

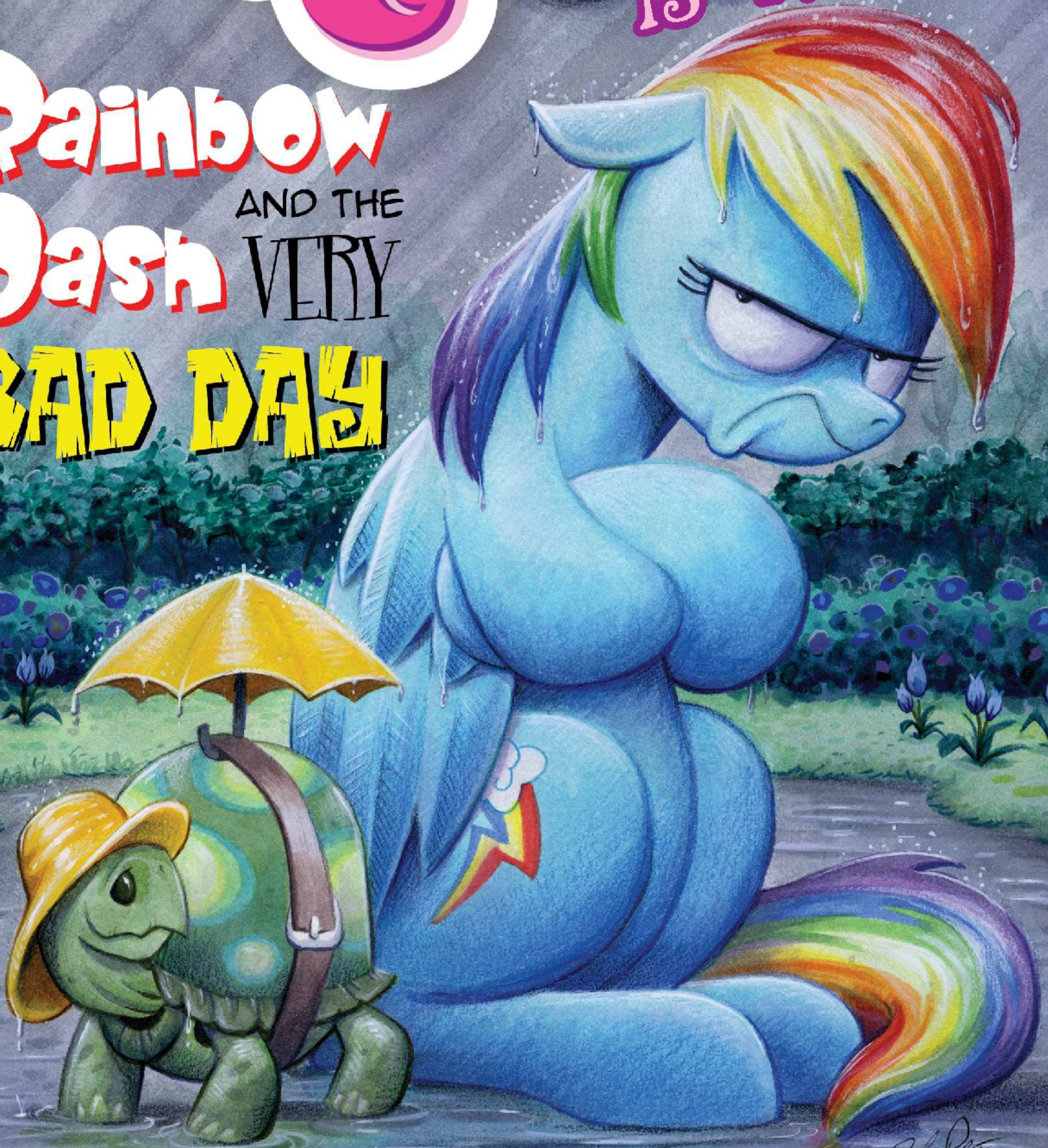
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Here in Ponyville the days are bright.
There's always a joy alight.
Ponies are smiling in the day-to-day cheer,
their faces you'll rarely see sneer.



However, my friends, things are not always right,
and when those days come, we must try not to fright.
For those days when the Drearies appear,
we must do our best to stay a good peer.



On the dark day of this story, our hero was struck by a terrible interim, she was down on her luck. Rainbow Dash, of all ponies, had the day start out strong, only to have it... well, come out all wrong.

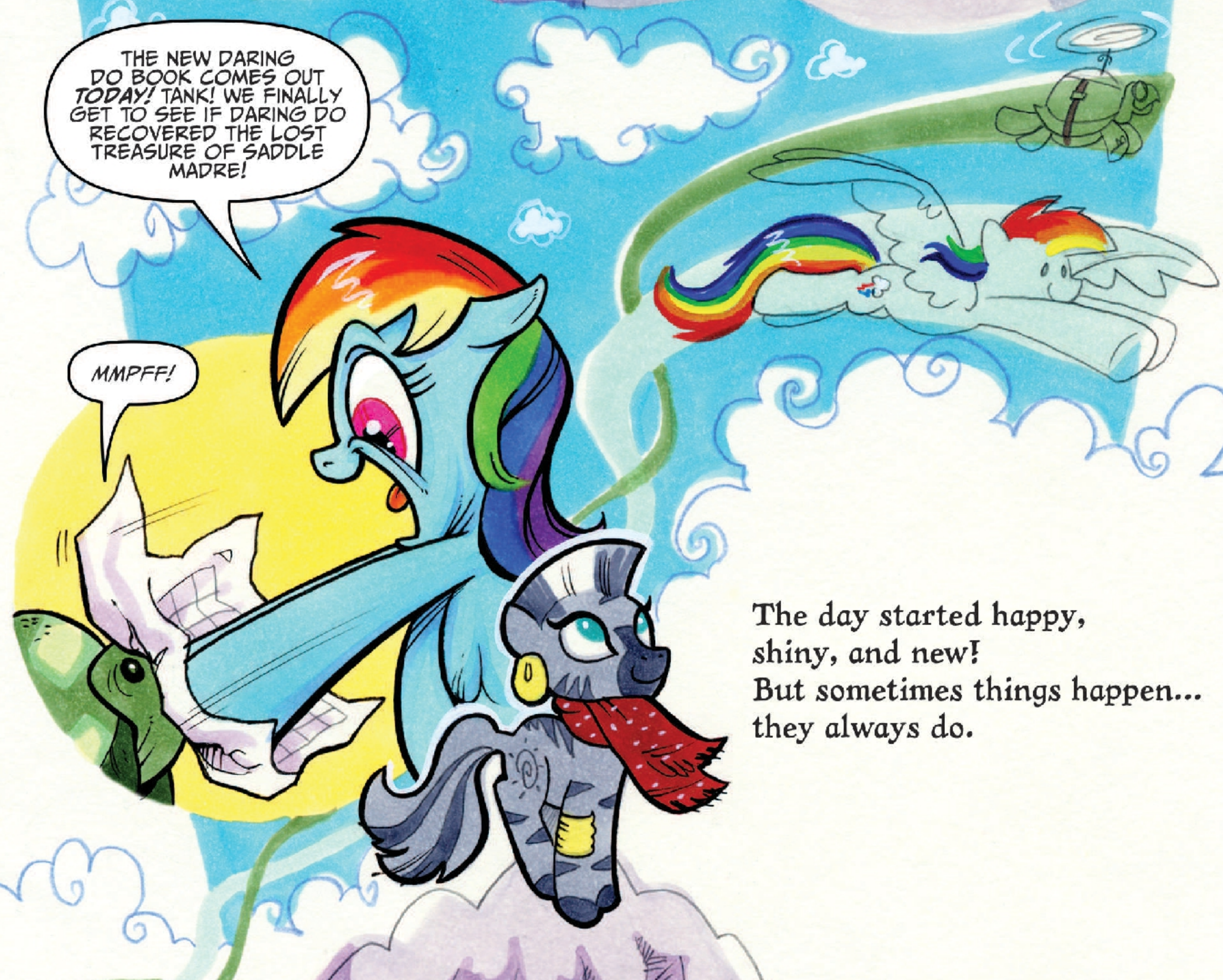
EEEEEEEEEE!!



IT'S TODAY!

THE NEW DARING DO BOOK COMES OUT TODAY! TANK! WE FINALLY GET TO SEE IF DARING DO RECOVERED THE LOST TREASURE OF SADDLE MADRE!

MMPFFF!



The day started happy, shiny, and new! But sometimes things happen... they always do.



THIS DAY IS GOING TO BE AMAZING! A BEAUTIFUL SKY, A NEW BOOK, AND I GET TO SPEND IT ALL WITH MY LIL' BUDDY!

I WONDER IF EVERYPONY WILL WANT TO GET TOGETHER AND READ AT THE PARK AFTER WE PICK UP OUR BOOKS? I BET PINKIE PIE WOULD PUT TOGETHER A PICNIC...



WHAM

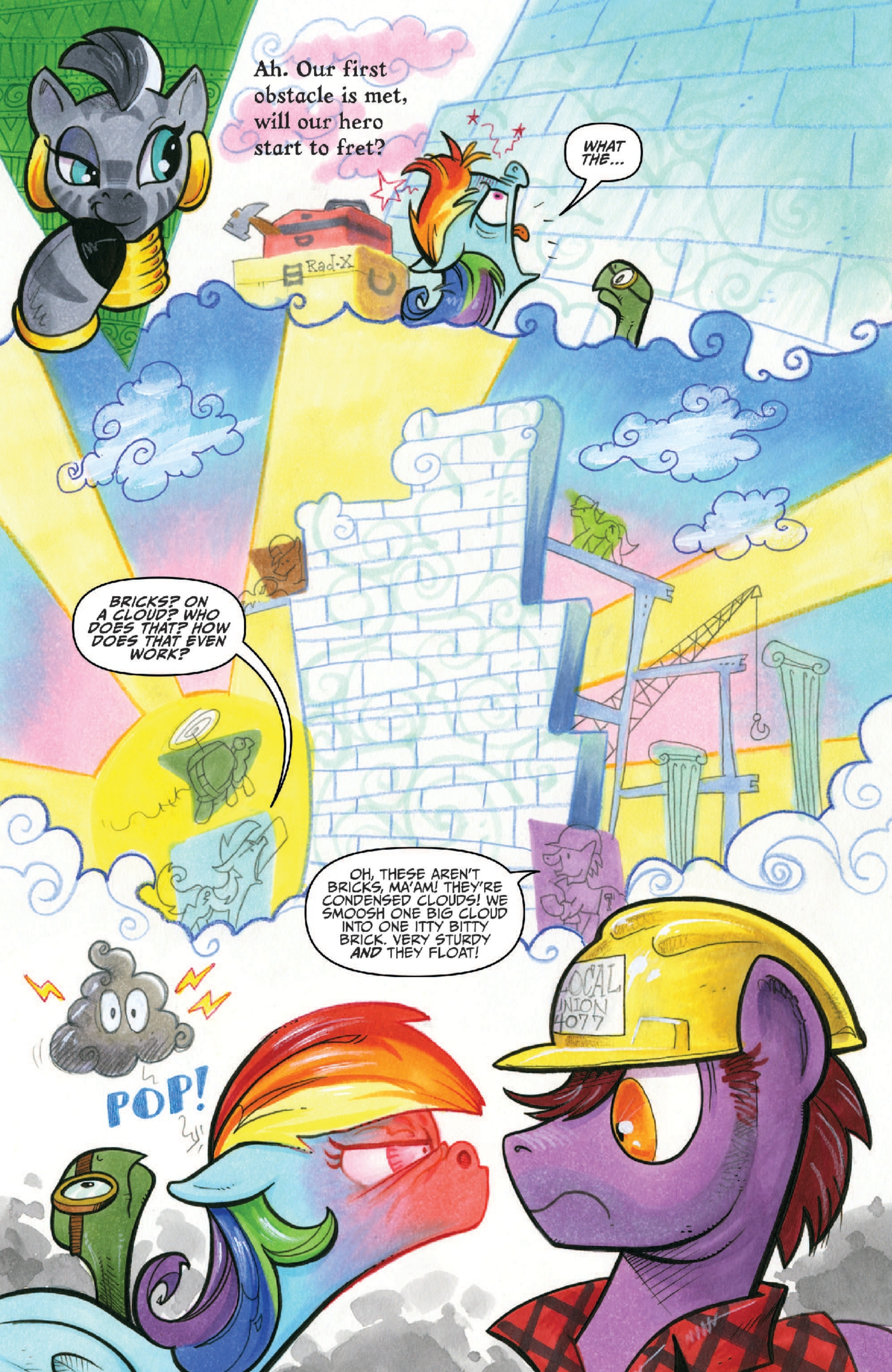
Ah. Our first obstacle is met, will our hero start to fret?

WHAT THE...

BRICKS? ON A CLOUD? WHO DOES THAT? HOW DOES THAT EVEN WORK?

OH, THESE AREN'T BRICKS, MA'AM! THEY'RE CONDENSED CLOUDS! WE SMOOSH ONE BIG CLOUD INTO ONE ITTY BITTY BRICK. VERY STURDY AND THEY FLOAT!

POP!





