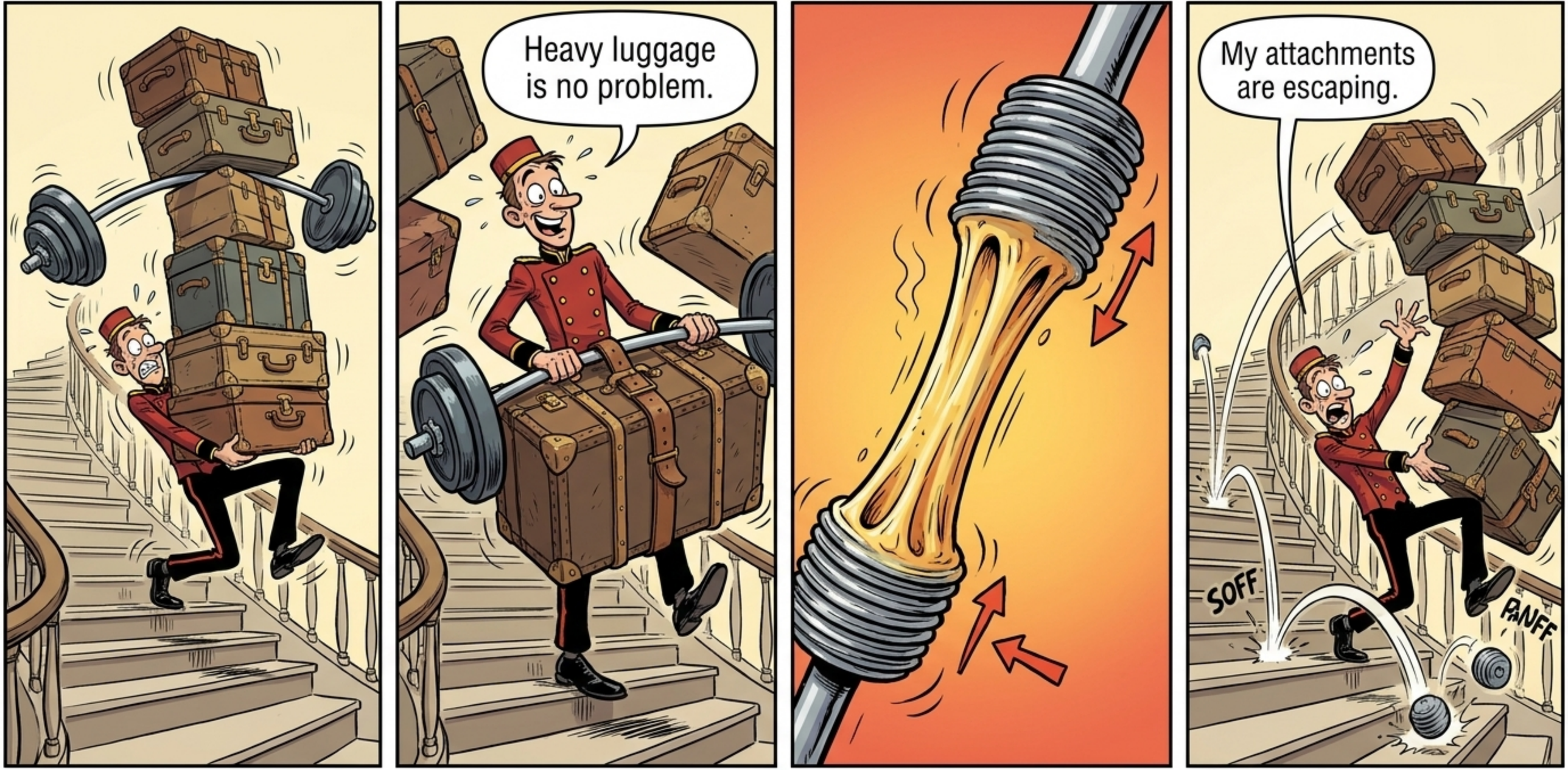

Polytetrafluoroethylene exhibits cold flow under sustained mechanical load allowing threaded connections to loosen.

The sudden loss of structural integrity proved quite distracting during the staircase descent.