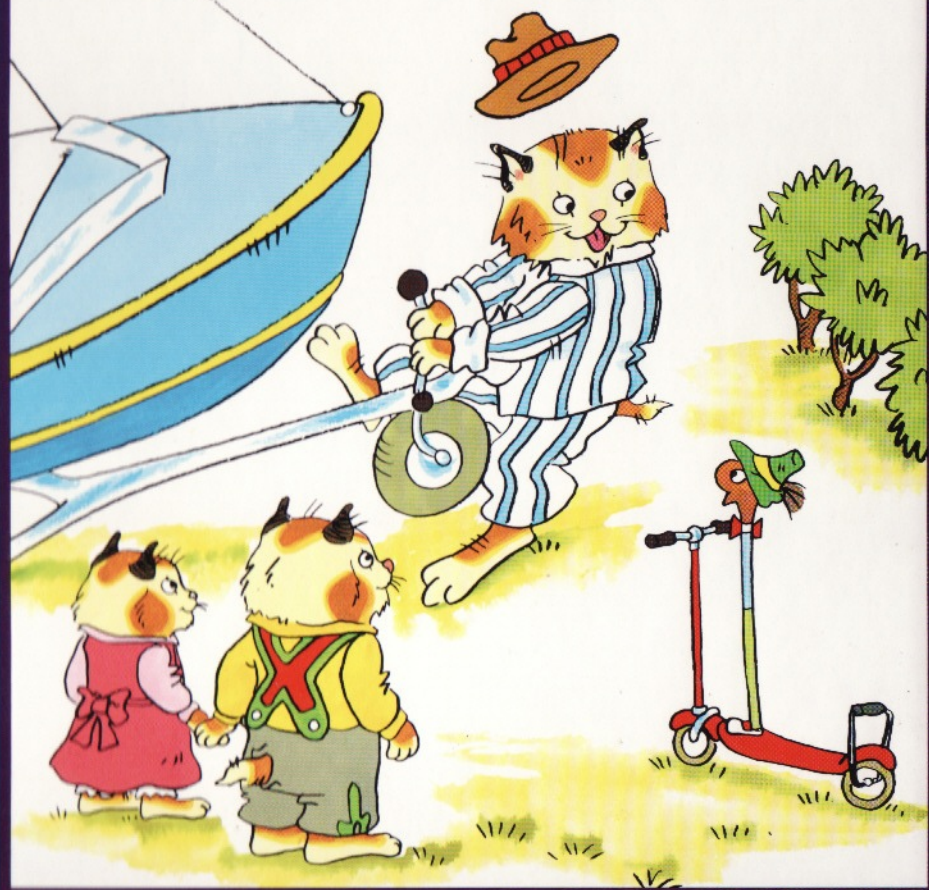


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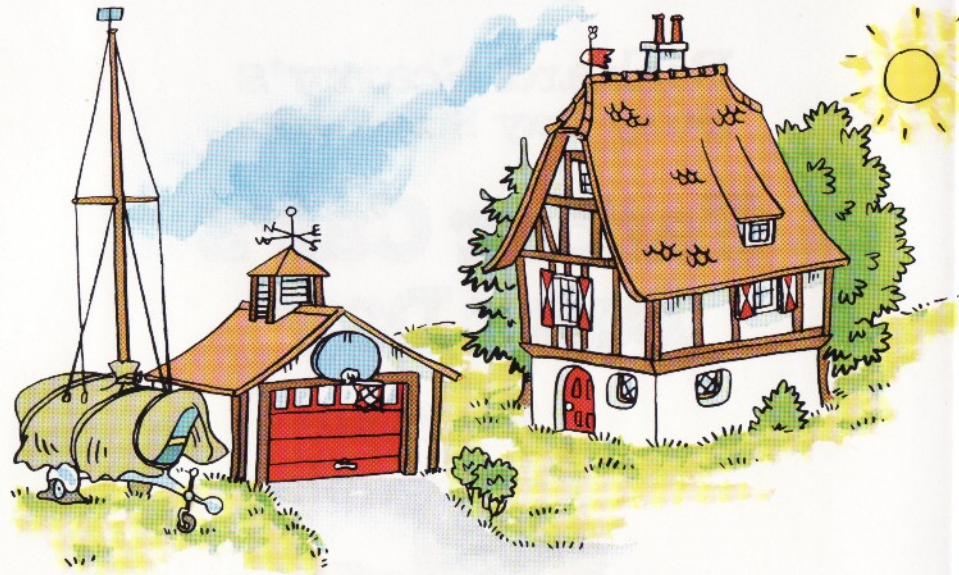
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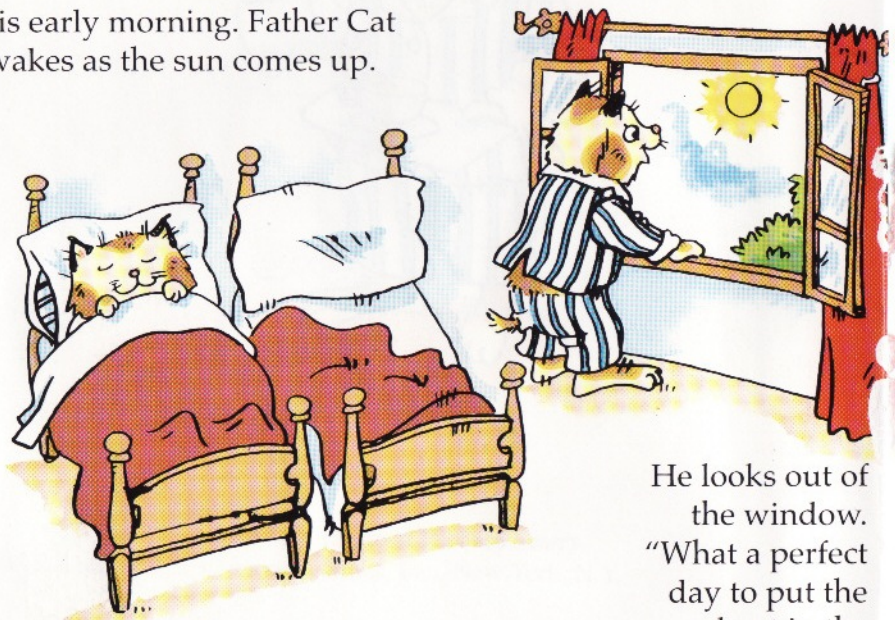


