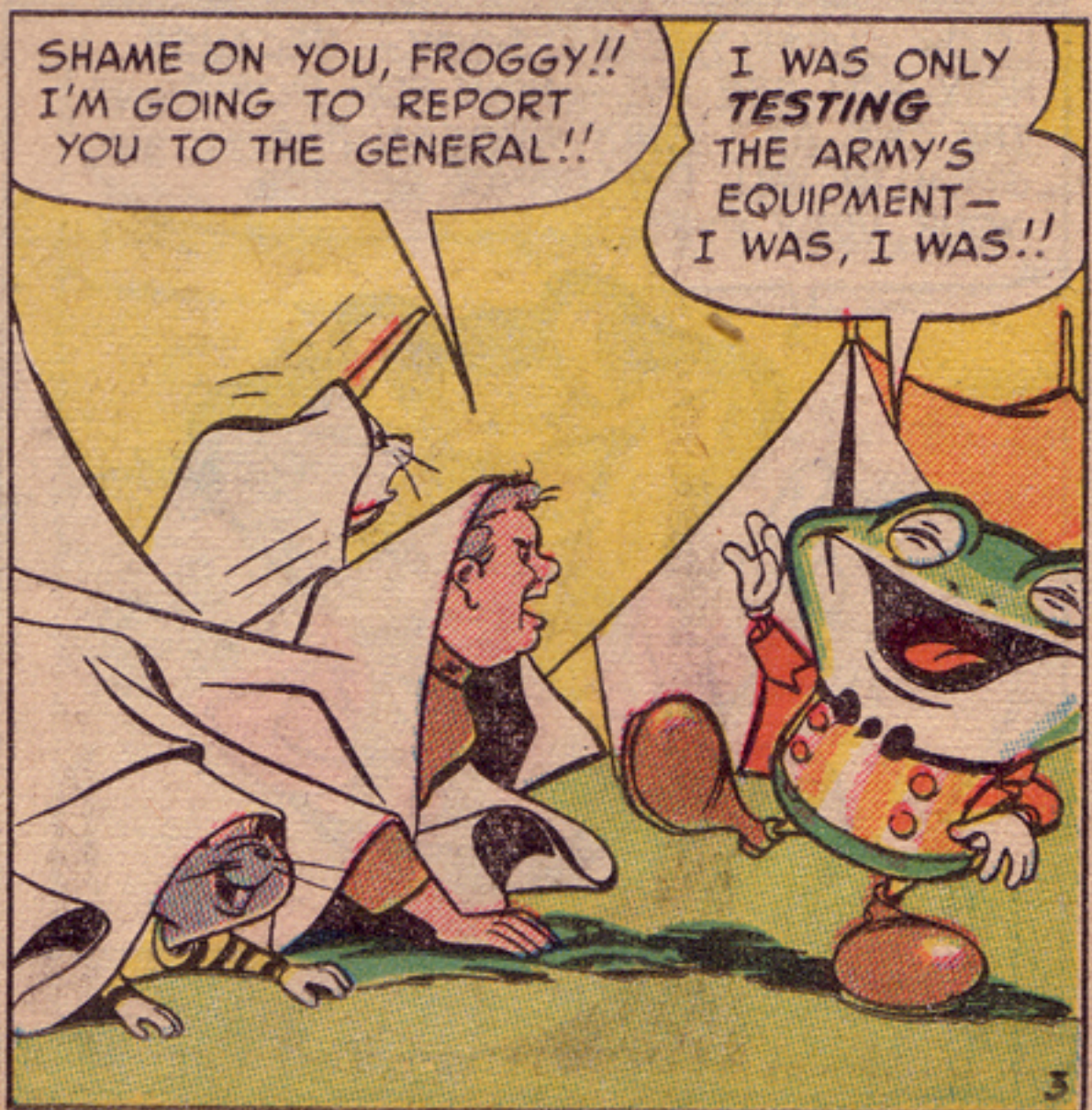
GLUB!



I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF I LOOSENED THIS POLE...



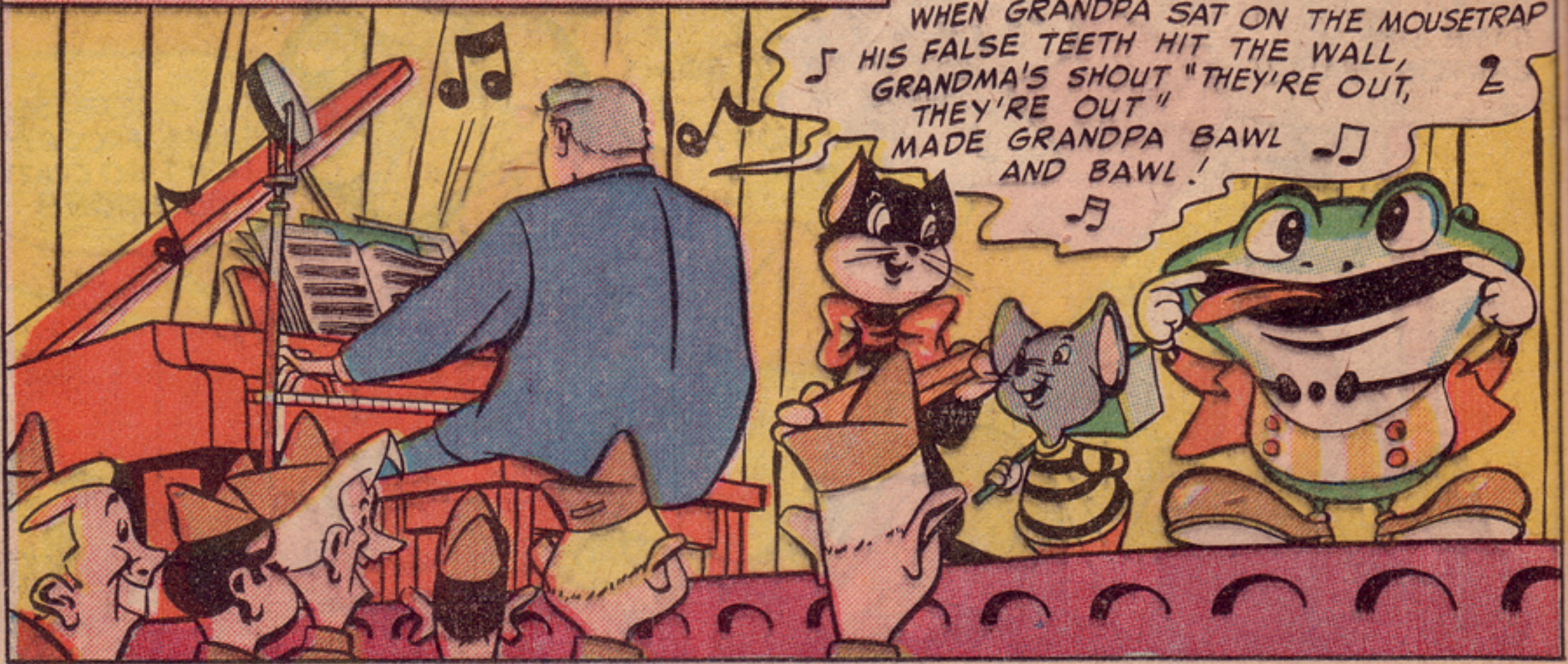
HELP!! — THE TENT'S CAVIN' IN!! IT'S THE ENEMY — WE'RE SURROUNDED — CHARGE!!



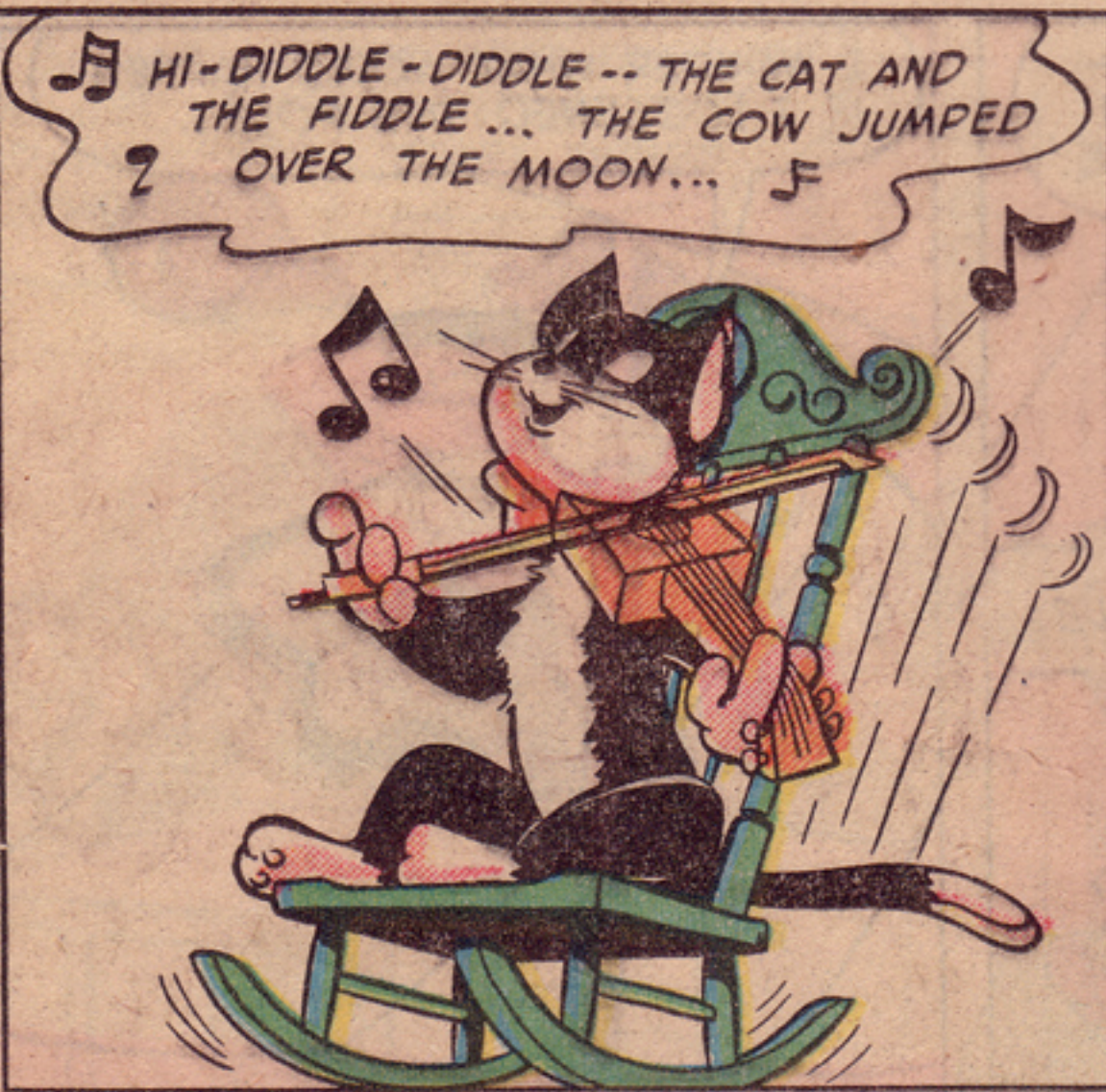
SHAME ON YOU, FROGGY!! I'M GOING TO REPORT YOU TO THE GENERAL!!

I WAS ONLY TESTING THE ARMY'S EQUIPMENT — I WAS, I WAS!!

