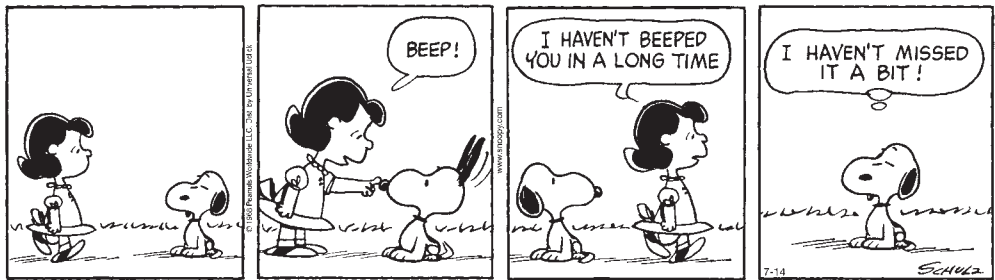


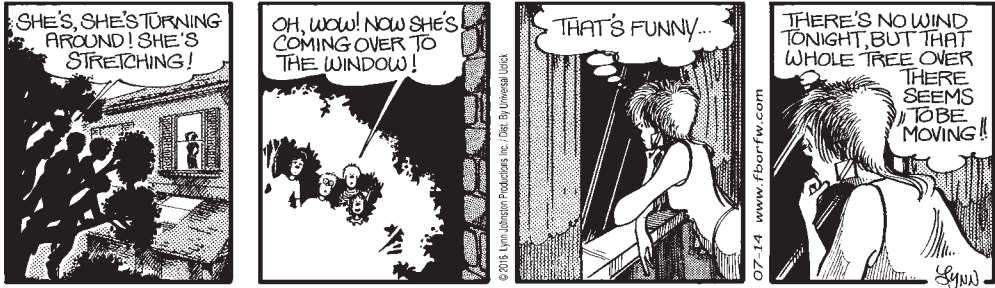
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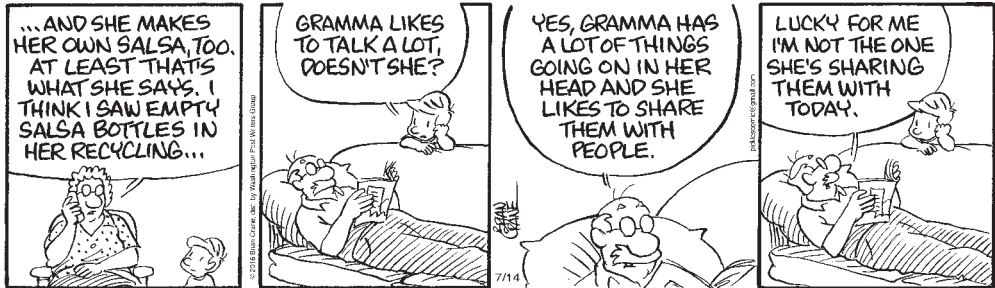
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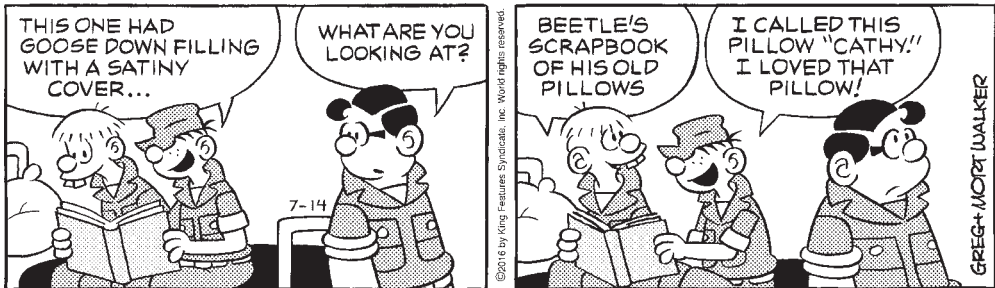
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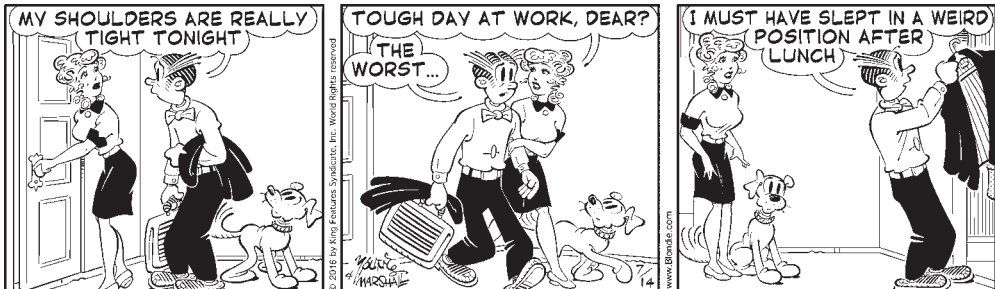
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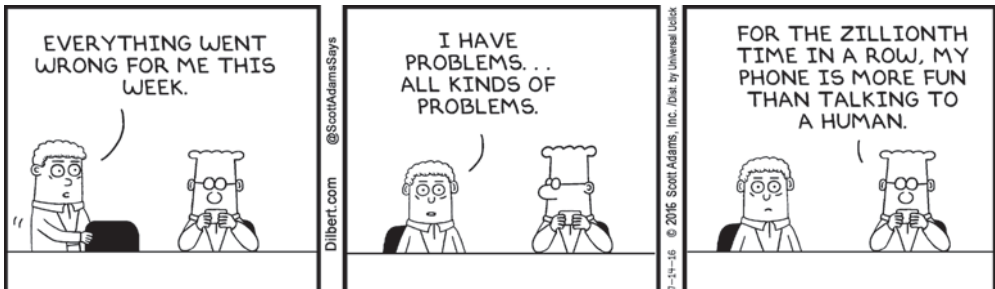
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DEAR ABBY

