

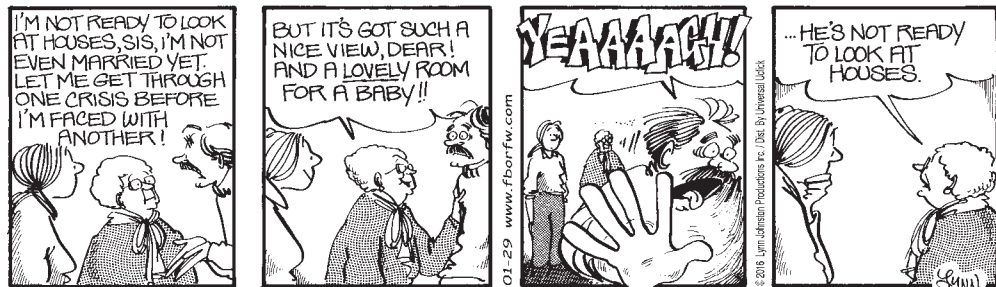
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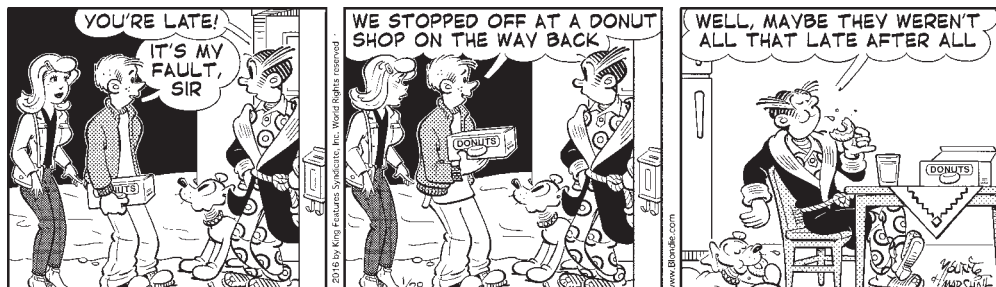
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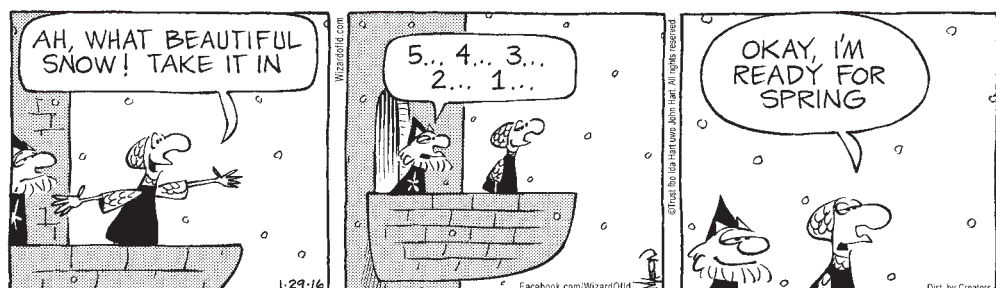
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DEAR ABBY

Dad resists coming clean about his youthful nose job



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I'm a male in my early 50s. As a shy 21-year-old, I had minor surgery to straighten a small (but at the time, to me, ginormous) hump on my nose. I didn't tell many people and it boosted my confidence, and although I can't say I regret it, looking back I don't think it was really needed. I met my wife a few years later and didn't think it was important enough to mention, which doesn't bother me.

Dear Abby: A year ago, my boyfriend of two years and I broke up. We had never had an argument. Then one night we did, and we both said things we shouldn't have. Since that day, he hasn't spoken to me again. He has ignored all my phone calls and my attempts to work things out. I have tried to move on, but I can't seem to. I have been devastated ever since because I truly loved him.

What does bother me is my daughter, 23 and happily married, is complaining about the small hump on her nose and seriously contemplating surgery to fix it. She says she's the only one in the family with such a nose. Her husband and my wife, neither one of whom are fans of minor cosmetic surgery, are urging her to not do it. I have kept my mouth shut so far.

I recently started seeing a guy I like, but when it comes down to it, I can't let go of my ex-boyfriend. I am paralyzed by my emotions. Mostly I feel betrayed. He has destroyed every perception I had about relationships, like being there for each other through the good and bad. How can I help myself heal? — **Motionless In Georgia**

I hate bringing something up I've kept from my wife all these years, yet I have this nagging feeling I'm betraying my daughter by not telling her she has the nose I was born with. I also worry that she'll find out and feel betrayed if I say nothing. Am I obligated to tell her? Am I a jerk if I don't? Does she have a right to know about her father's true nose? — **Indecisive Dad In The USA**

Dear Motionless: Not all romances are meant to lead to marriage. Intelligent adults don't necessarily agree on everything, but they should be mature enough to discuss their differences without resorting to vitriol. If your ex-boyfriend's reaction to a disagreement was to run for the hills, better that you learned it after two years rather than, say, five.