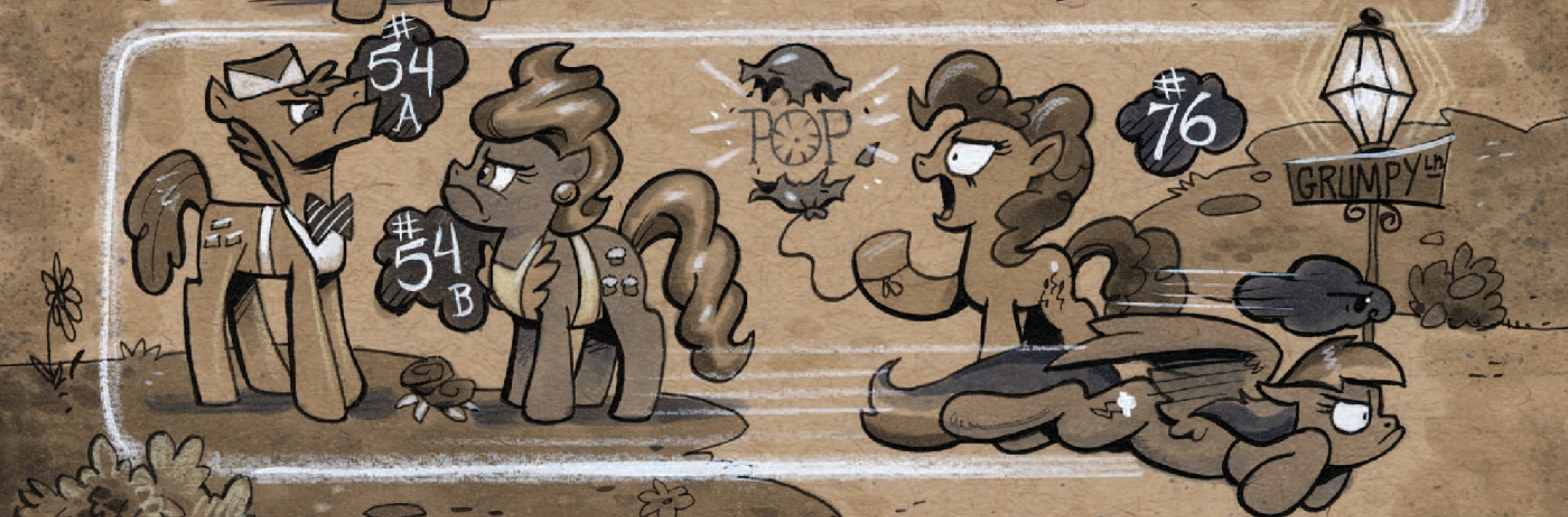
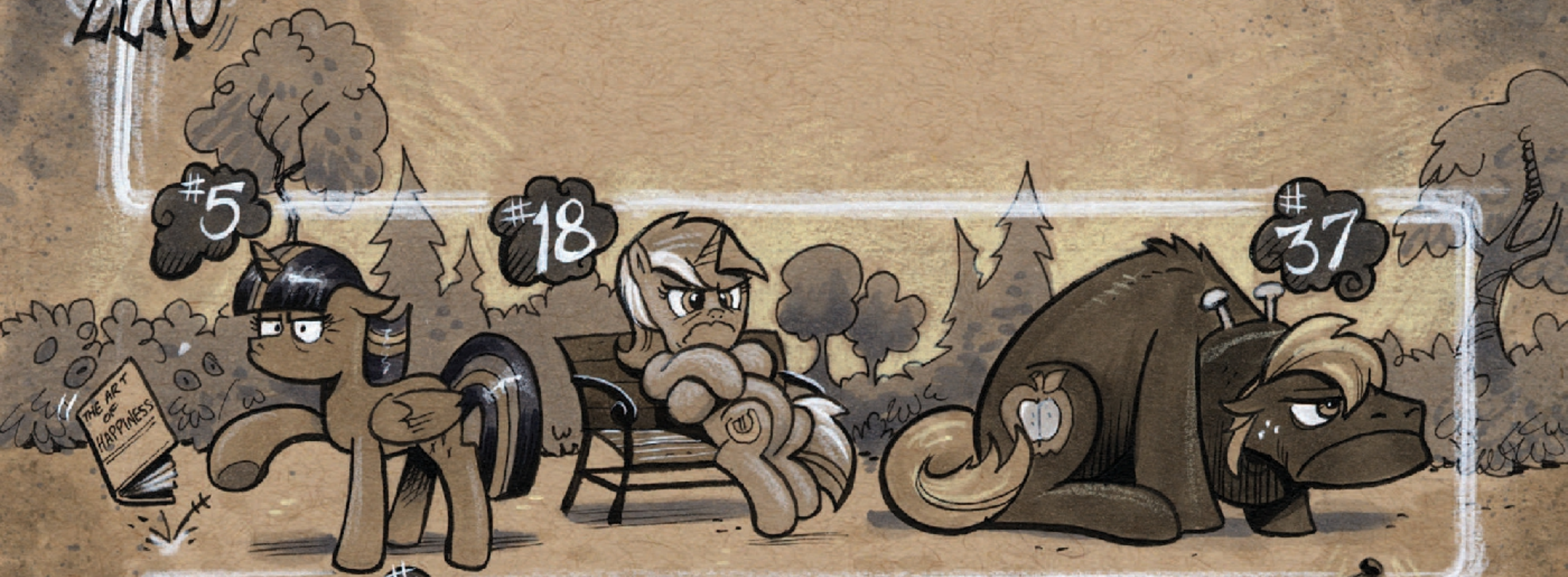
And that, my friends, was when the first Dreary appeared. If Rainbow had been nice, it would have cleared. But she was unkind and it spread, to infect other ponies who weren't careful to tread.



The Drearies will roll upon us all in a wave,
unless certain ponies begin to behave.
If we all remain kindhearted, friendly, and true...
then heads will clear up and moods not stay blue.



Patient
ZERO



Do you suppose Rainbow Dash
can let this all go?
She's not always one
to just go with the flow.

AFTER SCHVZ



COME ON, TANK, LET'S GET TO PONYVILLE SO WE CAN BE FIRST IN LINE AT THE BOOKSTORE.

Yoink



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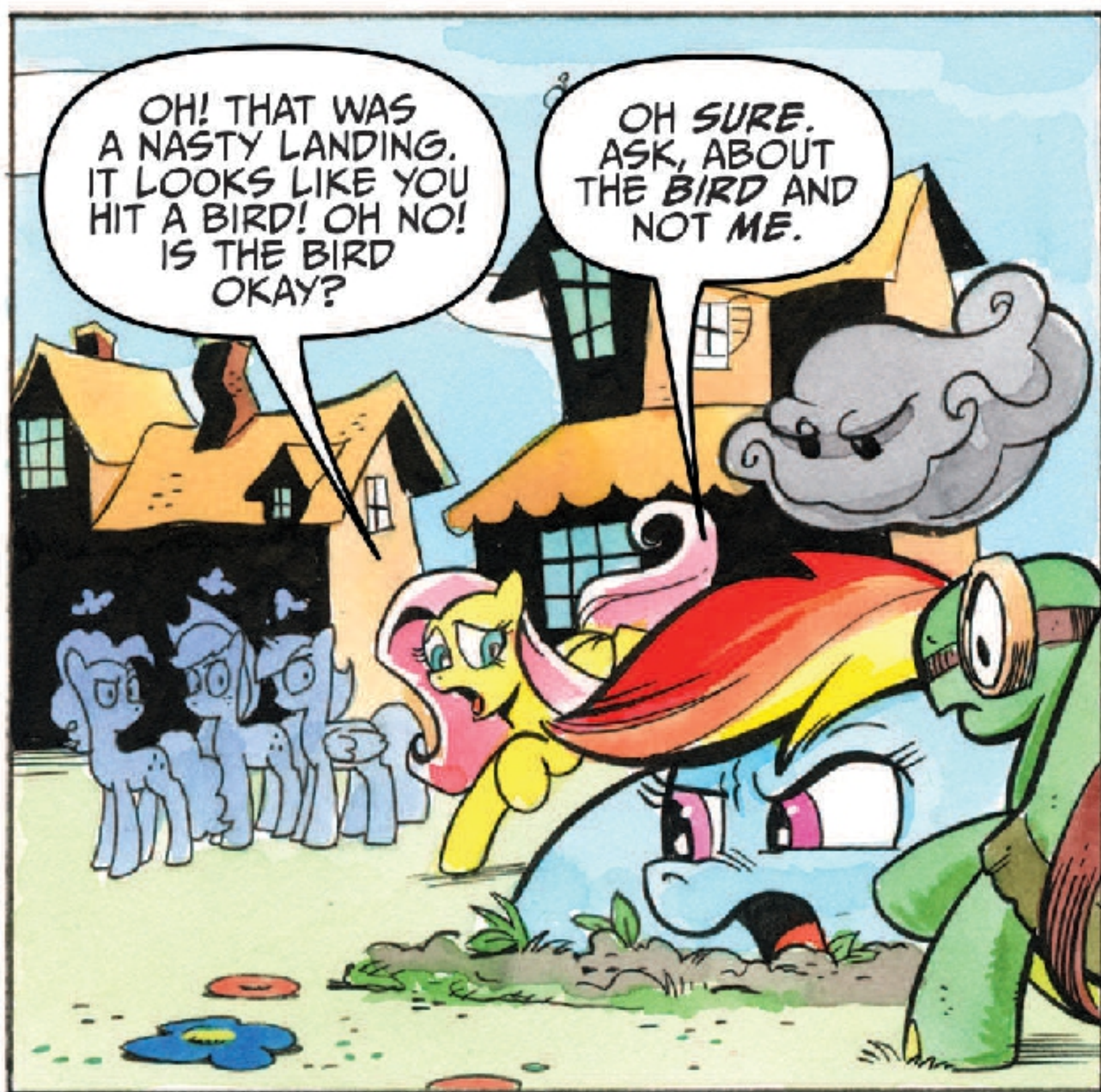
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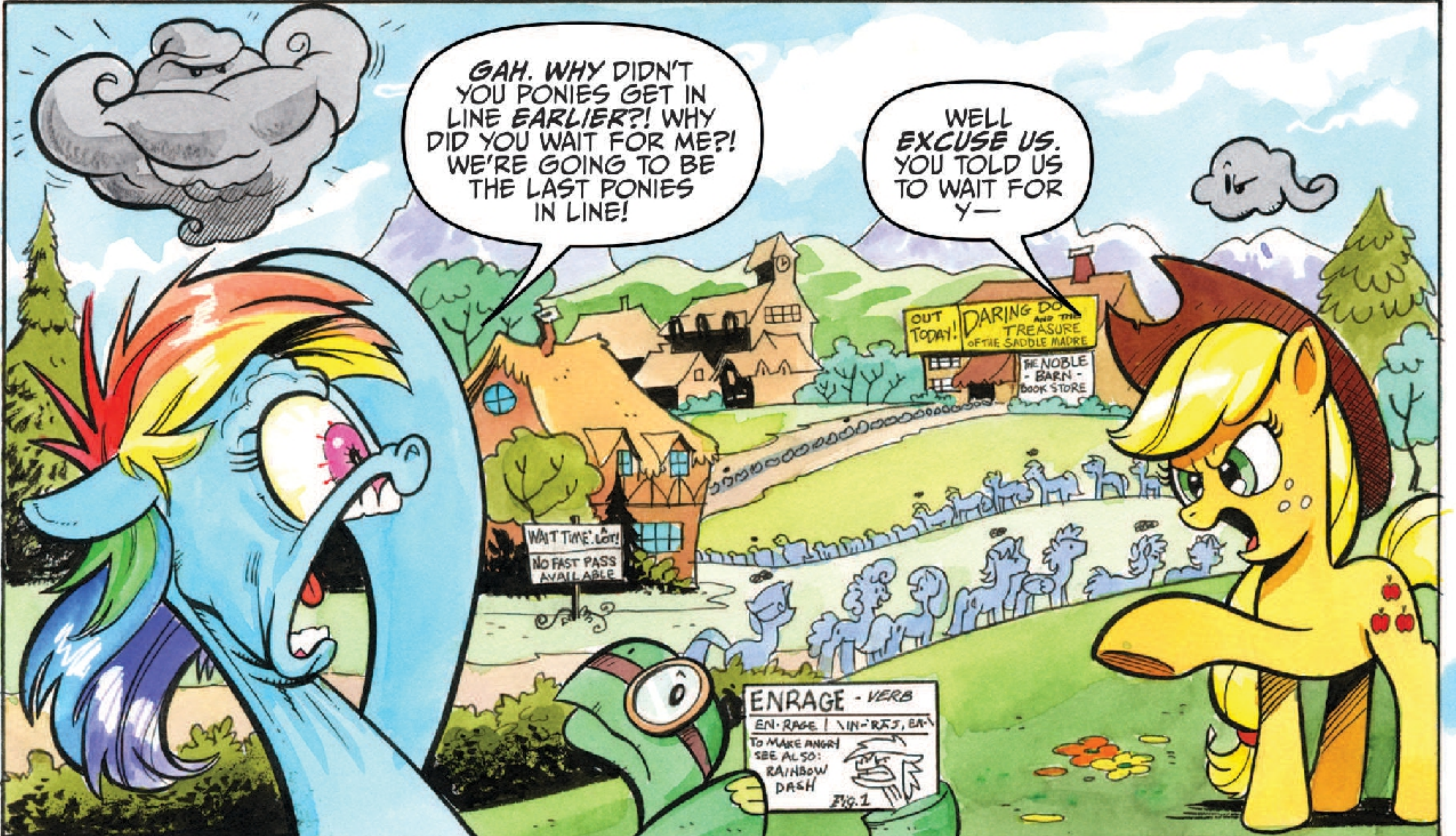


OH! THAT WAS A NASTY LANDING. IT LOOKS LIKE YOU HIT A BIRD! OH NO! IS THE BIRD OKAY?

