

# BILLY BUNTER — THE FATTEST SCHOOLBOY ON EARTH!



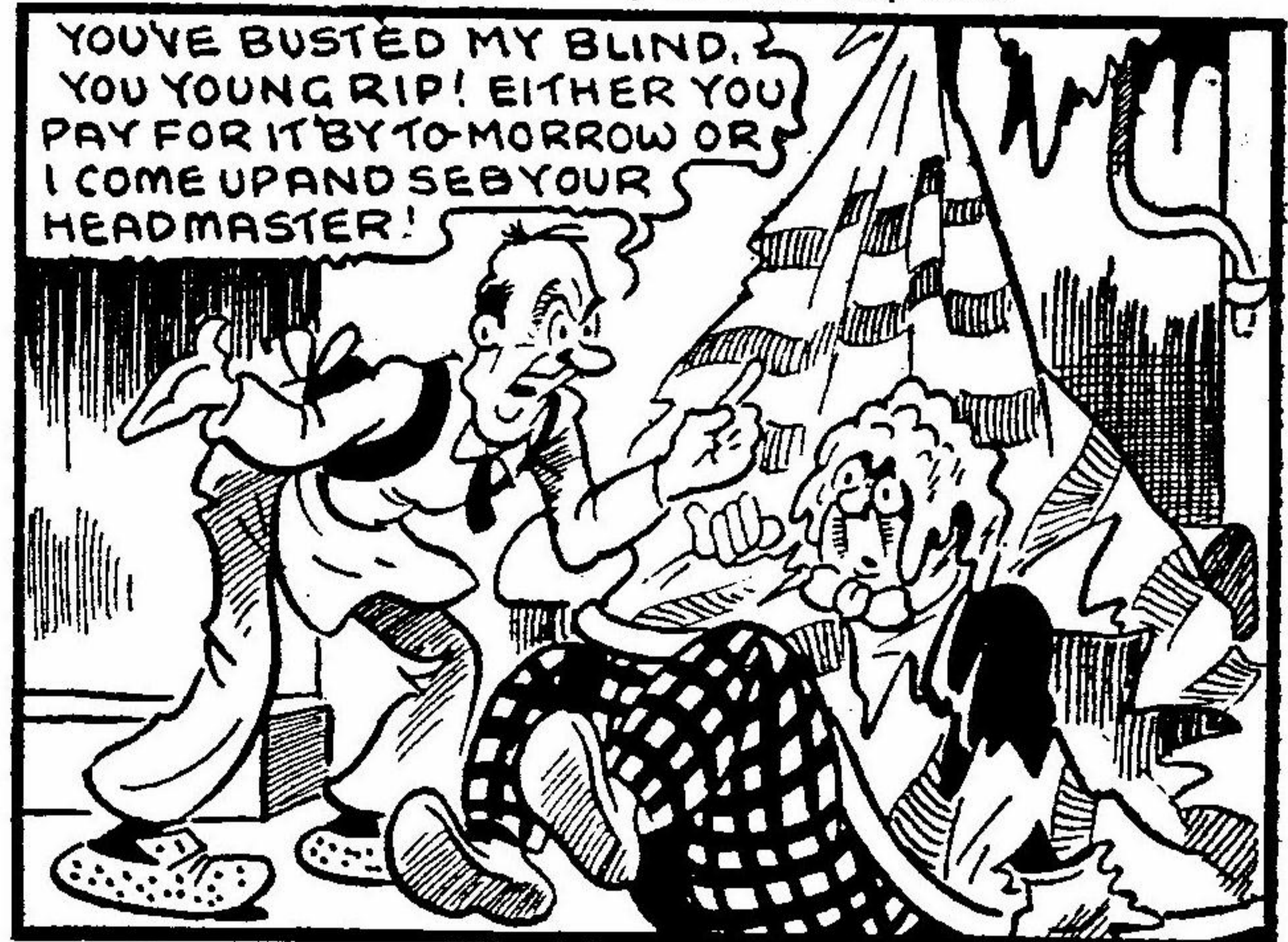
1. T'other day Billy Bunter was strolling through Courtfield village, when he passed the shop of Makeham & Bakeham, the cake merchants. He couldn't get at any of the cakes 'cos he had no money. But there was a jelly standing at an open window which Billy spotted!



