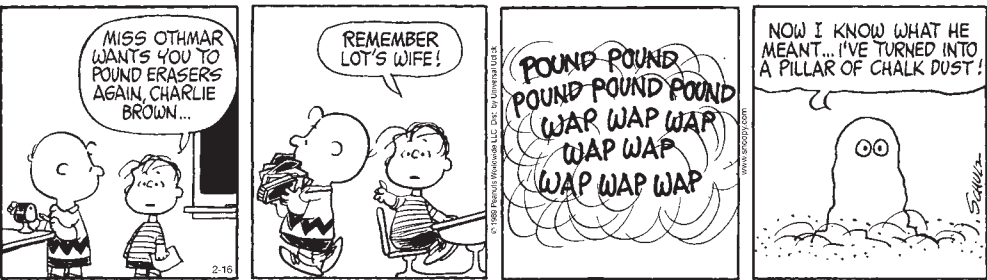


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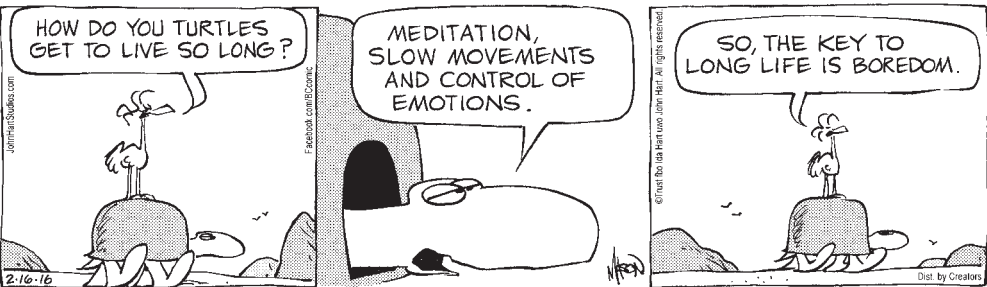
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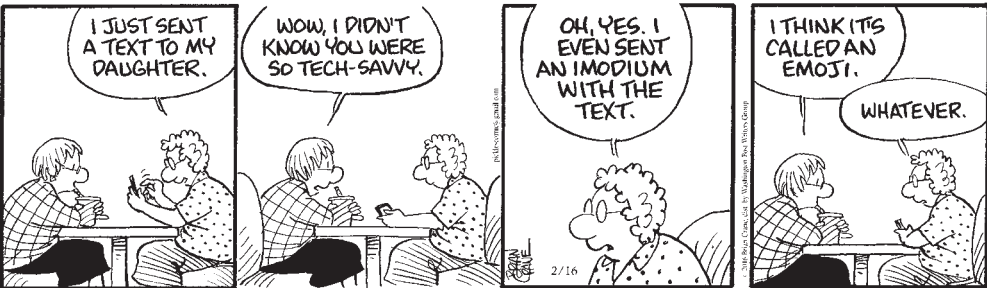
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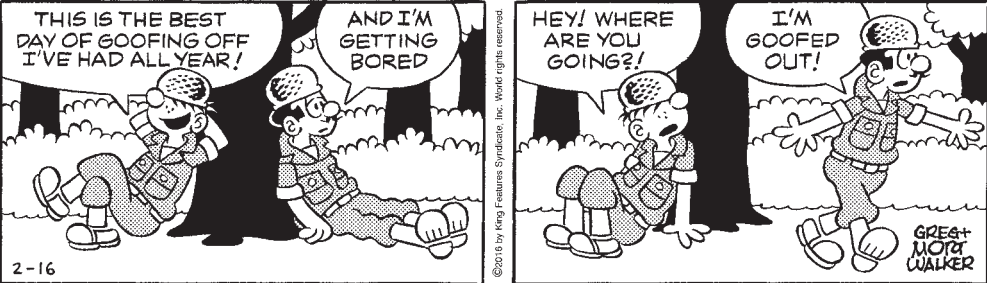
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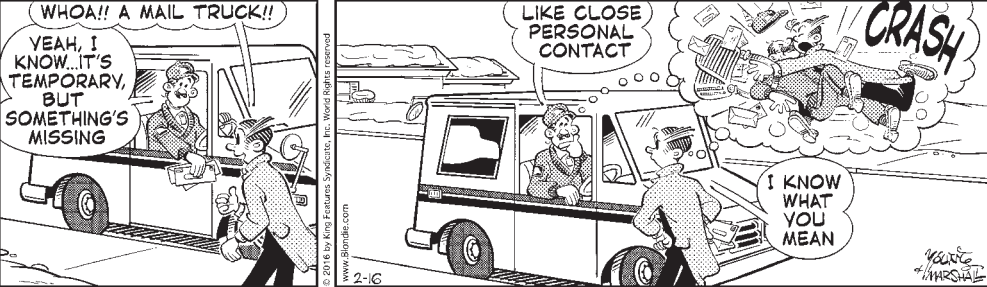
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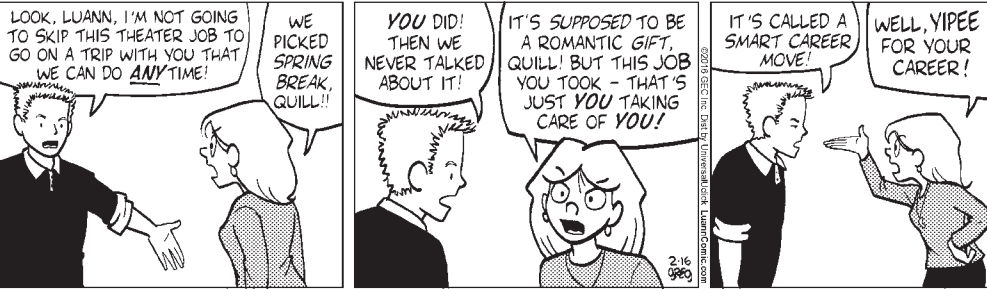