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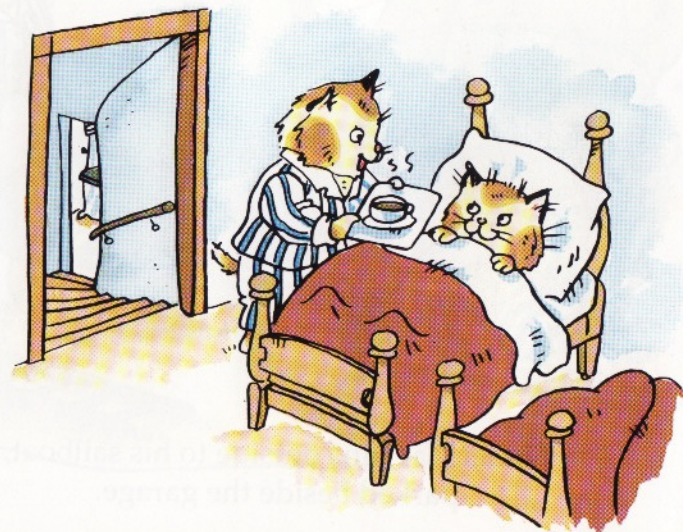
It is early morning. Father Cat awakes as the sun comes up.



He looks out of the window. "What a perfect day to put the boat in the water!" he says.



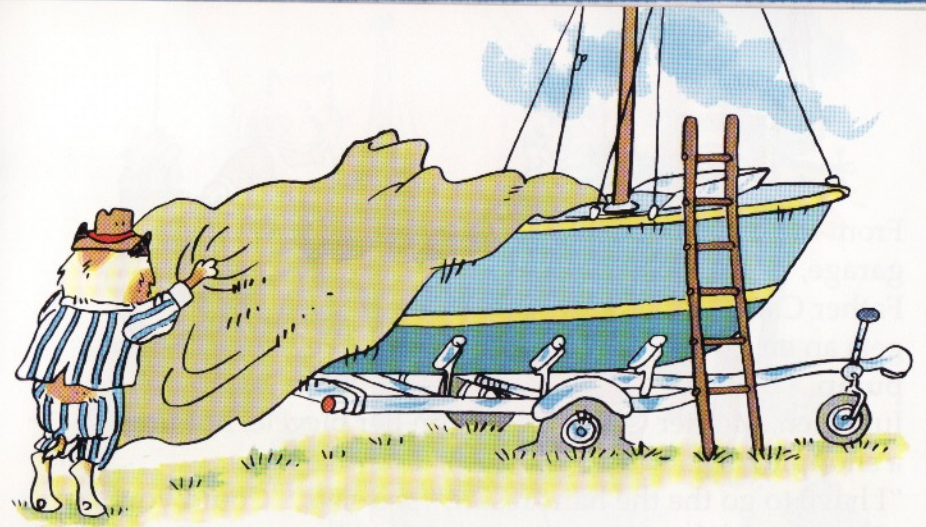
He goes downstairs to the kitchen and prepares breakfast for the family.



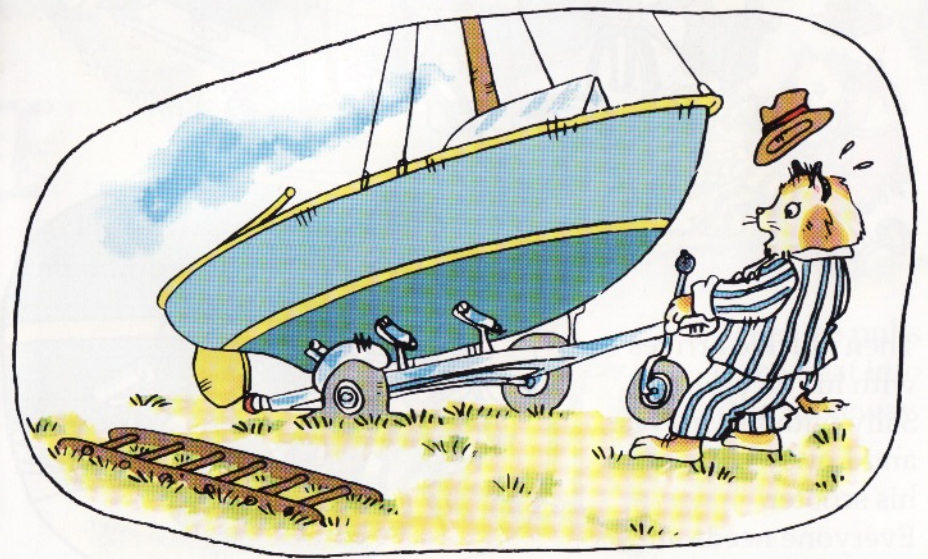
He brings Mother Cat a cup of coffee in bed.




Father Cat runs outside to his sailboat,
parked beside the garage.