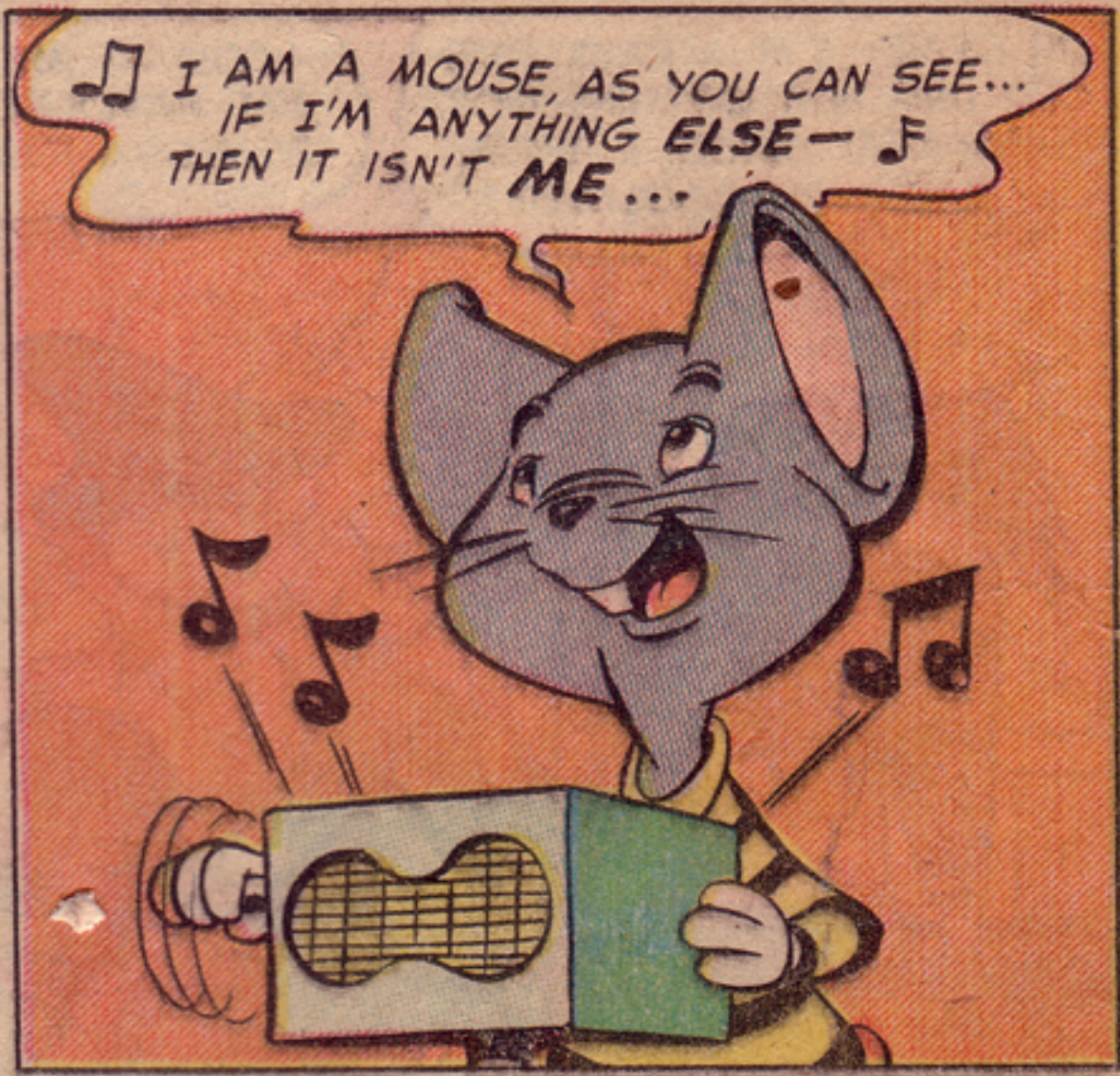
SOON THE BIG SHOW IS UNDER WAY... SMILIN' ED IS BANGING AWAY AT THE PIANO, WHILE MIDNIGHT, SQUEEKIE AND FROGGY GO INTO THE ANTICS THAT ARE SO FAMILIAR TO THEIR SATURDAY NIGHT TELEVISION AUDIENCE ON N.B.C.



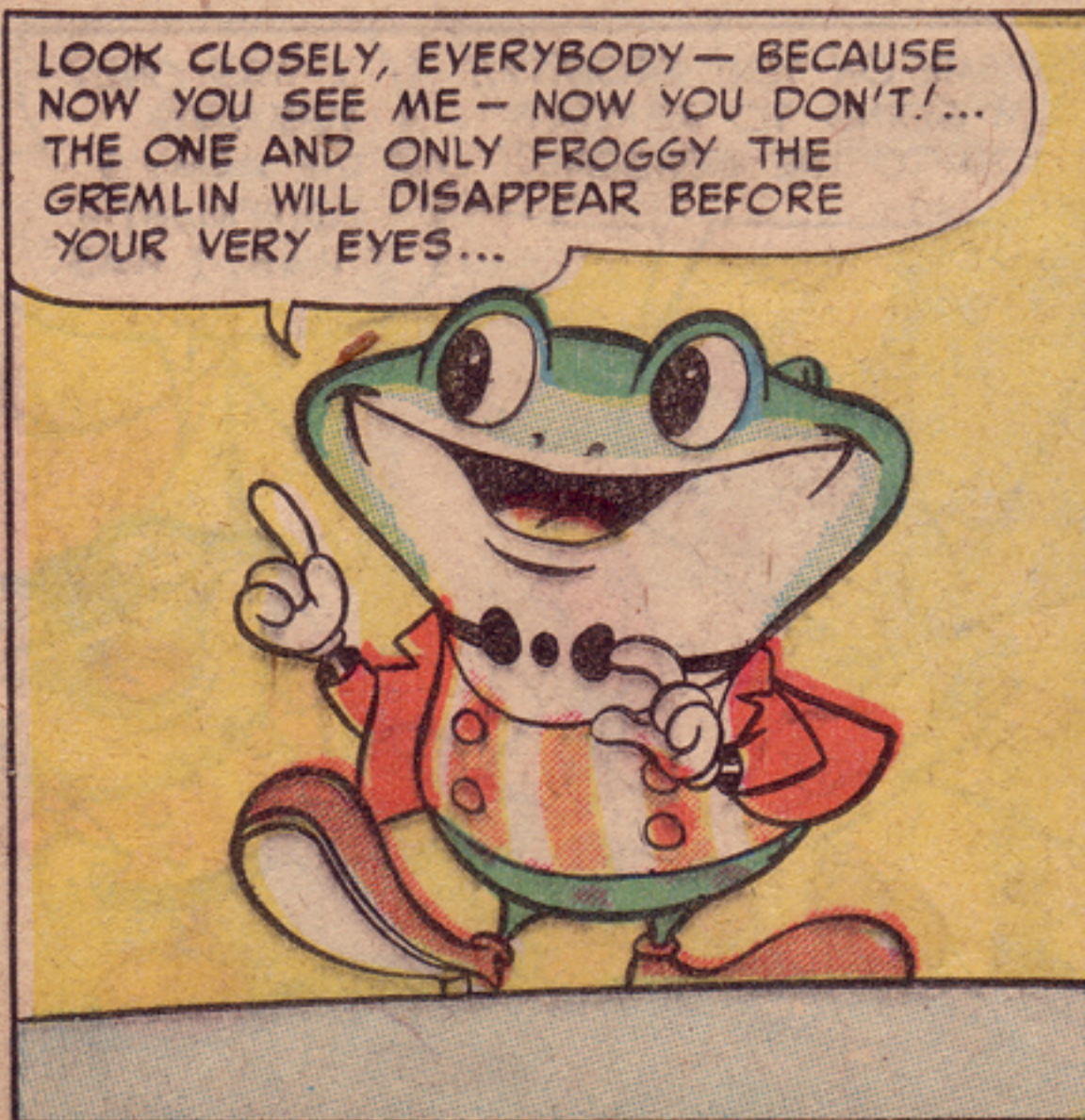
WHEN GRANDPA SAT ON THE MOUSETRAP HIS FALSE TEETH HIT THE WALL, GRANDMA'S SHOUT "THEY'RE OUT, THEY'RE OUT" MADE GRANDPA BAWL AND BAWL!



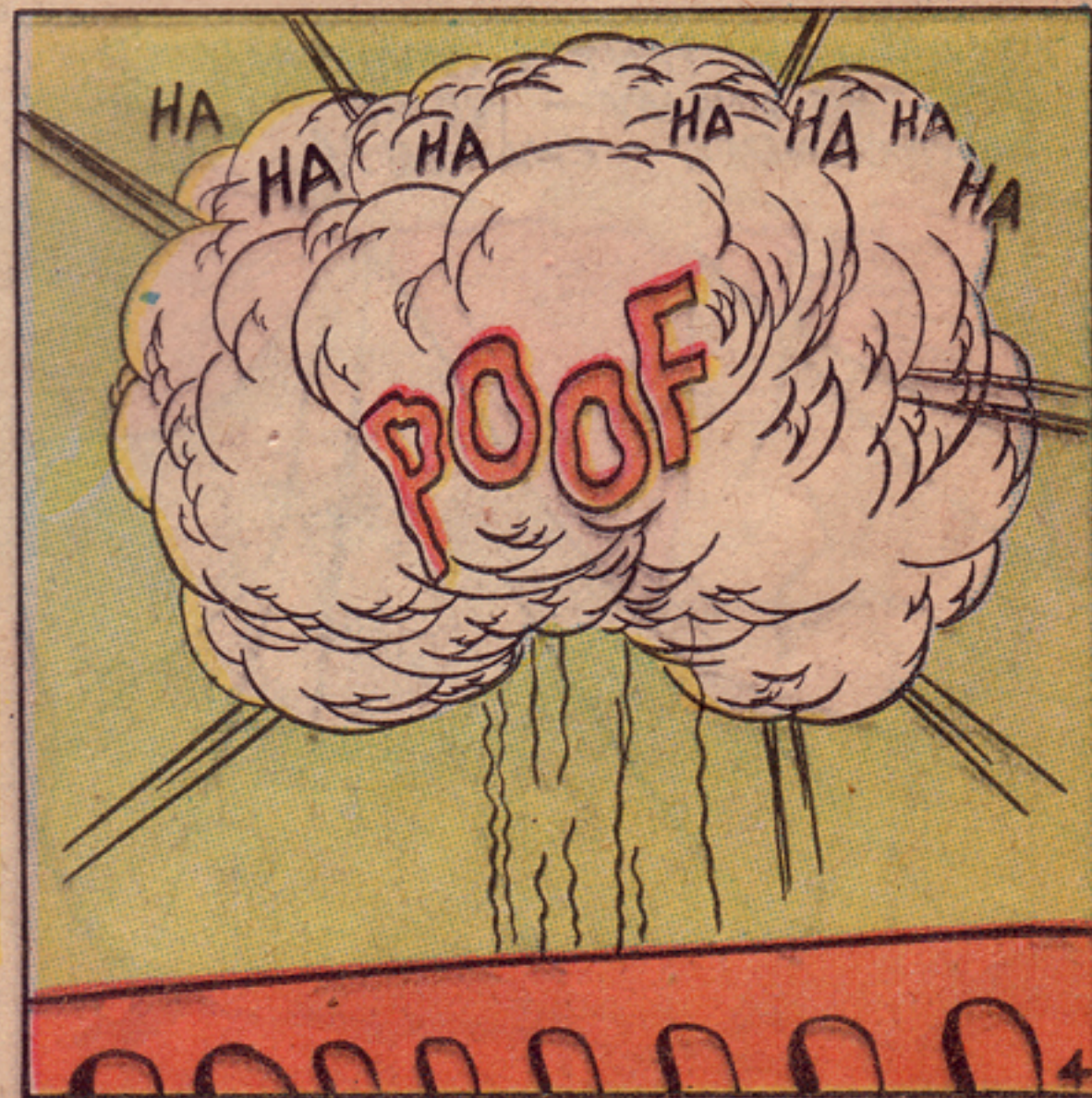
HI-DIDDLE-DIDDLE -- THE CAT AND THE FIDDLE ... THE COW JUMPED OVER THE MOON...



I AM A MOUSE, AS YOU CAN SEE... IF I'M ANYTHING ELSE -- THEN IT ISN'T ME...



LOOK CLOSELY, EVERYBODY -- BECAUSE NOW YOU SEE ME -- NOW YOU DON'T!... THE ONE AND ONLY FROGGY THE GREMLIN WILL DISAPPEAR BEFORE YOUR VERY EYES...

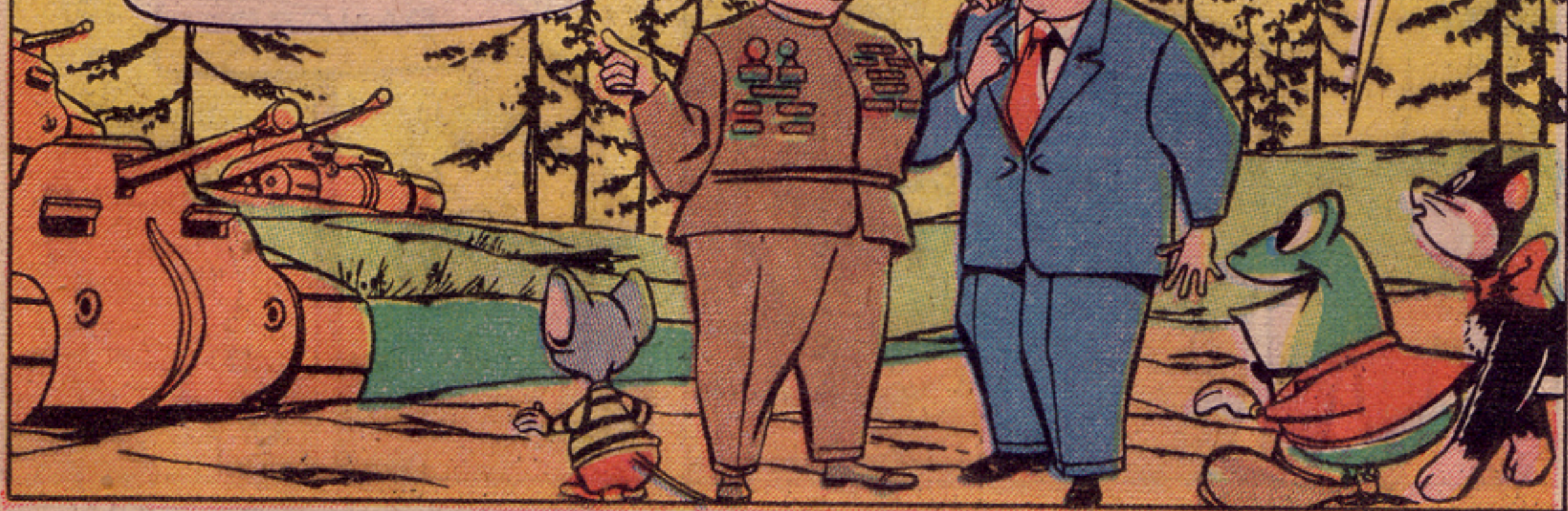


AND AFTER THE SHOW IS OVER ...

