

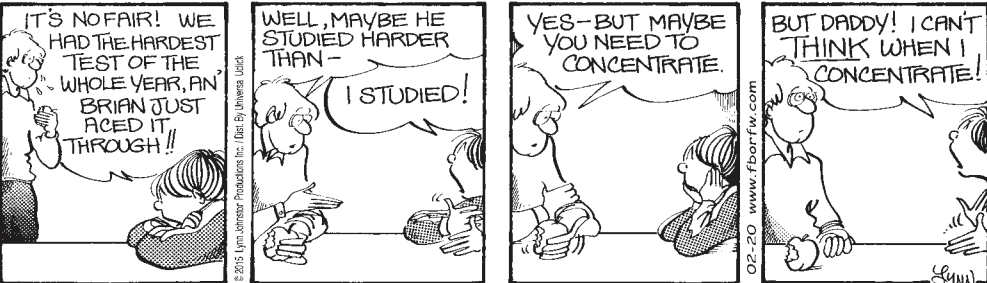
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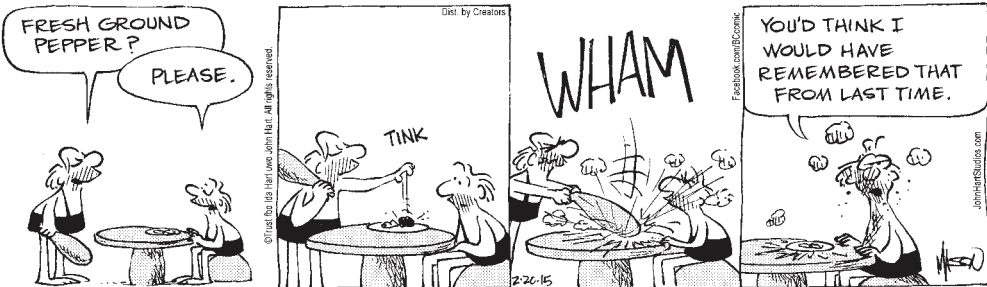
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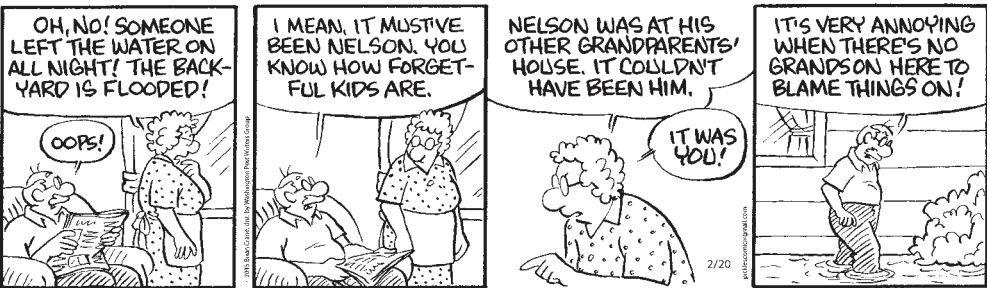
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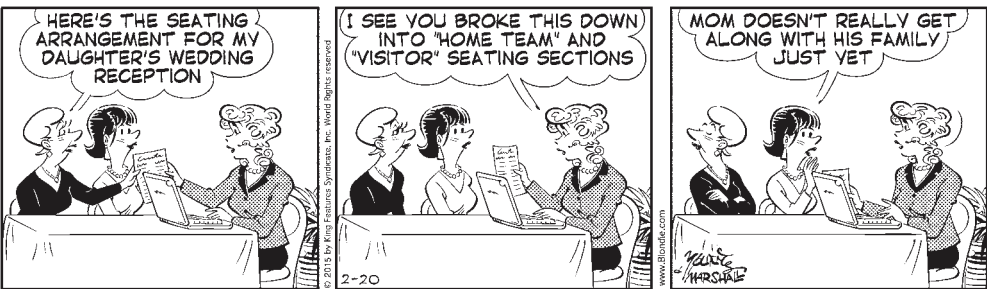
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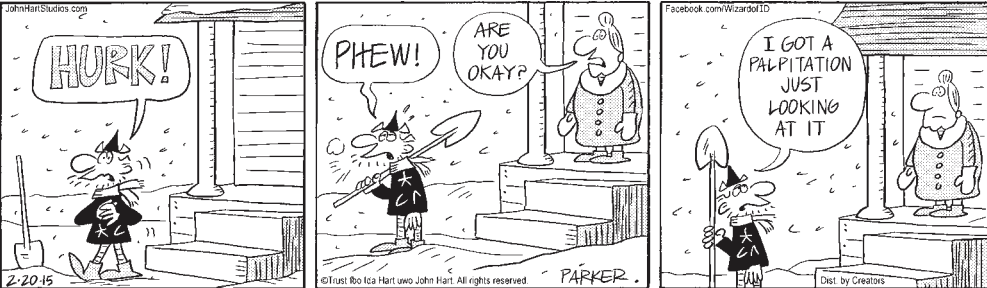
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BY SCOTT ADAMS