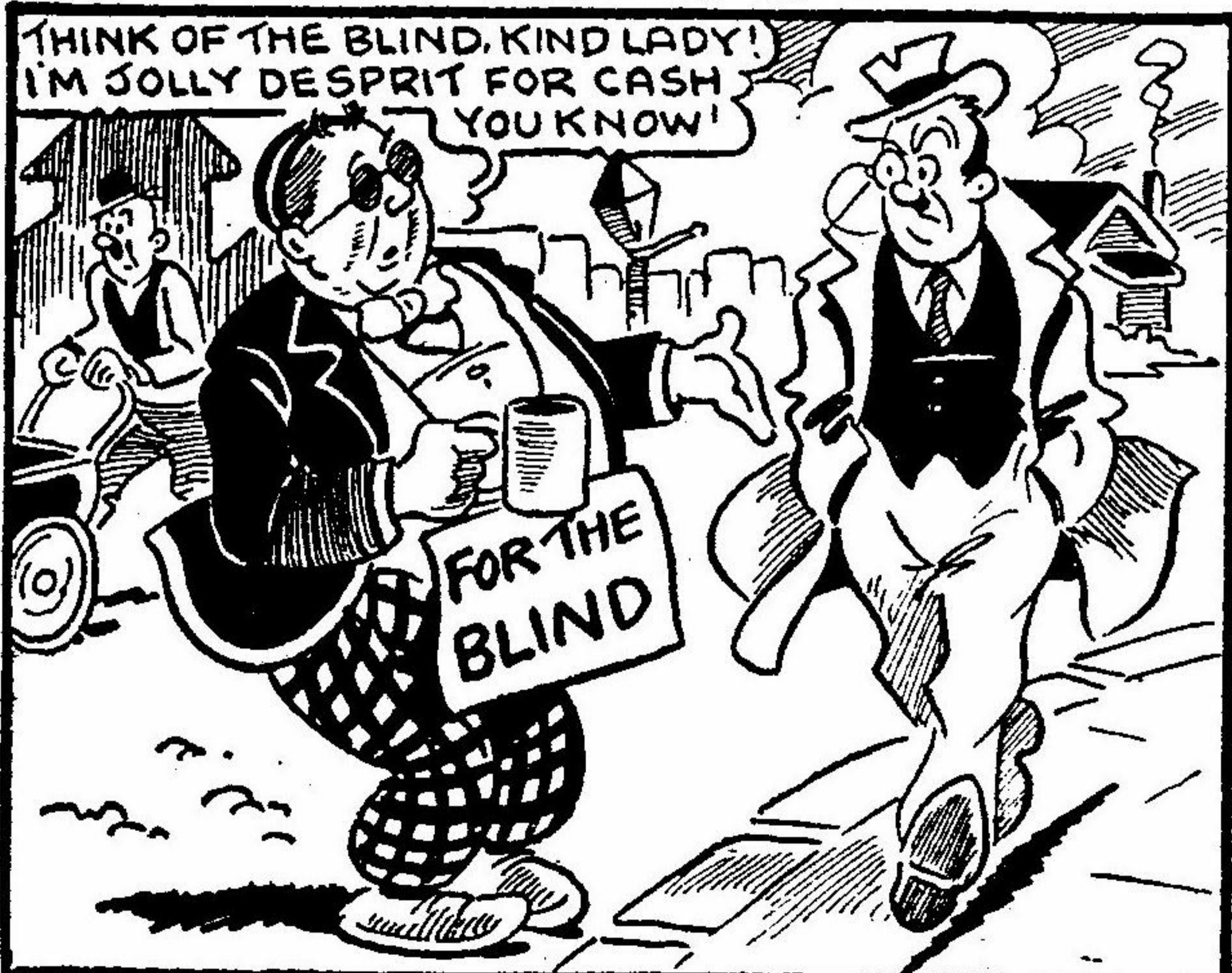
2. There it was, wobbling gently in the breeze. Someone in the house had dumped it there, in the cool, so's it would have a chance to set properly. Well, Billy's mouth watered so much that he decided to nobble this jelly. So he heaved himself up on to the shop-blind.