OH SURE. ASK, ABOUT THE BIRD AND NOT ME.



WELL... UH, NOW THAT YOU'RE HERE... LET'S GO GET IN LINE FOR THE NEW BOOK! THE LINE IS ALREADY AROUND THE CORNER, SO WE SHOULD HURRY.



GAH. WHY DIDN'T YOU PONIES GET IN LINE EARLIER?! WHY DID YOU WAIT FOR ME?! WE'RE GOING TO BE THE LAST PONIES IN LINE!

WELL EXCUSE US. YOU TOLD US TO WAIT FOR Y—

ENRAGE - VERB
EN-RAGE | \IN-RJZ, BAY
TO MAKE ANGRY
SEE ALSO:
RAINBOW DASH
FIG. 1




I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS. I'M GETTING IN LINE. THE END OF THE LINE, NO THANKS TO YOU.



YOU KNOW, TECHNICALLY, WHEN YOU GET IN LINE YOU ARE ALWAYS THE END OF THE LINE UNTIL SOMEONY ELSE GETS IN LINE BEHIND YOU.

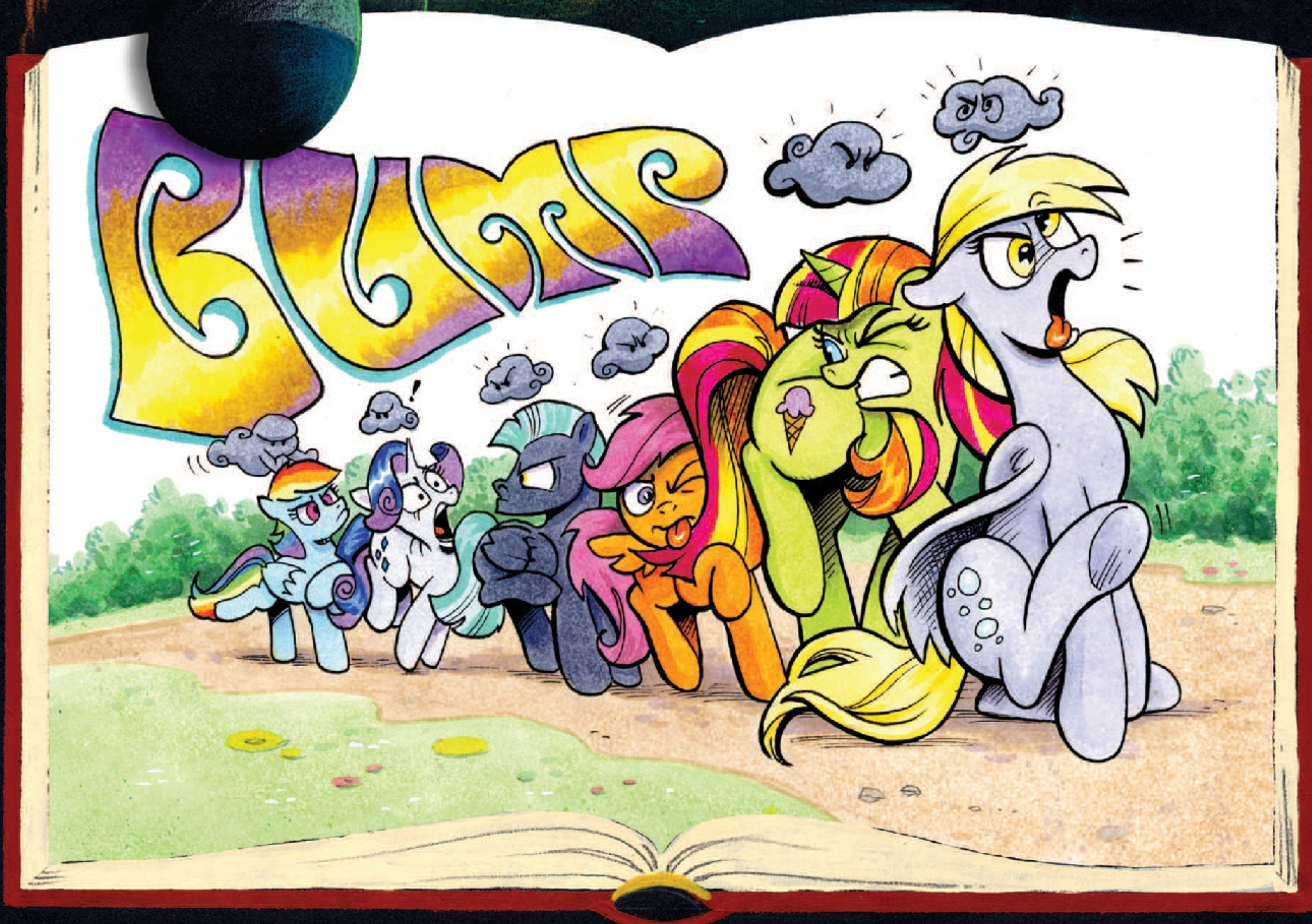

YOU TELL HER, TWILIGHT!



And so the Drearies
sweep over the town,
glowers, gloom, and an
all-encompassing-frown.

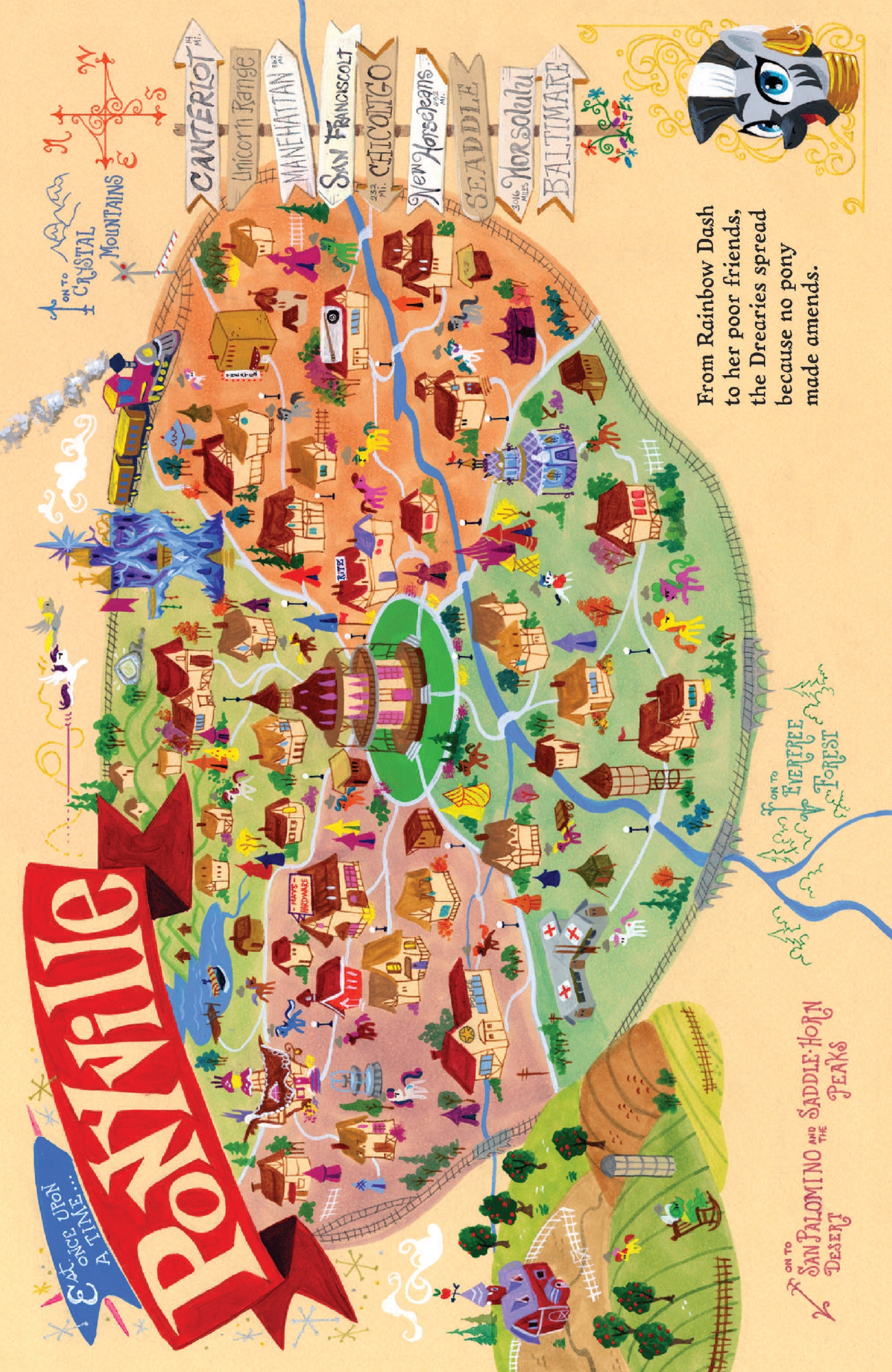
One off comment,
one dark look,
and now its effect has
every pony on the hook.

The Drearies are hard
to keep at bay,
once everyone is caught
up in their sway.



POWELL

A TIME...
ONCE UPON



ON TO CRYSTAL MOUNTAINS

CANTERLOT 14 MI.
Unicorn Range
MANHATTAN 282 MI.
SAN FRANCISCO
CHICAGO 232 MI.
New Horseleas 492 MI.
SEADLE
Morsolulu 306 MILES
BALTIMARE

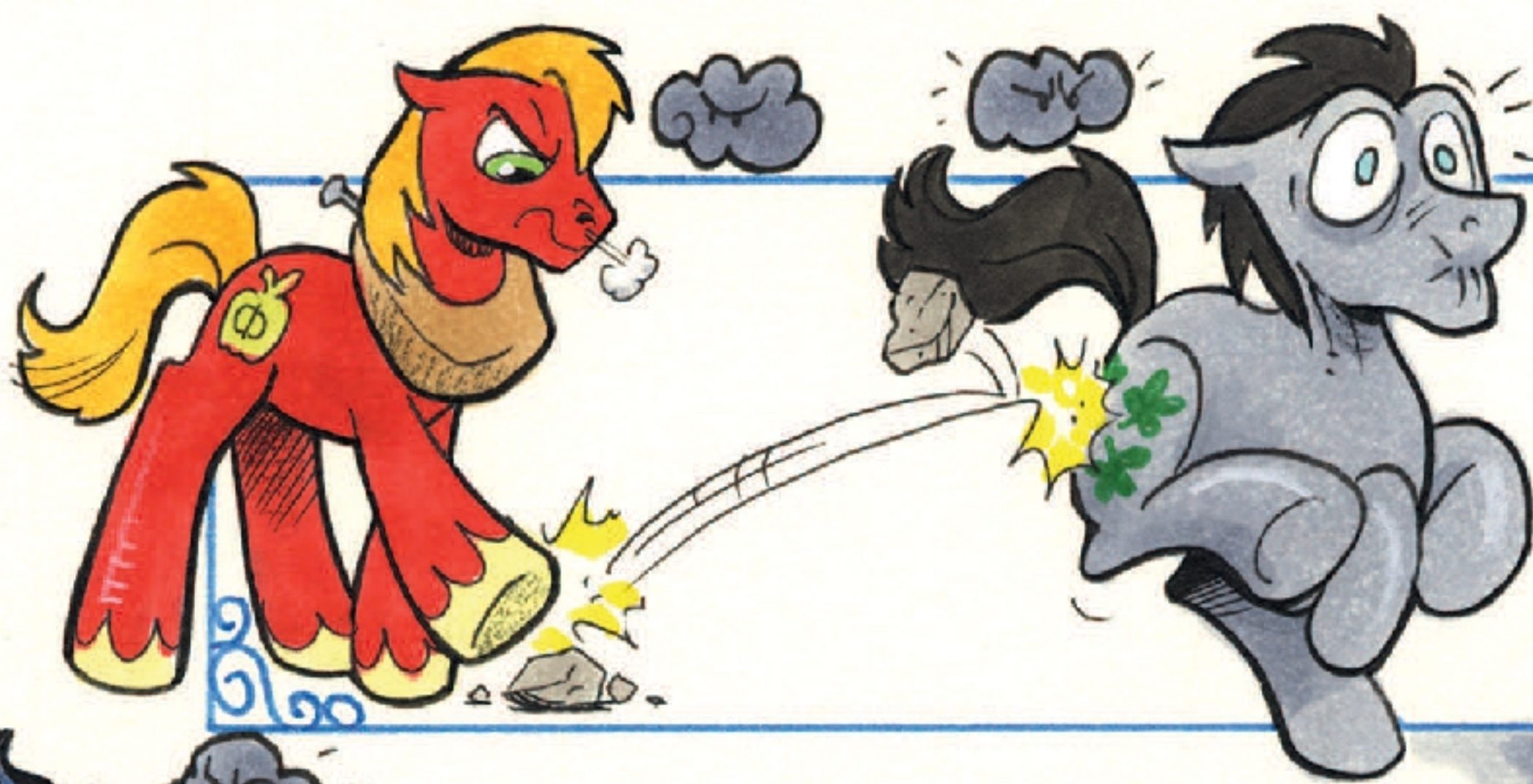


From Rainbow Dash to her poor friends, the Drearies spread because no pony made amends.