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BY BRANT PARKER AND JOHNNY HART



BY GREG EVANS



BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

Broken car seat sparks feud over who should foot the bill

Dear Abby: My sister-in-law has asked me to pay for repairs to the passenger seat of her car. She was picking up my 9-year-old to stay the night, and when he got inside, he moved the seat forward to better fit his stature. She got upset and said, "The seat was broken. We had it set just right for me when I'm the passenger."

Since he adjusted it she hasn't been able to reset it. When I asked if there was a note on the dash that read "Do not move seat," she said no. Then I asked, if this was her best friend's son, would she be requesting money to repair an already broken seat? Her response was, "No." Am I wrong to think she was out of line to ask? — **Fuming In Washington State**

Dear Fuming: You're not wrong. If your sister-in-law had warned your son not to touch the seat before he adjusted it, she might have a leg to stand on. However, if she's short of money and was baby-sitting your son as a favor, in the interest of keeping peace in the family, offer to contribute to the cost of the repair.

Dear Abby: What are the dangers of driving while on strong painkillers? Since codeine is a controlled substance that you have to sign for to receive the prescription, does it impair distance vision and reaction time?

My elderly dad says as long as he has taken the pill the night before, it's all right for him to drive. He takes about 12 different medications every day, and the pain medicine must stay



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Advice

in his system at all times to work effectively.

Are other drivers in danger when he drives under the influence of prescription drugs? Can he be arrested if he hits someone? His car is already dented because he hit something. It would be a shame for him to cause some innocent driver who encounters him on the highway to be crippled or die. What do you think? — **Medicated In Raleigh, N.C.**

Dear Medicated: I am not an expert in pharmacology. I suggest you compile a list of all the drugs your father is taking — both prescription drugs and the over-the-counter variety. Take the list to his pharmacist and ask these questions. He or she can give you the answers you need because some drugs can interact with each other.

Dear Abby: A friend and I had a falling-out over a manners thing. When three people eat out together and everyone orders their own dessert, is it rude to not allow someone to take a bite of yours?