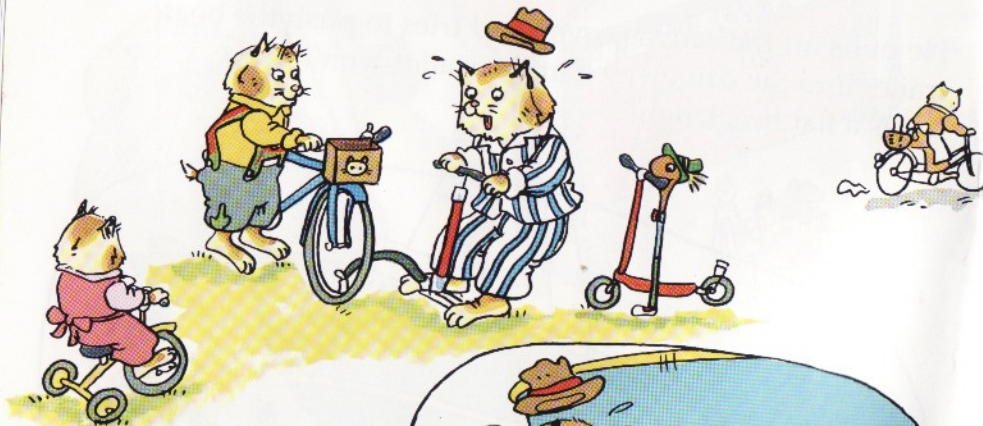
He pulls off the canvas cover, and tries to push the boat trailer into the driveway. But the trailer won't move. It has a flat tire. Ungh!



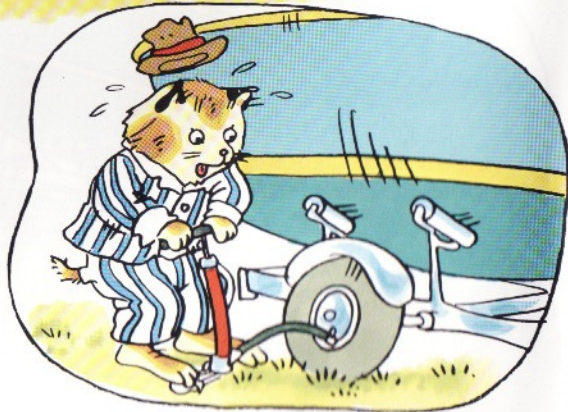


From the garage,
Father Cat
gets an air
pump.

Just then, Mother Cat comes up on her bicycle, holding a shopping list.
"I have to go to the the hairdresser," she says. "Could you please do the food shopping for me this morning?"



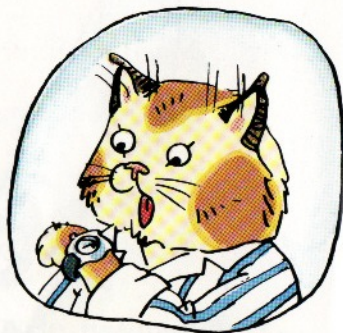
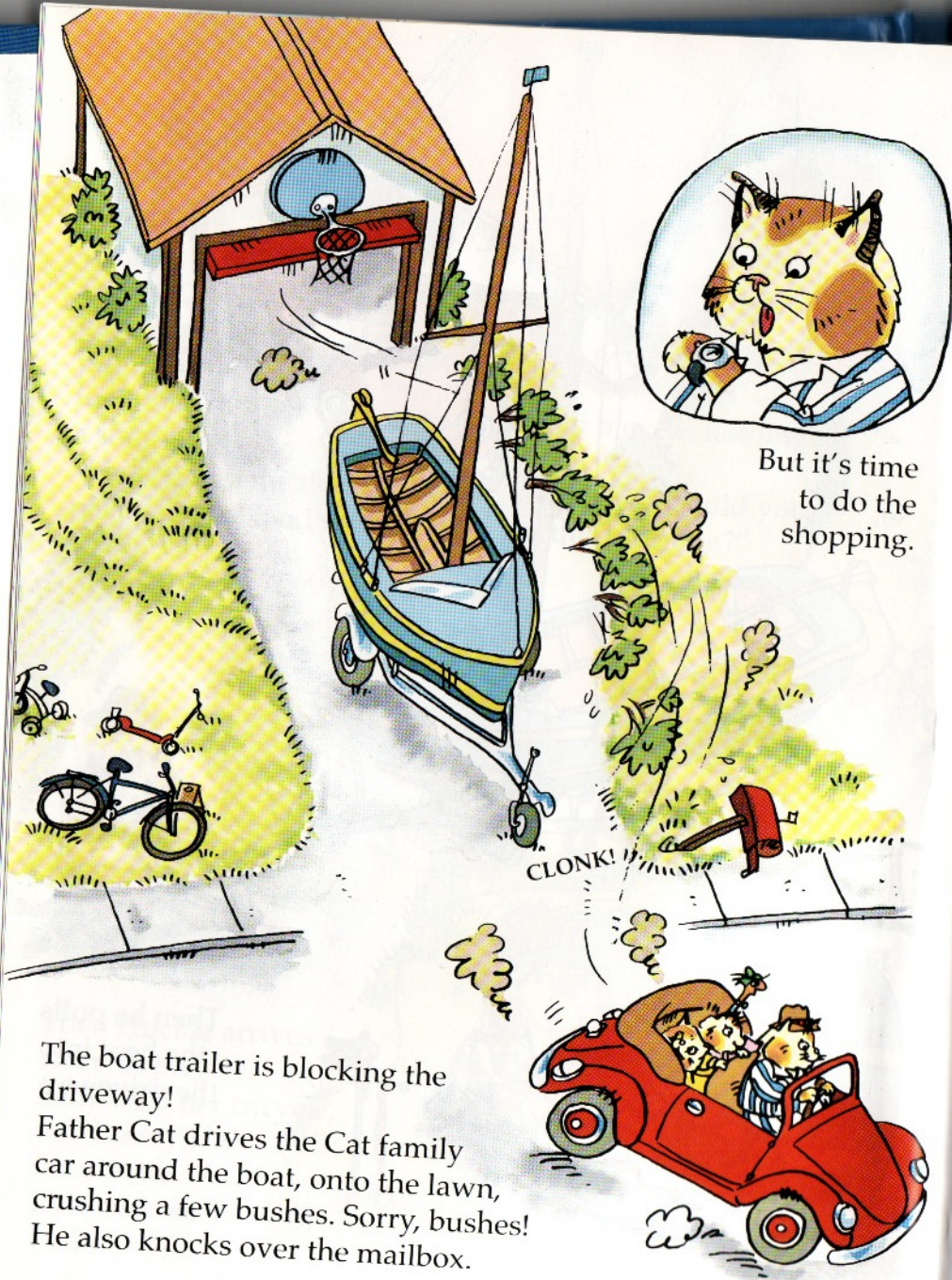
Then Huckle arrives with his bicycle, Sally with her tricycle, and Lowly with his scooter. Everyone needs air in the tires!