THANKS FOR THE FINE SHOW, SMILIN' ED - THE MEN CERTAINLY ENJOYED YOU AND YOUR FUNNY GANG. NOW **WE'LL ENTERTAIN YOU** FOR A CHANGE... WE'LL SHOW YOU SOME TRICKS WITH THESE TANKS!

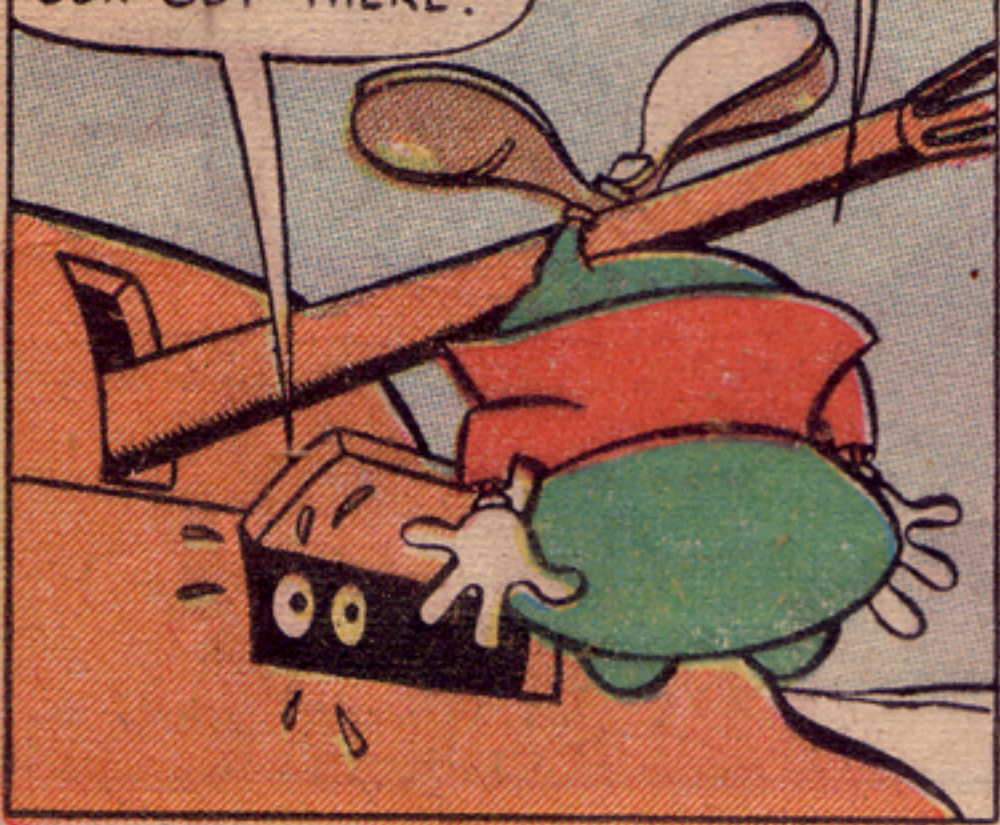
THANK YOU, GENERAL DELIVERY! I MUST SAY THOSE TANKS CERTAINLY LOOK POWERFUL!

HMM... THINK I'LL SEE WHAT THEY'RE LIKE INSIDE... I WILL - I WILL!



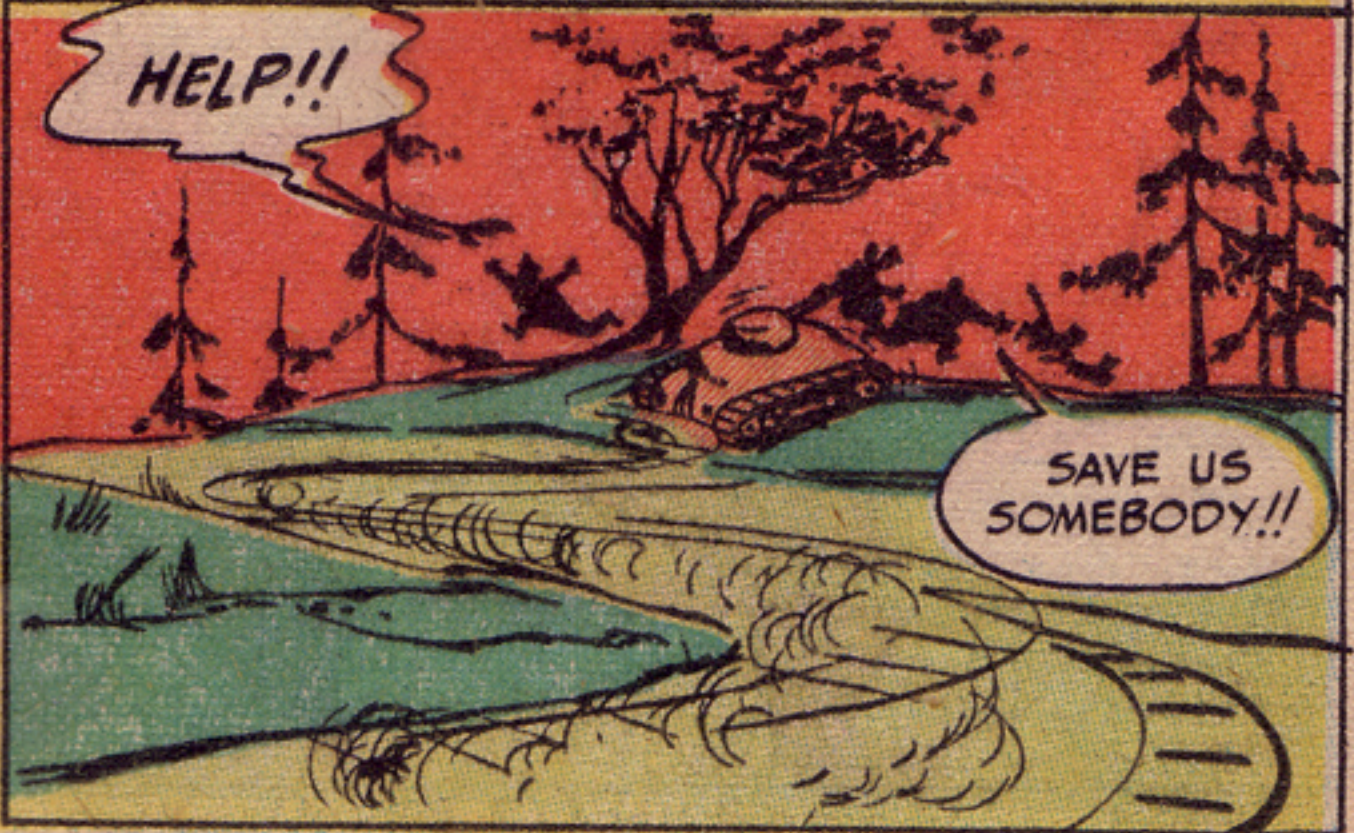
HELLO, CHUM - WHAT'S COOKIN'???

HELP!! THERE'S A CREATURE FROM MARS HANGING ON OUR GUN OUT THERE!



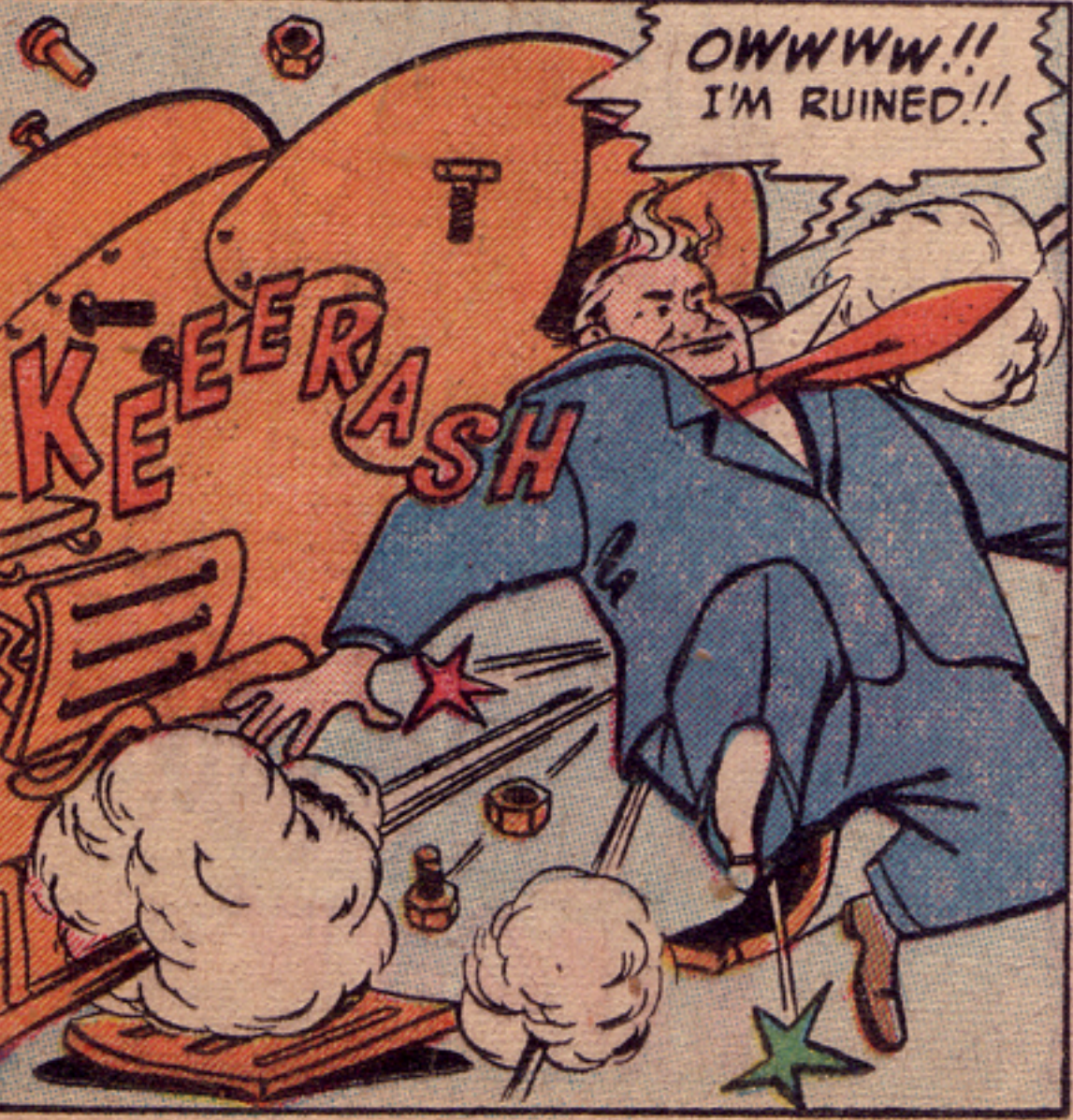
THE TANK GETS OUT OF CONTROL AS THE FRIGHTENED DRIVER ZIG-ZAGS EVERY WAY IN AN EFFORT TO SHAKE OFF FROGGY... AND SMILIN' ED AND THE GENERAL RUN FOR THEIR LIVES AS THE IRON MONSTER SCREECHES TOWARD THEM...

HELP!!