ON TO EVERFREE FOREST

ON TO SAN SALOMINO AND SADDLE HORN PEAKS DESERT

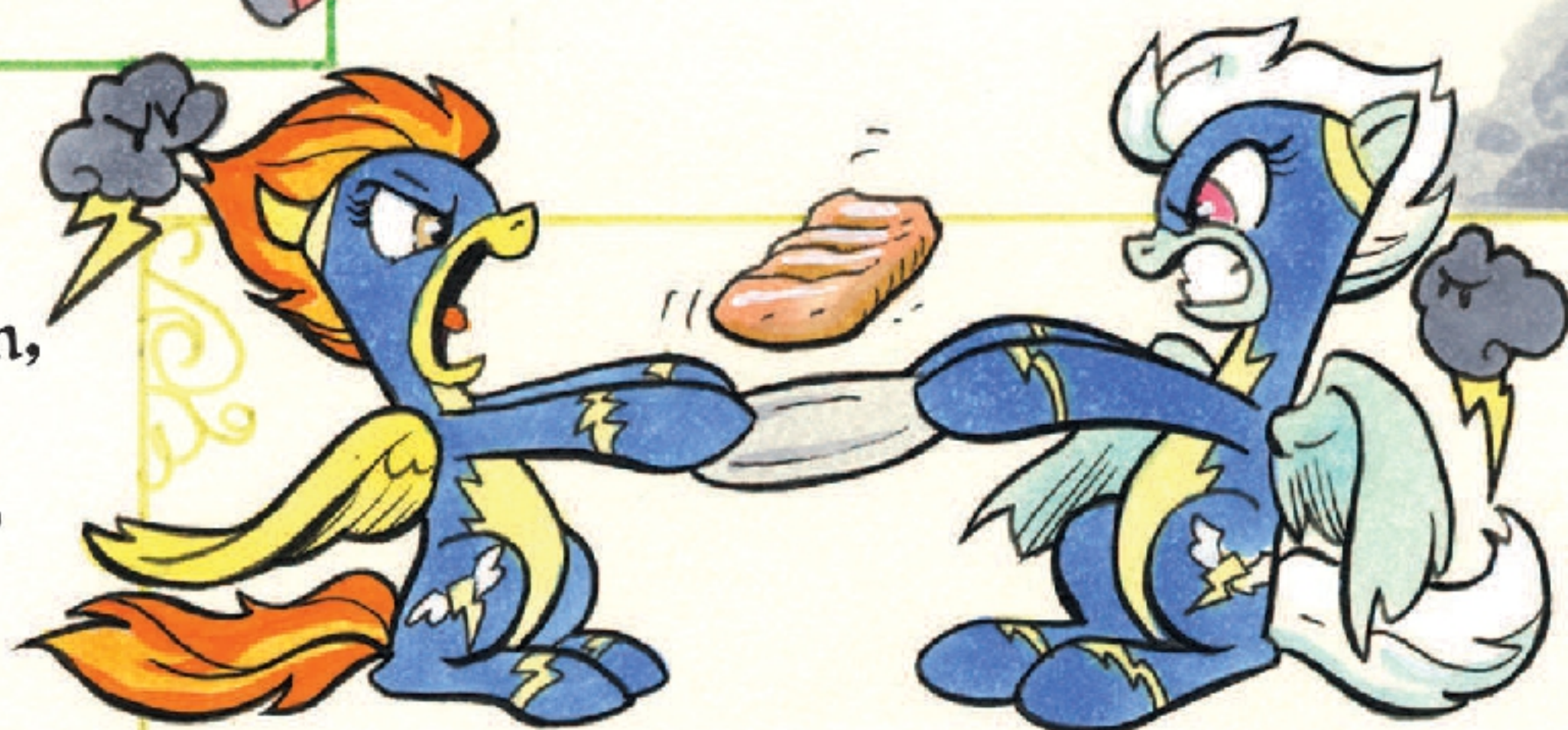
Big Mac got overly mad at a rock he tripped over, he kicked the stone hard and it hit a clover.



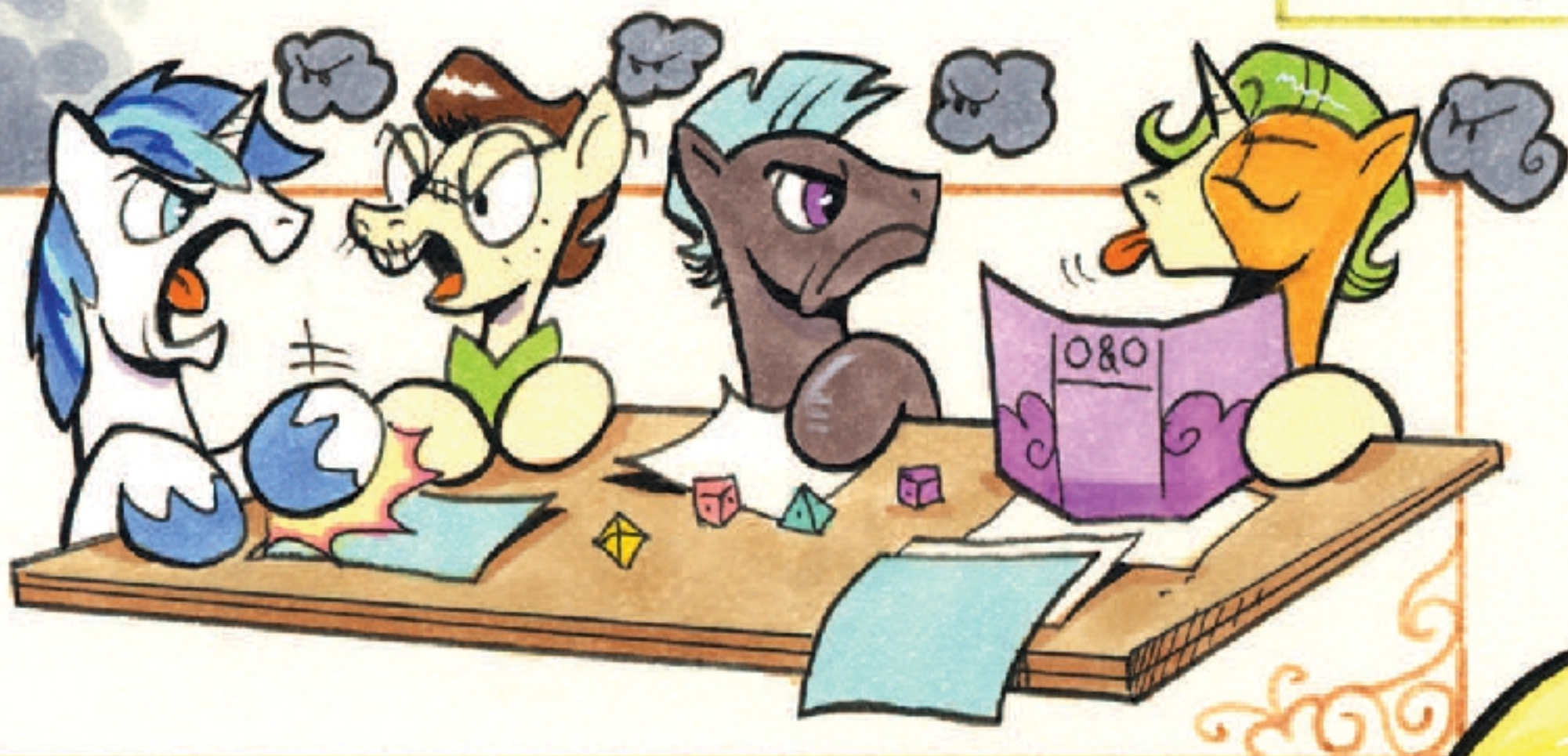
Cranky Doodle soured even more than before, over a young pony not holding open the door.



The Wonderbolts were in town, prepping for a big flight and over the last apple danish, they got into a fight.



Shining Armor fought with his friends over a game, likely because his DM killed his elf pony with a flame.

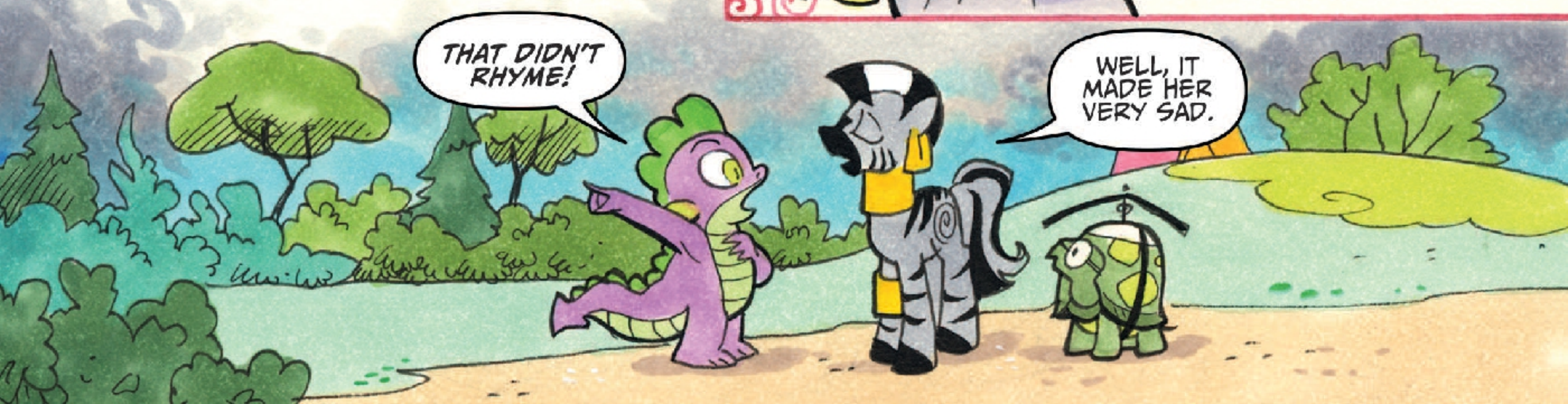


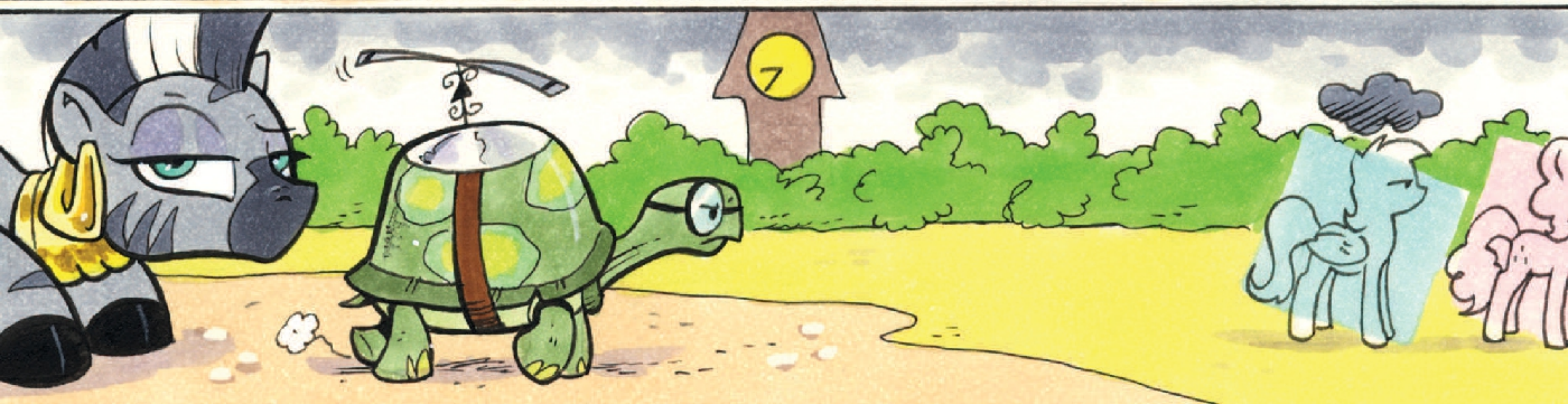
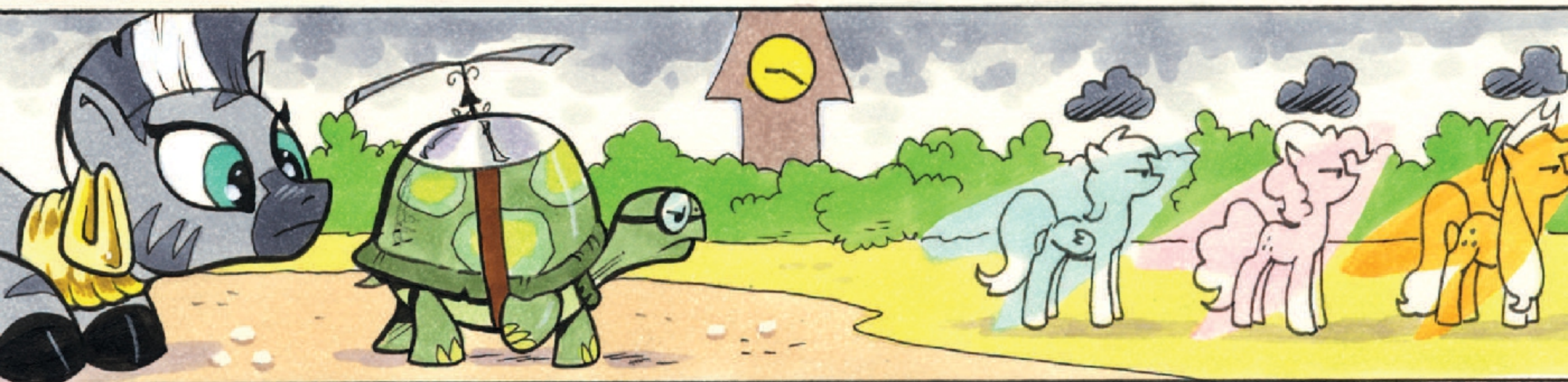
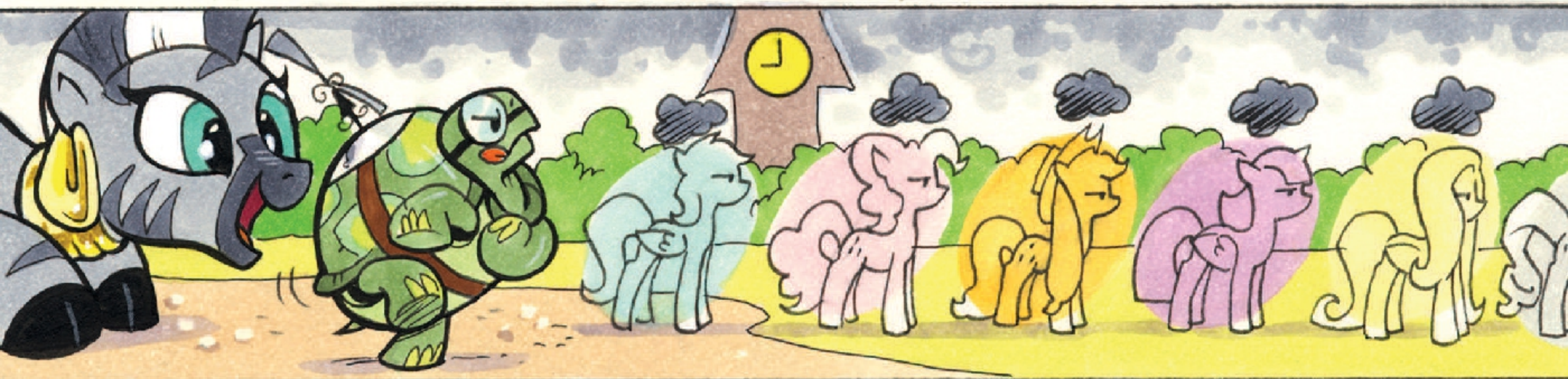
And that one that likes muffins got a cupcake instead.