Finally, Father Cat can pump up the trailer tire.



Then he pulls the boat into the driveway.



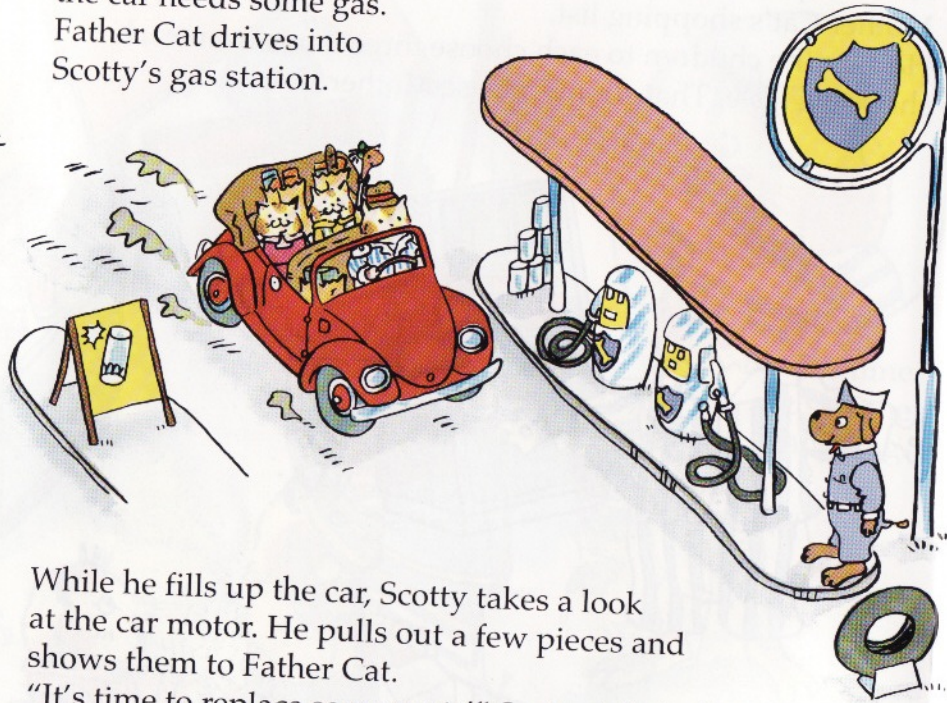
But it's time
to do the
shopping.

The boat trailer is blocking the driveway!
Father Cat drives the Cat family car around the boat, onto the lawn, crushing a few bushes. Sorry, bushes! He also knocks over the mailbox.

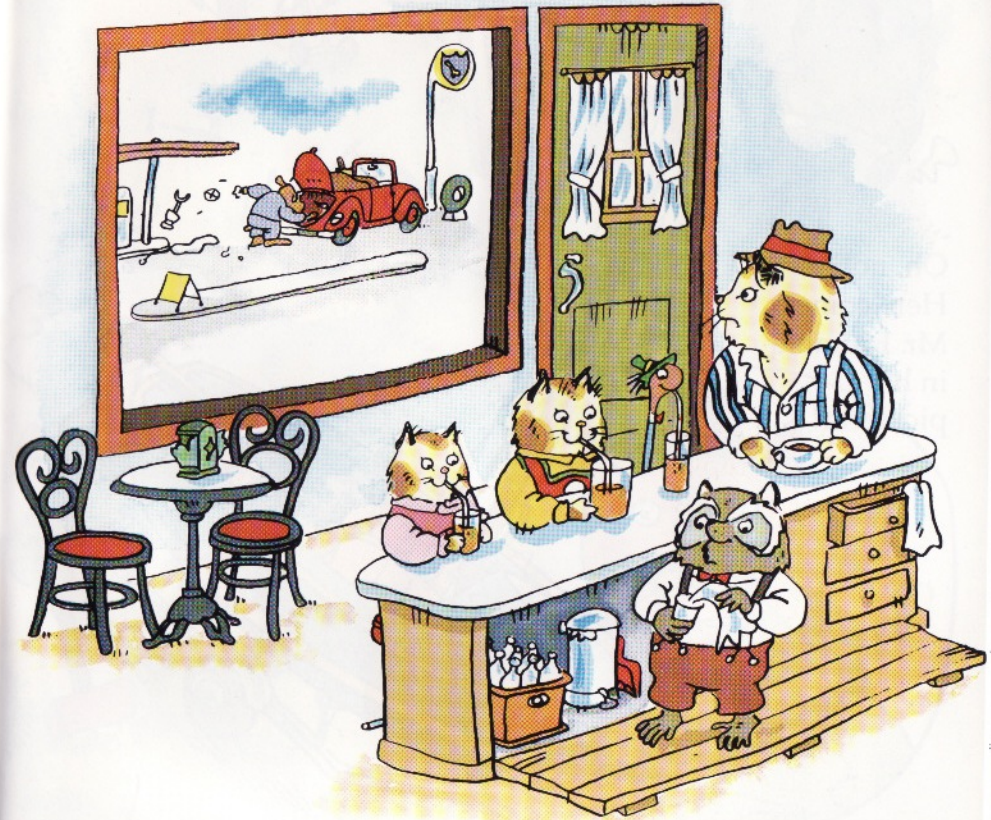
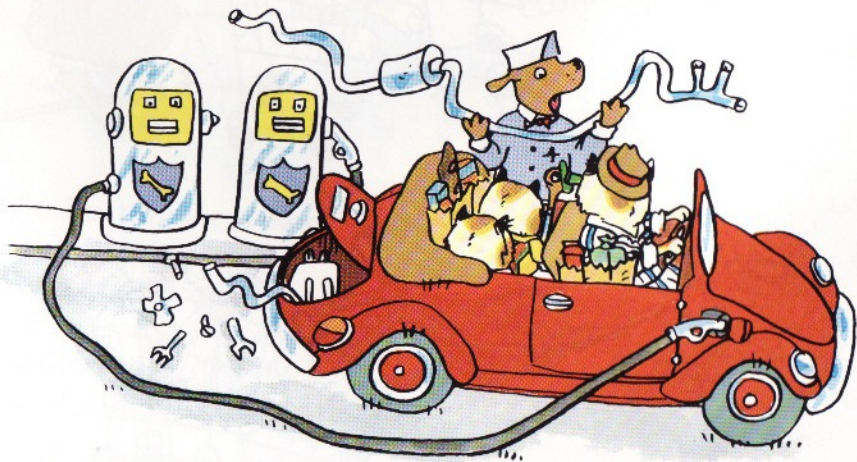
At the supermarket, Father Cat realizes he has forgotten Mother Cat's shopping list. He asks the children to each choose three items from each shopping aisle. That should please Mother Cat.