Dear Indecisive: You are behaving as though a rhinoplasty is something to be ashamed of. It's not! Speak up and tell your wife your daughter inherited your nose and that fixing yours gave you self-confidence. Then be honest with your daughter. She's an adult. What she chooses to do with the nose on her face should be her decision and no one else's because no one else will be wearing it.

I subscribe to the philosophy that our relationships — whether successful or failed — teach us important lessons about life. Sometimes we must accept life as it is rather than our fantasy of what we would like it to be. Because you haven't been able to progress beyond the romance you had with your ex, you will save yourself additional pain and wasted time if you discuss it with a licensed mental health professional.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 29, 1916

Among the sufferers from the recent floods that swept through the Otay Valley in southern California was a former Pendleton woman, Mrs. G.M. Leser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Blakely. Living in Los Angeles with her daughter and mother-in-law, she awoke one morning at 3 o'clock to find a foot of water in the bedroom and the three women narrowly escaped with their lives. In leaving the house they were forced to wade in water up to their waists and were twice swept down by the current. Finally they gained a house at a higher elevation but were forced to spend the whole next day in their wet clothes. When they could return home they found that the water had ruined most of their clothing and many other of their belongings.

by the Legislative Interim Committee on Public Lands. Dale Mallicoat, clerk of the State Land Board, testified here today before the committee that knowledge of the state's decision to release its hold on the Bureau of Land Management property "was general in several state and federal departments" and that it would have been possible for anyone to find out that the state was preparing to relinquish its interest in federal land in Morrow County. His testimony came after allegations Friday of favoritism.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 29, 1966

Hints that something might be amiss in the rush to apply for potential farm land in North Morrow County, under the Desert Land Entry Act, cropped up in Pendleton Friday. The Morrow County land deal was the main subject at the start of a two-day meeting here

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Jan. 29, 1991

Authorities are hoping video footage shot during a robbery at Far West Federal Bank in Pendleton Monday will help identify a suspect. A lone white male didn't show a weapon, but threatened to shoot a teller several times before fleeing on foot with cash about 11:30 a.m. FBI agent Mike McPheters, who is leading the investigation, said there are few clues in the robbery. He planned to dust the bank counter for fingerprints Monday afternoon, but wasn't optimistic. "Pendleton police and the Bureau did a grid search but we didn't turn anything up," McPheters said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 29th day of 2016. There are 337 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 29, 1845, Edgar Allan Poe's poem "The Raven" was first published in the *New York Evening Mirror*.

On this date: In 1820, Britain's King George III died at Windsor Castle.

In 1843, the 25th president of the United States, William McKinley, was born in Niles, Ohio.

In 1861, Kansas became the 34th state of the Union.

In 1919, the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which launched Prohibition, was certified by Acting Secretary of State Frank L. Polk.

In 1936, the first inductees of baseball's Hall of Fame, including Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth, were named in Cooperstown, New York.

In 1956, editor-essayist

H.L. Mencken, the "Sage of Baltimore," died at age 75.

In 1964, Stanley Kubrick's nuclear war satire "Dr. Strangelove Or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb" premiered in New York, Toronto and London. The Winter Olympic Games opened in Innsbruck, Austria. Actor Alan Ladd, 50, died in Palm Springs, California.

In 1990, former Exxon Valdez skipper Joseph Hazelwood went on trial in Anchorage, Alaska, on charges stemming from the 1989 oil spill. (Hazelwood was acquitted of the major charges, and convicted of a misdemeanor.)

In 1998, a bomb rocked an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Alabama, killing security guard Robert Sanderson and critically injuring nurse Emily Lyons. (The bomber, Eric Rudolph, was captured in May 2003 and is serving a life sentence.)

Today's Birthdays:

Writer-composer-lyricist Leslie Bricusse is 85. Feminist author Germaine Greer is 77. Actress Katharine Ross is 76. Feminist author Robin Morgan is 75. Actor Tom Selleck is 71. Rhythm-and-blues singer Bettye LaVette is 70. Actor Marc Singer is 68. Actress Ann Jillian is 66. Rock musician Louie Perez (Los Lobos) is 63. Rhythm-and-blues/funk singer Charlie Wilson is 63. Talk show host Oprah Winfrey is 62. Actor Terry Kinney is 62. Country singer Irlene Mandrell is 60. Actress Diane Delano is 59. Actress Judy Norton Taylor (TV: "The Waltons") is 58. Olympic gold-medal diver Greg Louganis is 56. Actress Heather Graham is 46. U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., is 46.

Thought for Today: "Misquotations are the only quotations that are never misquoted." — *Hesketh Pearson, British biographer (1887-1964).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