This friend wanted to taste another one's dessert and the guy said no. The friend then claimed the refuser was rude because he didn't want to share. Was the person wrong to have declined? — **Just One Bite**

Dear Just One: Whether to share one's food is a matter of personal preference. No rule of etiquette demands that someone do so just because it has been requested, and it wasn't rude to refuse.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 15-16, 1916

Train service to Pendleton has again been interrupted today, both on the O.-W.R. & N. and the N.P. lines, as a result of track damage by weather conditions. There are no trains at all operating on the Pendleton-Pasco branch of the Northern Pacific while the morning Portland train, No. 6, is not scheduled to arrive over the O.-W. main line until this afternoon. The trouble on the N.P. is at Vansycle, where the previous trouble was. The melting snows yesterday again caused a big volume of water to flow down the canyon with the result that the tracks were badly washed. The train to Pasco yesterday afternoon did not get through and both it and the mixed train are operating near there as work trains. The damage is expected to be repaired today so that service will be resumed tomorrow.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 15-16, 1966

A case of alleged cattle rustling has been sent to the Umatilla County grand jury. Charged with larceny of livestock in a preliminary hearing were Joe Richard Ebsen, Stanfield, and Mary Lou Hanson, Hermiston. Also arraigned on the same

charge, but awaiting their preliminary hearing, are Gerald McCord and Shirley Avery, both of Echo, who gave themselves up at Hermiston. In the preliminary hearing Monday, officer Ross Patrick of the Oregon State Police said Ebsen admitted "potting a calf" late Feb. 5 after a beer drinking session in Ione. Asst. Dist. Attorney Arthur Barrows said the calf, a 450-pound heifer, belonged to Jess Correa, Echo, and was one of a herd of 50 cattle that Correa pastured in a field near Stanfield Junction.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 15-16, 1991

Stage Gulch irrigators challenged the state Thursday on its proposal to declare the area as Oregon's newest critical ground water zone. About 75 people appeared in Hermiston to attend a public hearing on the state's proposal to restrict irrigation pumping in a 252-square-mile area between Hermiston and Pendleton because well levels are declining. Lloyd Piercy, who grows vegetables near Echo, questioned both the assumptions and conclusions the state Water Resources Department used in compiling its Stage Gulch recommendations. The ground water supply in the Umatilla Basin remains a "mystery" despite the state's conclusion the water supply is diminishing, he said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 47th day of 2016. There are 319 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 16, 1968, the nation's first 911 emergency telephone system was inaugurated in Haleyville, Alabama.

On this date:

In 1804, Lt. Stephen Decatur led a successful raid into Tripoli Harbor to burn the U.S. Navy frigate Philadelphia, which had fallen into the hands of pirates during the First Barbary War.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Fort Donelson in Tennessee ended as some 12,000 Confederate soldiers surrendered; Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's victory earned him the nickname "Unconditional Surrender Grant."

In 1868, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was organized in New York City.

In 1923, the burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently

unearthed tomb was sealed in Egypt by English archaeologist Howard Carter.

In 1937, Dr. Wallace H. Carothers, a research chemist for Du Pont who'd invented nylon, received a patent for the synthetic fiber.

In 1945, American troops landed on the island of Corregidor in the Philippines during World War II.

In 1959, Fidel Castro became premier of Cuba a month and a half after the overthrow of Fulgencio Batista.

In 1961, the United States launched the Explorer 9 satellite.

In 1977, Janani Luwum, the Anglican archbishop of Uganda, and two other men were killed in what Ugandan authorities said was an automobile accident.

In 1988, seven people were shot to death during an office rampage in Sunnyvale, California, by a man obsessed with a co-worker who was wounded in the attack. (The gunman, Richard Farley, is on death row.)

Today's Birthdays:

Actor Jeremy Bulloch is 71. Actor William Katt is 65. Rhythm-and-blues singer James Ingram is 64. Actor LeVar Burton is 59. Actor-rapper Ice-T is 58. Actress Lisa Loring is 58. International Tennis Hall of Famer John McEnroe is 57. Rock musician Andy Taylor is 55. Rock musician Dave Lombardo (Slayer) is 51. Actress Sarah Clarke is 45. Rock musician Taylor Hawkins (Foo Fighters) is 44. Olympic gold medal runner Cathy Freeman is 43. Actor Mahershala Ali is 42. Singer Sam Salter is 41. Electronic dance music artist Bassnectar is 38. Rapper Lupe Fiasco is 34. Actress Elizabeth Olsen is 27.

Thought for Today: "I am content to define history as the past events of which we have knowledge and refrain from worrying about those of which we have none — until, that is, some archaeologist digs them up." — *Barbara W. Tuchman, American historian (1912-1989).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