After the supermarket,
the car needs some gas.
Father Cat drives into
Scotty's gas station.



While he fills up the car, Scotty takes a look
at the car motor. He pulls out a few pieces and
shows them to Father Cat.
"It's time to replace some parts!" Scotty tells Father Cat.
"Don't worry, it won't take long."

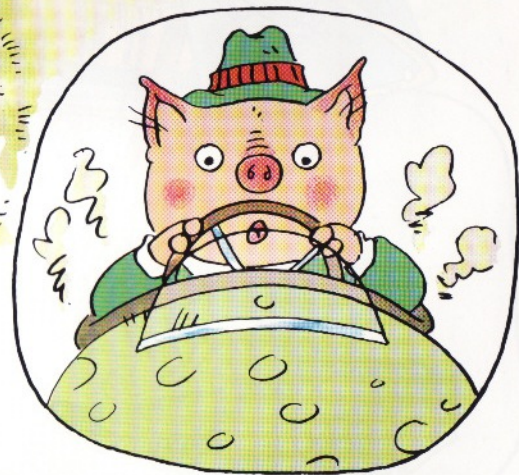
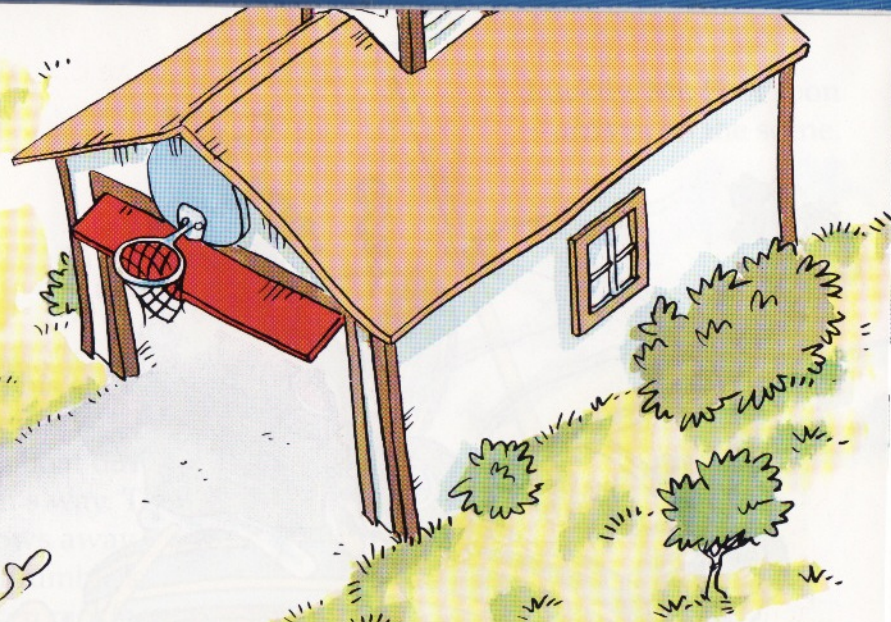
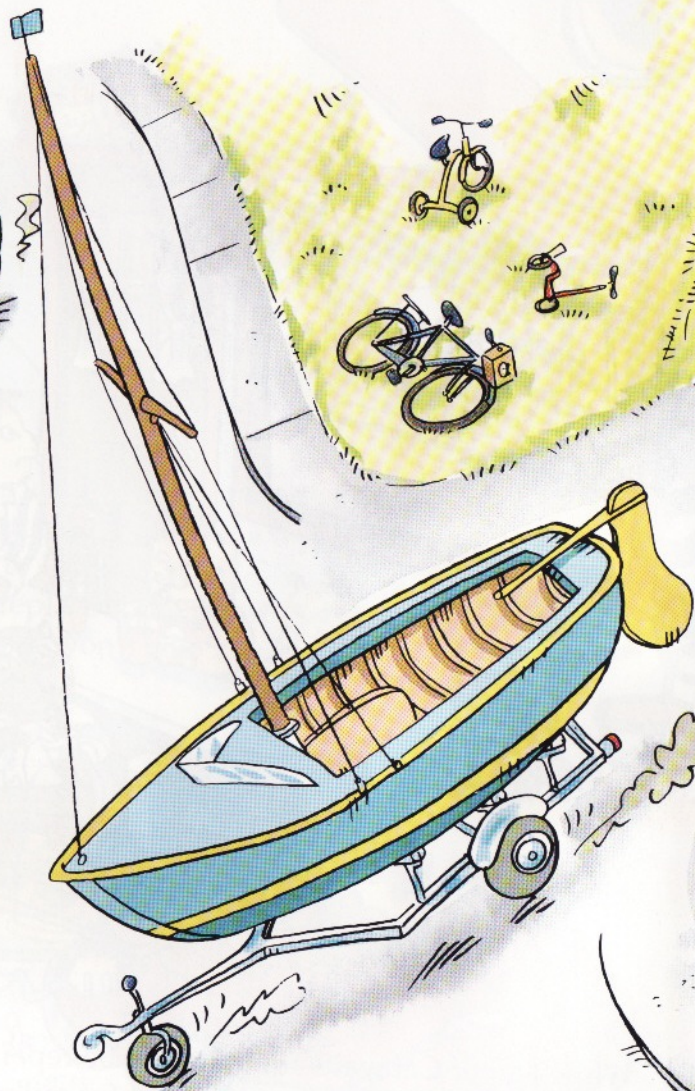


