

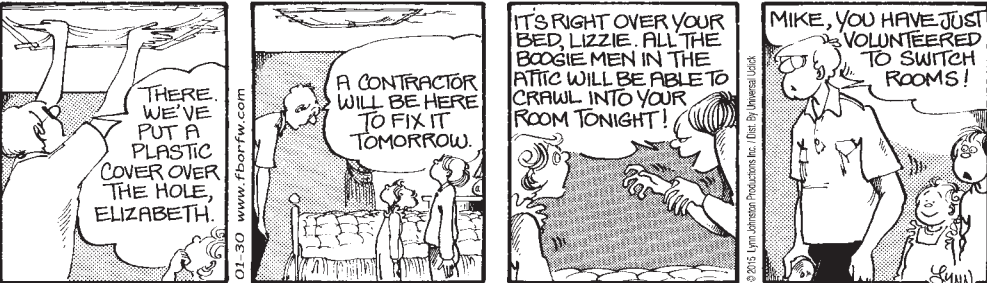
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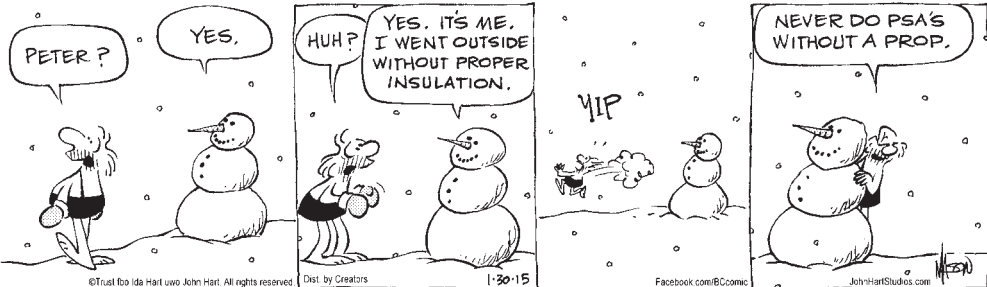
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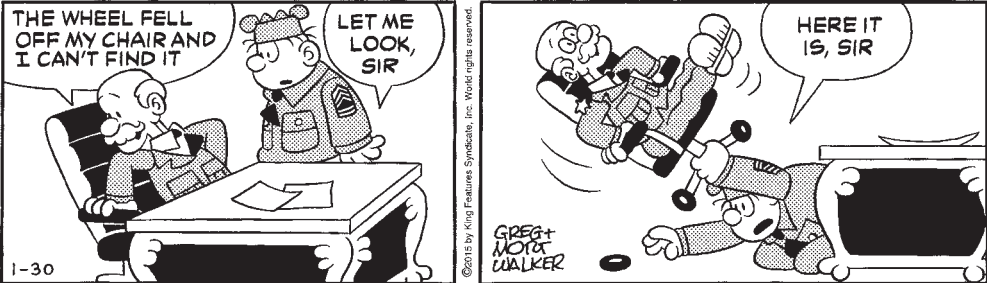
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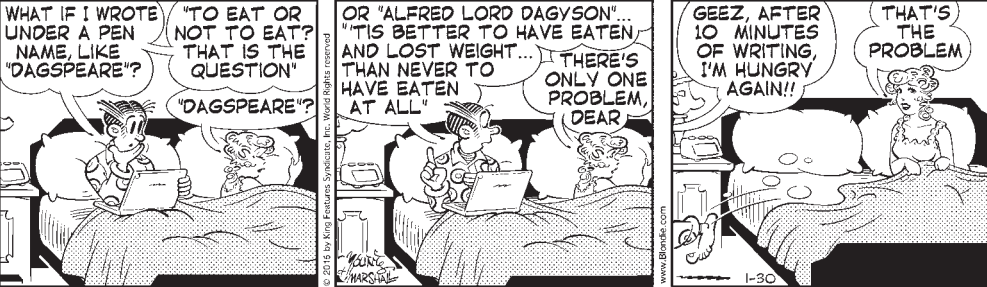
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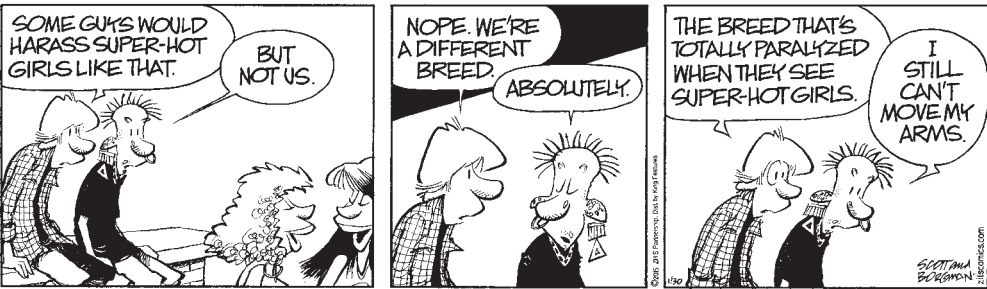
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DEAR ABBY

