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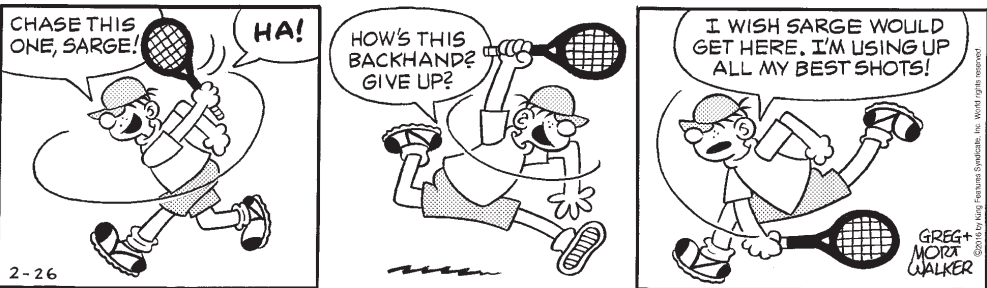
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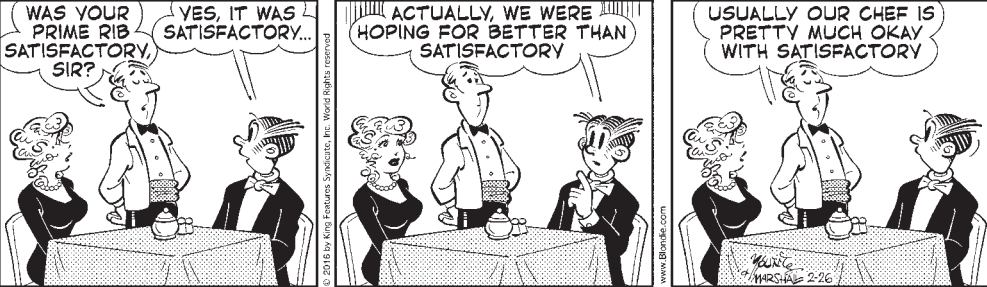
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DEAR ABBY

Inevitable illness overshadows man's personal relationships

Dear Abby: I have just separated from my wife. I don't plan on dating anytime soon, but I will eventually.

I have a disease that caused my immune system to destroy my liver cells. There is no way to predict whether my liver will fail in five days or five years. Would it be wrong to date knowing I have this disease? There is no cure, just a liver transplant if my liver fails completely.

Also, if it's OK to date, when should I tell someone about my illness? I have no friends because at some point they will see me jaundiced and sick, and I would have to burden them with my health issues or lie. — **Newly Separated In Montana**

Dear Newly Separated: You are allowing your illness to rule your life, and that's not a prescription that's healthy for anyone. Many people suffer from health problems, but they don't cut themselves off from relationships as you have.

Yes, you can date. If it looks like there could be a future, you should bring up the subject of your health at that time. But in the meantime, my advice is to make every effort to enjoy the time you have.

Dear Abby: In my mother's opinion, I have a problem. I have prominent nipples that show through shirts. I wear a padded bra, but it doesn't help. I don't want to wear a heavier padded bra because I am big-busted already.

Honestly, the situation doesn't bother me.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

It's part of being me and no different than having a unibrow or ears that stick out. It's not sexual. Should I worry about what others think about this? — **My Eyes Are Up Here!**

Dear Up Here: No. As you are probably already aware, anyone's nipples can become rigid if there's a change in the temperature. It doesn't necessarily signal arousal. If you are comfortable, then keep dressing the way you do. This appears to be your mother's problem. Do not let her anxiety rub off on you.

Dear Abby: As an older male retiree, I frequently encounter people at social gatherings who tilt their heads back, narrow their eyes and ask, "Exactly what was it that you did at XYZ Corporation?" When they find out I was what they consider to be "just a paper-pusher," they abruptly turn their backs and walk away. Can you suggest an appropriate response to this form of snobbery? — **Paper-Pusher In Arizona**

Dear Paper-Pusher: When someone asks that question, you might smile and respond, "You know, I'm having such a great time in retirement, I can't really recall what I did there!" Or, if you're feeling mischievous, you could call out after the person, "Just kidding! I was the CEO." And if the person turns to come back, turn YOUR back and walk away because, if your perception is correct, you have been conversing with someone who has terrible manners and no class.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 26, 1916

Work was commenced last Monday on the Boardman townsite when a crew of men and teams began grading the streets. Owing to the severe winter the townsite company has been delayed in its operations but work will now be continued as rapidly as possible. When the streets are graded sidewalk and tree lines and grades will be established and trees planted along every street and around the entire town. The building of six business houses will be commenced in a few days and others will be constructed later in March and April. Dodd & Kennedy of Hermiston, who own the townsite, will erect an office building and open an office at Boardman and will handle the townsite and lands adjoining. They will sell the Northern Pacific lands and other private holdings and will have maps showing the homestead lands in that locality.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 26, 1966