THAT DIDN'T RHYME!

WELL, IT MADE HER VERY SAD.





Let's speed things along,
we want these moods to budge.
Perhaps all they need
is a little nudge.



TANK! WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING! YEESH. THIS IS ALREADY THE WORST DAY AND YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO MAKE IT EVEN MORE TERRIBLE! IF YOU'RE JUST GOING TO BE UNDERHOOF AND ANNOYING YOU CAN GO HOME.





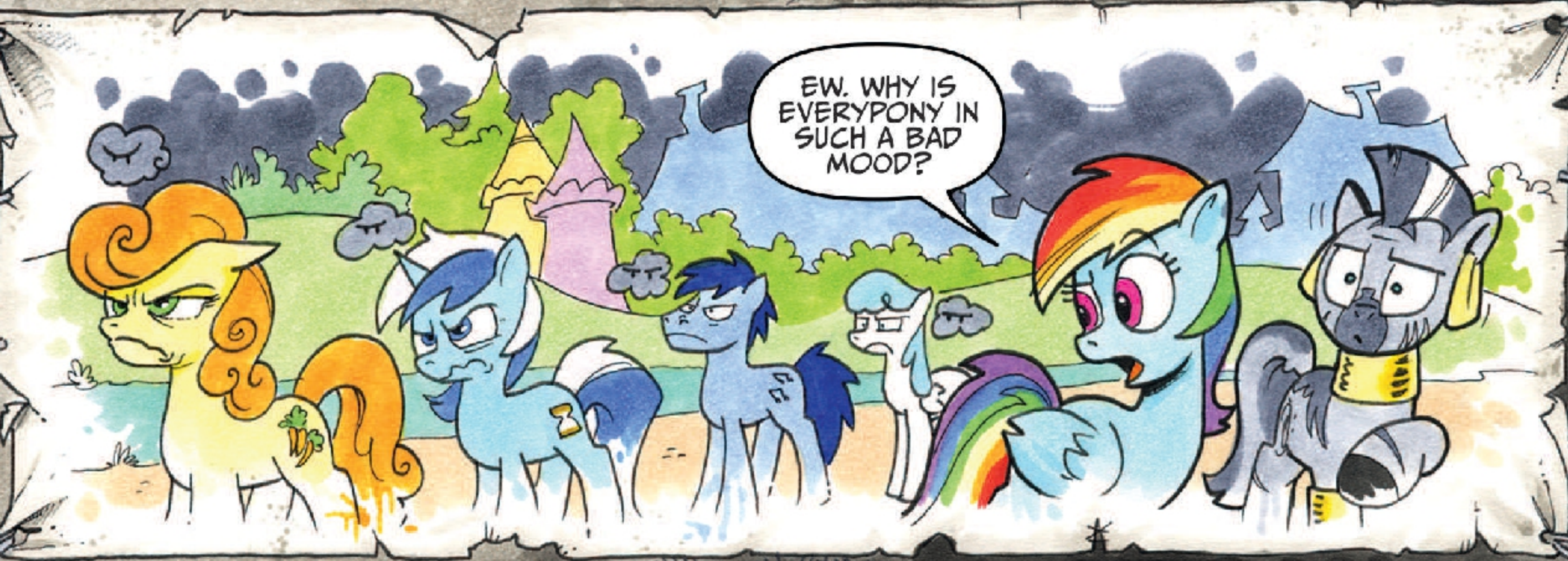
TANK! OH NO, I'M SO SORRY. I DIDN'T MEAN IT. CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME?!



I CAN'T BELIEVE I TALKED THAT WAY TO MY BESTEST LIL' BUDDY! I'M SORRY AGAIN.



POOR WIDDLE' GUY.



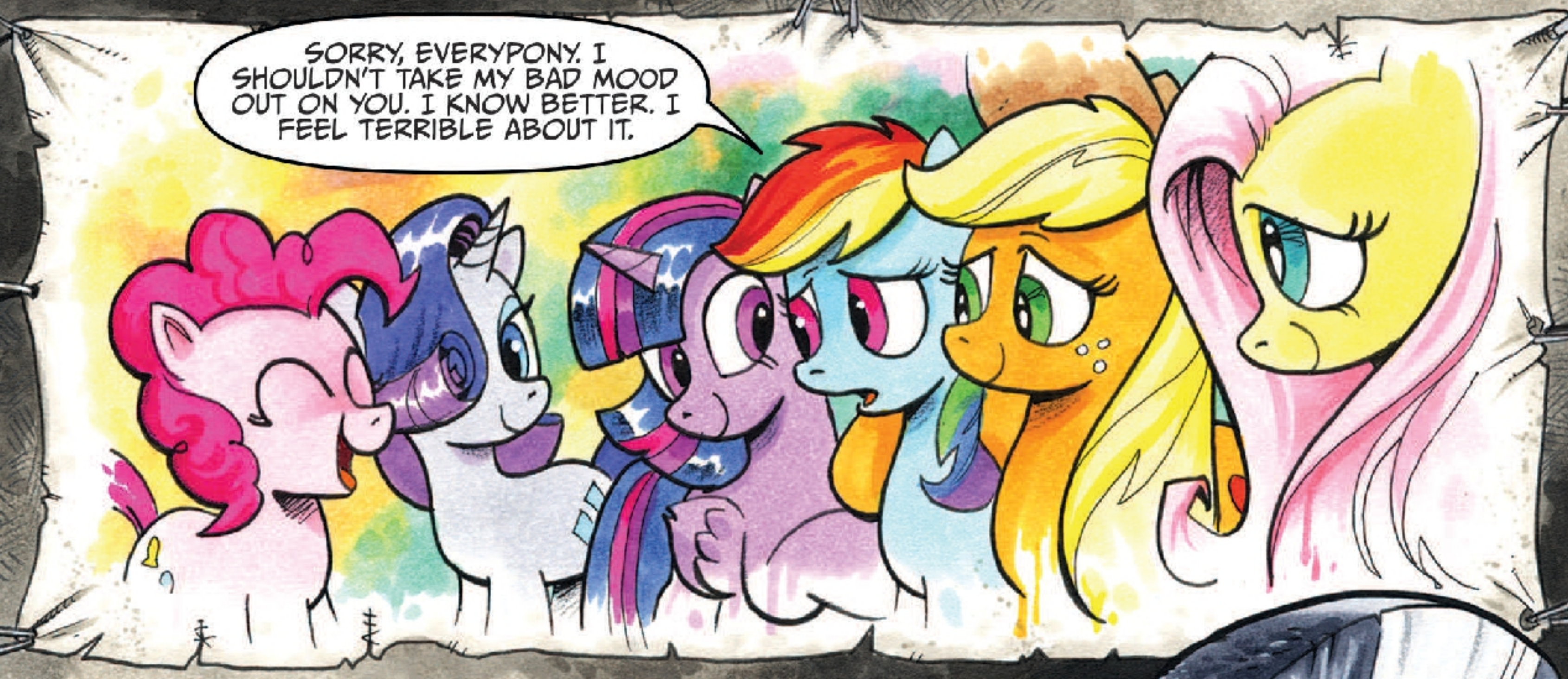
EW. WHY IS EVERYPONY IN SUCH A BAD MOOD?



AH... RIGHT.

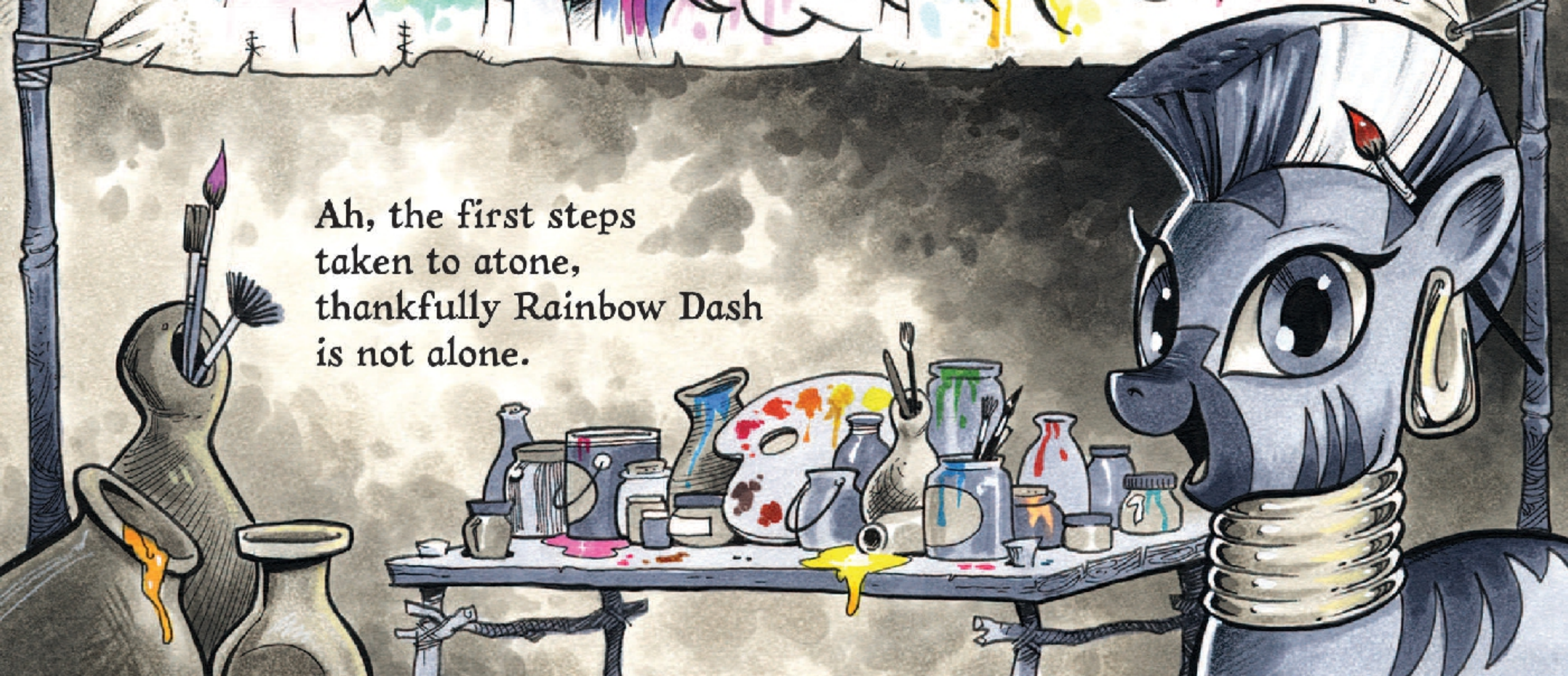


PERHAPS AN APOLOGY FOR MORE THAN JUST YOUR PET? THERE ARE MANY AROUND WHO YOU'VE RIGHTS TO SET.

