

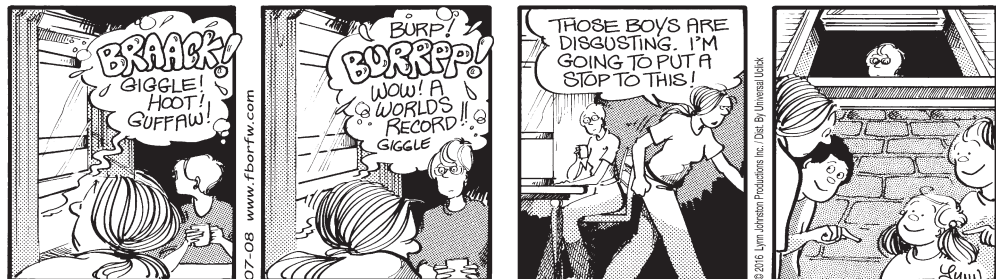
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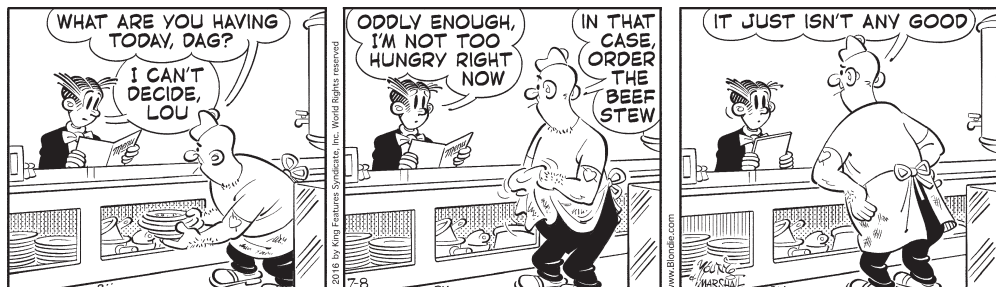
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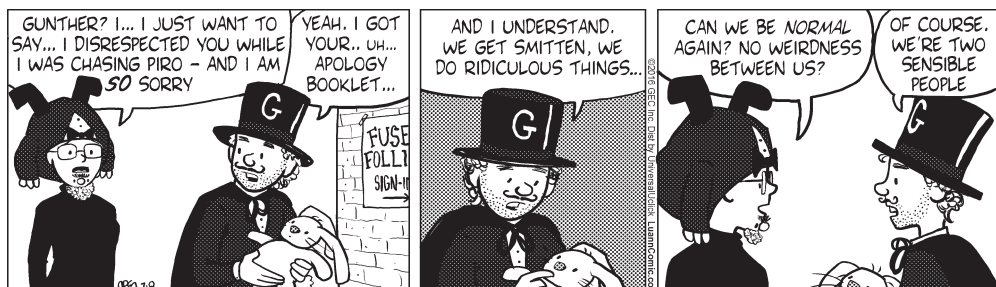
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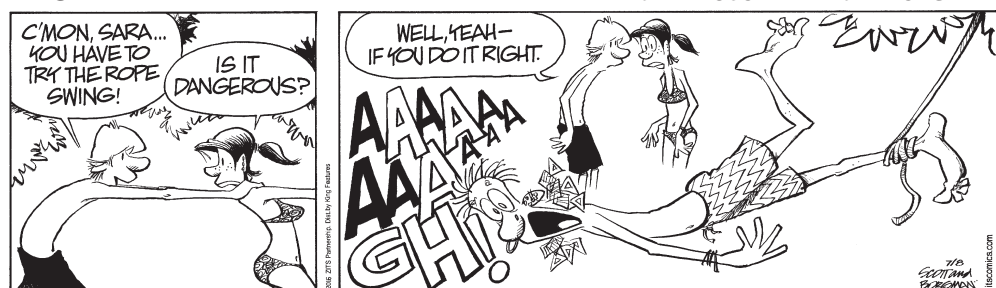
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DEAR ABBY

Wife questions care received at out-of-town walk-in clinic



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: On a recent trip out of state, my husband became ill. The hotel we stayed in referred us to a nearby urgent care walk-in clinic.

(having chest pains, muscle weakness, trouble speaking), an emergency room is better than an urgent care because more expertise and testing are available onsite.

The nurse took his blood pressure, which was very high. The "doctor" never took his temperature or mentioned the high blood pressure to us. He prescribed six drugs and we went on our way. My husband was happy; I was not.

Dear Abby: We are a married male couple. It is always awkward to use the word "husband" when I'm referring to or asked about my spouse, because heterosexuals seem to think that if I have a "husband," then that makes me a "wife." Nope!

When we returned home, I looked up the doctor's name on the internet. Actually, he was a physician's assistant, not a medical doctor. Abby, what should people do if they become sick while traveling? — **Traveling Medical Emergency**

I have started using "husband" and not "partner" because we are legally married and have been together for 18 years. Lesbians seem to have no trouble using "wife" when referring to each other. Why then does there seem to be a problem with male couples using "husband and husband" without it seeming awkward for heterosexuals?

Dear T.M.E.: You have asked an excellent question, one that may help many other people.