3. Bunter doing acrobatics on the blind was a bit like an elephant walking the tightrope. And the result was just about as disastrous. Bunter was sprawling about all over the canvas, making grabs at the jelly, when there came a sudden awful ripping noise!



4. Billy made a wild grab to try to save himself, but all he managed was to knock the jelly flying. Then he landed with a dull thud on the pavement below. And the jelly came to rest with a splashy plopp right on top of Bunter's noddle.



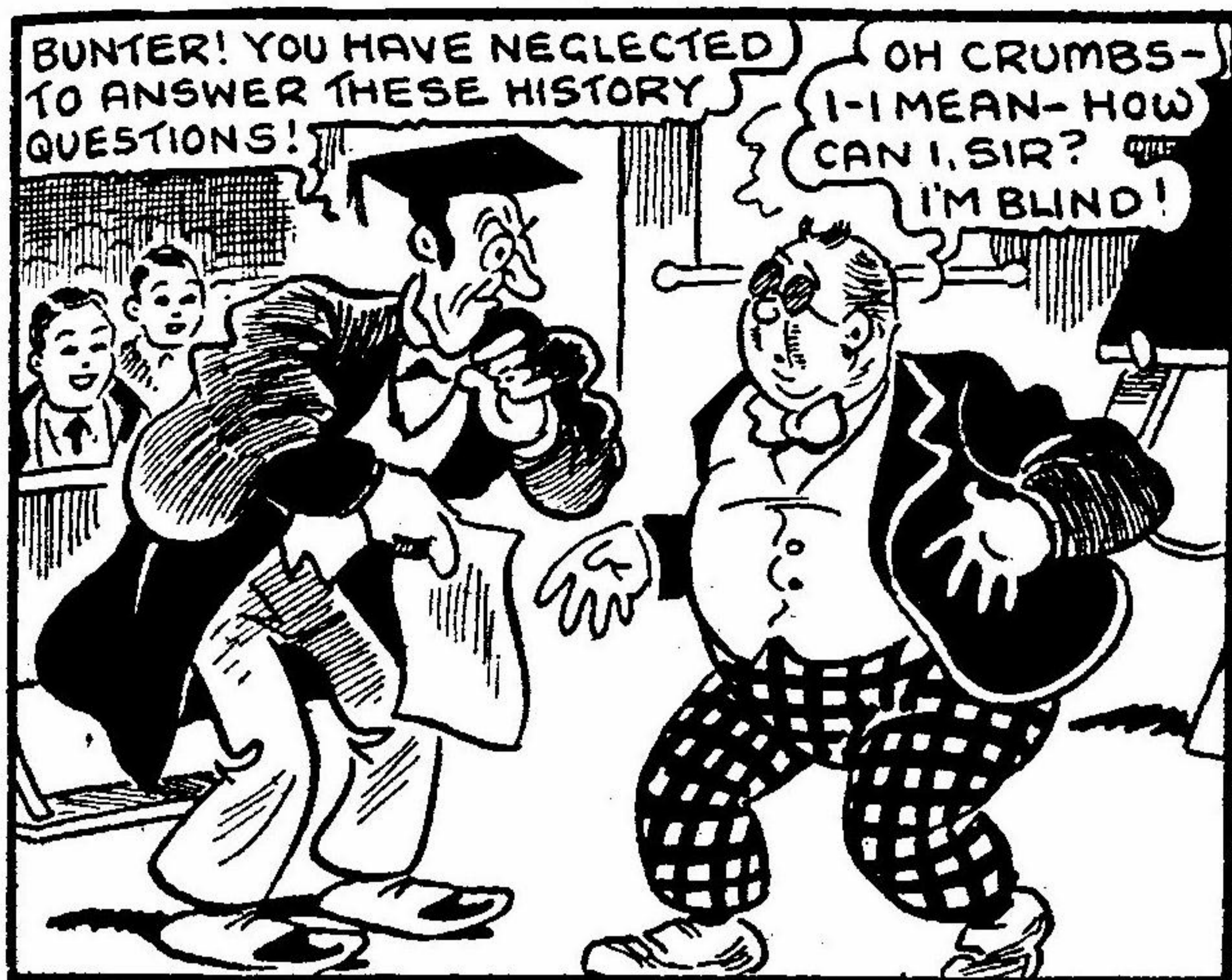
5. Out pounced the shopkeeper and told Bunter he'd got to pay for the broken blind. So Bunter stuck a notice on his tummy, which said "For the Blind," and pretended that he was blind himself. He jingled an old teacup up and down and hoped that people would put money in it.