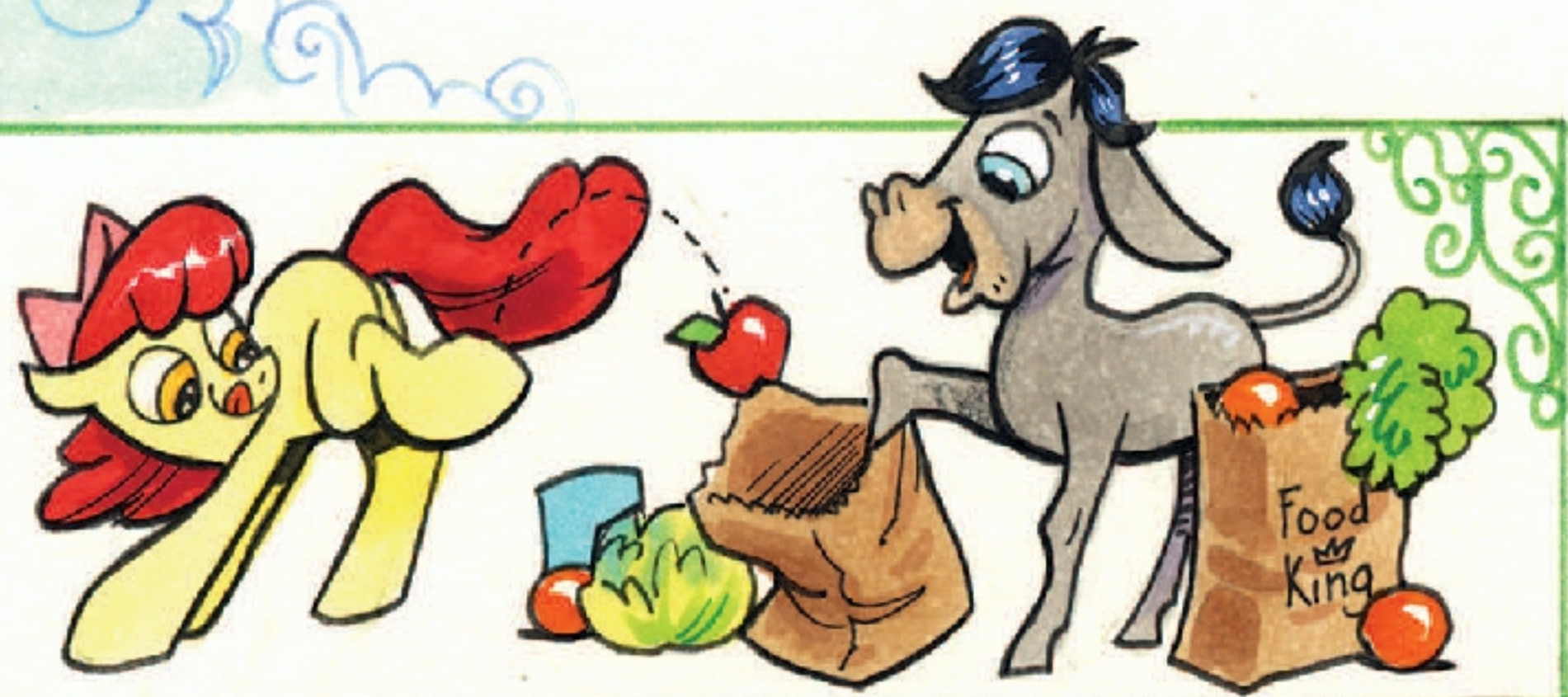


SORRY, EVERYPONY. I SHOULDN'T TAKE MY BAD MOOD OUT ON YOU. I KNOW BETTER. I FEEL TERRIBLE ABOUT IT.

Ah, the first steps taken to atone, thankfully Rainbow Dash is not alone.

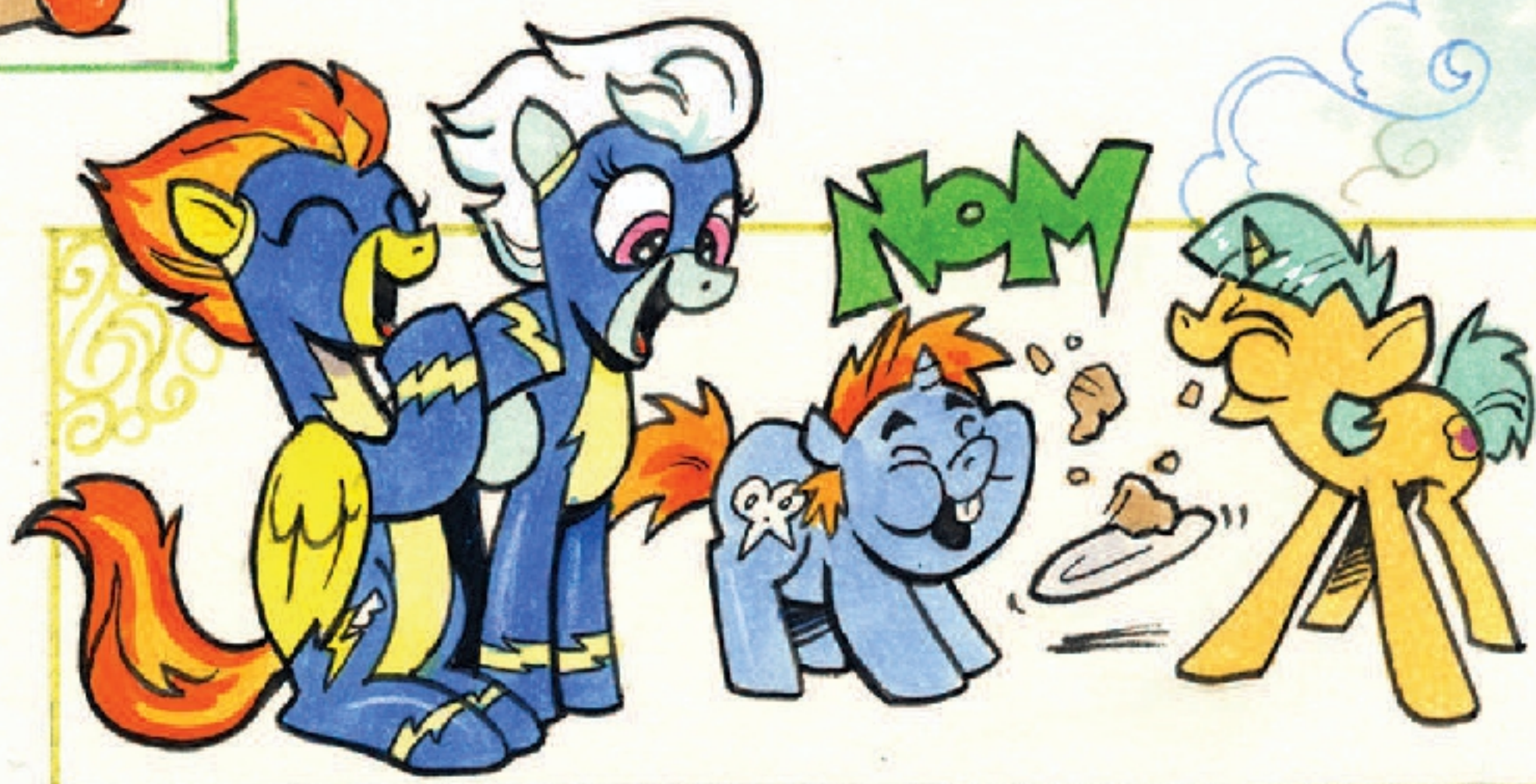


Big Mac apologized for causing one pony distress, he even said sorry to the rock, who Maud had named "Unless."



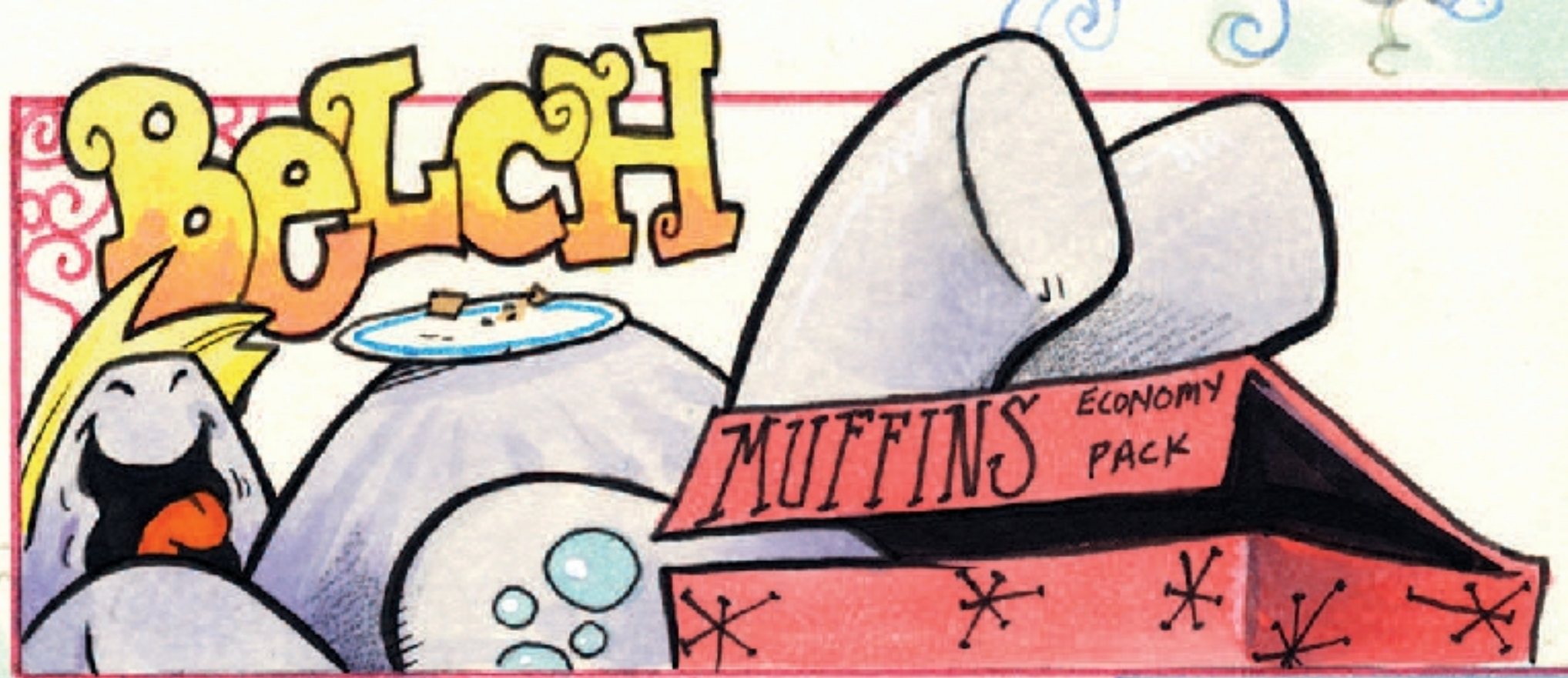
The young little filly helped up Cranky Doodle, he even picked up his bags, the whole kit and caboodle.

The pegasi known as the Wonderbolts, stopped fighting over the pastry and gave it to some colts.



The dashing prince made up with his friends, it's a game after all, played with dice and pens.

And bonus of bonuses, that pony that likes muffins finally got one.



THAT ALSO DIDN'T RHYME.

"MUFFIN" IS VERY HARD TO RHYME.

TOUGHEN? ROUGHEN?

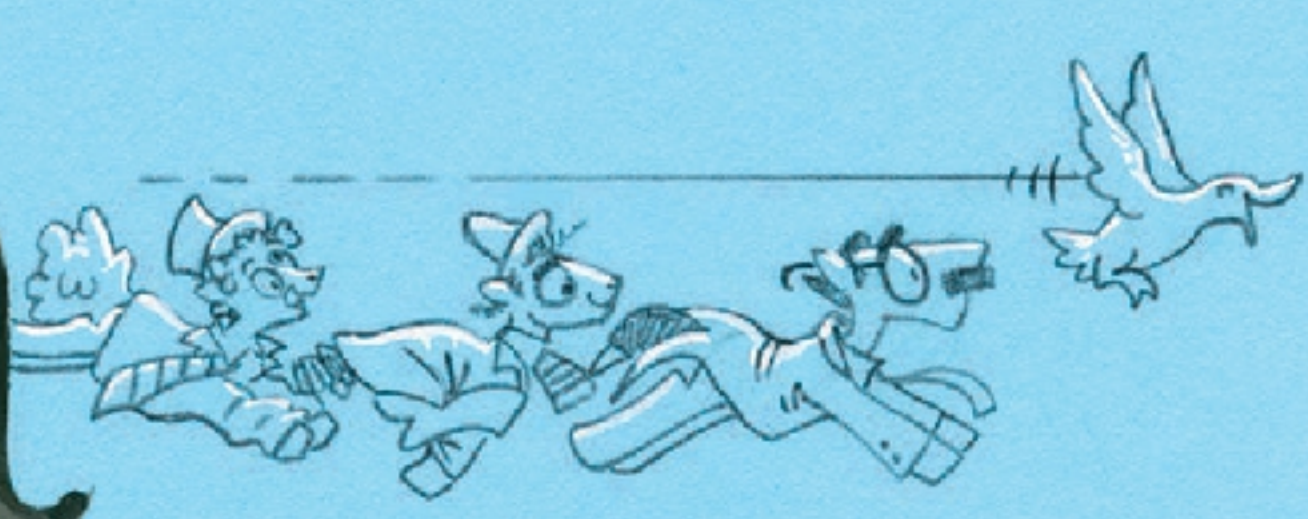





 DREARIE
 WEARIES GO AWAY,
 COME AGAIN SOME
 OOOOTHER DAY!

WHY WOULD
 YOU INVITE THEM
 TO COME BACK?
 THAT'S A TERRIBLE
 IDEA? ARE YOU A
 QUACK?