While Father Cat waits for his car to be repaired, he invites
the children across the street for milkshakes.

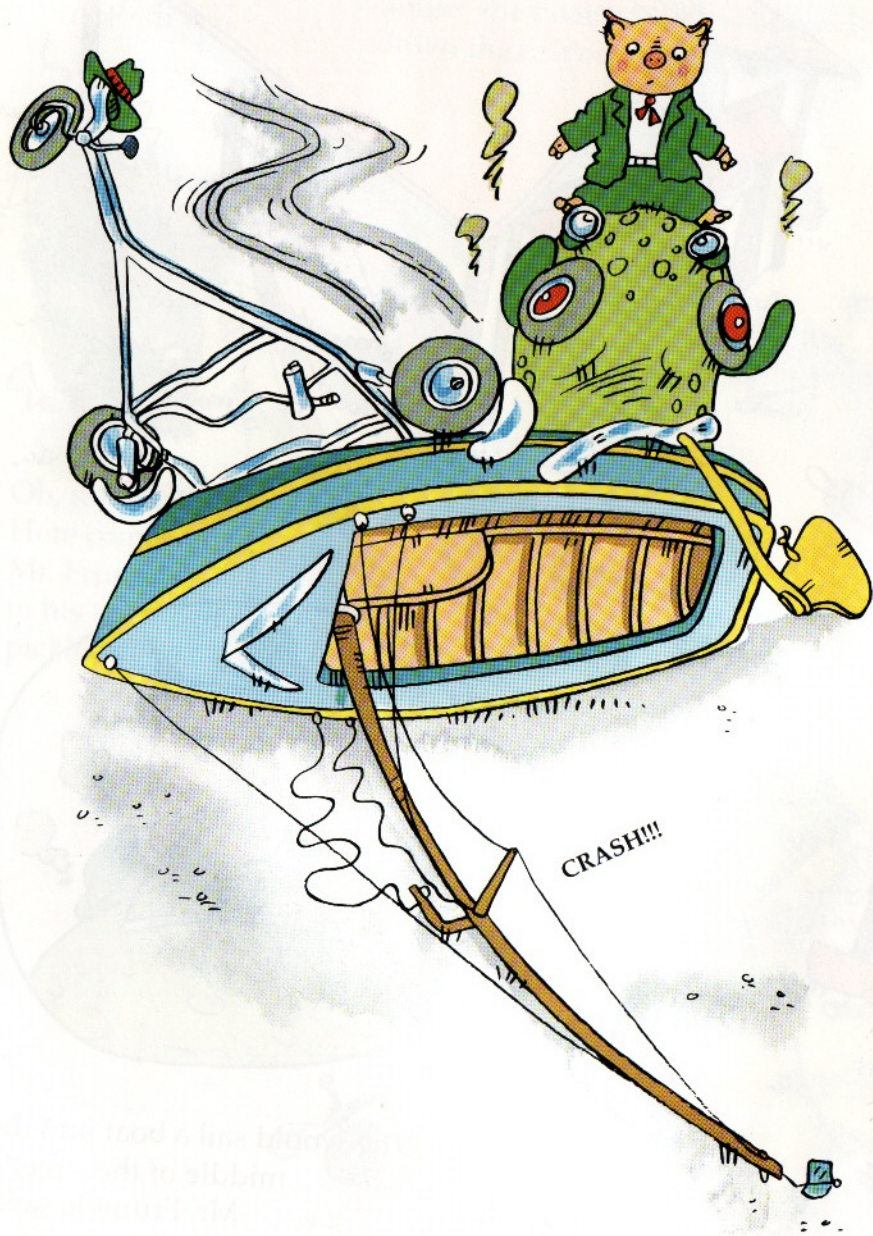
Meanwhile, back at the Cat family house, the boat trailer has begun to roll down the driveway, and into the street.