6. Presently, Mr. Quelch, who was Bunter's Form-master, came along, and you can bet your boots he jolly soon wanted to know what Bunter was up to. He didn't quite believe it when Bunter said that he'd gone blind; but he wasn't sure, so he just hitched Bunter back to school.

(You'll find other funny adventures of Billy Bunter in "The Magnet" every week as well.)





BUNTER! YOU HAVE NEGLECTED TO ANSWER THESE HISTORY QUESTIONS!

OH CRUMBS- I-I MEAN- HOW CAN I, SIR? I'M BLIND!

7. In class, Bunter kept on saying that he was blind and doing all sorts of silly things so that Quelchy began to believe him. Bunter, of course, was thoroughly enjoying himself, because it looked to him as though he'd found a jolly good way to dodge classes.



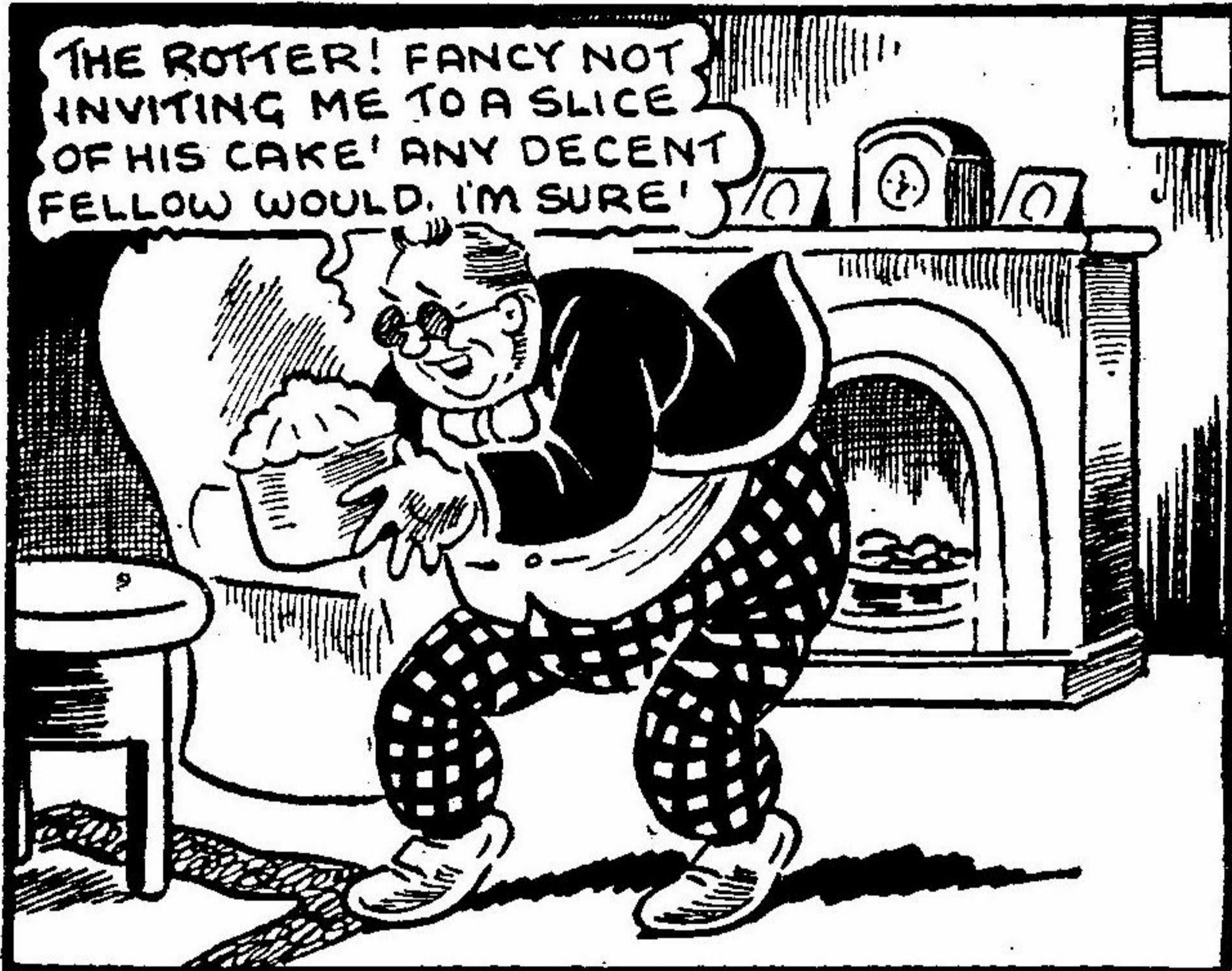
POOR FELLOW! REST AWHILE IN MY STUDY WE'LL SEE INTO THIS MATTER AFTER LESSONS!

8. But really and truly, Quelchy had a tiny little idea that Bunter was pulling his leg, so he decided to set a trap for him. Pretending to be very sorry for Bunter, he marched him along to his study and sat him down in his best armchair to rest.



