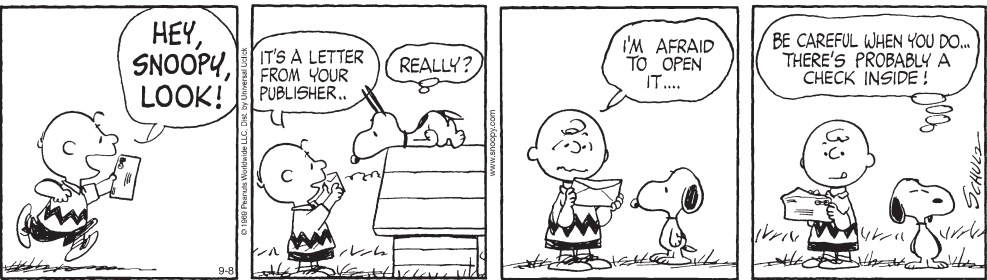


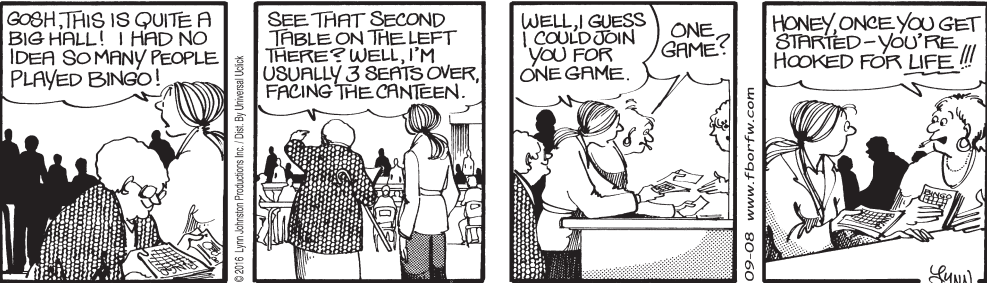
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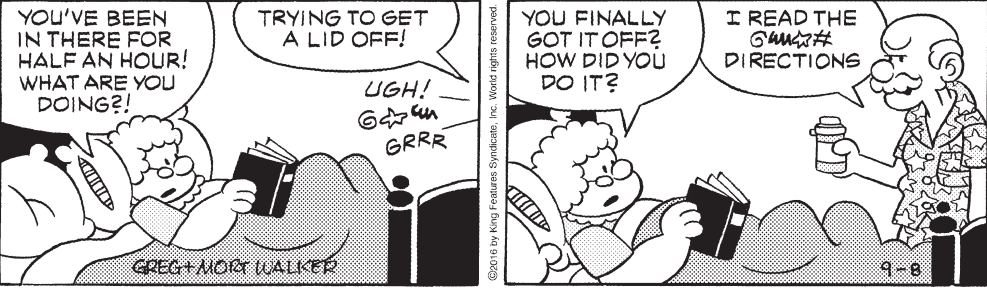
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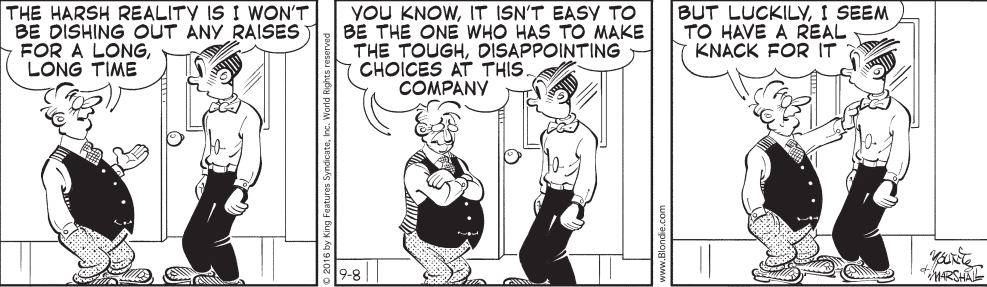
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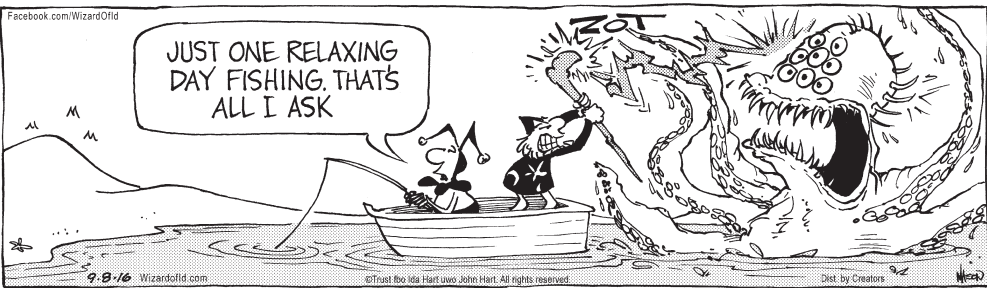
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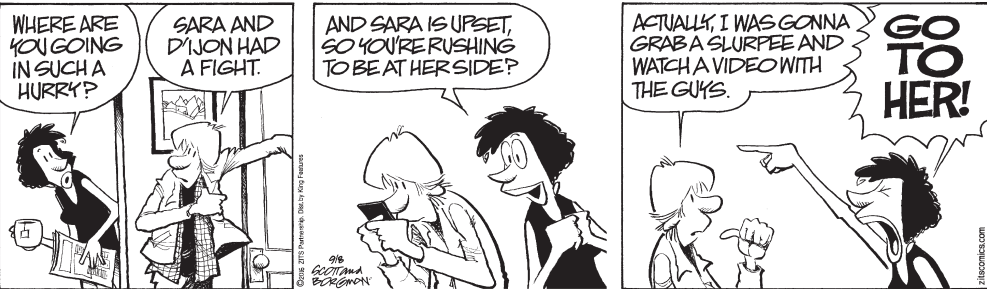
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DEAR ABBY

