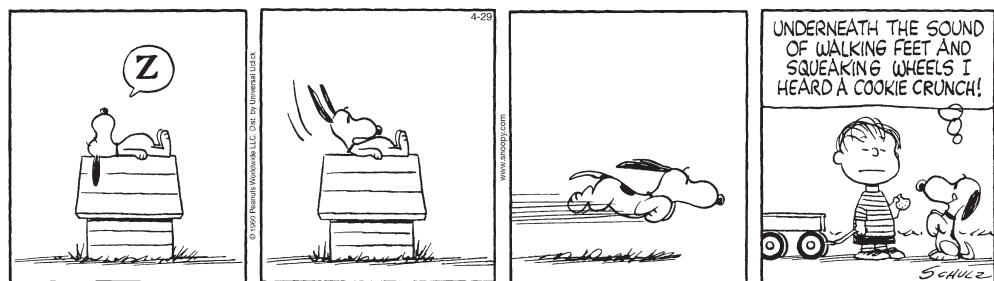


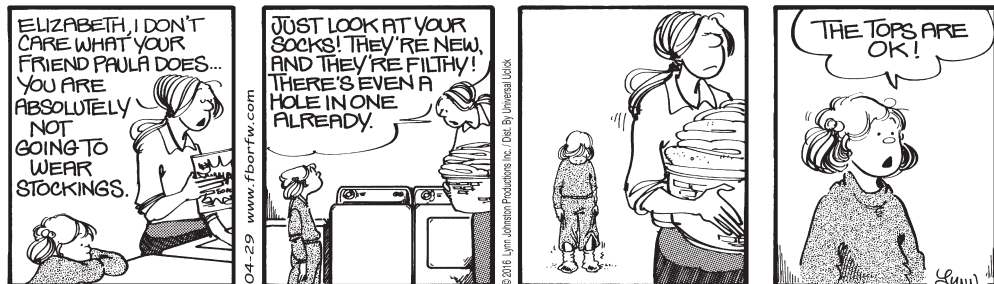
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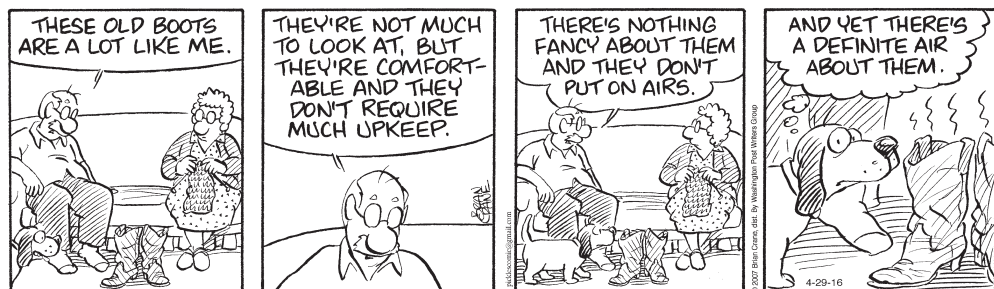
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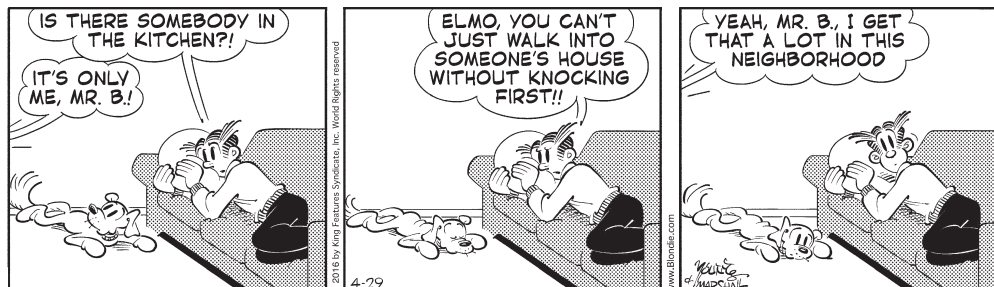
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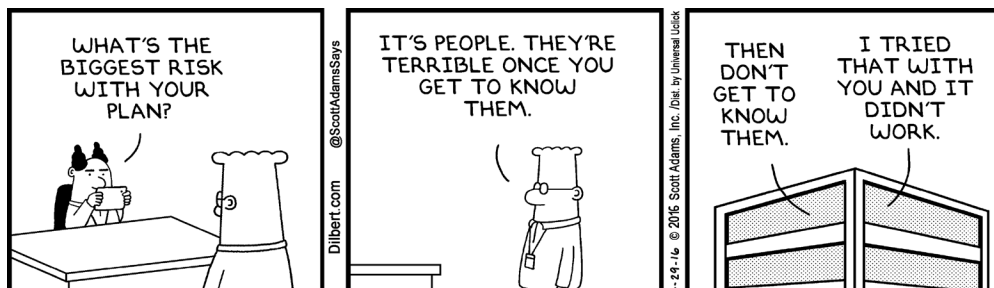
