



OH! THERE IS LITTLE JACK HORNER EATING HIS CHRISTMAS PIE!
 YES, YOUR MAJESTY, BUT LET US BE ON OUR WAY TO THE KING!



I CAN'T IMAGINE WHERE FLIP IS, CAN YOU, DOCTOR, EH?
 HA! HA! LET'S NOT WORRY ABOUT HIM, YOUR MAJESTY



THIS KING HAS A GREAT FANCY OF EATING PIES THAT ARE STUFFED WITH BLACK BIRDS WHO SING BEAUTIFULLY



COME ON, WITH THAT PIE! GET A MOVE ON YOU! WE'RE HUNGRY, HURRY UP!
 YES, JUST AS THE PIE IS OPENED THE BIRDS BEGIN TO SING! IT IS QUITE A NOVELTY!



SOMEONE HAS STOLEN THE PIE!
 WHAT!
 I WONDER WHO IT WAS! OH! THE KING IS MAD!



LIFT! LIFT UP! YOU'RE THE LAZIEST KID I EVER KNEW LIFT IT UP!



WHO COULD HAVE STOLEN THE KING'S BLACK BIRD PIE?
 HUH! AND ME AS HUNGRY AS A WILD CAT!
 LET'S GO AND SEE IF WE CAN FIND WHO DID IT!



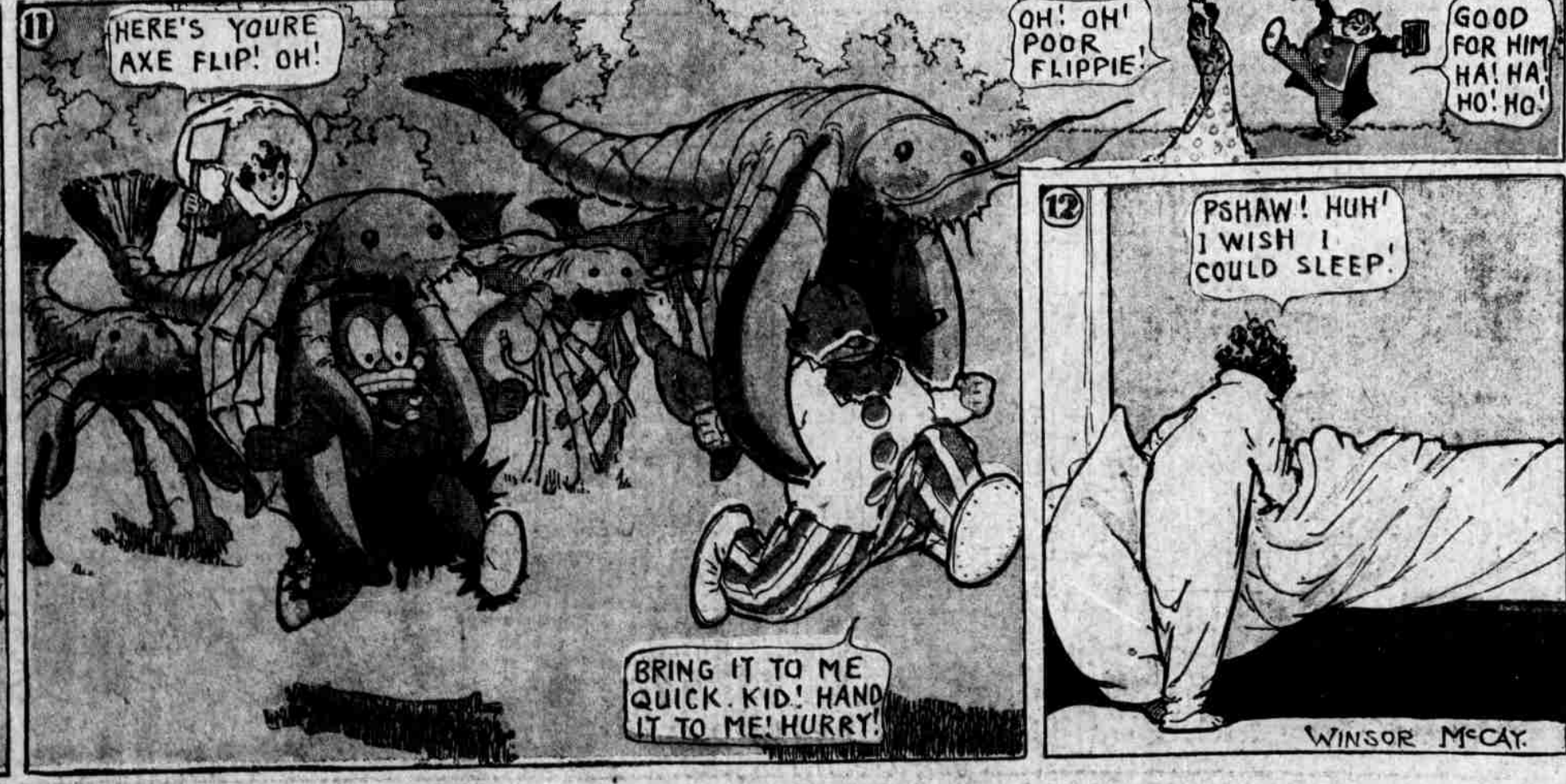
WHERE'D YOU GET THAT PIE, FLIP?
 WELL, I'M GOIN' TO EAT A PIECE, IF IT IS STOLEN PROPERTY!
 I SWIPED IT! WHERE DO YOU THINK?



OH! HE IS OPENING THE PIE!
 HA! HA! HA! THE JOKES, ON FLIP, HO!
 THAT'S A FUNNY LOOKING BLACK BIRD, FLIP!



WE WILL GO! THIS IS GOING TO BE AWFUL!
 WHAT DID I DO WITH THAT AXE? WHERE IS IT?



HERE'S YOUR AXE FLIP! OH!
 OH! OH! POOR FLIPPIE!
 GOOD FOR HIM HA! HA! HO! HO!
 BRING IT TO ME QUICK, KID! HAND IT TO ME! HURRY!



PSHAW! HUH! I WISH I COULD SLEEP.

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