Wedding guests are perplexed by toasts that turn to roasts

Dear Abby: We have been attending the weddings of our friends' children and work colleagues. We enjoy them, but we have noticed a change in some of the traditions.



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ever he is doing to be there for me emotionally, and everyone who meets him tells me how lucky I am to have found such a great guy.

My question is, should I stay with my loving, caring boyfriend or is it time to find someone with the same goals I have? — Confused In Florida

Dear Confused: Ask yourself which is more important to you — a loving and emotionally supportive spouse or a hard worker who may be less so. Only you can decide the answer to that question.

Dear Abby: I am the mom of three wonderful little girls, but as of late not so wonderful. My husband and I work hard to teach them manners and respect, but we can't seem to get across to them to be grateful for what they have.

We don't have a lot of money because we live on one income, and we don't spoil them often because we can't afford to. Twice now, one of my girls has been unhappy with a gift she received. The first one she threw away; the second she refused to even accept! This isn't how we raised her.

I thought about doing some volunteer work with them, but I fear they are too young for it (4, 7 and 9). I want to raise kind, caring and giving girls. Your thoughts on this matter would be great. — Grateful Mom In Colorado

Dear Grateful Mom: Your 7- and 9-year-olds are NOT too young to learn that many children have far less than they do. Sometimes people need to see with their own eyes the challenges that others have to cope with in order to appreciate how fortunate they are. I think your idea of having them do some volunteer work with you is an excellent one, and it is not too early to start.

The best man's and maid of honor's toasts to the bride and groom seem to have devolved into telling stories about their past escapades. This includes tales of all-night partying, how drunk they were, other embarrassing incidents and "digs" at the bride and groom. Some of these speeches can go on for more than 10 minutes!

Abby, many guests attending these celebrations really don't care to hear these kinds of things. I'm sure the couple's new boss or their grandparents are quite shocked at some of the revelations they hear. Has this occasion turned into a roast? — Don't Know What To Make Of It

Dear Don't Know: It appears that some of the weddings you have attended have. There are occasions when sometimes the less said the better, if only to protect the guilty, and this is one of them.

Dear Abby: I am a 22-year-old woman who enjoys achieving things in life. For example, I recently bought a house and paid for all the remodeling with my own money.