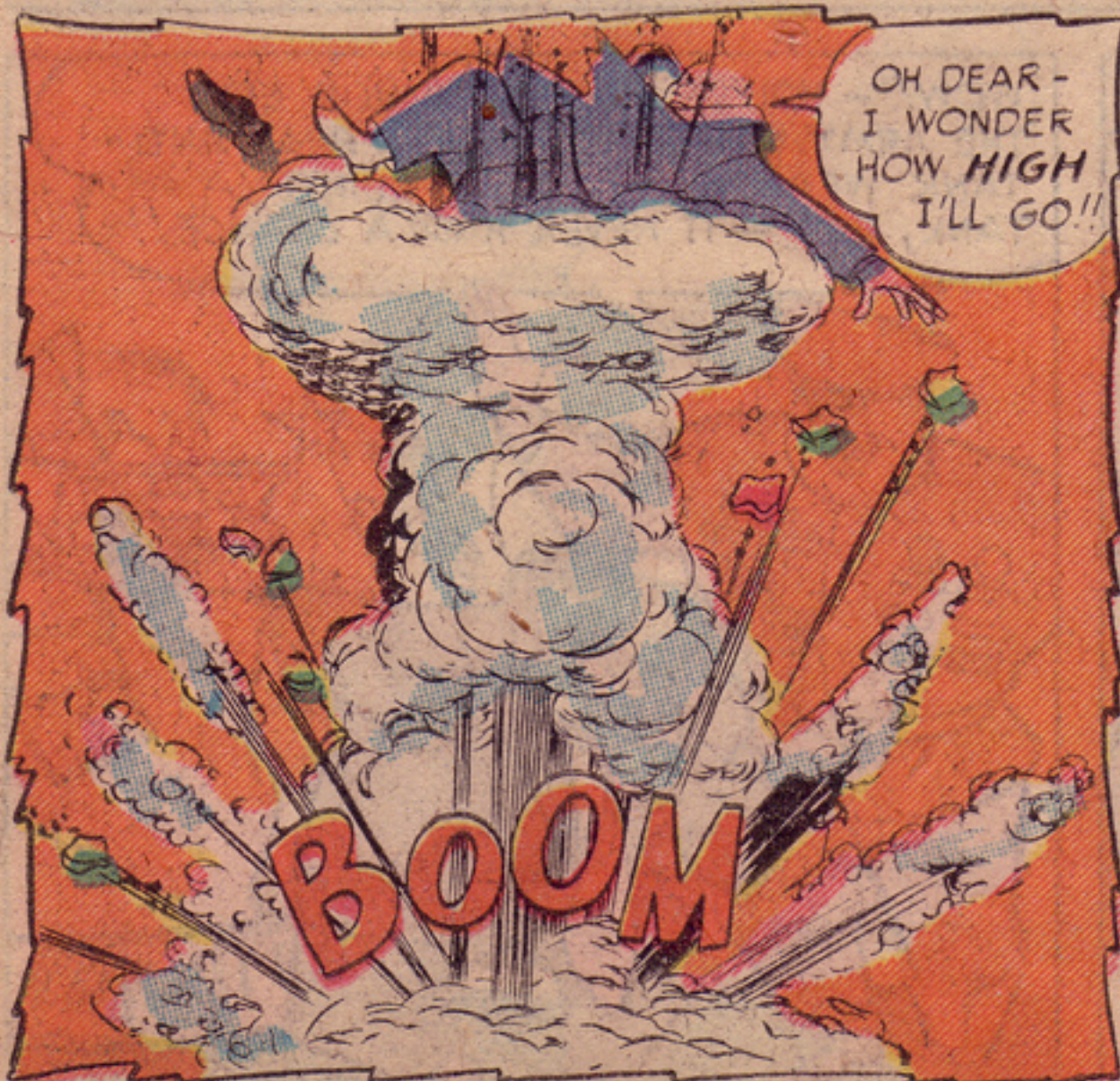
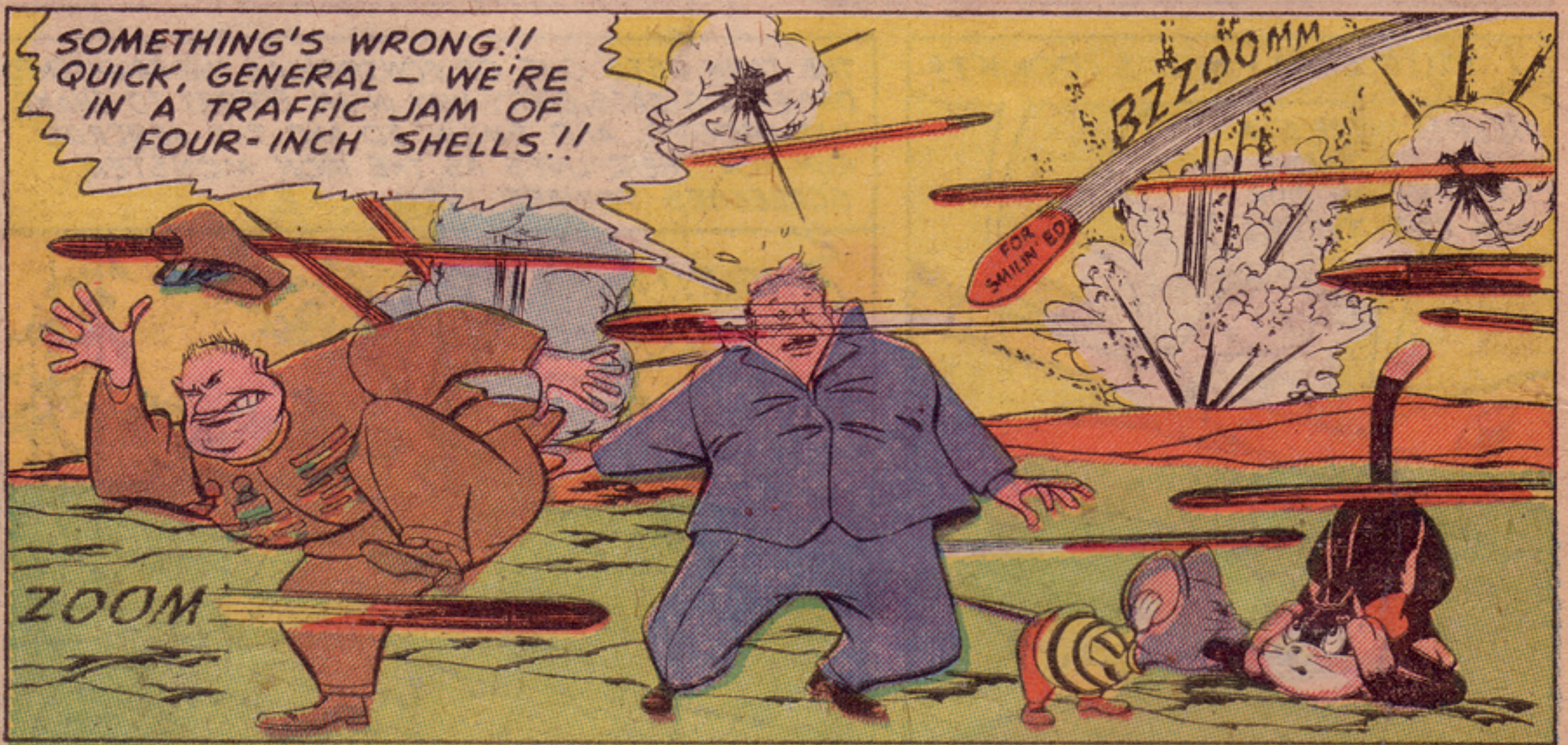
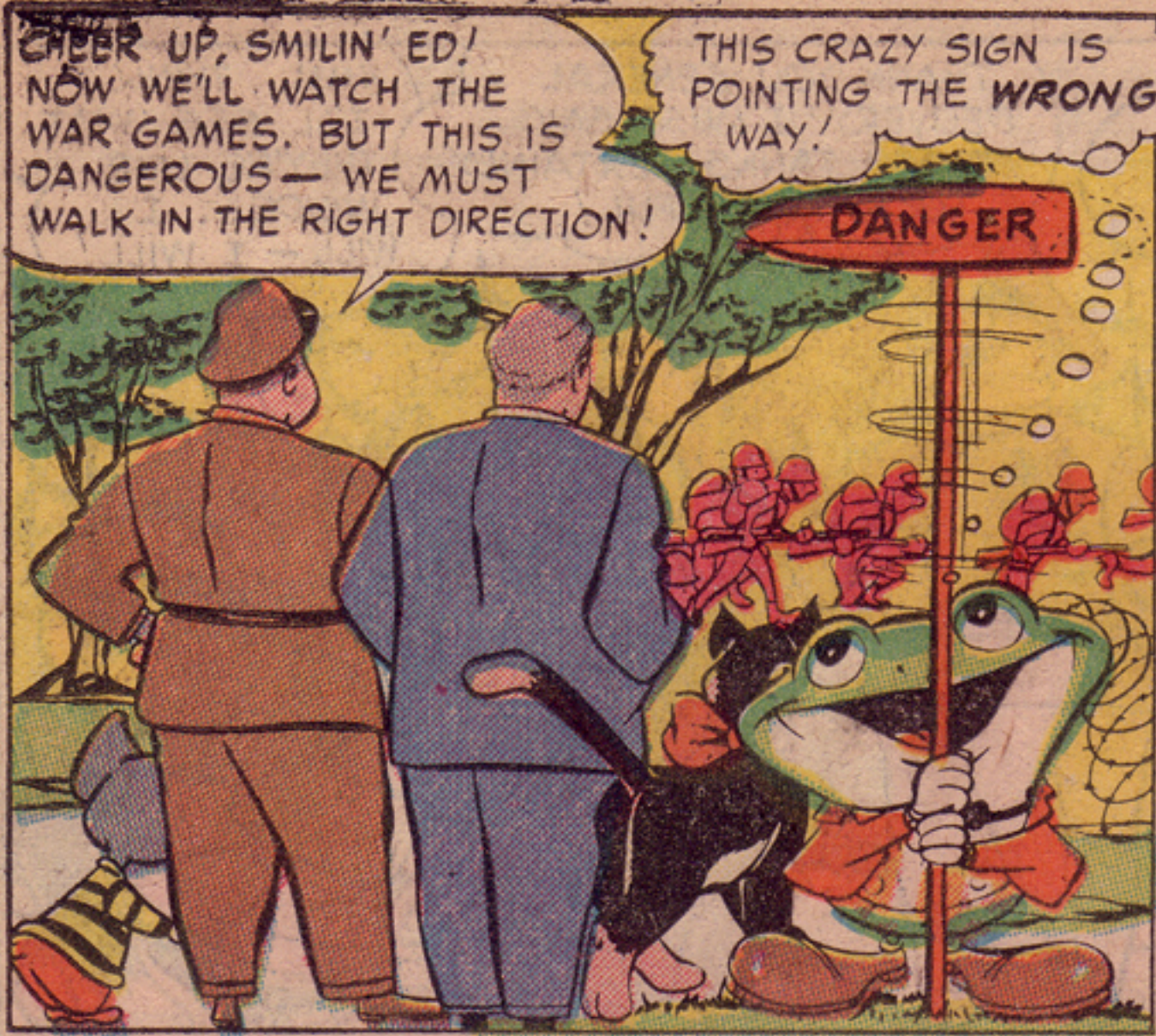
SAVE US SOMEBODY!!

OWWWW!! I'M RUINED!!

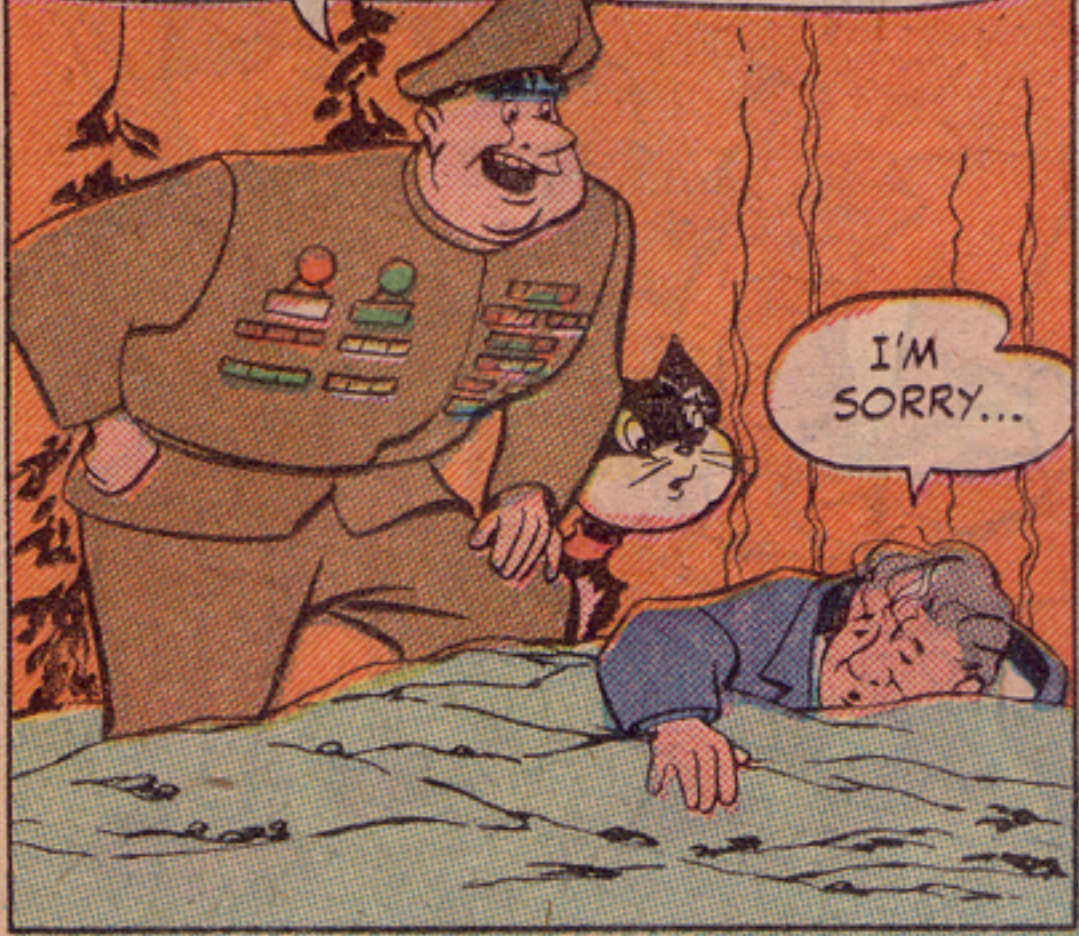


WOW!! - YOU'RE TERRIFIC, SMILIN' ED!! THE ARMY HAS DISCOVERED A REAL ANTI-TANK WEAPON!! - YOU'VE RUINED A TANK, BOY - IT NEVER HAD A CHANCE!!