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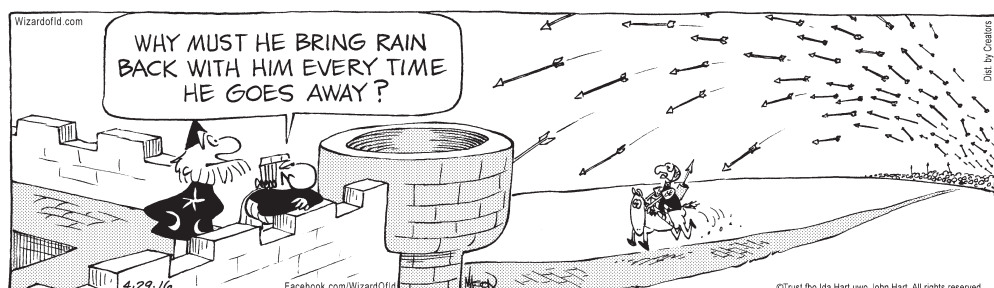
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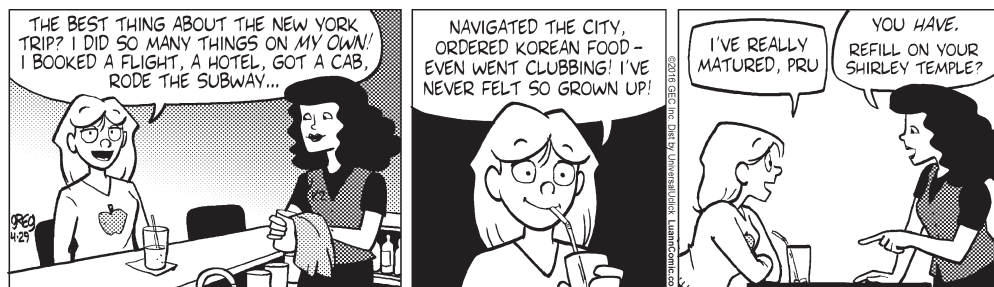
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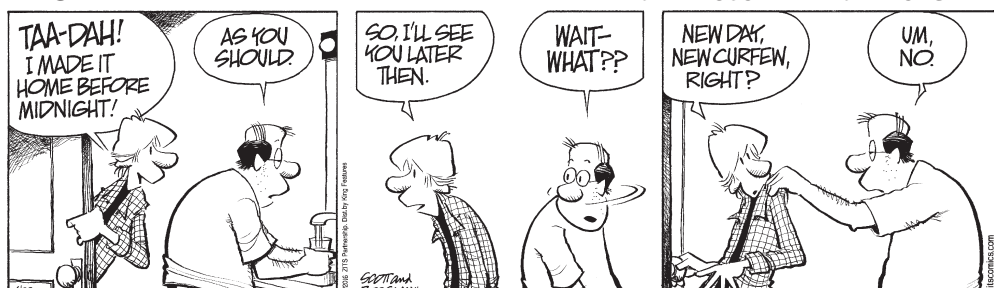
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DEAR ABBY