Wife's meticulous grooming becomes troubling obsession

Dear Abby: My wife has always been well groomed, with an obsessive interest in her fingernails and toenails. Every three or four days, she spends an hour trimming them.

Recently, I discovered that she has been keeping the nail trimmings. She actually has three large plastic containers full. When I confronted her, she claimed it soothes her to see her "collection." Now she has begun openly displaying them inside a glass table lamp.

I'm afraid she needs professional help. What do you think I should do? — **Nailing It**

Dear Nailing: Your wife appears to suffer from a form of OCD — a hoarding disorder. (Are nail clippings the only items she can't let go of?) Overcoming her compulsion may take professional help and possibly medication. Start by discussing this with your doctor. In the meantime, because her display bothers you, ask her to keep the lamp in a less conspicuous place.

Dear Abby: My wife and I just bought our first home. It's in a very nice neighborhood, and the neighbors seem friendly. There's just one problem. My son, "Abner" — who will soon be 3 — goes to bed between 8 and 9 o'clock, and that's when our neighbor decides it's time to mow his grass. Getting Abner to sleep becomes difficult because the man mows right outside our son's window.

Initially, I didn't think it was a big deal because the first time he woke Abner up, my son had gone to bed at an unusually early time



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for him. But last night it happened when Abner went to bed later than his normal bedtime.

We have talked to our neighbors a few times in general. But since we're new to the neighborhood, I don't want to cause problems. I don't know the man's schedule, but would it be out of line to ask him to mow earlier in the evening? — **Bedtime In Illinois**

Dear Bedtime: Not at all. If you explain the problem, your neighbor may be willing to modify his mowing time. However, if he isn't, then look into the noise ordinances in your community because there may be rules about mowing after — or before — a certain hour.

Dear Abby: Recently, my boss told me she had asked me to do something, but I am 100 percent positive that she didn't. I don't feel like I can contradict her because I'm afraid it would make me look bad. It has happened only once or twice in the last few months, but what should I do if it continues? I don't want my employee reviews to suffer because of it. Please tell me how to handle it. — **At A Loss In Florida**

Dear At A Loss: I wish you had revealed more about your relationship with your boss and mentioned how many people work there. Could she be stressed? Or having problems with her memory? Or could you? If there are more employees than just you, did anyone witness your boss ask you to do what she claimed? If not, and this happens again, you may need to talk to her about it because of your concerns about your work performance.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 8, 1916

A beautiful bronze plaque to the memory of Samuel P. Sturgis, benefactor and founder of the Pendleton public library, now rests in the new library building. The memento was placed this morning and is the gift of a number of former business friends and associates. A pretty coincidence in connection is the fact that the plaque rests above the librarian's office door at the end of the reading and reference room in which most of the books purchased by the Sturgis endowment fund are shelved. Mr. Sturgis was the father of the Commercial association here and was largely instrumental in getting the present library under way. Just before he was taken ill in 1896 he thought of several schemes of getting for Pendleton a public library and he subscribed a liberal amount of money for the purchase of books. He started a small library in connection with the old Commercial association.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 8, 1966