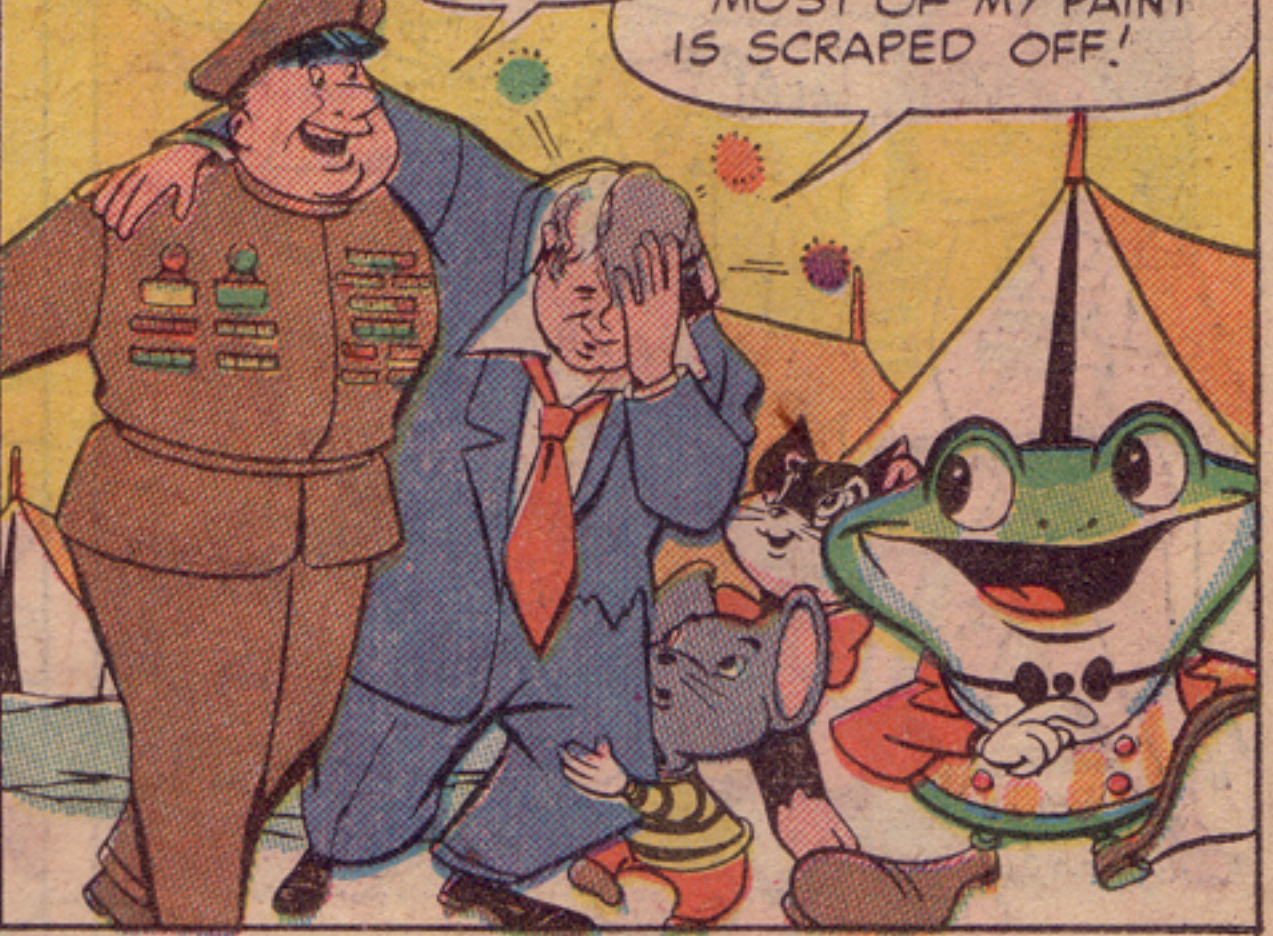
SAY, SMILIN' ED - YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER THAN TO FALL HARD LIKE THAT-AND MAKE A GREAT BIG SHELL HOLE RIGHT ON OUR TRAINING FIELD!!



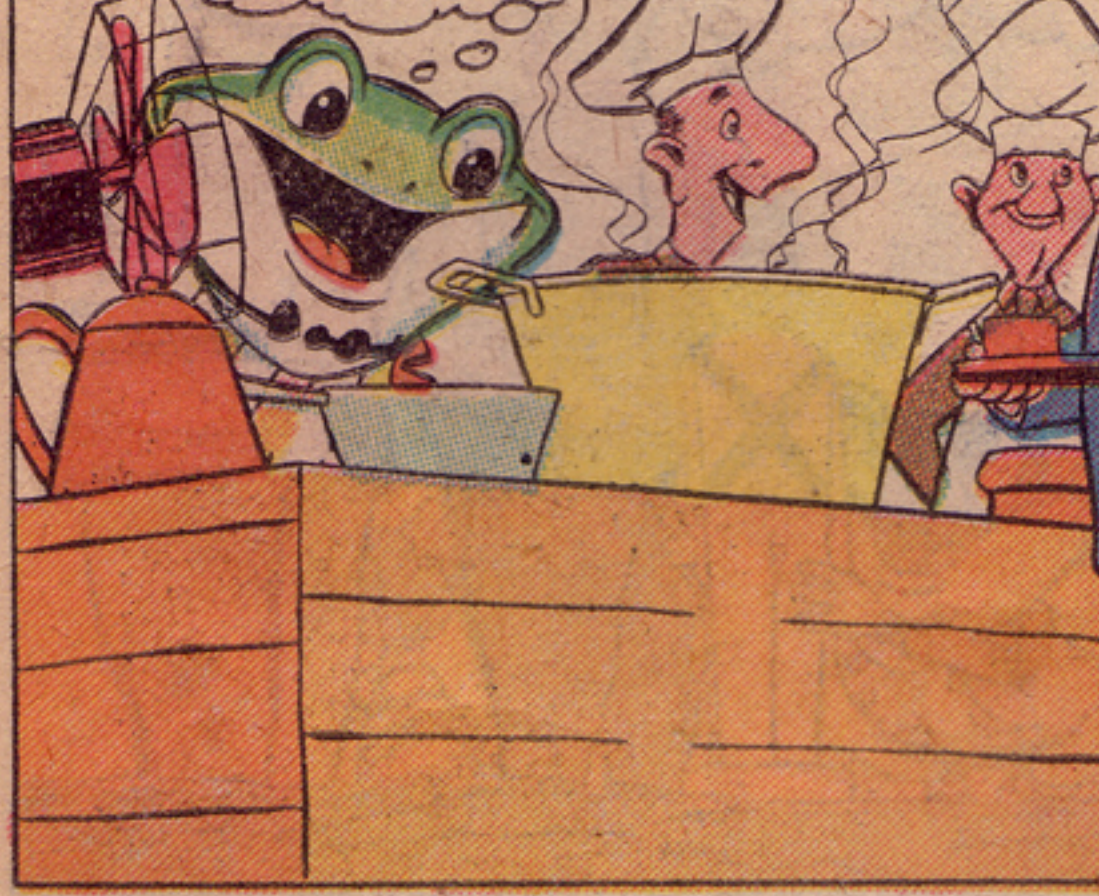
I'M SORRY...

LET'S GET SOMETHING TO EAT, SMILIN' ED - THEN YOU'LL FEEL LIKE A BRAND NEW MAN!

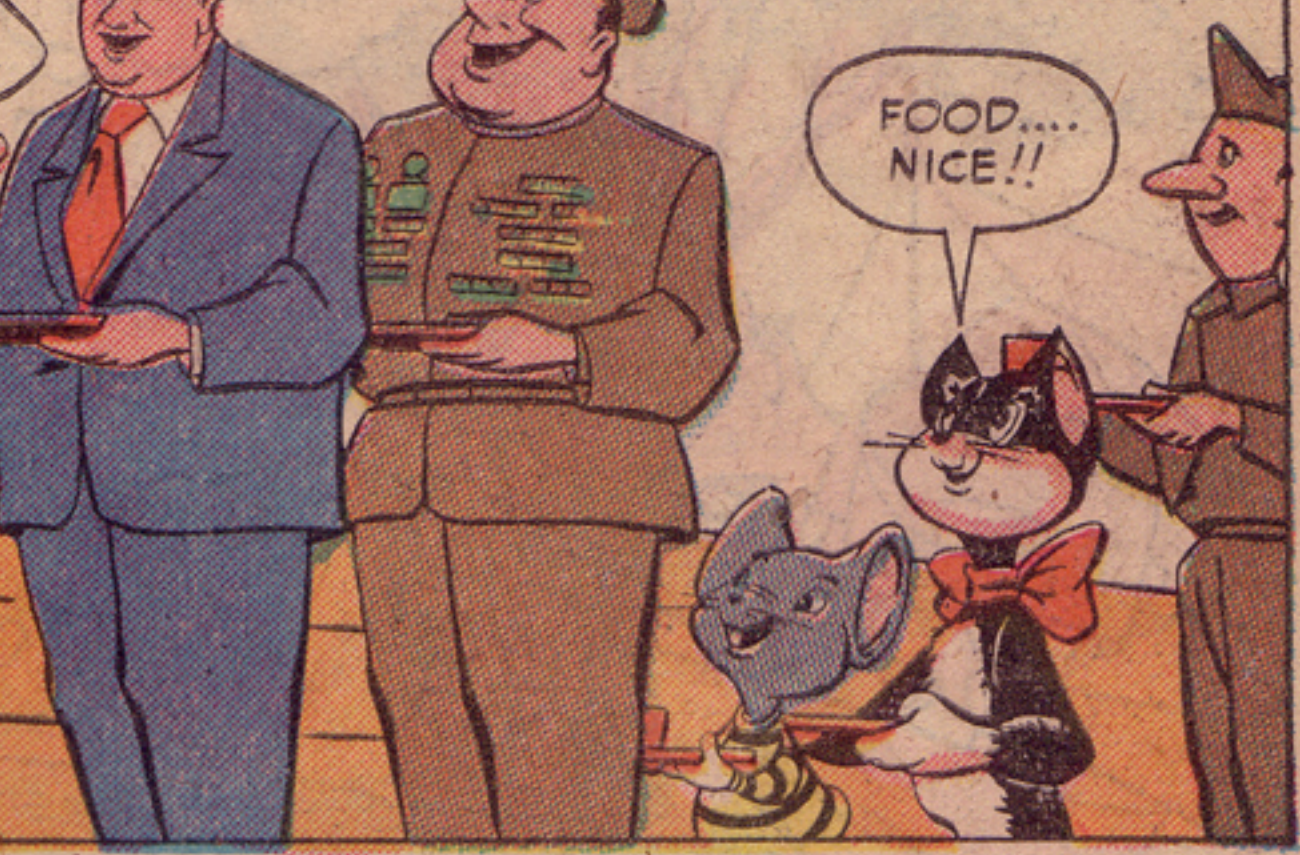
I'LL NEVER BE NEW AGAIN, GENERAL! - I'M ALL DENTED - AND MOST OF MY PAINT IS SCRAPED OFF!



HMM... I'M NOT A MESS SERGEANT - BUT I THINK I KNOW A WAY TO MAKE A REAL MESS OUT OF THIS MESS!!

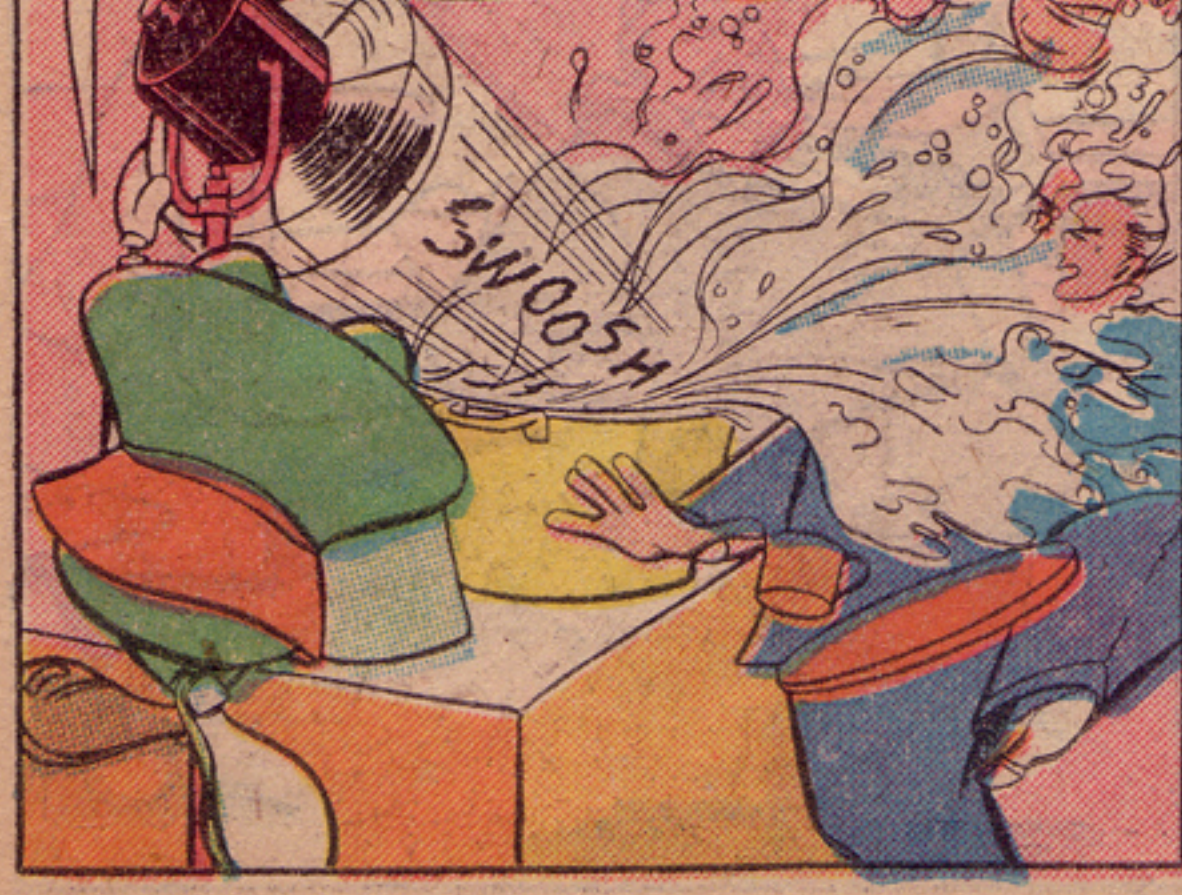


STEP RIGHT UP, SMILIN' ED! - THERE'S NOTHING LIKE GOOD ARMY FOOD TO FAN YOU INTO FIGHTING SHAPE!!



