

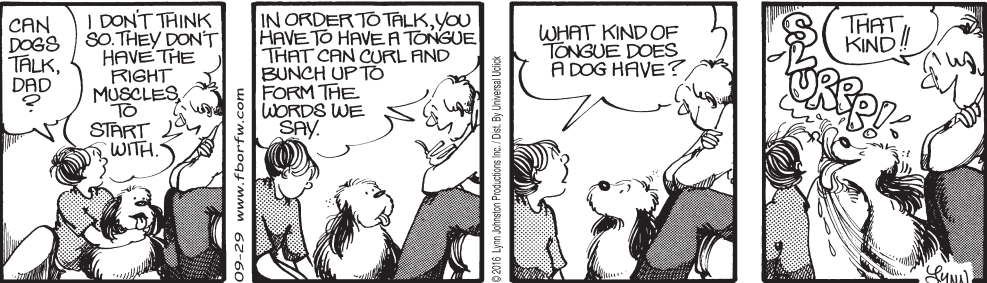
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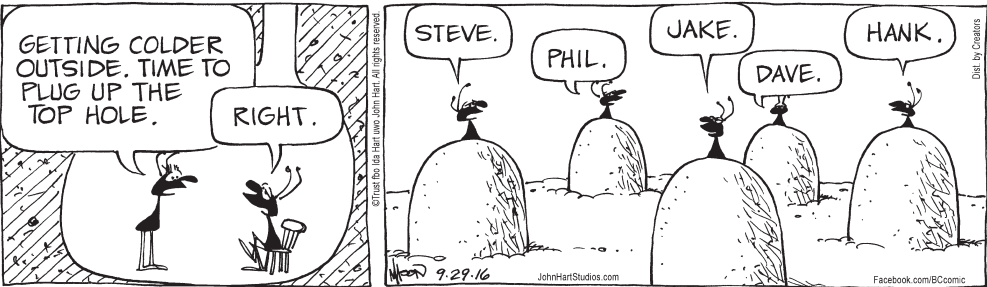
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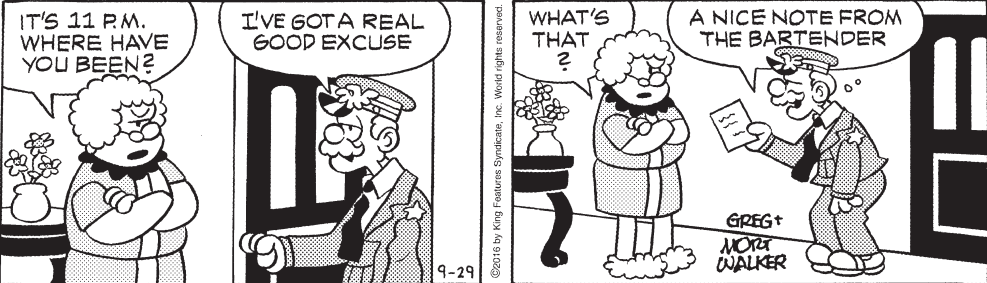
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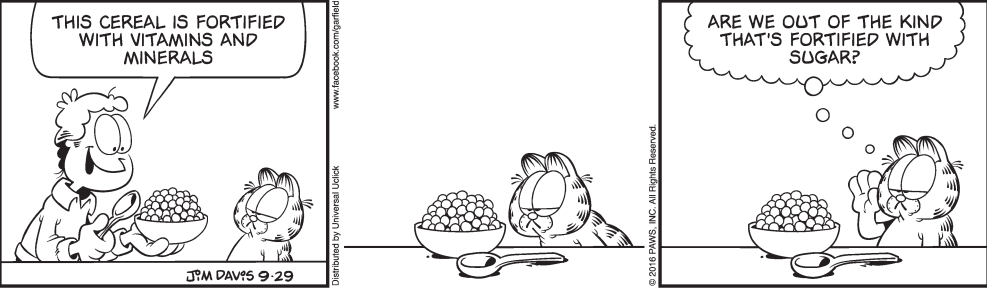
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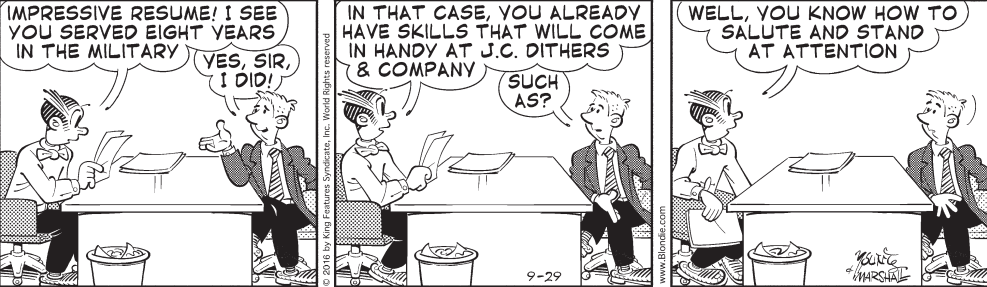
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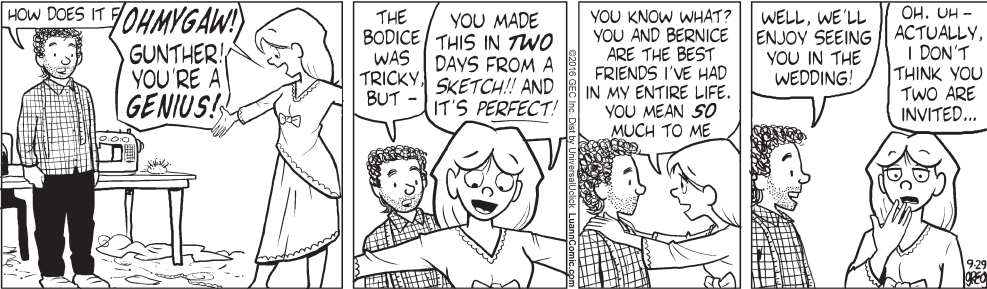
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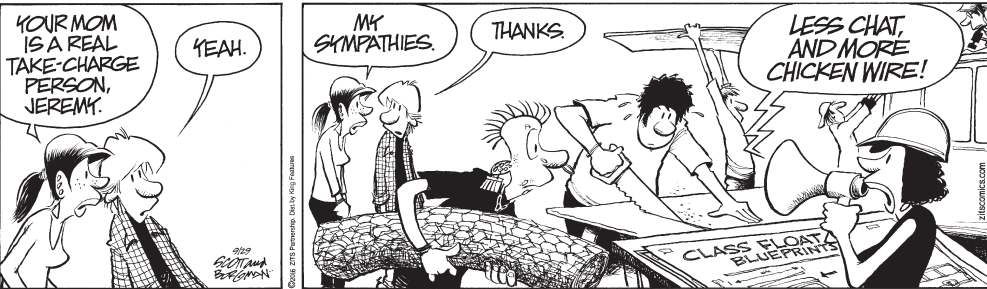
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BY GREG EVANS



ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

Husband needs help moving beyond past sexual abuse

Dear Abby: My husband recently disclosed to me that he was sexually abused by his cousin, who was the same age, when he was in high school. She blackmailed him by threatening to tell everyone he had raped her. She used this power over him to coax sexual favors but never intercourse.

After a year of looking for help, he confided in his mother, but she ended up getting drunk and telling the whole family about the situation. Luckily, he was able to convince most of them it was “just the alcohol talking.” At that point, his cousin finally found a boyfriend and stopped blackmailing him.

This all happened five years ago. He hasn’t lived in the same state as his mom or the abuser in three years. I can tell that by confiding in me he feels much better, but I’m worried that he blames himself for his mother’s alcoholism and his ruined relationships with his close friends in high school. I’m also not sure whether or not we can bring his abuser to justice. — **Concerned Spouse**

Dear Concerned Spouse: Encourage you husband to talk to a licensed psychotherapist about what was done to him. Victims sometimes blame themselves. I seriously doubt that his mother’s alcohol abuse had anything to do with him. That she betrayed his confidence instead of helping him was terrible. A therapist can explain all this to him, and help him to see things clearly so he can decide how to proceed.

Dear Abby: I’m planning on getting married this year, but I have cold feet. One day I want to be married; the next day I don’t.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

My fiancée is my best friend, and we have been dating for more than four years. Is there any way to get over wedding jitters and live life to the fullest? — **Cold Feet In Oklahoma**

Dear Cold Feet: An intelligent way to work through your jitters would be to talk them through. Consider premarital counseling with your fiancée. A number of subjects will be raised during the sessions, including both of your feelings regarding handling money, having

children (and raising them), and even the fact that such a big step gives you butterflies. Please let me know if this helps. I wish you and your fiancée a long and happy union.

Dear Abby: I’m a 15-year-old bisexual girl, and I have a big problem with relationships. They make me feel awkward. I don’t like holding hands and the mushy-gushy stuff hurts my soul. I’m asking for help to come out to my parents and also what I should do about not liking relationships. Am I the only one like this? I told my friend once, and she was really confused. — **Awkward Teen In Texas**

Dear Awkward: I do not think you should come out to your family until you are sure of exactly who you are. From the tone of your letter, you appear to be still trying to figure that out — which is completely normal for someone your age.

Please do not put any labels on yourself right now. Concentrate on school, friends, things you enjoy. Give it time, and I predict that in a year or two, when you are more clear about things, you will know what to do.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 29, 1916

So rushing is the lumber business in the northwest that that situation coupled with the car shortage due to heavy railroad traffic is working hardship on local building operations because of delay in securing material. “We are not exactly facing a lumber famine, but it makes us jump sideways to keep up with our orders,” said A.H. Cox of the Oregon Lumber Co. this afternoon. “The mills seem so overrushed with business that it is difficult for them to fill orders promptly. In one case we had a car of lumber ordered since May 30 for the Blewett Harvester Co., and it arrived only yesterday.”