LET'S NOT
 BRING DUCKS
 INTO THIS.

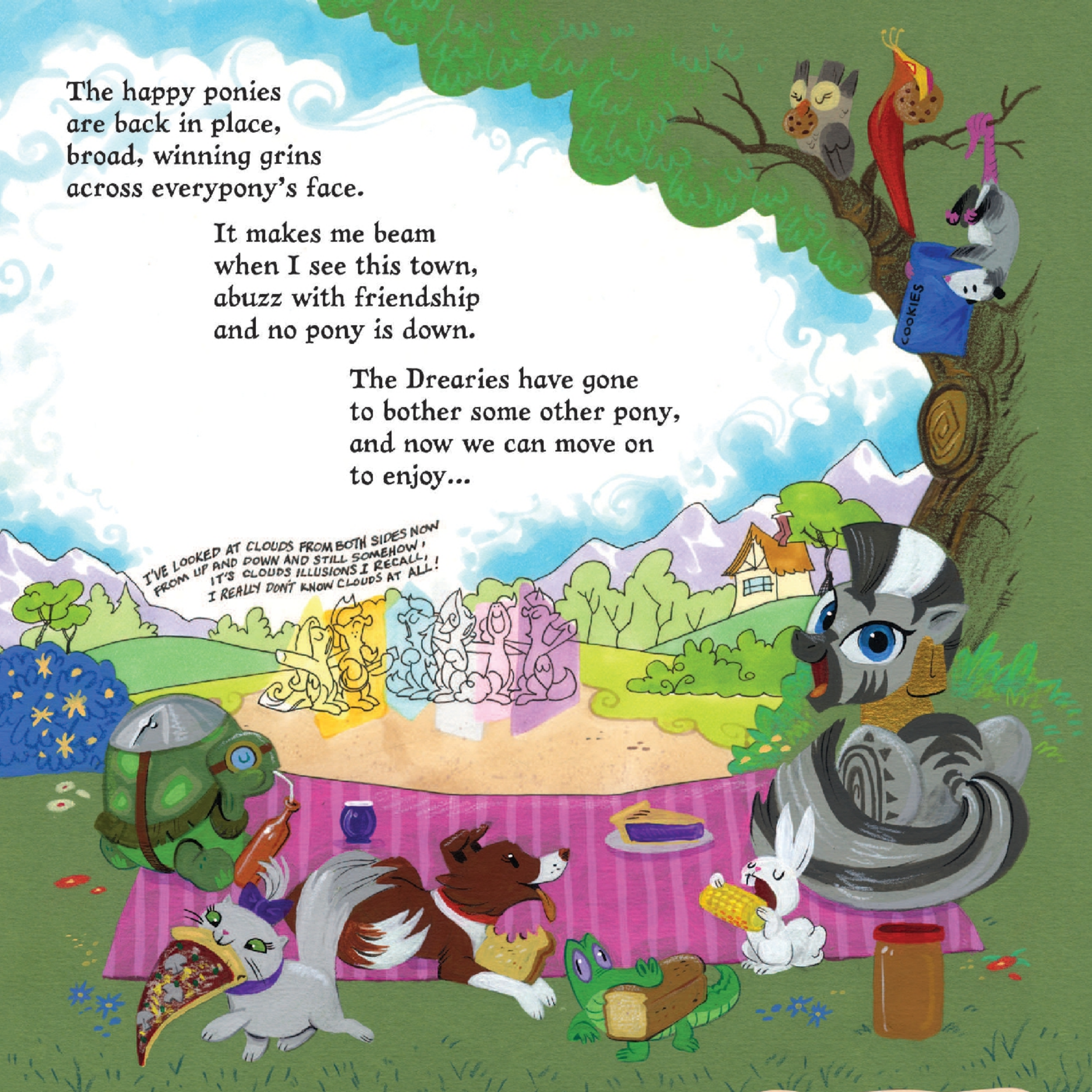


The happy ponies
are back in place,
broad, winning grins
across everypony's face.

It makes me beam
when I see this town,
abuzz with friendship
and no pony is down.

The Drearies have gone
to bother some other pony,
and now we can move on
to enjoy...

I'VE LOOKED AT CLOUDS FROM BOTH SIDES NOW
FROM UP AND DOWN AND STILL SOMEHOW,
IT'S CLOUDS ILLUSIONS I RECALL,
I REALLY DON'T KNOW CLOUDS AT ALL!



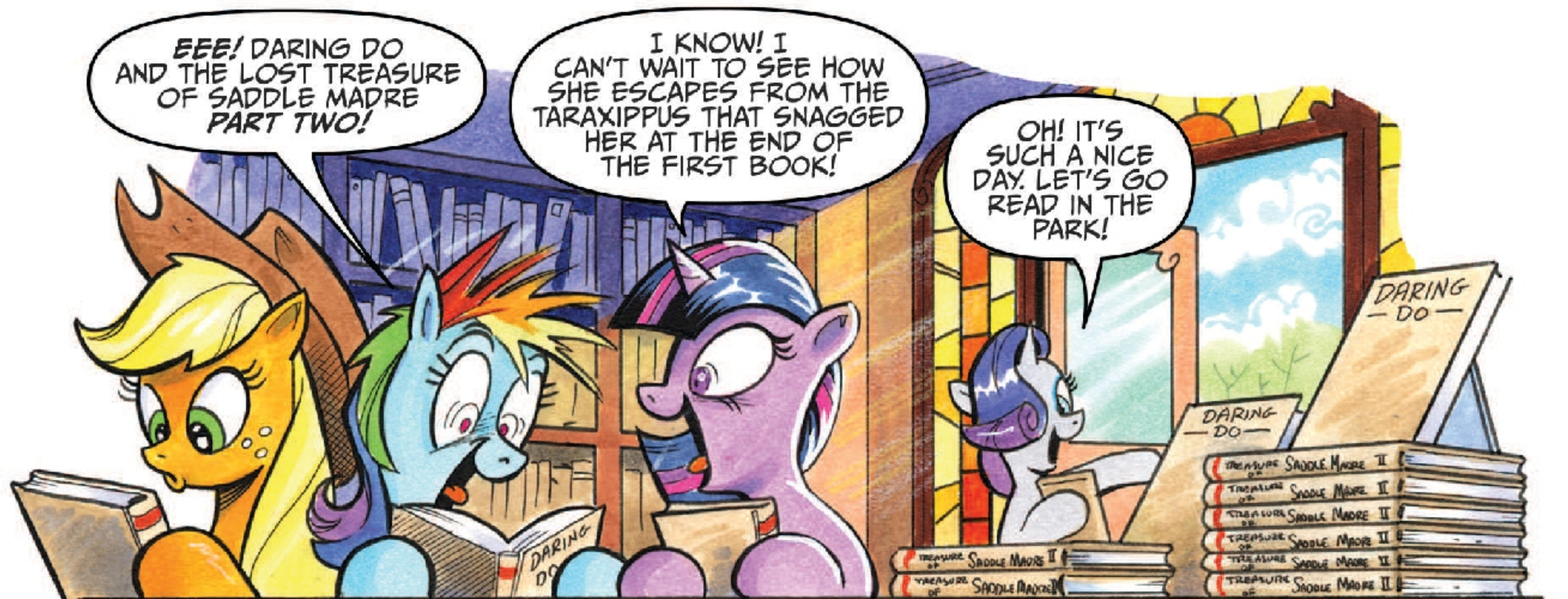
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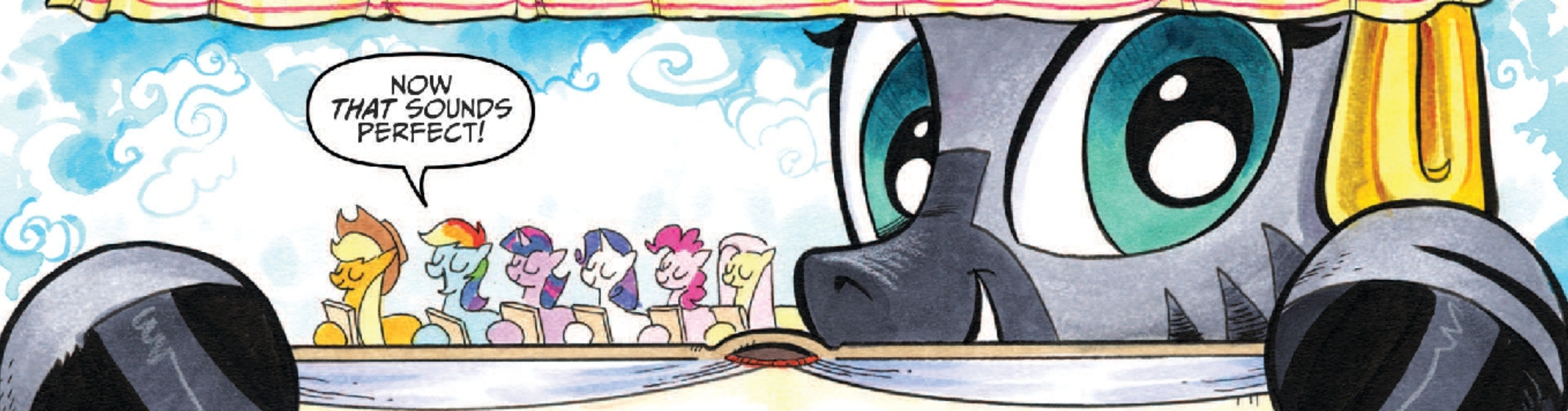


I HAVE NO
IDEA. BUT IT
RHYMES.





DARING DO RELEASE PARTY



~ DARING DO ~

~ DARING DO ~

And thus concludes our *Dreary* tale...
 You can change your attitude without having to ail.

Just be kind to others even when mad,
 because it's likely not their fault you are sad.

Taking it out on them turns them upset too,
 and the Drearies will spread, sticking like glue.

Remember your heart and take the high road,
 you'll do just fine if you know your...





I FORGOT, I HAVE A BIT TO APPEND... I FORGOT TO SAY "THE END."



HORRORS! WHAT'S THIS?! HAS A LONE DREARY ELUDED THE RAYS OF FRIENDSHIP? WILL PLUMB BOB HAVE A VERY BAD DAY? WILL PINKIE REMEMBER THAT SHE HAS A CAKE IN THE OVEN? THE ANSWERS NEXT TIME... **SAME PONY-TIME, SAME PONY-COMIC!**



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FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK

Ted Adams here. I'm going to be your monthly guide through the IDW/Top Shelf checklist, pointing out our big hits and bringing your attention to some gems that you might otherwise miss.

Another big month at IDW starts with something small... the return of *The Micronauts* to comics. In 1979, I was eleven years old, and my *Micronauts* toys and comics were my most prized possessions. I still have some bits and pieces of my toys, and those comics are still in my collection more than 35 years later.

The Micronauts creative team—**Cullen Bunn** and **David Baldeón**—have put together an action-packed space opera under covers by Baldeón, **Gabriel Rodriguez**, **Butch Guice**, and **Michael Golden**. **J.H. Williams III**, who shares my passion for *The Micronauts*, is also providing covers for the first four issues—his first work for IDW.

Other new releases in April include:



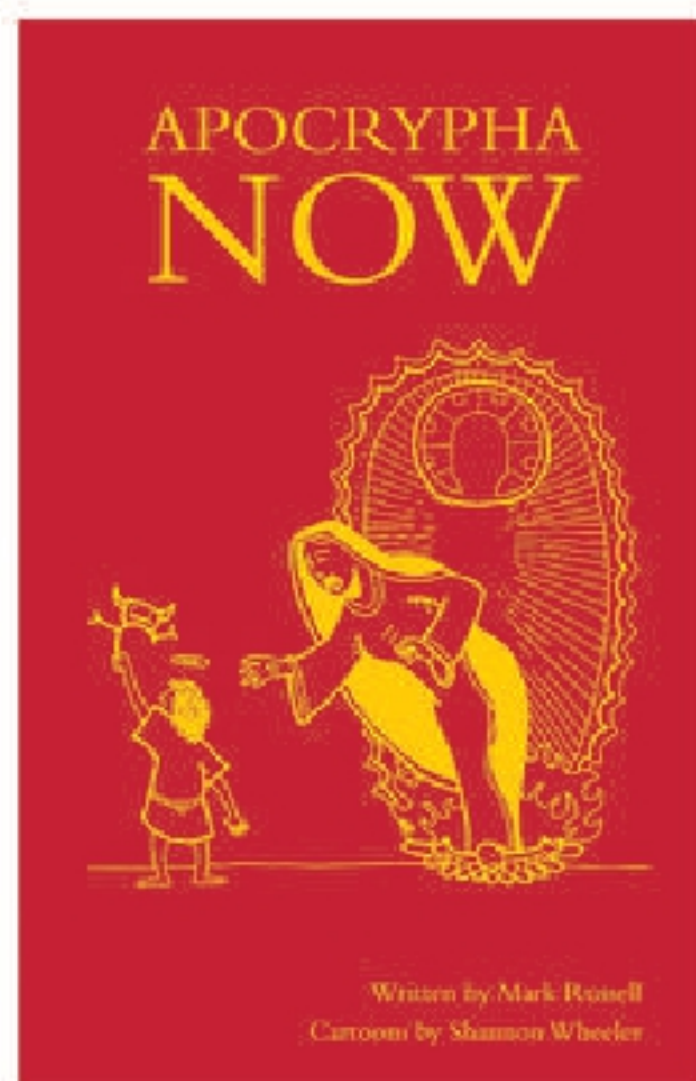
- **Strawberry Shortcake #1** by **Georgia Ball** and **Amy Mebberson**, available in regular and strawberry-scented editions.
- **Star Trek: Manifest Destiny #s 1 & 2** by **Mike Johnson**, **Ryan Parrott**, and **Angel Hernandez**. Captain Kirk and the Enterprise crew vs. the Klingons in the ultimate showdown!