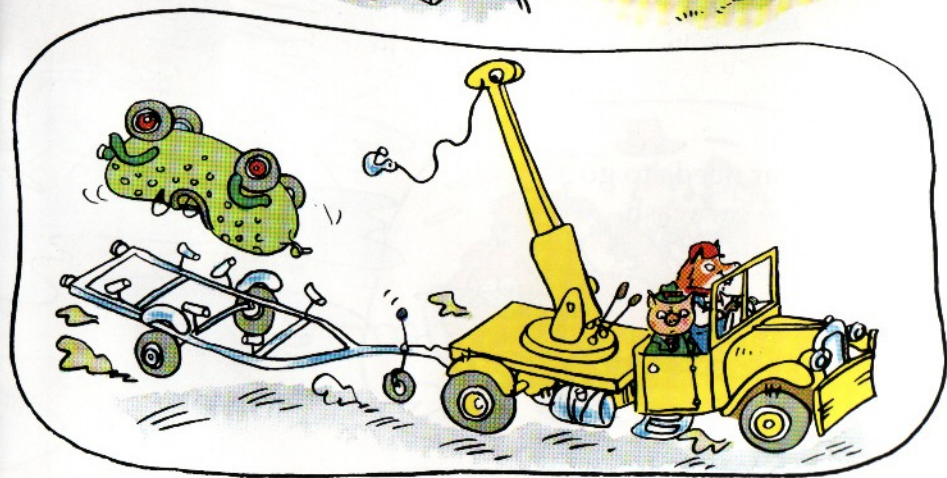
Oh, no!
Here comes
Mr. Frumble
in his
picklecar!



"Who would sail a boat into the
middle of the street!"
Mr. Frumble says.

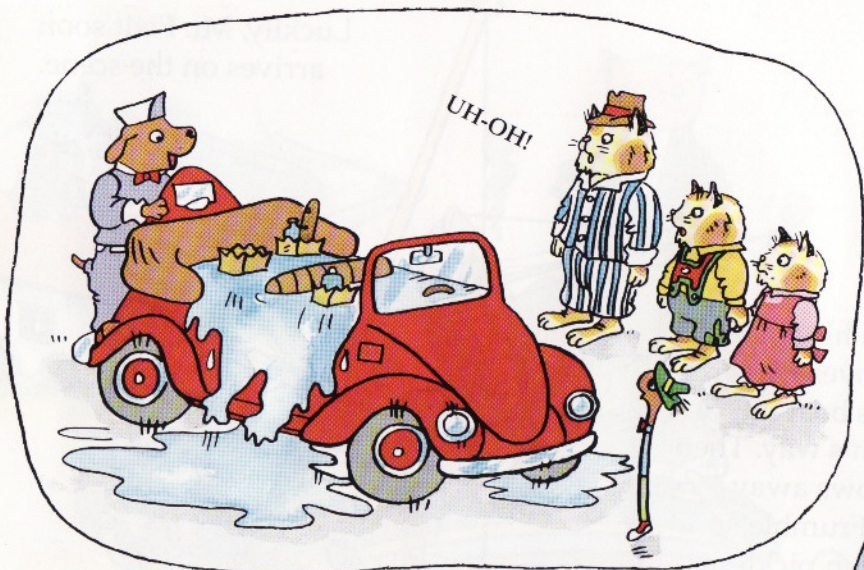


With his crane, he removes Father Cat's boat out of harm's way. Then he tows away Mr. Frumble's broken picklecar.



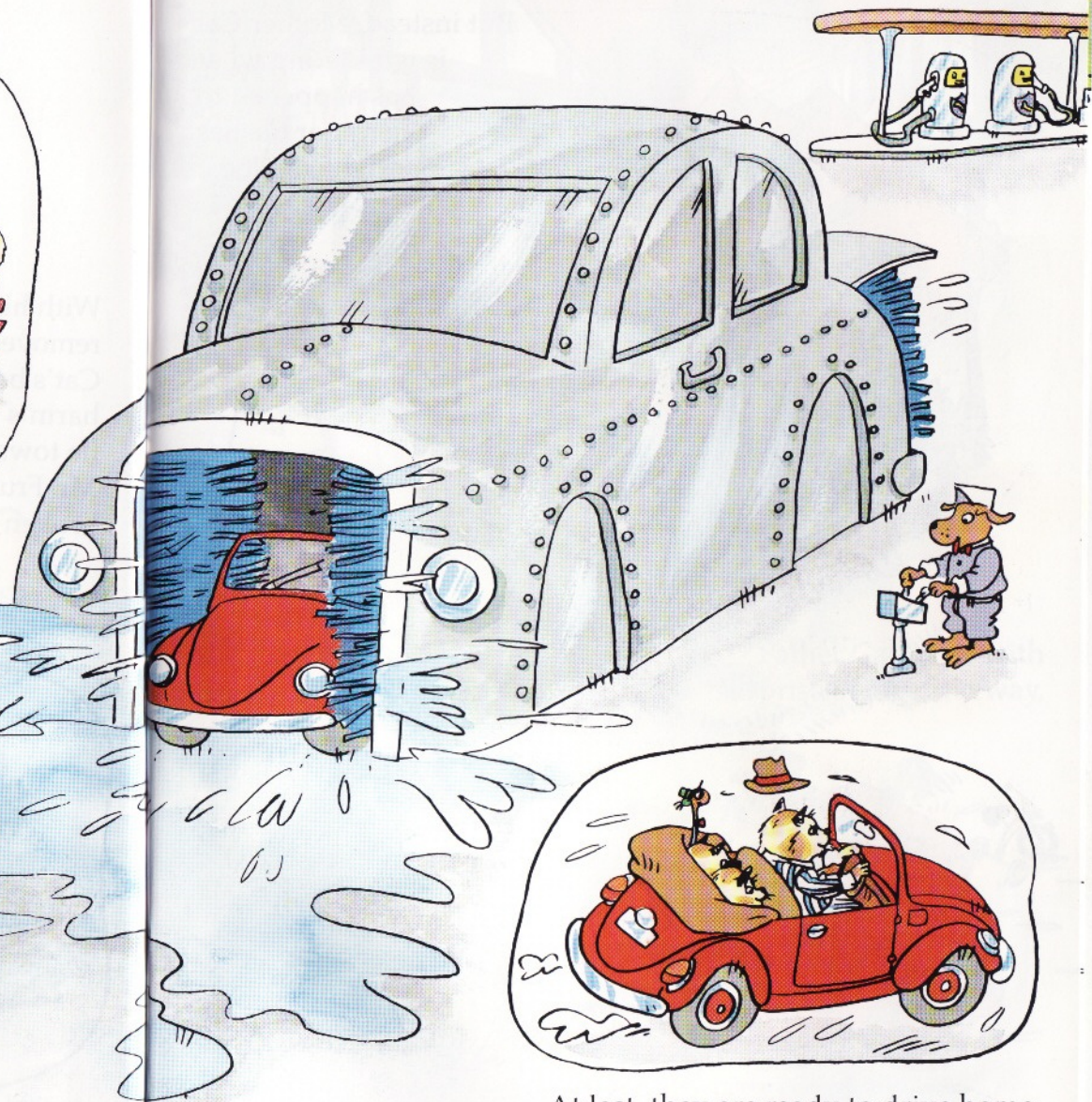
Luckily, Mr. Fixit soon arrives on the scene.