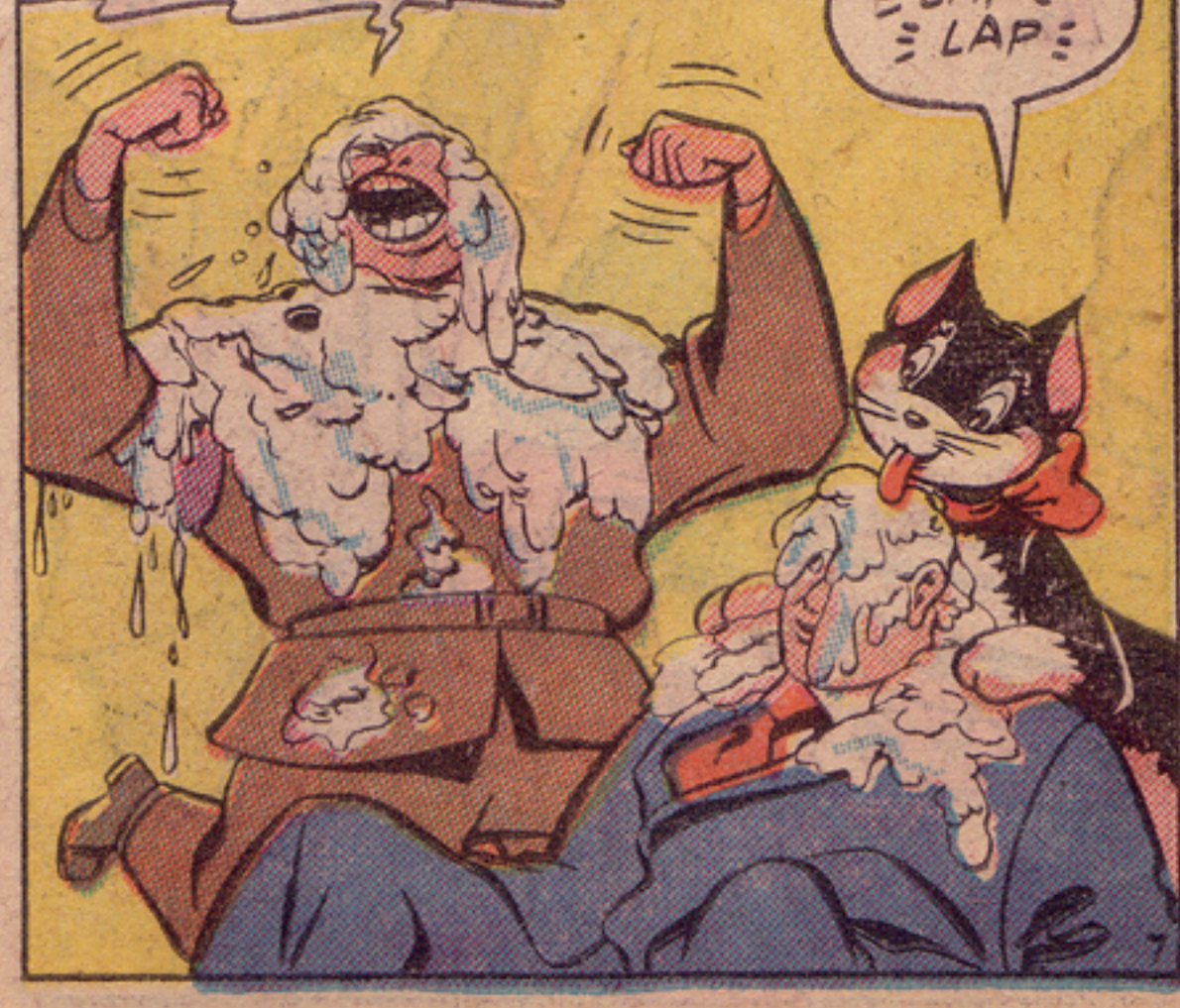
FOOD... NICE!!

JUST HOLD OUT YOUR PLATES, GENTS! THIS NEW "FROGGY AUTOMATIC FAN SERVER" WILL DO THE REST!!



GRRRR!! - I LIKE FOOD!! - BUT I DON'T LIKE TO BE DRESSED IN IT!! -

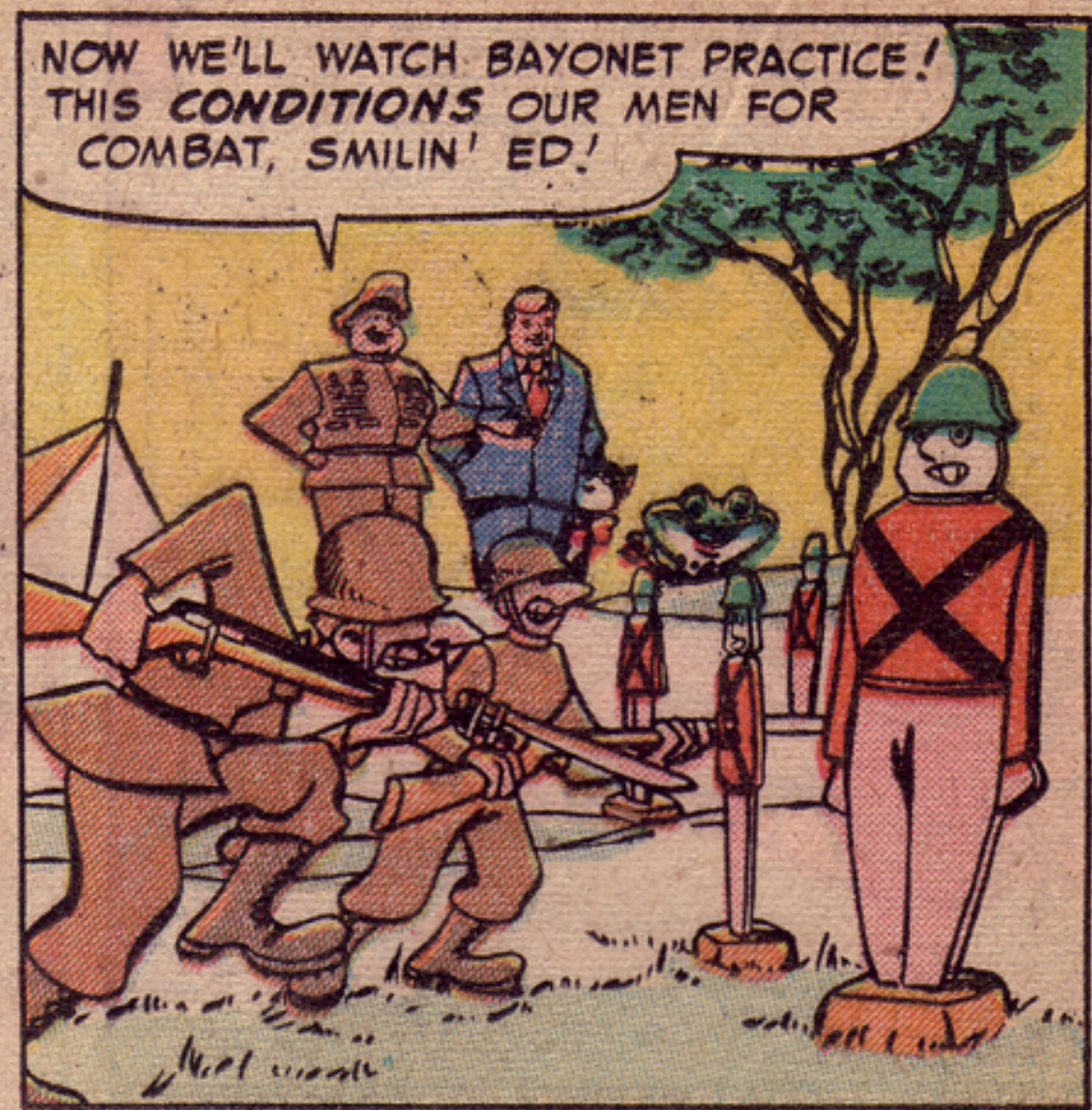
THIS SUITS ME FINE... NICE!! LAP LAP



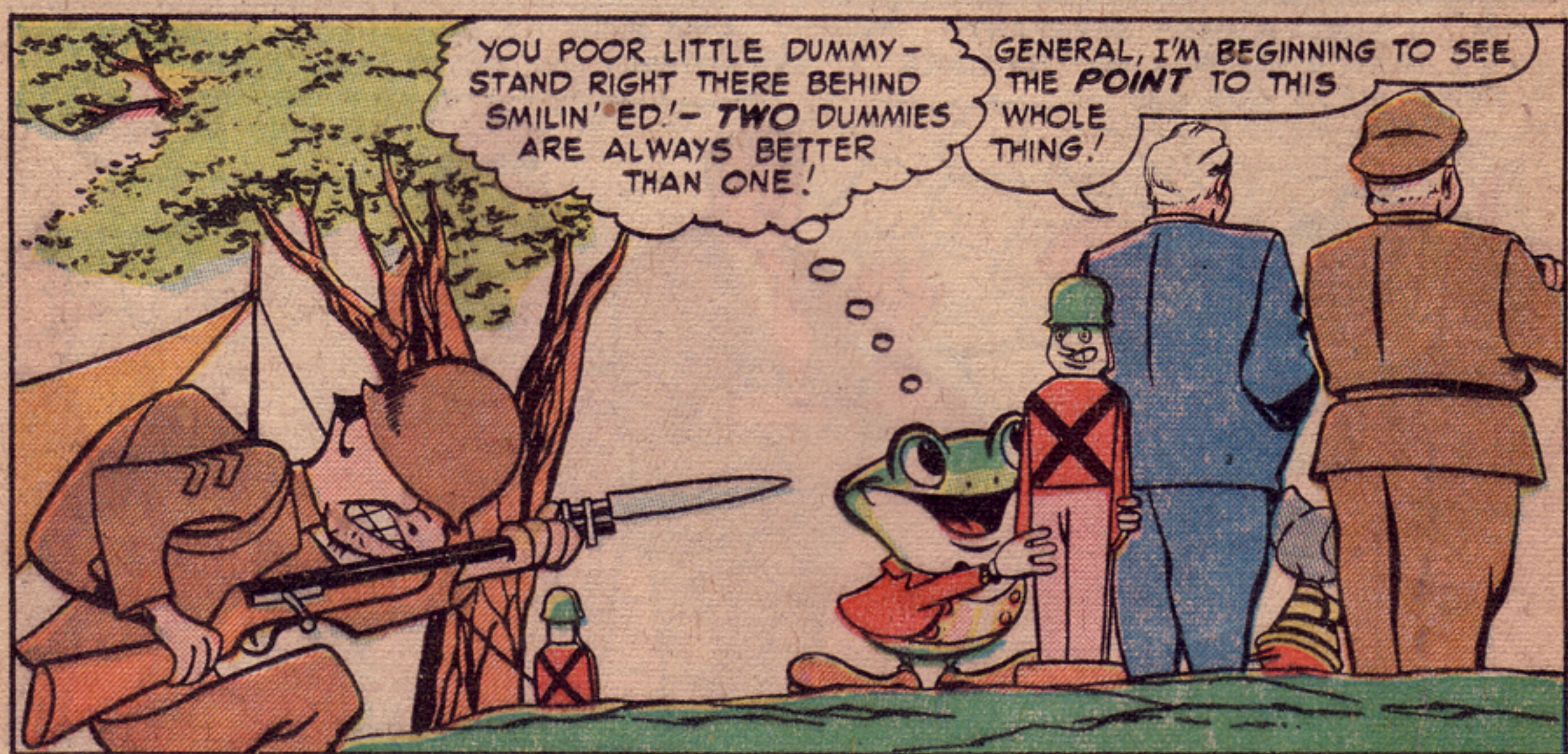


HA! HA! EVERYTHING IS HAPPENING TODAY, EH, SMILIN' ED.? - BUT CHEER UP, BOY!

YES - SURE, GENERAL!! NOW WHAT DO WE DO?

