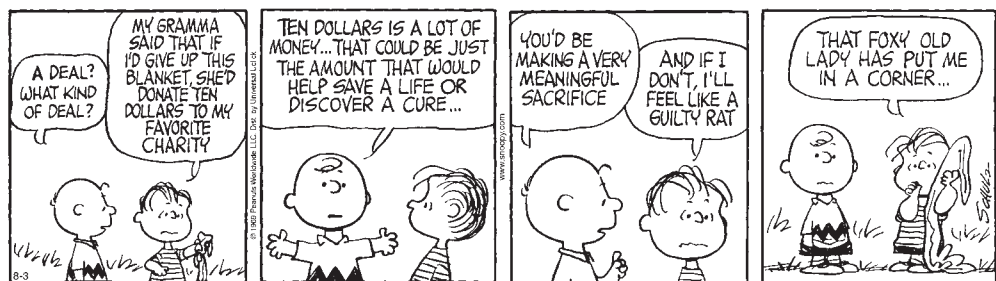


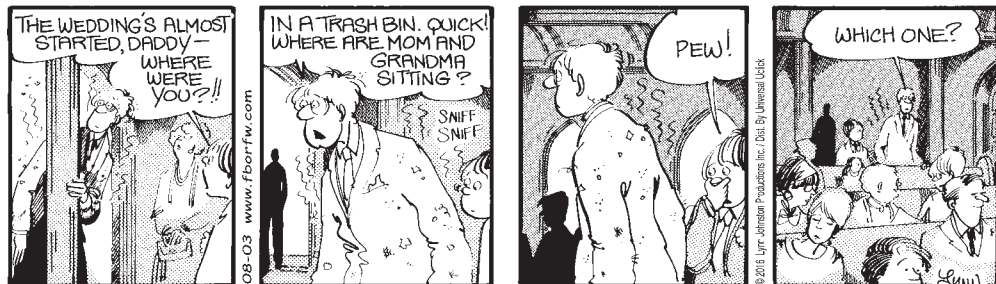
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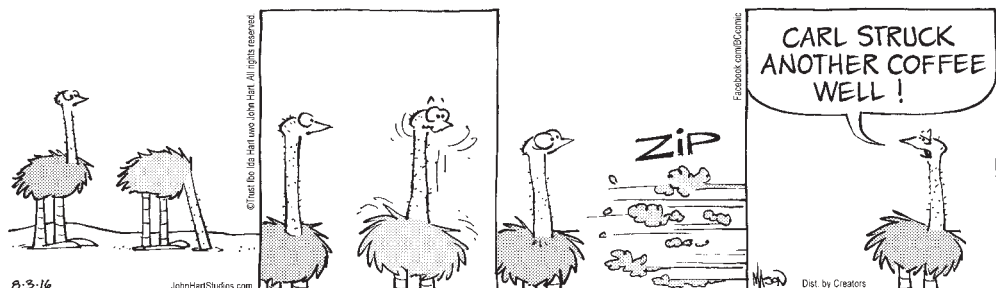
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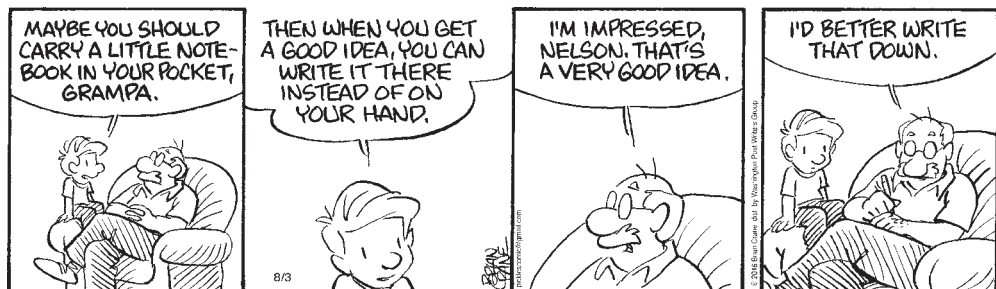
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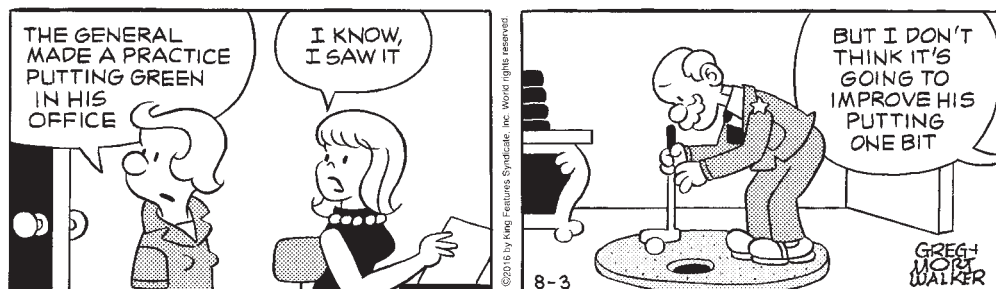
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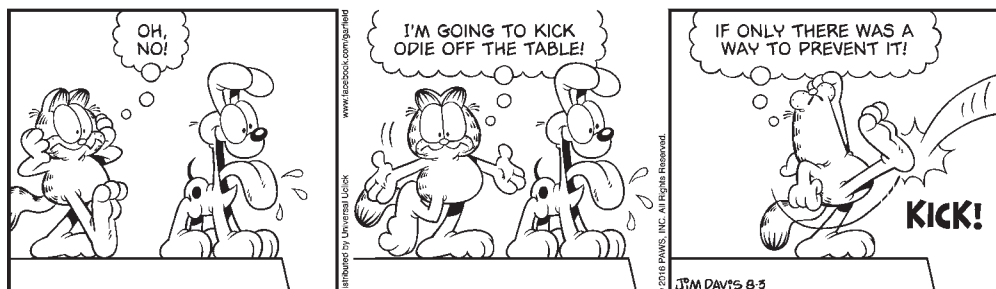
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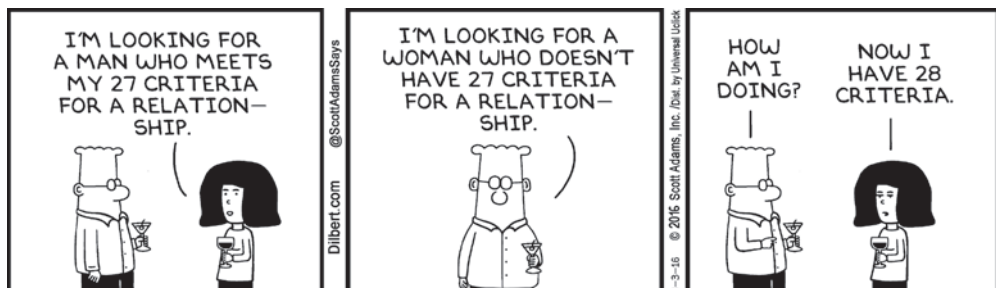
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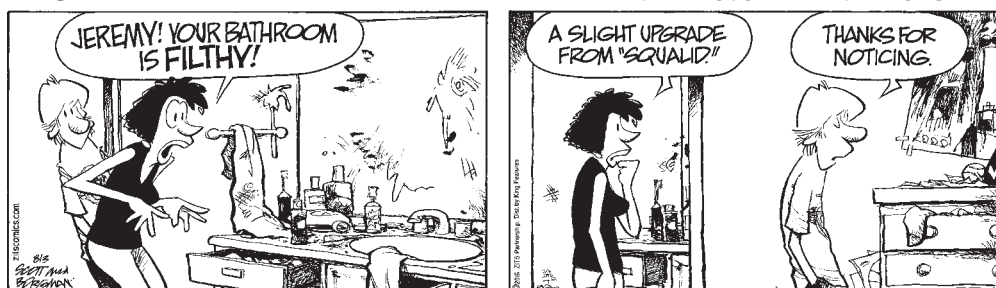
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DEAR ABBY