I have experienced this problem many times, and so have other male couples we know. Is there another term that's better than "husband"? — **Perplexed In Phoenix**

It is always wise when you travel to bring along a list of any medications you're taking and a copy of your medical records. Medical records are online these days and can be emailed to you upon request. A lot of health insurance companies offer a 24-hour service to call for a referral to a physician in whatever locale you happen to be.

Dear Perplexed: You could use the word "spouse," but using the word "husband" is preferable. ("Partner" may be appropriate, but in my opinion, it does not accurately describe your status as a married person.) People may be jolted to hear married male couples refer to each other as husband because same-sex marriage is still new in many areas of the country.

Physician assistants are standard in many areas of the country as long as they are supervised by a physician — and in your husband's case, there should have been an M.D. on the premises. You, as the consumer, have a right to ask questions. It would not have been out of line to inquire about the certification of the person who was treating your husband, or to ask to see the supervising M.D.

Personally, I think you should use the word "husband" and be confident in doing so. The more you do, the greater the opportunity for the larger population to become accustomed to hearing it used.

If the medical emergency is dire, take no chances and call 911. If someone is really sick

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 8, 1916

H.W. Collins, well known local grain man and warehouse owner, has completed the purchase of the six Umatilla county warehouses owned by the Kerr-Gifford company and also makes the important announcement that he is actually preparing for the opening of a cleaning plant here to clean and grade wheat to be shipped to the east from the northwest this summer. Mr. Collins has purchased a large warehouse from F.E. Judd. It is located on East Webb street and has connection with both railroads. The machinery is now being installed and the cleaning plant will be in readiness for use in a short time. The plant will be owned and conducted personally by Mr. Collins. It is the intention to run crews both night and day and about 30 men will be employed during the season.

started a year ago to sing among themselves a group of songs written by one of the sisters, Sister Miriam Therese Winter. Gradually, more and more people heard about them and began to ask for copies. As a result, 12 of the songs under the title "Joy is Like the Rain" were released by Avant Garde Records Inc. of New York this week.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 8, 1991

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 8, 1966

Pilot Rock's name appears on the jacket of a new record album. In the list of 11 singers of the album "Joy is Like the Rain" is Sister M. Judith Doherty of Pilot Rock. The Medical Mission Sisters of Philadelphia, Pa.,

Pamela Kuhn has known since she was 5 that she wanted to be the greatest singer in the world. She hasn't reached that goal yet. But she's getting closer. The Boardman graduate, who has been pursuing an opera career in Europe since 1978, scored a breakthrough this summer when she landed a starring role with the Milwaukie Opera. The diminutive 38-year-old classical singer has also auditioned for the Baltimore Opera and is optimistic that she'll be offered a position there as well. She knew it would take a long time to get established when she moved to London about 13 years ago. She also knew that to make it as a classical singer in America, she first had to prove herself in Europe where there is a greater awareness and appreciation of opera.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 190th day of 2016. There are 176 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 8, 1947, an object crashed onto a ranch in Roswell, New Mexico; a local newspaper, the *Roswell Daily Record*, reported that the nearby U.S. Army Air Field had recovered a "flying saucer," but officials said it was actually a weather balloon. To this day, however, there are those who believe what fell to Earth was an alien spaceship that carried extra-terrestrial beings.

On this date: **In 1663,** King Charles II of England granted a Royal Charter to Rhode Island. **In 1776,** Col. John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, outside the State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia. **In 1889,** *The Wall Street Journal* was first published. **In 1891,** Warren G. Harding married Florence

Kling DeWolfe in Marion, Ohio. **In 1907,** Florenz Ziegfeld staged his first "Follies," on the roof of the New York Theater. **In 1919,** President Woodrow Wilson received a tumultuous welcome in New York City after his return from the Versailles Peace Conference in France. **In 1950,** President Harry S. Truman named Gen. Douglas MacArthur commander-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea. (Truman ended up sacking MacArthur for insubordination nine months later.) **In 1965,** Canadian Pacific Air Lines Flight 21, a Douglas DC-6B, crashed in British Columbia after the tail separated from the fuselage; all 52 people on board were killed in what authorities said was the result of an apparent bombing. **In 1975,** President Gerald R. Ford announced he would seek a second term of office.

Today's Birthdays:

Singer Steve Lawrence is 81. Actor Jeffrey Tambor is 72. Ballerina Cynthia Gregory is 70. Actress Kim Darby is 69. Actress Jonelle Allen is 68. Children's performer Raffi is 68. Celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck is 67. Actress Anjelica Huston is 65. Writer Anna Quindlen is 64. Actor Kevin Bacon is 58. Actor Robert Knepper is 57. Rock musician Andy Fletcher (Depeche Mode) is 55. Country singer Toby Keith is 55. Rock musician Graham Jones (Haircut 100) is 55. Rock singer Joan Osborne is 54. Writer-producer Rob Burnett is 54. Actor Rocky Carroll is 53. Actor Corey Parker is 51. Actor Lee Tergesen is 51. Singer Beck is 46. Rock musician Jamie Cook (Arctic Monkeys) is 31. Actor Jaden Smith is 18.

Thought for Today:

"America is not just a power, it is a promise." — *Nelson A. Rockefeller, American politician and businessman (born this date in 1908, died 1979).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