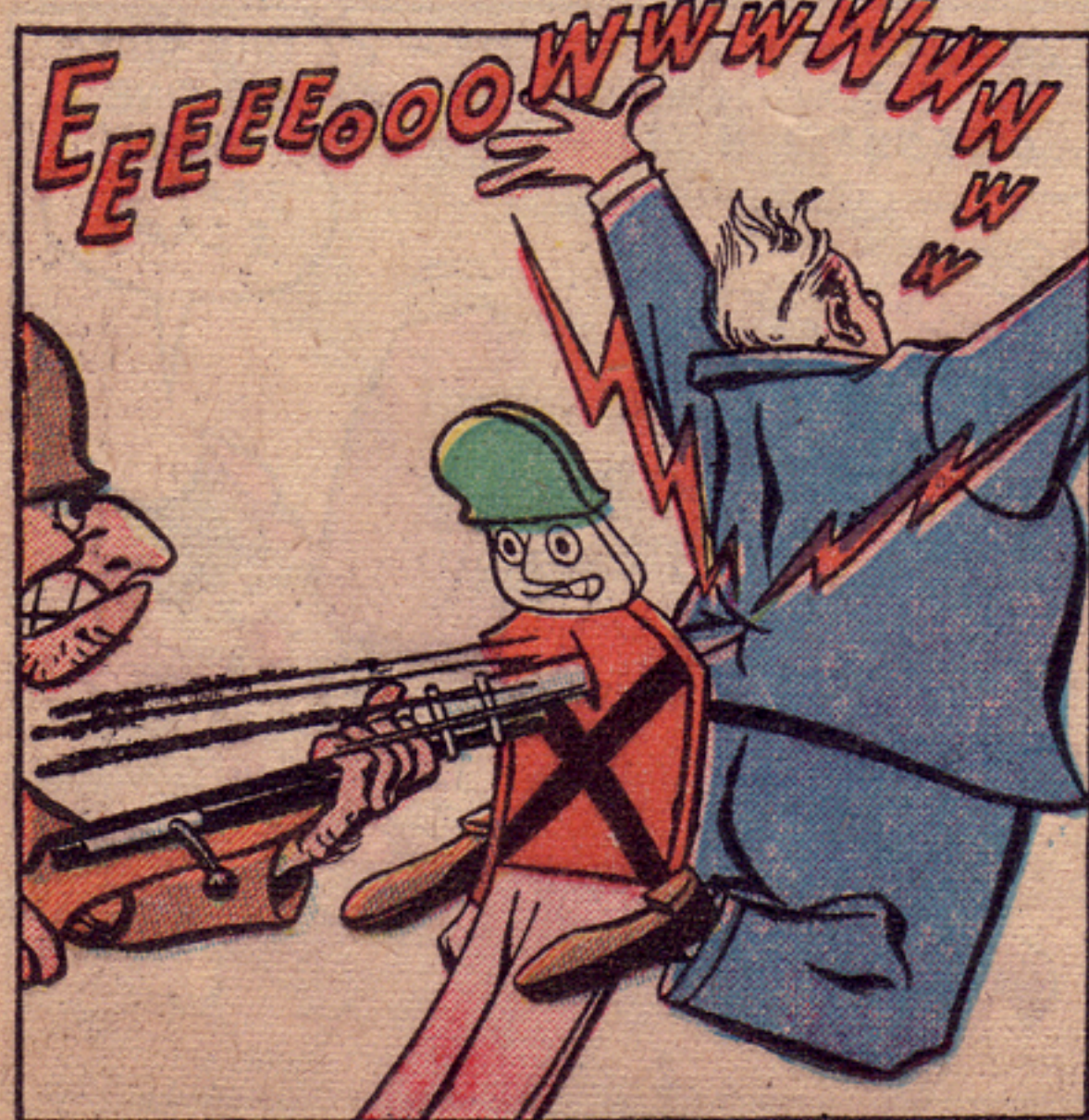


NOW WE'LL WATCH BAYONET PRACTICE! THIS CONDITIONS OUR MEN FOR COMBAT, SMILIN' ED!

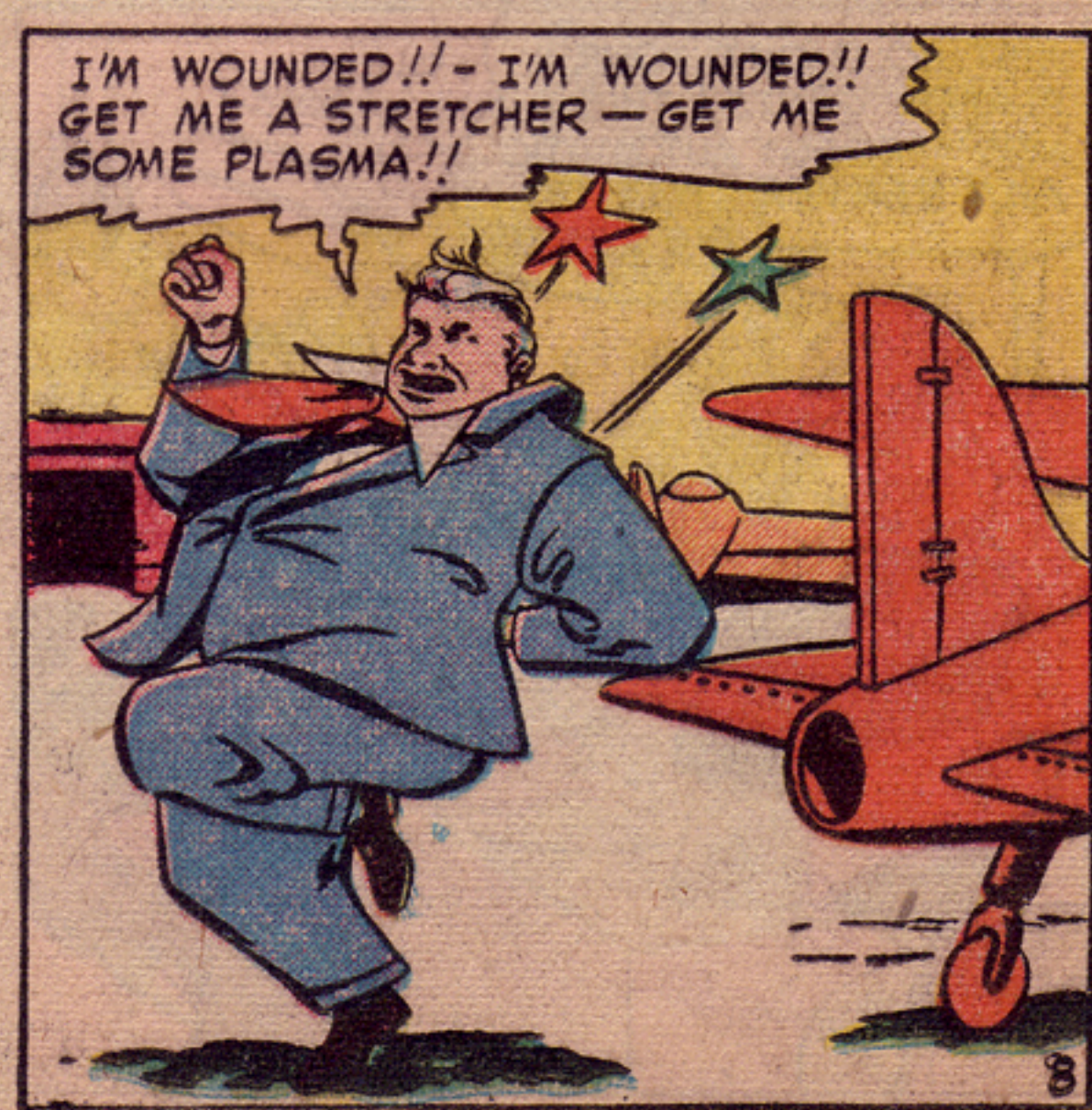


YOU POOR LITTLE DUMMY - STAND RIGHT THERE BEHIND SMILIN' ED! - TWO DUMMIES ARE ALWAYS BETTER THAN ONE!

GENERAL, I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE POINT TO THIS WHOLE THING!