Admitted hypochondriac seeks a cure for her fear of dying

Dear Abby: I'm a hypochondriac. I am currently waiting on the biopsy results for a mole I had removed. Right now I'm worried and miserable. I feel guilty for what I'm putting my husband through. I want to get therapy, but doing that feels like admitting I'm too weak to handle my problems myself. My husband thinks he's a bad husband because he can't help me.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

This isn't the first time I have worked myself up over a medical condition I may or may not have, and it won't be the last. How can I deal with my fear of dying from something horrible without damaging my relationship with my husband? Can hypochondria be cured? It's starting to take over my life. — Hypochondriac In The South

from doing that. Although every bride wants her wedding to be "perfect," there's a point at which she can't control. An example of where that boundary should be drawn would be at her bridesmaids' armpits. During a formal wedding ceremony, bridesmaids usually keep their arms down, so unless your daughter's "pit hair" is so long she can braid it, it should not distract attention from the bride.

P.S. If hairy armpits in the wedding pictures concern her, they can be Photoshopped off.

Dear Abby: My parents built a two-bedroom apartment onto their house for my brother and his wife when they were struggling financially. They decided to move out of state, so my single sister is now in the apartment.

It has been a year, and my brother and his wife are now expecting. They have moved back to the area because they want to raise the baby near family, and want the apartment back. Of course, my sister doesn't want to give it back. I feel she shouldn't have to.

I agree with my sister that my brother gave it up. But my brother feels my single sister doesn't need a two-bedroom apartment. On that point I agree with him. My husband, my parents and I are in the middle. What do you think should be done? — Squabbling Siblings

Dear "Squab": Get out of the middle by stepping away. The apartment belongs to your parents, and it is up to them to decide who gets to use it. The rule of etiquette in a situation like this is: Mouth shut! (The more you involve yourself, the more one of your siblings is sure to resent you.)

Dear Hypochondriac: It's a wise person who seeks help for a problem that's ruining the quality of his or her life. You should definitely discuss your fear of dying with a licensed mental health professional. To do that isn't "weak" — it's the opposite.

Dear Abby: My son is getting married in the fall and we're all looking forward to the celebration. There's just one problem. My daughter will be in the wedding and the bridesmaids' dresses are strapless. She will look beautiful in the dress, but she adopted a "hippy lifestyle" a year ago and stopped shaving her armpits.

The bride-to-be asked me how to approach her to request that she remove her armpit hair on the day of the wedding. Is there a tactful way to approach this without offending my daughter and possibly causing bad feelings between her and the bride? — Unsure In New Jersey

Dear Unsure: I would discourage you

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian April 29, 1916

In looking up the abstract to the land purchased by the Blewett Harvester Co., James Johns Jr. discovered the fact, unknown to many people, that a considerable part of the city adjacent to the Round-up Park was once known as Somerville. The abstract shows a map showing the town of Somerville, filed on February 9, 1882 by J.H. Raley, county surveyor. Asked regarding the matter, Col. Raley recalled that he land was platted by S.L. Morse and named after Dr. E.J. Somerville who was a very close personal friend. The land was intended as an addition to Pendleton, according to the colonel, and not as a separate town. The addition was afterwards vacated and later became a regular part of the town.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian April 29, 1966

Robert Abrams, junior member of the law firm of Mahoney & Abrams, has been named Morrow County Father of the Year by Morrow CowBelles. His name has been entered in competition for the title of Oregon Father of the Year for 1966. An unusual honor for Abrams

was the fact that he was nominated by three separate organizations for the title. His official entry was submitted by St. Alban's Guild, an acolyte and servers' guild for boys of All Saints' Episcopal church. He was also chosen as candidate by Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce and by Soroptimist Club of Heppner.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian April 29, 1991

