

Man uses house to control wife Tomorrow's horoscope

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Dear Annie: Two years ago, I married "Will." We were both widowed. I had a good job, a nice home and a car. Will was retired and wanted someone to travel with, so I chose to retire in order to spend time with him. He didn't like my home, so I sold it. He already had three cars and said we didn't need a fourth, and because he preferred his cars to mine (even though mine was newer and paid for), I sold that, too. All I asked was that he provide lifetime rights to his home if something were to happen to him. He agreed and had a will made to reflect that.

Here's the problem: Two months after the marriage, we had a disagreement, and he threatened to change the will. He told me to leave because it was *his* house. He has since made the same threat numerous times. I am not allowed to make any changes to the house without his approval, which he rarely gives. I found out he was cheating on me, and when I confronted him, he hid the car keys and told me to get out. I called my sister to pick me up. Of course, as always, he was sorry and begged me to stay. I have asked Will to sell this



house so we could buy something that belongs to both of us. I told him it would make me feel more secure. He absolutely refused. I asked that he add my name to the deed, and he refused that, too. Now he yells at me that I only married him for his money. Annie, there isn't enough money in the world to put up with this.

Will says he loves me, but I get the impression he loves his house and money more. I told him if he doesn't make some changes, I am leaving. All I want is some security. Am I wrong? — Stay or Go?

Dear Stay or Go: Please go. You will never feel secure with Will. He is not trustworthy and considers the marriage a power struggle that he has to win. He will threaten to disinherit you every time you have a disagree-

ment. He will say he is sorry because he doesn't want to lose control over you. This is a recipe for years of misery.

See a lawyer and find out what you need to do to protect yourself financially. Then pack your bags. If your sister will take you, we recommend letting her help until you get back on your feet. And please don't ever put yourself in such a vulnerable position again.

Dear Annie: I read the interesting responses for the nickname Dick. However, what has me more perplexed is how Peggy came from Margaret. Can you help? — Perplexed

Dear Perplexed: Margaret is a popular name in many countries, but the shortened forms "Meggie" and "Meg" are specifically Scottish.

"Peggy" is a variant nickname for "Meggie," and "Peg" is the same for "Meg." Margaret, in fact, has a huge number of nicknames, including Madge, Maisie, Marge, Megan, Margot, Molly and some that seem less closely connected, such as Rita and Greta (from Margarita or Margaretta) and Daisy (from the French Marguerite, which is also the French name for the oxeye daisy).

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Putting it off until later will only compound the problem. Make this your mantra: "Do it now!" For bonus points, you might add: "Before someone else does it."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Do you want control? Do you want to feel you have control? Those are two different things, but what they have in common is that they are both mostly illusions today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you try to make a difference, you get the same rush of satisfaction as when you actually do make a difference. So why not just try? That's the cosmic lesson of the day.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Sweat and breathe heavy. Make your physical fitness a top priority. This will be purifying. You'll feel like a new person afterward. Lucky exercise partners are Pisces and Virgo.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are easy to talk to, and you'll make friends whenever you reach out. If you're in sales (And, on some level, who isn't?), this will be the day you cash in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It may be impossible to understand where a loved one is coming from, but don't give up. Answers will come. Be patient. In the meantime, take care of you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Stay focused on the realm of "now" instead of worrying about the realm of "then." News media and stories from friends could cause a vague sense of dread. Who needs it?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The

manual work is a mixed blessing now. While folding clothes or sweeping the floor, your mind will work on the more perplexing tasks. You could solve it all with one load of laundry.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The more energy you pour into a relationship the stronger the bond. This is not always the case, but you're lucky enough to be in a mutually satisfying relationship. Of course, you created a lot of that luck.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The challenge is bigger than you are. That's the kind you like the best. You're not one to let opportunities slip by when you could be rising to the occasion.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You would push the "easy" button on your life if you could. You're still searching for it, though. It has something to do with repeating a successful action 100 times.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You don't think of yourself as having more creativity than others, but that's not the point. It's the kind of creativity you have that makes you special. Your "art" will surprise people.

SATURDAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 13). A minor adventure will lead to a more substantial journey in the weeks to come. Your stellar attitude will make it so. You'll recognize a juicy opportunity in July and make the most of it. Street smarts, practicality and financial savvy will help you turn a profit in September. Aries and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 11, 20, 45 and 16.

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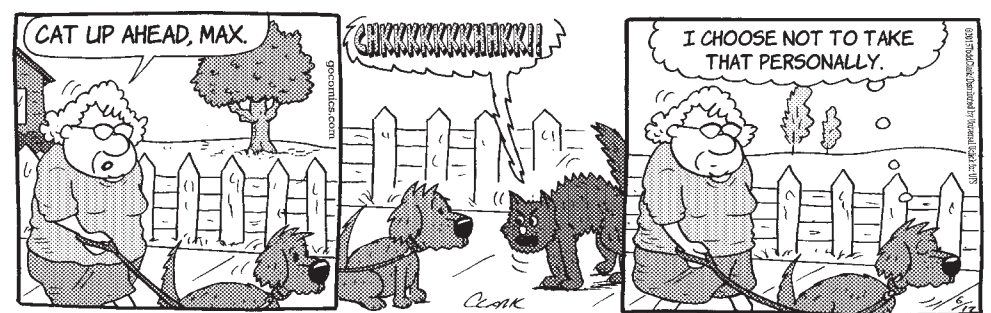
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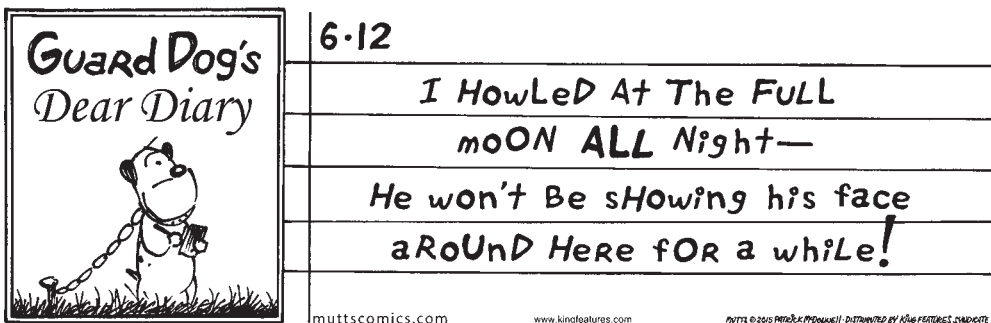