The Pendleton Jaycees, in an ugly mood, marched through downtown Pendleton

today protesting the slow sale of tickets for the State "B" Basketball tournament slated for the Pendleton Armory the second week in March. The protest leaders were immediately marched off to jail for marching without a permit. Bail was set at 500 tickets. The Pendleton Drum and Bugle Corps led the parade, which featured Jule Vaughan, Miss Umatilla County.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 26, 1991

McKay Elementary students Ricky Cunningham and Brian Pilmer sat completely still as the leaned up against a "jail" they drew as a backdrop for the "Wax Museum" held last week at the school. Cunningham was playing the role of Pat Garrett, who shot and killed Billy the Kid. Pilmer portrayed James Butler "Wild Bill" Hickok. Teacher Jan Peterson-Terjeson acted as a tour guide, pointing out people like Marco Polo, Albert Einstein, Helen Keller and the Wright Brothers. "The students felt that reading and studying biography with a 'wax museum' theme was more exciting because they could actually become the person instead of writing a five-page report," she said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 57th day of 2016. There are 309 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 26, 1916, actor-comedian Jackie Gleason was born in Brooklyn, New York.

On this date:

In 1616, astronomer Galileo Galilei met with a Roman Inquisition official, Cardinal Robert Bellarmine, who ordered him to abandon the "heretical" concept of heliocentrism, which held that the earth revolved around the sun, instead of the other way around.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte escaped from exile on the Island of Elba and headed back to France in a bid to regain power.

In 1904, the United States and Panama proclaimed a treaty under which the U.S. agreed to undertake efforts to build a ship canal across the Panama isthmus.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson signed a congressional act establishing Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

In 1929, President Calvin

Coolidge signed a measure establishing Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming.

In 1945, authorities ordered a midnight curfew at nightclubs, bars and other places of entertainment across the nation.

In 1952, Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that Britain had developed its own atomic bomb.

In 1970, National Public Radio was incorporated.

In 1986, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and author Robert Penn Warren was named the first poet laureate of the United States by Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin.

In 1993, a truck bomb built by terrorists exploded in the parking garage of New York's World Trade Center, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000 others.

In 2012, Trayvon Martin, 17, was shot to death in Sanford, Florida, during an altercation with neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman, who said he'd acted in self-defense. (Zimmerman was subsequently acquitted of second-degree murder.)

Today's Birthdays:

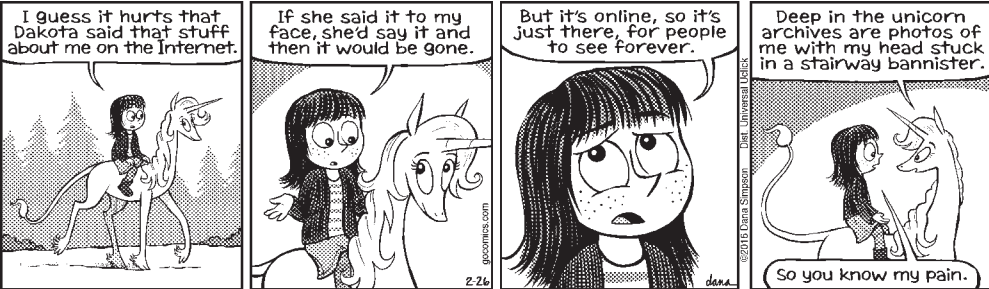
Game show host Tom Kennedy is 89. Singer Fats Domino is 88. Country-rock musician Paul Cotton (Poco) is 73. Actor-director Bill Duke is 73. Singer Mitch Ryder is 71. Actress Marta Kristen (TV: "Lost in Space") is 71. Rock musician Jonathan Cain (Journey) is 66. Singer Michael Bolton is 63. The president of Turkey, Recep Tayyip Erdogan, is 62. Actor Greg Germann is 58. Sen. Tim Kaine, D-Va., is 58. Bandleader John McDaniel is 55. Actor-martial artist Mark Dacascos is 52. Actress Jennifer Grant is 50. Rock musician Tim Commerford (Audioslave) is 48. Singer Erykah Badu is 45. Olympic gold medal swimmer Jenny Thompson is 43. Rock musician Chris Culos (O.A.R.) is 37. . Pop singer Nate Ruess (fun.) is 34.

Thought for Today:

"If you have it and you know you have it, then you have it. If you have it and don't know you have it, you don't have it. If you don't have it but you think you have it, then you have it." — *Jackie Gleason (1916-1987).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