- **Dungeons & Dragons #1**, which sees **Jim Zub** return to the world of D&D for an all-new story. He's accompanied by **Nelson Daniel** on art.
- **The X-Files #1** by **Joe Harris** and **Matthew Dow Smith**, a new series that's executive produced by *X-Files* creator **Chris Carter**.
- **Hot Damn #1** by **Ryan Ferrier** and **Valentin Ramon**, the creative team of *D4VE* take us on a wild tour of Hell.

Top Shelf has **Apocrypha Now** by **Mark Russell** and **Shannon Wheeler**, the sequel to *God is Disappointed in You*.

Earth Day is April 22nd, and I'm happy to announce that all five **Michael Recycle** picture books by **Ellie Bethel** and **Alexandra Colombo** are now available again.

Random Encounter: Plains of the Troll King is the latest from **IDW Games**. Designed by **Jamie Keddie**, you can raid your friends or adventure alone in an attempt to slay the creatures of the Troll King's Kingdom and harvest their loot. This quick-paced card game is designed for 1 to 5 players.



April 1st is a big day for IDW—the first episode of **Wynonna Earp** airs on **Syfy** at 10 p.m. **IDW Entertainment** is the worldwide distributor for the show that's being produced by **Seven24**.

Wynonna Earp was created by my good friend, **Beau Smith**, and **Emily Andras** is the writer/show-runner who developed it for television. Emily's version of *Wynonna Earp* finds our lead character, the great-great-granddaughter of Wyatt Earp, summoned back to her home town where she discovers she's the only one who can stop the demonically possessed people that Wyatt Earp brought down when he was a lawman. Wynonna's recruited to join the secret Black Badge Division of the U.S. Marshals by Agent Dolls and gets help from her sister, Waverly, and the immortal Doc Holliday.

We had hundreds of great actors audition for the lead roles, and we got our first choice for each—**Melanie Scrofano** as our lead character, **Shamier Anderson** as Agent Dolls, **Dominique Provost-Chalkley** as Waverly, and **Tim Rozon** as Doc Holliday. My wife and I had fun learning how to shoot guns with Tim and Dominique (with Shamier as one of our instructors), and one of the best experiences of my life was taking Beau and his wife to Canada to meet the folks who were bringing his creation to life.

We're all very proud of the show and we're excited to share it with you!

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HEEE HAAWWW! IT'S THE FIRST DAY OF CIDER SEASON!

C'MON, APPLES! WE'VE GOT LOADS OF WORK TO DO.

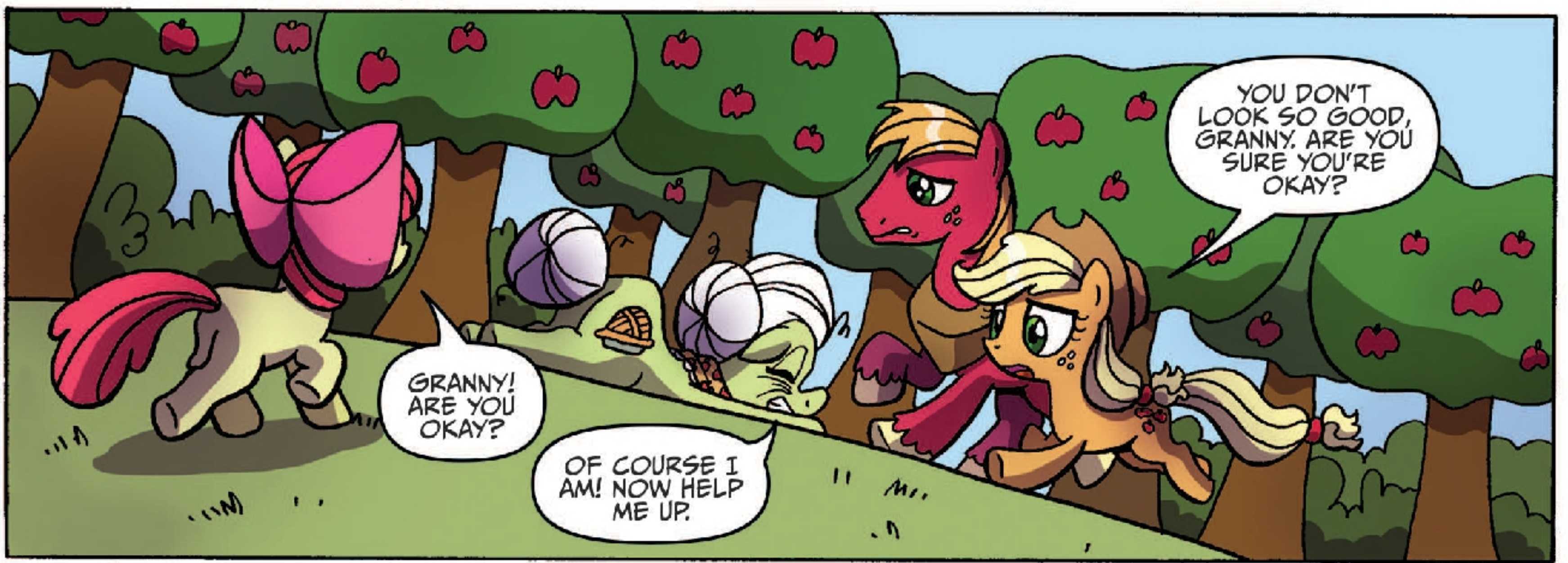


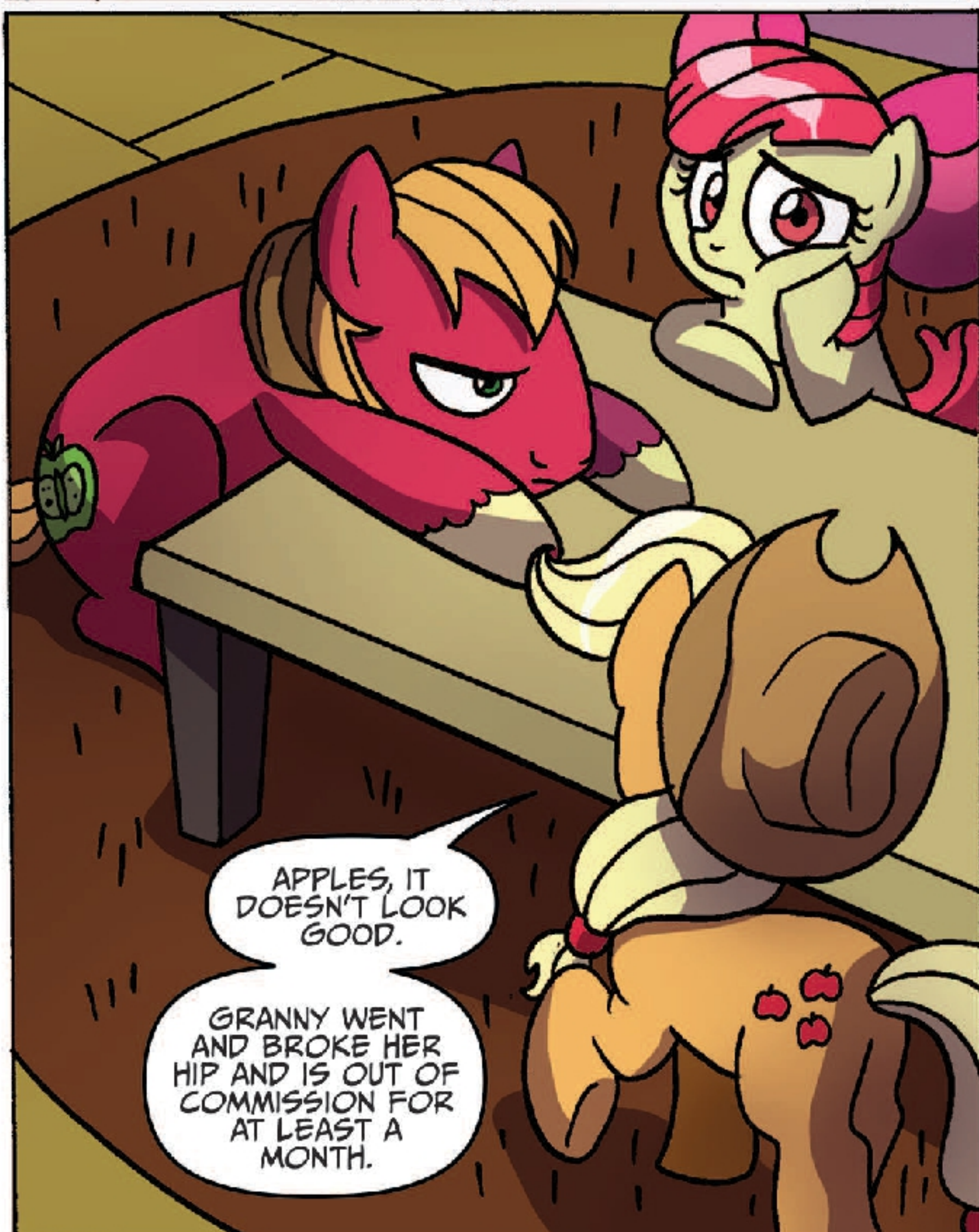
HERE WE GO. ANOTHER PERFECT APPLE CIDER SEASON!



I'M COMING APPLEJACK!

GAH!







AS SOON AS I HEARD THAT GRANNY WAS HURT, I RUSHED RIGHT OVER.

I MEAN, IT'S POSSIBLE WE'RE RELATED, SO SHE'S PRACTICALLY LIKE MY OWN GRANNY, EXCEPT SHE HAS AN APPLE FOR A CUTIE MARK AND CAN'T SMASH ROCKS WITH HER TEETH—



BUT YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN.

YEEEEUP!



GEE, PINKIE, IT'S NICE OF YOU TO COME, BUT GRANNY'S RESTING AND WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE'RE GONNA GET THROUGH CIDER SEASON WITHOUT HER.



I CAN HELP!

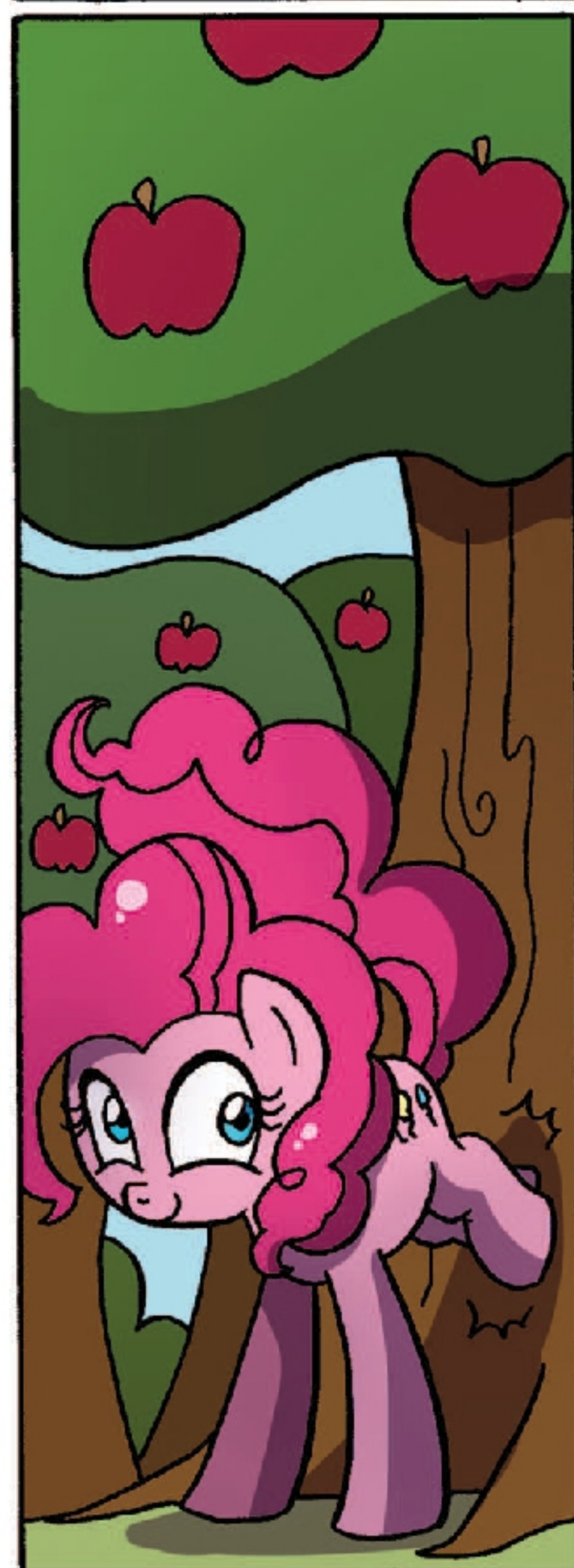
YOU CAN?



SURE THING! I'M NO STRANGER TO HARD WORK AND CIDER SEASON MUST GO ON!



LET'S GET WORKING!



THAT'S MIGHTY NICE OF YA, PINKIE, BUT ME AND BIG MAC HAVE IT COVERED OUT HERE.

THANK CELESTIA!