Seizure in classroom prompts lesson on reaction for kids

Dear Abby: Last week, I had a seizure in front of my fourth-grade students. This has never happened to me before, so I had never spoken to my students about such a thing. I want to write them and their families a letter expressing my apologies, thanking them for their kind thoughts and giving basic advice on how to handle a seizure. Is this appropriate? If so, how do I start the letter? — **Appropriate In New Jersey**

Dear Appropriate: Before writing the letter, check with the principal of your school. Because you now know that you are prone to having seizures, I think it makes sense that your students should know what one is, and what to do in case it happens again in the classroom. Some seizures can be almost unnoticeable, while others can be quite severe. If yours are severe, a student should immediately inform another adult and ask for help.

P.S. While you may want to thank everyone for their kindness, it should not be necessary to apologize to anybody for something you couldn't control.

Dear Abby: My daughter has always been very independent. She had a normal childhood with the usual friends and events, nothing traumatic that I know of. She is a pretty girl with a funny personality and is very bright.

The issue is, she is 18 and has been on only two dates. She shows no interest in forming any sort of romantic relationship. She has never had a boyfriend, though many boys have expressed interest in her. The two dates she did go on, one in high school and one in college, she called "duds."

She says she's not gay, and has commented on good-looking guys. I don't know what to think. Do you? — **Wondering Mom**

Dear Wondering Mom: You say your



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

daughter has always been independent. It's possible she has enough self-assurance that she doesn't think she needs a man in her life right now. It may also be that before becoming emotionally involved with anyone she would prefer to focus on her education or career path. Whatever her reasons, you would be making a mistake to push her in any direction she doesn't feel ready for, or make her uncomfortable about being the way she is.

Dear Abby: Mom passed away five years ago, and Dad died four months ago. For the last years of his life Dad was hoping we'd move into their home. It's a beautiful place in a country setting with lots of trees, including pecan trees. We were undecided.

After Dad died, my husband and I were at home making all the funeral arrangements and we were both emotionally exhausted. While I tried to stay busy inside the house, my husband decided to go outside to clear his head. While walking around the yard, he found a pecan in the grass! Abby, there are no pecan trees in this entire neighborhood. We knew the rational answer was that a squirrel must have dropped it, but in our hearts we felt it was Dad giving us the hug we needed so badly, and his way of telling us that everything will work out.

We will be moving into my parents' home in the near future. — **At Peace In Louisiana**

Dear At Peace: There's nothing nutty about your experience. Sometimes we just need a nudge from above to guide us into doing what's right for us. I wish you well in your new home.

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DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 30, 1915

When Walter Jones, local drayman, was drawn upon the grand jury and took the oath to consider the evidence presented before that body fairly and impartially, he did not guess what a severe test was to be placed upon his oath, and for that matter the officers did not either. One of the cases presented involved his own brother, Jim Jones, who conducts a pawn shop on Cottonwood street, and the fact that this brother was indicted on a charge of giving liquor to Indians indicated the manner in which the grand juror met the test. Immediately after the report of the grand jury yesterday, Jim Jones was arrested by the police and tried in police court. He was convicted of giving liquor to Annie Chapman and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 or serve 20 days in jail.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 30, 1965