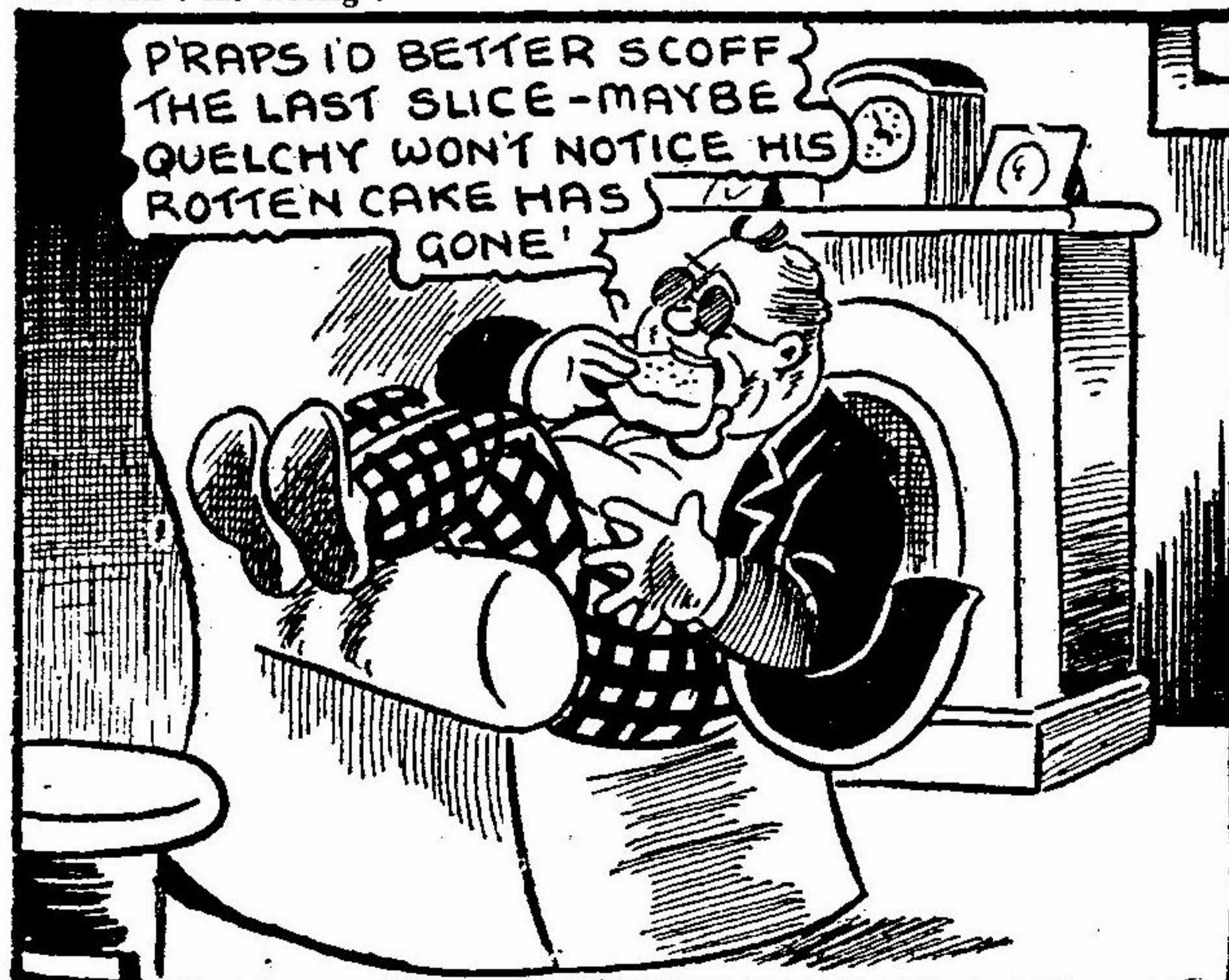
MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE; BUNTER I'LL RETURN AFTER CLASS IS DISMISSED!

9. Now where old Quelchy had been so jolly cunning was that he'd left a real champion plum cake on his study table. He had an idea that things would start happening if he left Bunter alone with that cake, and he wasn't far wrong!



THE ROTTER! FANCY NOT INVITING ME TO A SLICE OF HIS CAKE! ANY DECENT FELLOW WOULD, I'M SURE!

10. Of course, Bunter not being blind at all, the plum cake was the first thing that he spotted when he came into the room. And the minute Quelchy left him alone with it he hopped out of his chair and grabbed the cake. He just couldn't resist it!



P'RAPS I'D BETTER SCOFF THE LAST SLICE - MAYBE QUELCHY WON'T NOTICE HIS ROTTEN CAKE HAS GONE!

11. It wasn't long before Billy Bunter was tucking into that cake like nobody's business. He ate it so fast that Quelchy, who'd only just gone outside the door, didn't have time to get back until it was all but finished. Bunter was feeling that it's great fun, pretending to be blind!



AH! I HAVE GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, BUNTER! YOUR SIGHT HAS RETURNED - I'M DELIGHTED! I WANT YOU TO BEND OVER THIS STOOL!

12. But he wasn't so sure a second later, 'cos Quelchy pounced in, just as he was starting on the last slice! And did he give Bunter a swishing? And for once Bunter didn't yell very loudly, 'cos it's jolly hard to yell at all, when your mouth is full of plum cake!