THE WIZARD OF ID

BY BRANT PARKER AND JOHNNY HART



LUANN

BY GREG EVANS



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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

Curious wife finds a surprise in husband's medical records

Dear Abby: I recently started working at the hospital where my husband receives his primary care. One afternoon, out of curiosity, I accessed his medical records. In his file it was noted that he is high risk for STDs. In fact, he was treated for two different ones some years back.

I have been tested for STDs during all my annual physicals, and the results were always negative. I think it's because we often go for weeks without any sexual contact.

What should I do with this information? How do I talk to him about it without letting him know that I'm aware of his medical history? — **Concerned In Massachusetts**

Dear Concerned: Unless you claim to be clairvoyant, I don't see how you can discuss this without admitting you accessed his medical records, which is against the law. Be prepared for him to be irate, because the best defense is a strong offense. You are lucky your husband hasn't given you an STD.

By all means talk with him about this, if only to find out whether you have sex so infrequently because he's having relations with other people. Now that you know what has been going on, you have some serious thinking to do about staying in this marriage.

Dear Abby: I had an abusive boyfriend who, I realized later, had abused his wife and children. After we broke up, my close friend and neighbor asked me if I'd mind if she went out with him. I initially said no, but after thinking about it, I thought how could she? She knew how he had treated me, pushing, shoving and isolating me from my friends.

I had words with her about it, and she said she wasn't there, so she didn't know if it really happened. What kind of a woman wouldn't support me?

He is over there often, and I live right next



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

door. I am furious with her. Do I have a right to be? — **Alice In New Mexico**

Dear Alice: Your friend must be desperate for male companionship, or incredibly naive in failing to recognize that what happened to you (and the man's former wife) won't also happen to her. Please don't waste your time being angry. You are lucky to be rid of your abuser and should be grateful you realized he was one before he caused you physical harm.

Dear Abby: A woman I know has a husband who is deployed. I would like to send her a card offering support and love, to tell her how thankful I am for both of their sacrifices in the service of our country.

Can you assist with wording and other ideas on how I can be supportive? She lives far away, so this will all be long distance. I don't want to come across wrong or say something that could offend.

I ran across an article the other day on what NOT to say to military wives, and I'm afraid I may have committed a faux pas and don't want to do it again. — **Civilian In Iowa**

Dear Civilian: If you think you "may" have committed a breach of etiquette, pick up the phone, call the woman and offer an apology. Explain that you read an article about what not to say to military wives, and hope you didn't offend her. Offer to stay in touch — if that's what she would like — so you can let her know she and her husband are in your thoughts, and let her suggest other ways you might be helpful even though you are geographically distant.