John Smith of Pendleton High School placed third at the fourth annual Oregon Citizen Bee in Salem Saturday, winning a \$500 saving bond. Smith just missed advancing to the nationals in Washington, D.C. He will be an alternate to the top two finishers, who will be attending the national finals in June. The competition finals involved 17 students and included three rounds of increasingly difficult questions about civics, geography, economics and current events. Smith was one of three Umatilla County high school students to compete in the state competition. The other two were Michael Kwong of Pendleton, who won the district competition in La Grande, and Brad Bowman of Hermiston. Randy Beard and Jana Mounts represented Riverside High School of Boardman in the competition.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 120th day of 2016. There are 246 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 29, 1991, a cyclone began striking the South Asian country of Bangladesh; it ended up killing more than 138,000 people, according to the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

On this date:

In 1429, Joan of Arc entered the besieged city of Orleans to lead a French victory over the English.

In 1798, Joseph Haydn's oratorio "The Creation" was rehearsed in Vienna, Austria, before an invited audience.

In 1861, the Maryland House of Delegates voted 53-13 against seceding from the Union. In Montgomery, Alabama, President Jefferson Davis asked the Confederate Congress for the authority to wage war.

In 1913, Swedish-born engineer Gideon Sundback of Hoboken, New Jersey, received a U.S. patent for a "separable fastener" — later known as the zipper.

In 1916, the Easter Rising in Dublin collapsed as Irish nationalists surrendered to British authorities.

In 1945, during World War II, American soldiers liberated the Dachau concentration camp. Adolf Hitler married Eva Braun inside his "Führerbunker" and designated Adm. Karl Doenitz president.

In 1946, 28 former Japanese officials went on trial in Tokyo as war criminals; seven were later sentenced to death.

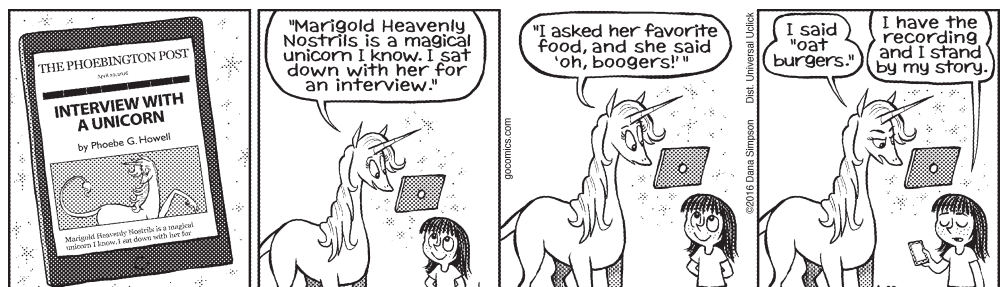
In 1992, rioting resulting in 55 deaths erupted in Los Angeles after a jury in Simi Valley, California, acquitted four Los Angeles police officers of almost all state charges in the videotaped beating of Rodney King.

Today's Birthdays: Jazz musician Toots Thielemans is 94. Actor Keith Baxter is 83. Bluesman Otis Rush is 81. Conductor Zubin Mehta is 80. Disgraced financier Bernard Madoff is 78. Pop singer Bob Miranda (The Happenings) is 74. Country singer Duane Allen (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 73. Singer Tommy James is 69. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., is 66. Movie director Phillip Noyce is 66. Comedian Jerry Seinfeld is 62. Actor Daniel Day-Lewis is 59. Actress Michelle Pfeiffer is 58. Rock musician Phil King is 56. Actress Uma Thurman is 46. International Tennis Hall of Famer Andre Agassi is 46. Rapper Master P is 46. Rock musician Mike Hogan (The Cranberries) is 43.

Thought for Today: "In any great organization it is far, far safer to be wrong with the majority than to be right alone." — John Kenneth Galbraith (1908-2006).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