Boyfriend fights woman's effort to end her 10-year obsession



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I'm obsessed with having sex. I can't stop. Ever since I was 8 I've been having sex, and now I'm 18. I have a boyfriend I've been dating since I was 8, and we can't stop having sex. I want to stop, but he doesn't want to. I keep on doing it because he says if I don't he'll leave me. Please help. What do I do? — **Obsessed In Miami**

Dear Obsessed: There are worse things than losing a boyfriend who threatens to dump you if you don't have sex with him. Chief among them is having sex with someone because you have been coerced. Because you feel you are "obsessed," you may have what is called a sex addiction.

Licensed psychotherapists treat people with sexual compulsive disorders, and self-help groups help individuals suffering because they can't control their sexual behavior. A 12-step program that has been mentioned before in my column is Sexaholics Anonymous, which originated in 1979 and is based on the same principles as Alcoholics Anonymous. Its website is sa.org. Visit it to find a local meeting.

Dear Abby: Within the last year, I met an amazing man who is head over heels for me. We were married five months later, partly because he was deploying. I had always dated "bad" boys with commitment issues, but now I have a wonderful husband.

Everything happened so fast. I'm now having to put the career I worked very hard for on hold. I love him very much, don't get me wrong, but all the drastic changes have me feeling confused and scared. I feel we may have rushed into marriage too soon. Regard-

less, this is where we are now. Any insight? — **Newlywed In Utah**

Dear Newlywed: To be honest, MOST people feel a degree of fear and confusion when they find themselves in unfamiliar territory. On the plus side, you have married a winner after dating a series of turkeys.