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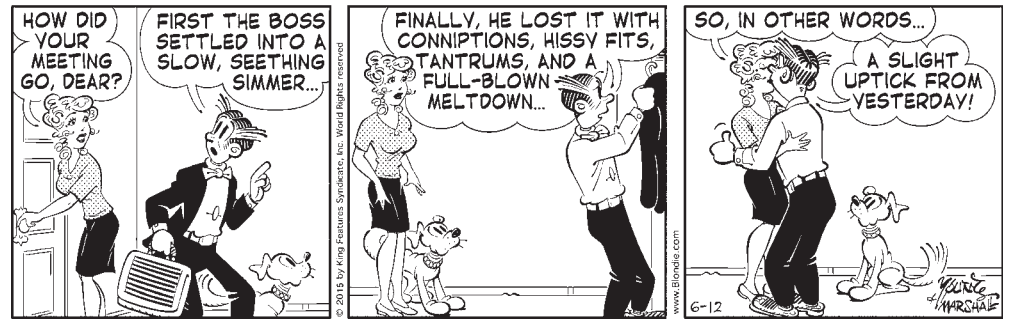
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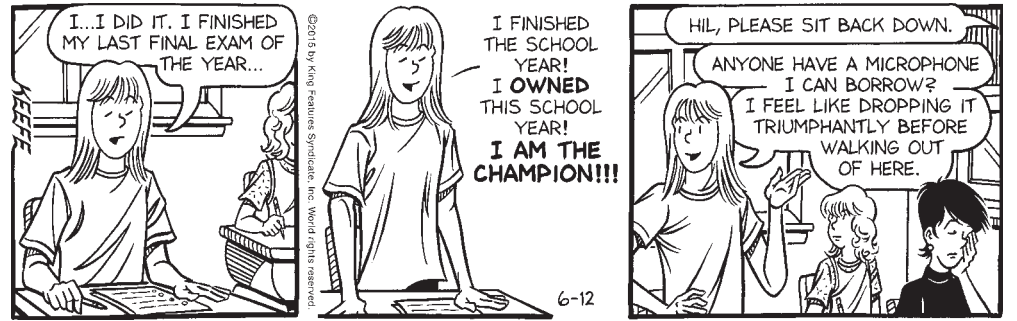
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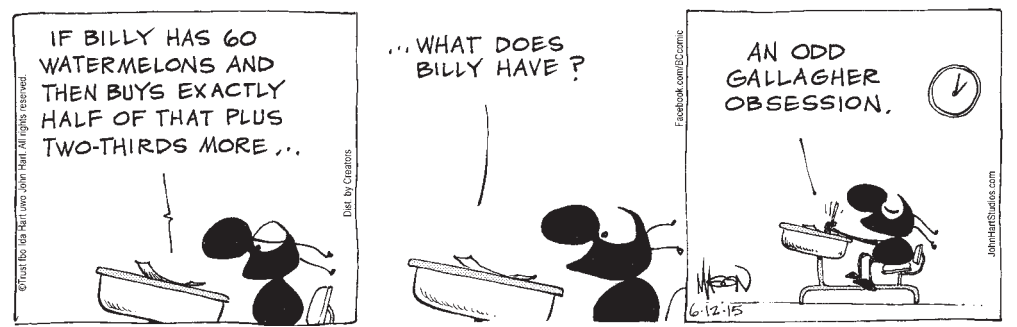
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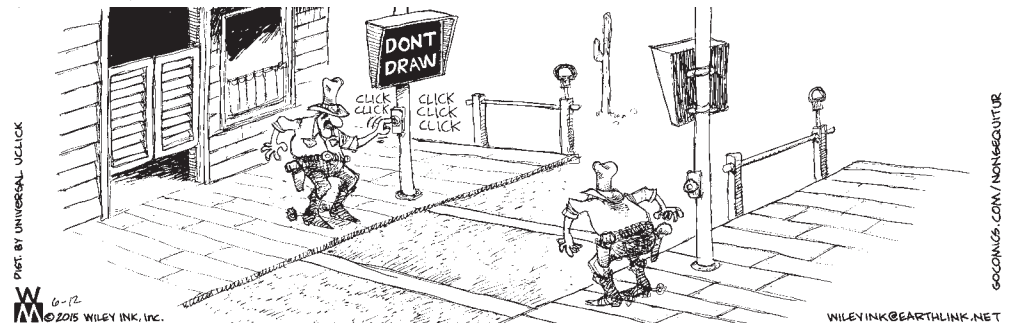
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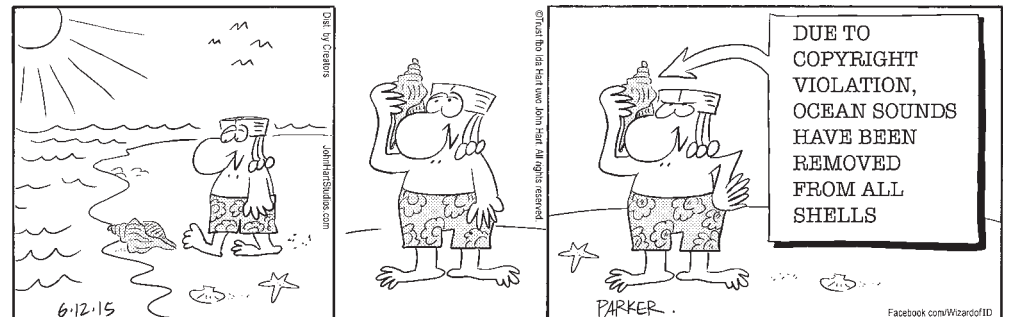
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