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CLOSE THE DOOR! By Tim Burr

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Universal Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Old counters

6 Lock catches

11 “How exciting!”

14 Boston airport

15 Old Roman port

16 Employ

17 Summary statement

19 Can component

20 Glassmaker’s need

21 Witty remark

22 “___ the ramparts ...”

23 Quantity

26 Chinese dish

28 Kind of food or music

29 Bank offering, for short

32 Penetrate slowly

33 Food crumbs

34 Broadcasts

36 Splash haphazardly

39 Discouraging words

40 Poker dealer’s question

42 Tax prep. expert

43 “Come in!”

45 Pressure unit

46 “Sure, why not?”

47 Old Testament book

49 Fly catcher

50 Neural network

51 Out of key

54 Ridges on ranges

56 ___ chi (martial art)

57 Knight’s title

58 Tightly tucked in

59 “I” problem

60 Like some rights

65 Amscrayed on foot

66 Resign one’s position

67 Kind of personality

68 “___ show time!”

69 Demagnetize, as a tape

70 School jottings

DOWN

1 “Rumble in the Jungle” champ

2 “___ voyage!”

3 Karim of the Khans, for one

4 Soup buys

5 Store cremins

6 Vast multitude

7 ___ Wednesday

8 Florists cut them

9 Aviators

10 Most crude, humorwise

11 Certain expenses

12 Basket twig

13 John the steel-drivin’ man

18 One-named Venetian master

23 All together

24 Definitely no Einstein

25 Sparsely populated posts

27 Fam. member

30 Hilariously funny thing

31 It points the way

35 Tender to the touch

37 Sudden outpouring

38 “First lady of the theater” Helen

40 Burr role

41 Refined and polished

44 Australian runner

46 Pasta sauce herb

48 Type of fishing boat

51 Where embryos develop

52 Annoy persistently

53 Kind of queen

55 Bad type of sentence

58 Locate

61 Sue

63 Grafton’s “___ for Lawless”

62 Dracula, at times

63 Fabrication

64 Triage sites, briefly

DEAR ABBY

Excitement over pregnancy is dulled by husband’s restraint

Dear Abby: I have just found out I’m 10 weeks pregnant. Both sets of parents are overjoyed — it’s their first grandchild — and I’m happy because this was the plan all along. My husband wants kids, and this is our first baby.

My husband isn’t the kind to wear his heart on his sleeve. I have tried to involve him in appointments and classes, but he seems uninterested. He has expressed no emotions, even when he saw our first sonogram. It makes me feel sad and lonely. When I ask him if he is happy about the pregnancy, he says yes, but it’s hard to tell.

What can I do? His reassurance does not feel genuine. This is supposed to be a milestone, the next chapter of our lives. — **Preg-O In Arizona**

Dear Preg-O: While your parents and in-laws are overjoyed, and you are excited at the prospect of the baby, it is possible that your husband may be overwhelmed at the reality of becoming a father and the responsibility it entails. Not all men are good at expressing their emotions, particularly emotions that they think might be “unmanly.”

Instead of depending upon him to reassure you, try reassuring HIM about what a wonderful father he is going to be. If you do, you may find that as your pregnancy progresses, his level of excitement will increase.

Dear Abby: I’m a junior in high school and plan on going to college. When I brought up the college subject with my mom and told her the one I want to go to is out of state, she got upset and said she would never see me. She keeps suggesting colleges that are in-state, but none of them are ones I want to go to. Shouldn’t it be my choice about where I want to go? As you can see, I need help. What should I do? — **Ash-**



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

ley In New York

Dear Ashley: Continue discussing this with your mother to see if there might be more to her concerns than separation anxiety. If the reasons include worry about finances, talk to a counselor at your high school about scholarships that can help to pay for the college of your dreams.

Dear Abby: My husband curses nonstop. He wakes in the morning with an “f-ing this” or an “f-ing that.” He does it as he goes into the kitchen to get

his coffee. I can’t stand it.

I have asked him repeatedly to stop. He was never like this when we were younger. Over the 20 years of our marriage, he has become worse and worse. Now he’s a nonstop “f-ing machine.”

My neighbors have complained to me about it. They have children, and when he goes outside, it continues. How do I get him to tame his tongue? — **Married To Mr. Eff-ing**

Dear Mrs. Eff-ing: Is your husband unwell? Could his problem be related to stress or a form of dementia? If the answer is no, then let me point out that men who are happy in their jobs and their lives do not act this way. Men who are considerate and care about their wives’ and neighbors’ sensibilities usually try to accommodate them if asked nicely. Your problem may not be your husband’s tongue as much as it is his attitude — and until he realizes that only he can change it, there is nothing you or anyone else can do to fix him.

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DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian

April 18-19, 1915

It is axiomatic that it never pays to count your chickens before they are hatched and Frank Campbell, official dogcatcher, submits that it is likewise poor policy to count your dogs before they become dollars. After risking the horrors of hydrophobia and expending much time and effort in gathering in the canines that were unlicensed, he saw all of the fruits of his toil vanish in one fell blow. Someone with more love for dogs than dogcatchers yesterday afternoon about 5 o’clock forced the lock to the stable at Round-Up park that is used for a pound and liberated 16 animals who were under sentence of death unless their masters bought their parole. Every dog meant money to Campbell when final judgment was passed and now he has to start his labors all over again.