Leon Adams of Stewart, Okla., whose

Brahma bulls have been a rave act in many of the rodeos in the eastern and southwestern states the last few years, will bring them into the Happy Canyon arena Sept. 14-17 for the first time, it was announced by Bob Fletcher Jr., pageant director. Adams does Roman riding with the two Brahmas among other acts — and he also is an expert on horses, but there won't be any horses in the show. The bulls do a fire hoop jump and numerous other usual tricks, including taking a stand on pedestals in the center of the arena.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 8, 1991

Diane Scofield's simple sewing project for a couple of jet setting friends in Portland snow-balled into a business venture that landed the Pendleton woman's products in Nordstrom. The business — Diane's Designs — uses a small Umatilla County workforce to manufacture a collection of handmade designer travel accessories. Scofield's products are being sold in 18 Nordstrom stores in Oregon, Washington, California and Alaska and in specialty shops scattered through the Pacific Northwest.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 252nd day of 2016. There are 114 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On Sept. 8, 1966, the science-fiction series "Star Trek" premiered on NBC; the situation comedy "That Girl," starring Marlo Thomas, debuted on ABC.

On this date:

In 1565, a Spanish expedition established the first permanent European settlement in North America at present-day St. Augustine, Florida.

In 1761, Britain's King George III married Princess Charlotte of Mecklenburg-Strelitz a few hours after meeting her for the first time.

In 1892, an early version of "The Pledge of Allegiance," written by Francis Bellamy, appeared in "The Youth's Companion."

In 1900, Galveston, Texas, was struck by a hurricane that killed an estimated 8,000 people.

In 1921, Margaret Gorman, 16, of Washington, D.C., was crowned the first "Miss America" in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

In 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long, D-La., was shot and mortally wounded inside the Louisiana State Capitol; he died two days later. (The assailant was identified as Dr. Carl Weiss, who was gunned down by Long's bodyguards.)

In 1941, the 900-day Siege of Leningrad by German forces began during World War II.

In 1951, a peace treaty with Japan was signed by 49 nations in San Francisco.

In 1974, President Gerald R. Ford granted a "full, free, and absolute pardon" to former President Richard Nixon covering his entire term in office.

In 1985, Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds tied Ty Cobb's career record for hits, singling for hit number 4,191 during a game against the Cubs in Chicago.

In 1986, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" began the first of 25 seasons in national syndication.

In 1994, USAir Flight 427, a Boeing 737, crashed into a ravine as it was approaching Pittsburgh International Airport, killing all 132 people on board.

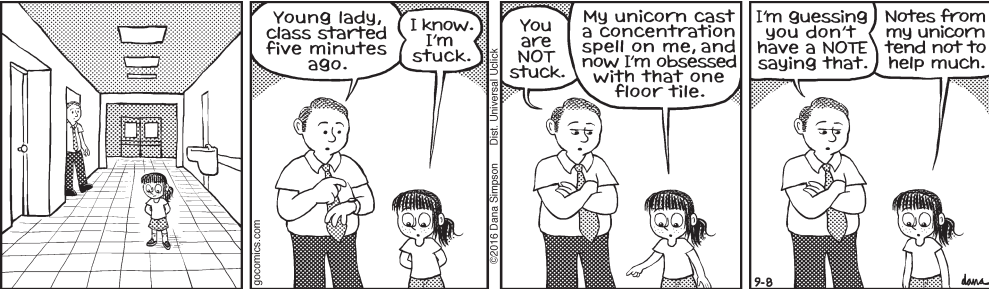
Today's Birthdays:

Ventriloquist Willie Tyler is 76. Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., is 75. Actor Alan Feinstein is 75. Pop singer Sal Valentino (The Beau Brummels) is 74. Author Ann Beattie is 69. Cajun singer Zachary Richard is 66. Musician Will Lee is 64. Actress Heather Thomas is 59. Singer Aimee Mann is 56. Pop musician David Steele (Fine Young Cannibals) is 56. Actor Thomas Kretschmann is 54. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marc Gordon (Levert) is 52. Gospel singer Darlene Zschech is 51. Alternative country singer Neko Case is 46. TV personality Brooke Burke-Charvet is 45. Actor Martin Freeman is 45. Actor David Arquette is 45. TV-radio personality Kennedy is 44. Rock musician Richard Hughes (Keane) is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Pink is 37. Actor Jonathan Taylor Thomas is 35. Rapper Wiz Khalifa is 29.

Thought for Today: "Try to learn something about everything and everything about something." — *T.H. Huxley, English biologist and author (1825-1895).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