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 29, 1966

Eugene Hohn, while searching Lincton Mountain Road near Milton-Freewater for his missing wallet containing \$140 in currency, found a fertilizer equipment crank in the road. He took it to the nearby farm house of Harold Walker and then continued his search for the wallet. The next day Hohn was contacted by

Craig Ransom who told him he had found a wallet containing Hohn’s identification cards and \$139 in currency scattered over the roadway. Ransom said he was out looking for a missing fertilizer equipment crank which had fallen from his truck while he was working in the area. Hohn then returned the favor by telling Ransom that he had found the crank. The missing \$1 apparently blew away.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Sept. 29, 1991

A spectacular fire that lit up the sky over downtown Pilot Rock Sunday night destroyed the old Grace Hospital on Main Street and an adjacent barbershop being used for storage. More than two dozen volunteer firefighters battled the blaze for three hours, and at least one man remained at the fire scene through the night. It was the third fire in the last several years at the vacant two-story building, which served the community as a hospital more than 80 years ago. “It was partly gutted already; the fire did a complete job last night,” said 80-year-old Elmer Wyatt, whose family owns the barbershop building next door. “There’s nothing left standing except the four walls.”

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 273rd day of 2016. There are 93 days left in the year.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On Sept. 29, 1789, the U.S. War Department established a regular army with the strength of several hundred men.

On this date:
In 1829, London’s reorganized police force, which became known as Scotland Yard, went on duty.

In 1907, the foundation stone was laid for the Washington National Cathedral.

In 1910, the National Urban League had its beginnings in New York as The Committee on Urban Conditions Among Negroes.

In 1938, British, French, German and Italian leaders concluded the Munich Agreement, which was aimed at appeasing Adolf Hitler by allowing Nazi annexation of Czechoslovakia’s Sudetenland.

In 1943, General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Italian Marshal Pietro Badoglio

signed an armistice aboard the British ship HMS Nelson off Malta.

In 1955, a one-act version of the Arthur Miller play “A View From the Bridge” opened in New York. (Miller later turned it into a two-act play.)

In 1965, President Lyndon Johnson signed the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, creating the National Endowment for the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts.

In 1978, Pope John Paul I was found dead in his Vatican apartment just over a month after becoming head of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1982, Extra-Strength Tylenol capsules laced with deadly cyanide claimed the first of seven victims in the Chicago area. (To date, the case remains unsolved.)

In 1986, the Soviet Union released Nicholas Daniloff, an American journalist confined on spying charges.

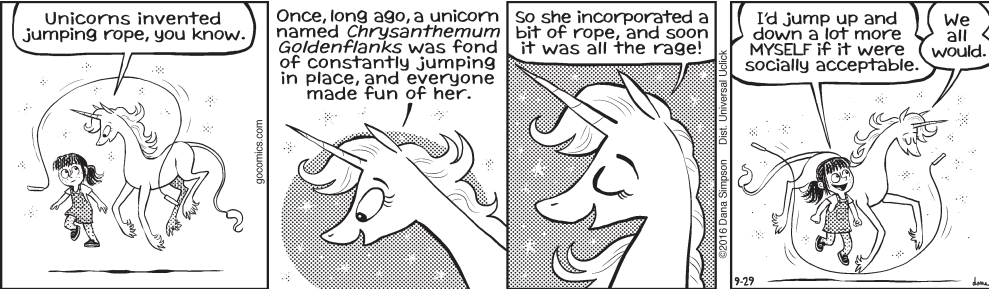
Today’s Birthdays:

Conductor Richard Bonyng is 86. Writer-director Robert Benton is 84. Singer Jerry Lee Lewis is 81. Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., is 74. Actor Ian McShane is 74. Jazz musician Jean-Luc Ponty is 74. Nobel Peace laureate Lech Walesa is 73. Television-film composer Mike Post is 72. Actress Patricia Hodge is 70. TV personality Bryant Gumbel is 68. Rock singer-musician Mark Farner is 68. Rock singer-musician Mike Pinera is 68. Country singer Alvin Crow is 66. Actor Drake Hogestyn is 63. Broadcast journalist Gwen Ifill is 61. Olympic gold medal runner Sebastian Coe is 60. Comedian-actor Andrew “Dice” Clay is 59. Rock singer John Payne (Asia) is 58. Actor Roger Bart is 54. Singer-musician Les Claypool is 53. Rock musician Brad Smith (Blind Melon) is 48.

Thought for Today: “Wars teach us not to love our enemies, but to hate our allies.” — *W.L. George, English writer (1882-1926).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