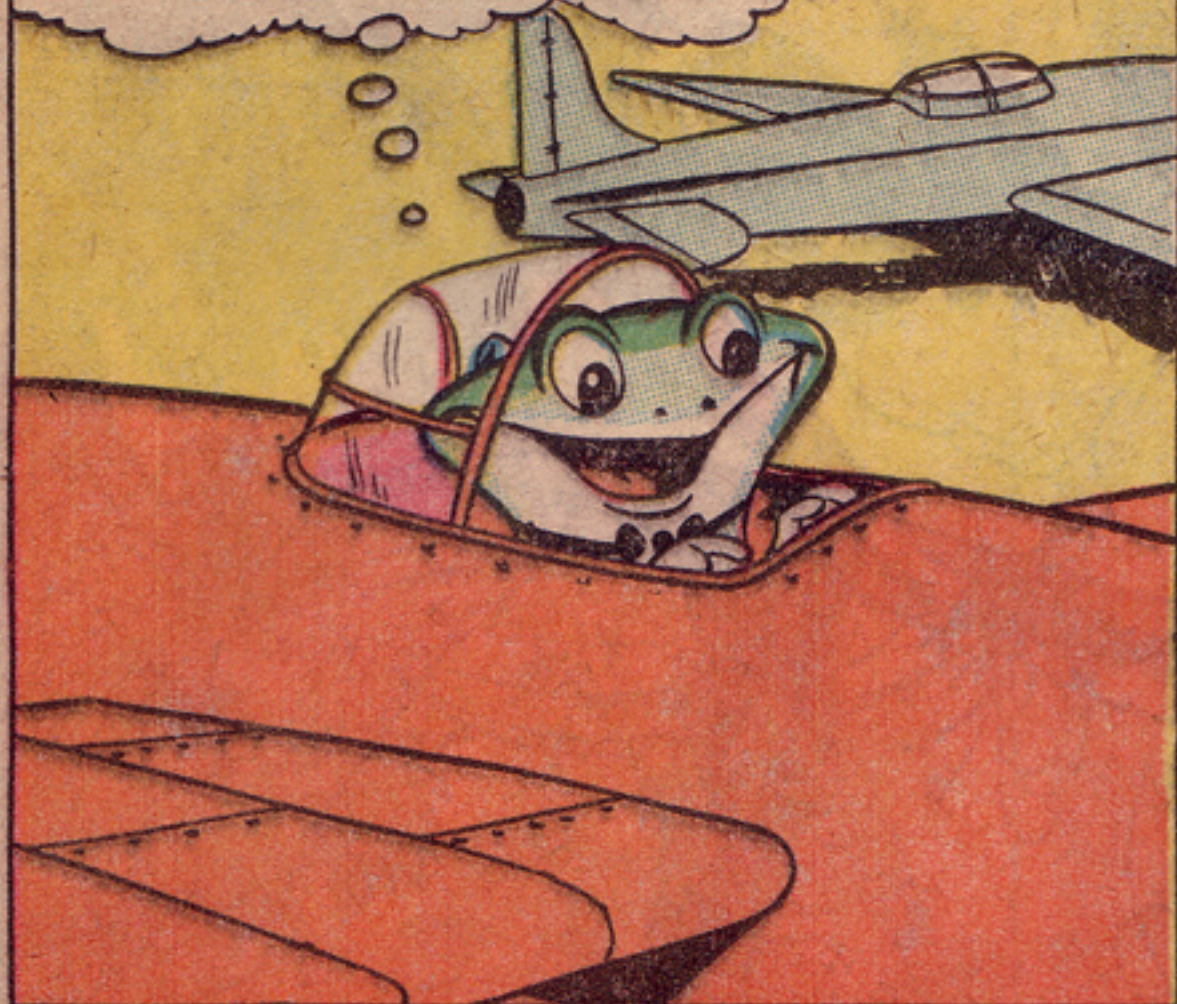


EEEEEOOO WWWWWW

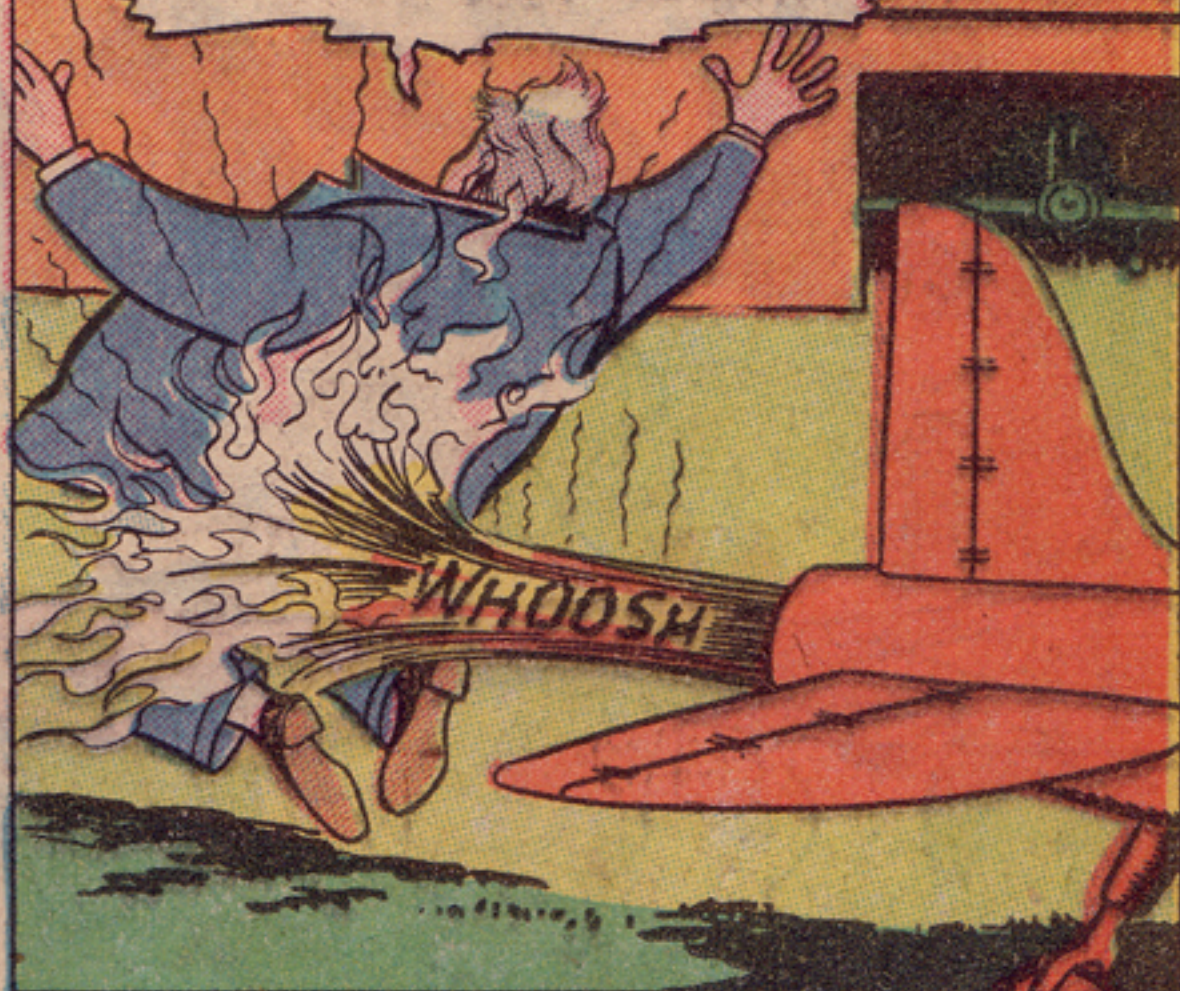


I'M WOUNDED!! - I'M WOUNDED!! GET ME A STRETCHER - GET ME SOME PLASMA!!

A LITTLE BLAST FROM THIS JET PLANE SHOULD COOL OFF SMILIN' ED — IT SHOULD — IT SHOULD...



EEEEOWWW!! — I SURRENDER!! — TURN OFF THAT BLOW TORCH!



HALP!! — I'M RED HOT AND DOING 450 MILES-AN-HOUR!

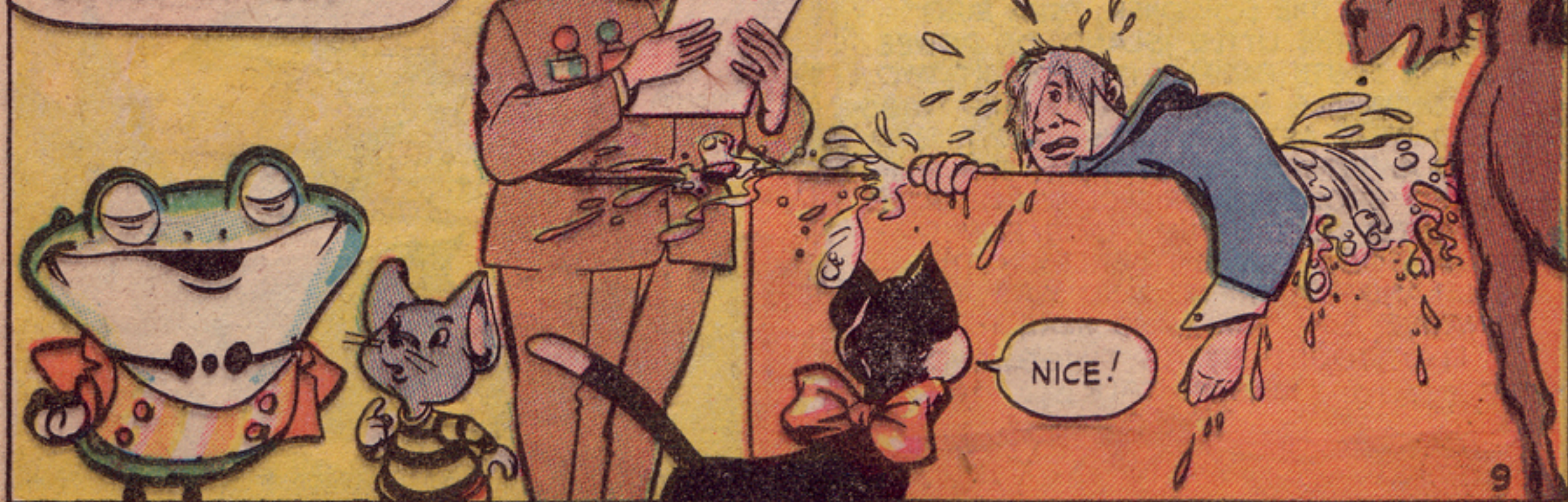


SPLASH

THAT JET-PROPELLED FATTY MADE A BEAUTIFUL DIVE, DIDN'T HE, MOE?

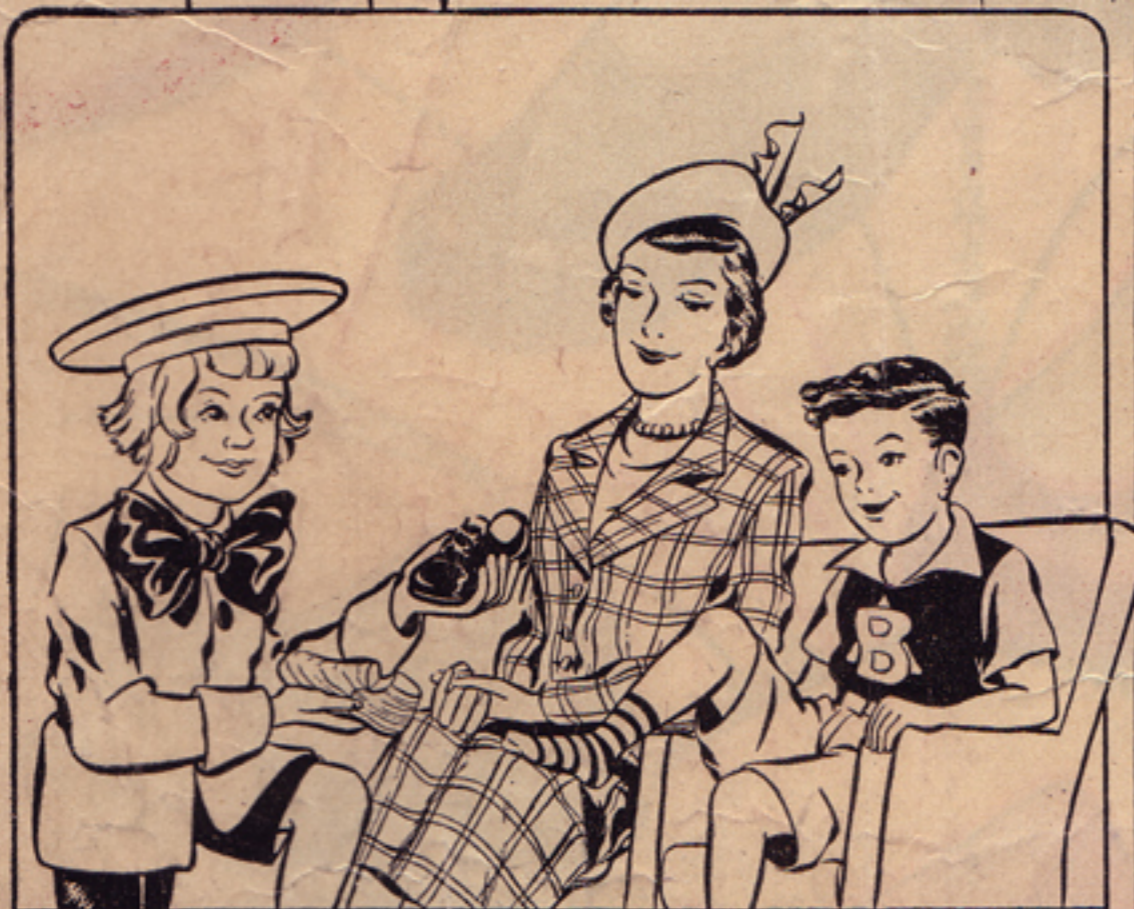


SMILIN' ED — HERE'S SOME GOOD NEWS FOR YOU. IT READS: 'GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT... THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT YOU ARE HEREBY INDUCTED INTO THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES.'



Buddies! Sweethearts!

SHOW YOUR MOM WHY THIS IS TRUE!



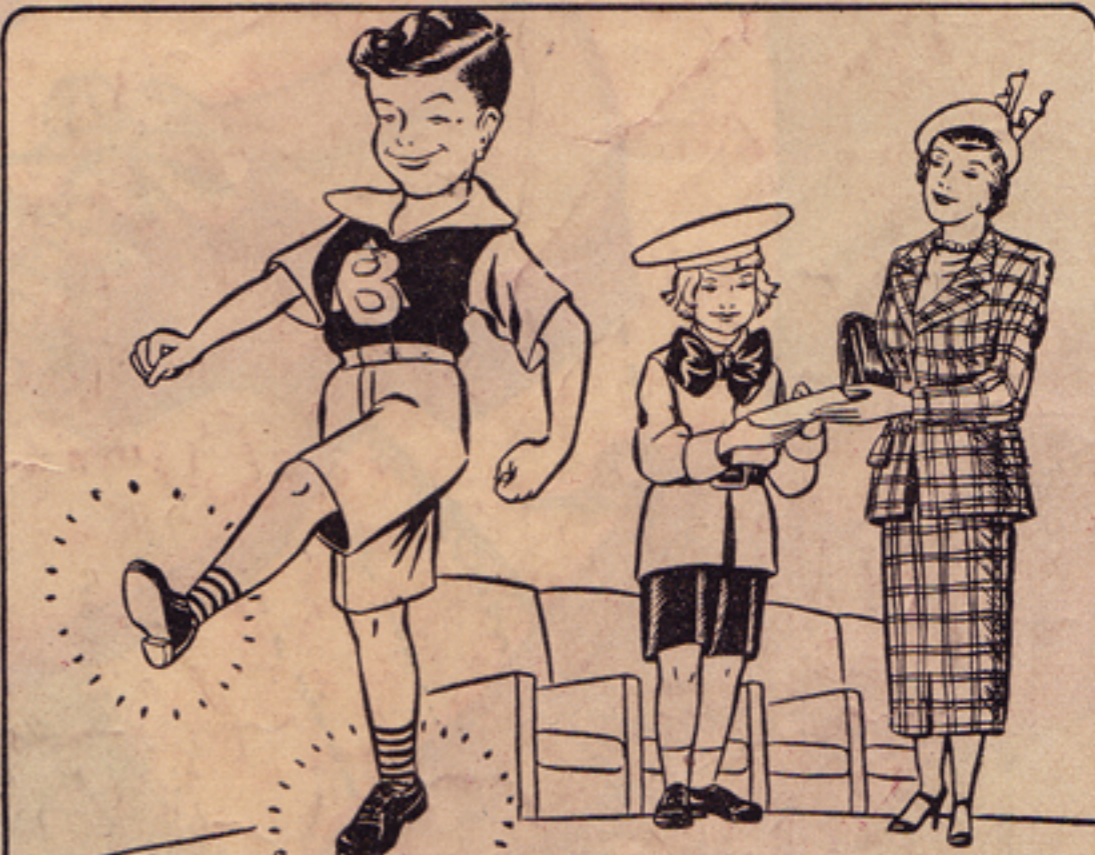
"FIRST OF ALL, BUSTER BROWN SHOES ARE SHAPED TO FIT. THEY'RE MADE ON 'LIVE FOOT' LASTS, JUST THE SHAPE OF YOUR OWN FEET, SO YOUR SHOES ALWAYS GIVE SNUG SUPPORT WHERE YOU NEED IT!"



"THEN THE BUSTER BROWN SHOEMAN CAREFULLY MEASURES THE LENGTH AND WIDTH OF BOTH YOUR FEET. HE GIVES YOU THE RIGHT SIZE, LEAVING THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF 'WIGGLE-ROOM' AT THE TOES."



"HEEL FIT IS CHECKED, TOO, TO MAKE SURE IT'S WIDE ENOUGH AT THE BOTTOM AND SNUG ENOUGH AT THE TOP. YOUR BUSTER BROWN SALESMAN WOULD RATHER MISS A SALE THAN SEND YOU OUT IN A SHOE THAT'S NOT RIGHT FOR YOUR FOOT."



"THAT'S WHY YOU GET A SHOE THAT FEELS AS GOOD AS IT IS GOOD FOR YOU. AND YOUR BUSTER BROWN SHOEMAN ALSO CAN TELL MOTHER WHEN YOUR SHOE SIZE WILL NEED RE-CHECKING."

The style stars of

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Look 'em over, kids! They're the extra-special Easter beauties your friendly Buster Brown shoeman has for you. Tell mom you want your pair right away.