Because your husband is deployed, you now have a chance to start evaluating various ways to apply your talents and experience with an eye toward restarting your career or finding a new one. If your husband intends to make a career of the military, research jobs you can do regardless of where he may be posted.

Dear Abby: My husband has ongoing relationships with two of his exes' daughters. One girl's mother is deceased, and he has been divorced from the other for more than 20 years. He allows them to call him "Dad" even though they are adults and he has been married three times over.

I don't understand why he has allowed this to go on, but he blows me off when I bring it up. Am I being petty for having concerns, or should I just let them be? — **Concerned Spouse**

Dear Concerned: Yes, you are being petty. Your husband may have been the most stable and loving parental male figure in those women's lives, which is why they still call him "Dad." Their relationship should not diminish the one he has with you, unless you make them feel unwelcome because of your own insecurity. So put on a smile, set out the welcome mat and befriend them, and I predict you will reap big dividends.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 3, 1916

The petition asking for the calling of an election for the formation of the proposed Umatilla port district was formally withdrawn this afternoon by Judge J.A. Fee, attorney for the petitioners. In taking this action, however, those interested in the project are not abandoning it but will give further consideration to the matter of reaching the Cold Springs area as soon as there shall appear sufficient support to guarantee a favorable election.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 3, 1966

Police today sought the whereabouts of Margaret Dayton, 35, last seen about 2 p.m. Saturday shopping in Lexington. She was driving an aqua blue Rambler Classic, 1965 model. The car is registered to Earl Curtis, an employee at the Harry Proudfoot ranch on

Butter Creek, where Miss Dayton had been employed three weeks. Also in the car was Curtis' Boxer dog, "Moose." Her clothing, reading and sunglasses and other items were left at the ranch.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 3, 1991

Just about every boy who has laced up a pair of hightops has dreamed of playing in the NBA. Charlie Sitton is proof that sometimes dreams come true. Sitton — two-time All-American at Oregon State and former member of the National Basketball Association's Dallas Mavericks — helped local hoopsters polish their skills on the hardwood this week. For the nearly 100 boys attending the Hermiston Basketball Camp, it was a chance to rub elbows with a professional athlete — although actually rubbing elbows with him would be tough unless you're also 6-foot-8. Sitton's cousin Kurt is running the local camp being held at Umatilla.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 216th day of 2016. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 3, 1966, comedian Lenny Bruce, whose raunchy brand of satire and dark humor landed him in trouble with the law, was found dead in his Los Angeles home; he was 40.

On this date:
In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain, on a voyage that took him to the present-day Americas.
In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr went on trial before a federal court in Richmond, Virginia, charged with treason. (He was acquitted less than a month later.)
In 1914, Germany declared war on France at the onset of World War I.

In 1916, Irish-born British diplomat Roger Casement, a strong advocate of independence for Ireland, was hanged for treason.
In 1921, baseball commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis refused to reinstate the former Chicago White Sox players implicated in the "Black Sox" scandal, despite their acquittals in a jury trial.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the first of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he took the 100-meter sprint.
In 1943, Gen. George S. Patton slapped a private at an army hospital in Sicily, accusing him of cowardice. (Patton was later ordered by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to apologize for this and a second, similar episode.)
In 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed as a merger of the Basketball Association of America and the National Basketball League.
In 1958, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Nautilus became the first vessel to cross the North Pole underwater.

In 1972, the U.S. Senate ratified the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty between the United States and the Soviet Union. (The U.S. unilaterally withdrew from the treaty in 2002.)
In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Ronald Reagan they would be fired, which they were.

Today's Birthdays:

Football Hall of Fame coach Marv Levy is 91. Singer Tony Bennett is 90. Actor Martin Sheen is 76. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Lance Alworth is 76. Life-style guru Martha Stewart is 75. Singer Beverly Lee (The Shirelles) is 75. Rock musician B.B. Dickerson is 67. Movie director John Landis is 66. Actress JoMarie Payton is 66. Actor Jay North (TV: "Dennis the Menace") is 65. Hockey Hall-of-Famer Marcel Dionne is 65. Country musician Randy Scruggs is 63. Actor John C. McGinley is 57. Rock singer-musician Lee Rocker (The Stray Cats) is 55. Rock singer James Hetfield (Metallica) is 53. Rock musician Stephen Carpenter (Deftones) is 46. Hip-hop artist Spinderella (Salt-N-Pepa) is 45. Country musician Jimmy De Martini (Zac Brown Band) is 40. NFL quarterback Tom Brady is 39.

Thought for Today: "Let me tell you the truth. The truth is what is, and what should be is a fantasy. A terrible, terrible lie that someone gave to the people long ago." — **Lenny Bruce (1925-1966).**

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