I have been with my boyfriend for seven years (on and off). He was my first boyfriend, first kiss, etc. and because of that, I have always felt a deep connection with him. My problem is he doesn't have goals for the future and just lives his life a day at a time. He's comfortable with his low-income job and doesn't plan on going to school.

He moved into my house six months ago, which makes our relationship that much more serious. Something I absolutely adore about him is his loving nature. He drops what-

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14, 1916

To form a port district comprising the territory between German Hall and Umatilla and to bond the same for the purpose of constructing at an approximate cost of \$420,000 a double track Pitman concrete roadway from German Hall to the Columbia river at Umatilla is the purpose of a move now underway here. To this end a petition calling for an election to form the port district has already been filed with the county court. The petition is signed by 60 residents of the proposed port which will be known as the port of Umatilla. Under the law of 1909 it is obligatory on the court to call the election as requested and it is presumed action will be taken at a court session in the near future.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14, 1966

A \$5,000 house sold for \$5 and a \$15,000 house sold for \$2,750 as the State Highway Department auctioned off 27 houses that are in the path of the Interstate 80-N bypass of Pendleton. The state paid the original owners \$5,000 for the one house and \$14,900 for the other. Tuesday's sale produced considerably

more bidding than did the first offering of freeway houses. The first sale in June sold only one house. Tuesday's sale saw buyers grab 19 of the 27 houses. One Hermiston bidder managed to buy three for a total of \$50. Vern Olsen became the first person displaced by the freeway to buy back his own house. He bid \$200 for his former home which he plans to move to a new lot.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14, 1991

We rarely get an opportunity to focus a lifetime of experience in one experience of a lifetime, but climber Carl Garczynski will get that chance on Everest, the mountain Tibetans call Chomolungma, "Goddess Mother of the World." Part-time Pendletonian Garczynski, 55, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service, has earned his way onto the Everest 1992, Tibet/The North Ridge expedition that will assault the world's tallest mountain next spring. Garczynski and his family have been making an annual summer migration to Pendleton, where he is a fire season weather forecaster, for 24 years. He's an agricultural weather forecaster in Indio, Calif., the rest of the time.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 196th day of 2016. There are 170 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 14, 1966, the city of Chicago awoke to the shocking news that eight student nurses had been brutally slain during the night in a South Side dormitory. The victims, ranging in age from 20 to 24, were Pamela Wilkening; Suzanne Farris; Mary Ann Jordan; Nina Jo Schmale; Valentina Pasion; Merlita Gargullo; Patricia Matusek; and Gloria Jean Davy. (One woman, Corazon Amuro, survived by hiding under a bed.) Drifter Richard Speck was convicted of the mass killing and condemned to death, but had his sentence reduced to life in prison, where he died in 1991.

French Revolution, citizens of Paris stormed the Bastille prison and released the seven prisoners inside.

In 1865, the Matterhorn, straddling Italy and Switzerland, was summited as a seven-member rope party led by British climber Edward Whymper reached the peak. (Four members of the party fell to their deaths during their descent; Whymper and two guides survived.)

In 1881, outlaw William H. Bonney Jr., alias "Billy the Kid," was shot and killed by Sheriff Pat Garrett in Fort Sumner in present-day New Mexico.

In 1933, all German political parties, except the Nazi Party, were outlawed.

In 1945, Italy formally declared war on Japan, its former Axis partner during World War II.

In 1999, race-based school busing in Boston came to an end after 25 years.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Harry Dean Stanton is 90. Actress Nancy Olson is 88. Former football player and actor Rosey Grier is 84. Actor Vincent Pastore is 70. Music company executive Tommy Mottola is 68. Rock musician Chris Cross (Ultravox) is 64. Actor Jerry Houser is 64. Actor-director Eric Laneville is 64. Actor Stan Shaw is 64. Movie producer Scott Rudin is 58. Singer-guitarist Kyle Gass is 56. Country musician Ray Herndon (McBride and the Ride) is 56. Actress Jane Lynch is 56.

Thought for Today: "Life has got a habit of not standing hitched. You got to ride it like you find it. You got to change with it. If a day goes by that don't change some of your old notions for new ones, that is just about like trying to milk a dead cow." — Woody Guthrie, American folk singer-songwriter (born this date in 1912, died in 1967).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