"A good thing that you brought along a trailer, Mr. Frumble!" Mr. Fixit says.



Soon, the Cat family car is ready again.
It looks like the ice-cream somebody
chose at the supermarket has melted.

Now the car needs to go
through the car wash.

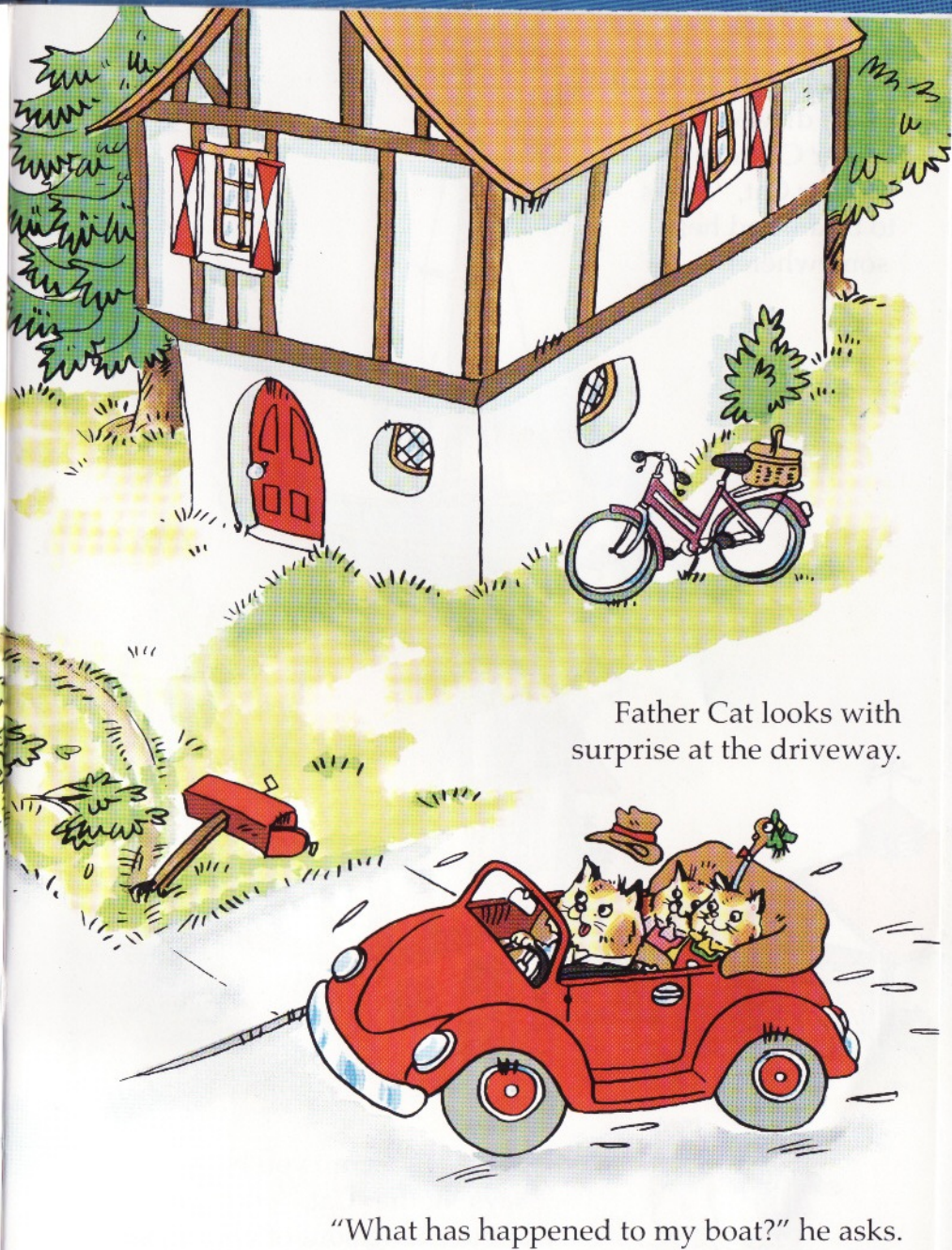


At last, they are ready to drive home.
Mother Cat must be wondering
what has happened to them!

But instead, Mother Cat is wondering what has happened to her poor bushes and the mailbox.



Father Cat looks with surprise at the driveway.



"What has happened to my boat?" he asks.

"I know I left the boat
in the driveway,"
Father Cat tells
Mother Cat. "It has
to be around here
somewhere!"



"Well,
before you begin to look,"
says Mother Cat, "perhaps you first
want to change out of your pyjamas!"