The Union Pacific Railroad has 400 men and several work trains fighting to open service on its blocked transcontinental line between Pendleton and La Grande. They hope to have service restored by tonight. A pair of

bridges, one at Cayuse and the other near the Eastern Oregon State Hospital in Pendleton, as well as a washed out section at Perry, near La Grande, have halted all traffic on the line. The washout at the hospital bridge was so large that a bulldozer could pass under. Rock was used as a fill. Passengers stranded in Pendleton Friday were bussed to La Grande where they could continue their trips east.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 30, 1990

When Donna Tassie arrived for work early today at Schroth Real Estate she heard a voice speaking to her from the chimney. "I'm stuck in the chimney and I can't breathe," the voice said. At first, Tassie though fellow employee Rod Rife was playing a joke on her. But after calling Rife at home, she dialed 911. Shortly after, Albert Valdez, 23, of Hermiston was pulled from the chimney with a rope and arrested for attempted burglary and criminal mischief. Hermiston police Lt. Grant Asher said Valdez was stuck feet first near the bottom of the chimney, apparently on his way into the building. Three men were needed to hoist the 170-pound construction worker from the chimney. Valdez was not injured.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 30th day of 2015. There are 335 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On Jan. 30, 1945, during World War II, more than 500 Allied captives held at the Japanese prison camp in Cabanatuan in the Philippines were liberated by U.S. Army Rangers, Alamo Scouts and Filipino guerrilla fighters. Adolf Hitler marked the 12th anniversary of his appointment as Germany's chancellor with his last public speech in which he called on Germans to keep resisting until victory.

On this date:

In 1615, Thomas Rolfe, the only child of John Rolfe and his wife, Rebecca (the former Pocahontas), was born in Jamestown in the Virginia Colony.

In 1815, the U.S. House

of Representatives joined the Senate in agreeing to purchase the personal book collection of former President Thomas Jefferson to replace volumes lost when the British burned the U.S. Capitol and its congressional library during the War of 1812.

In 1933, Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany.

In 1948, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi, 78, was shot and killed in New Delhi by Nathuram Godse, a Hindu extremist.

In 1969, The Beatles staged an impromptu concert atop Apple headquarters in London; it was the group's last public performance.

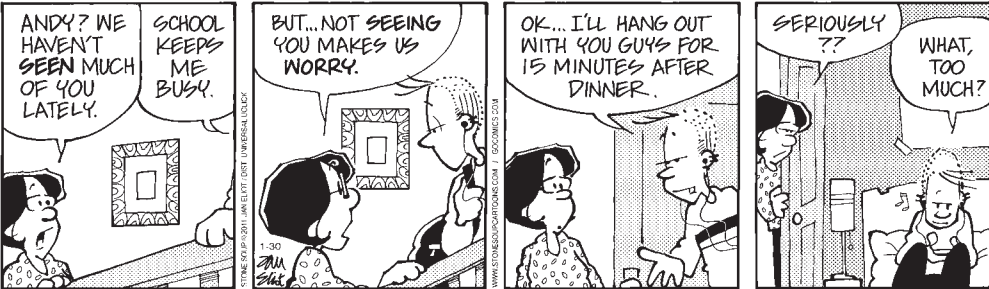
In 1972, 13 Roman Catholic civil rights marchers were shot to death by British soldiers in Northern Ireland on what became known as "Bloody Sunday."

Today's Birthdays: Actress Dorothy Malone is 90. Producer-director Harold Prince is 87. Actor Gene Hackman is 85. Actress Tammy Grimes is 81. Actress Vanessa Redgrave is 78. Chess grandmaster Boris Spassky is 78. Country singer Jeanne Pruett is 78. Country singer Norma Jean is 77. Former Vice President Dick Cheney is 74. Rock singer Marty Balin is 73. Rhythm-and-blues musician William King (The Commodores) is 66. Singer Phil Collins is 64. Actor Christian Bale is 41. Rock musician Carl Broemel (My Morning Jacket) is 41.

Thought for Today: "Only when we are no longer afraid do we begin to live." — *Dorothy Thompson, American author, journalist and radio commentator (born 1893, died this date in 1961).*

STONE SOUP

BY JAN ELLIOT



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