50 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian

April 18-19, 1965

Bill Hansell, son of Dr. and Mrs. William Hansell, a sophomore at University of Oregon, has been selected to participate in an exchange program of the U of O School of Business Administration and the Netherlands Institute for Foreign Representation, beginning in September. The exchange program is designed to

create in the American student an awareness of the international scope of American business, to promote knowledge and understanding of business principles and methods in a foreign environment, to stimulate interest in vocational opportunities in international business and to deepen the understanding of American and European students for each other’s cultures and ways of life.

25 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian

April 18-19, 1990

Seventh grader Kevin Standley jokes that he expects to see purple tomatoes with hair when plants that spent six years in space bear fruit. Actually, most of the students in Rod Humphrey’s seventh-grade biology class at Pilot Rock Junior High don’t expect the plants to differ much from regular tomatoes. These students were in the first grade when the National Aeronautics and Space Administration sent the tomato seeds into orbit in 1984. They were supposed to return two years later on the Challenger, but when the shuttle blew up the seeds were doomed to stay in space until last January, when the Columbia brought them home. Students in Humphrey’s class, as well as in Helix and 180,000 other classrooms around the country, will carefully watch and measure the growth of the plants. Their results will be sent to NASA in June.

UNIVERSAL

Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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1	9		7	3		2
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4		6		2		5
	9		6	5		2
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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆☆

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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

2÷		15×		2-	1-
1-	3÷		6		
	4	4-		4-	
11+	4-	3+		9+	
		3	2-		
48×			4-		3

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RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

- Ten four-letter mammals
- Three baseball hits
- Three chess pieces
- Three four-letter things worn on the foot
- The opposite of false

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Answers to Saturday's puzzle: MULE MOLE LION LYNN DEER PUMA GOAT
MINK SEAL BEAR / SINGLE DOUBLE TRIPLE / BISHOP KING PAWN / SHOE
SOCK BOOT / TRUE

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M	B	J	M	I	N	K	S	M	O	L	E
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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 108th day of 2015. There are 257 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 18, 1945, during World War II, famed American war correspondent Ernie Pyle, 44, was killed by Japanese gunfire on the Pacific island of Ie Shima, off Okinawa.

On this date:

In 1775, Paul Revere began his famous ride from Charlestown to Lexington, Massachusetts, warning American colonists that the British were coming.

In 1865, Confederate Gen. Joseph E. Johnston surrendered to Union Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman near Durham Station in North Carolina.

In 1906, a devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, followed by raging fires; estimates of the final death toll range between 3,000 and 6,000.

In 1925, the first Woman’s World’s Fair, an eight-day event, opened in Chicago.

In 1934, the first laundromat was opened by John F. Cantrell in Fort Worth, Texas; the “Washateria,” as it was called, rented four electric washing machines to the public on an hourly basis.

In 1942, an air squadron from the USS Hornet led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle raided Tokyo and other Jap-

anese cities. The first World War II edition of *The Stars and Stripes* was published as a weekly newspaper.

In 1949, the Republic of Ireland was proclaimed.

In 1955, physicist Albert Einstein died in Princeton, New Jersey, at age 76.

In 1978, the Senate approved the Panama Canal Treaty, providing for the complete turnover of control of the waterway to Panama on the last day of 1999.

In 1983, 63 people, including 17 Americans, were killed at the U.S. Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon, by a suicide bomber.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Barbara Hale is 94. Actor Clive Revill is 85. Actor James Drury is 81. Actor Robert Hooks is 78. Actress Hayley Mills is 69. Actor James Woods is 68. Actress-director Dorothy Lyman is 68. Actress Cindy Pickett is 68. Country musician Walt Richmond (The Tractors) is 68. Country musician Jim Scholten (Sawyer Brown) is 63. Actor Rick Moranis is 62. Actress Melody Thomas Scott is 59. Actor John James is 59. Rock musician Les Pattinson (Echo and the Bunnymen) is 57. Author-journalist Susan Faludi is 56. Actress Jane Leeves is 54. Ventriloquist/comedian Jeff Dunham is 53. Talk show host Conan O’Brien is 52. Bluegrass singer-musician Terry Eldredge is 52. Actor Eric McCormack is 52. Actress Maria Bello is 48. Actress Mary Birdsong is 47. Actor David Hewlett is 47. Actor David Tennant is 44. Actress Melissa Joan Hart is 39.

Thought for Today: “War makes strange giant creatures out of us little routine men who inhabit the earth.” — *Ernie Pyle (1900-1945).*

7 Little Words®

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES

1 hot (7)

2 hot air (7)

3 hot-headed (9)

4 hot water (7)

5 hot dog (11)

6 hot shot (8)

7 hot tub brand (7)

SOLUTIONS

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Today's Answers: 1. PEPPERY 2. BOMBAST 3. IMPETUOUS 4. TROUBLE 5. FRANKFURTER 6. VIRTUOSO 7. JACUZZI

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