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DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 20, 1915

"Purely accidental" was the way the coroner's jury yesterday afternoon characterized the death of Mrs. John Kilkenny. For an hour after the testimony had been submitted, the jurors discussed the tragic occurrence in the light of the evidence and made a personal inspection of the elevator in the Hotel Pendleton. Their unanimous conclusion was that she came to her death by a fall down the elevator shaft and that the death was purely an accident. The witnesses examined were Roscoe Vaughan, the operator of the elevator, Henry W. Collins, the only other eye witness of the fall, and Dr. H.H. Hattery, who was summoned immediately after the accident.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 20, 1965

A check for \$152.06 was presented to Joe McLoughlin, Pendleton chairman of the Heart Fund Drive, by Charlene White, president of

PHS Quill and Scroll. The money was raised when the student body voted for the Sweetheart Ball Court. Two boys and two girls were nominated by each class to run for the court, with additional nominees being made for one dollar. The dance is an annual money raising event for the Heart Fund and is sponsored by Quill and Scroll, national journalism honorary.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 20, 1990

For 34 years, Jack Furgason gave the gift of job skills to dozens of aspiring electrical linemen. Last month, after seven years of retirement, some of Furgason's former apprentices decided to give him something in return. They nominated him for the Apprenticeship Hall of Fame, an Oregon Department of Education award honoring five people who devoted much time to training students in the professions. Furgason was one of the five selected for the award, along with Newt Brumbach of Milton-Freewater and three others around the state.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 51st day of 2015. There are 314 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 20, 1905, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Jacobson v. Massachusetts*, upheld, 7-2, compulsory vaccination laws intended to protect the public's health. (The case involved a Swedish immigrant, Henning Jacobson, who refused to pay a \$5 fine for refusing to be vaccinated against smallpox; the Court upheld the right of states to penalize individuals who rejected vaccinations, but did not say they could be forcibly vaccinated.)

On this date:

In 1792, President George Washington signed an act creating the U.S. Post Office.

In 1862, William Wallace Lincoln, the 11-year-old son of President Abraham Lincoln and first lady Mary Todd Lincoln, died at the White House, apparently of typhoid fever.

In 1915, the Panama Pacific International Exposition

opened in San Francisco (the fair lasted until December).

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. strategic bombers began raiding German aircraft manufacturing centers in a series of attacks that became known as "Big Week."

In 1950, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *United States v. Rabinowitz*, ruled 5-3 that authorities making a lawful arrest did not need a warrant to search and seize evidence in an area that was in the "immediate and complete control" of the suspect.

In 1962, astronaut John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth as he flew aboard Project Mercury's Friendship 7 spacecraft.

In 1965, America's Ranger 8 spacecraft crashed on the moon, as planned, after sending back thousands of pictures of the lunar surface.

In 1987, a bomb left by Unabomber Ted Kaczynski exploded behind a computer store in Salt Lake City, seriously injuring store owner Gary Wright.

Today's Birthdays: Gloria Vanderbilt is 91. Actor Sidney Poitier is 88. Racing Hall of Famer Bobby Unser is 81. Actress Marj Dusay is 79. Jazz-soul singer Nancy Wilson is 78. Racing Hall of Famer Roger Penske is 78. Singer-songwriter Buffy Sainte-Marie is 74. Hockey Hall-of-Famer Phil Esposito is 73. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., is 73. Rock singer-musician-producer Walter Becker (Steely Dan) is 65. Newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst is 61. Actor Anthony Stewart Head is 61. Rock musician Sebastian Steinberg is 56. Basketball Hall-of-Famer Charles Barkley is 52. Actor French Stewart is 51. Model Cindy Crawford is 49. Actress Chelsea Peretti (TV: "Brooklyn Nine-Nine") is 37. Singer Rihanna is 27.

Thought for Today: "The life of the nation is secure only while the nation is honest, truthful, and virtuous." — *Frederick Douglass, American abolitionist (born circa 1817, died this date in 1895).*

STONE SOUP

BY JAN ELLIOT



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

