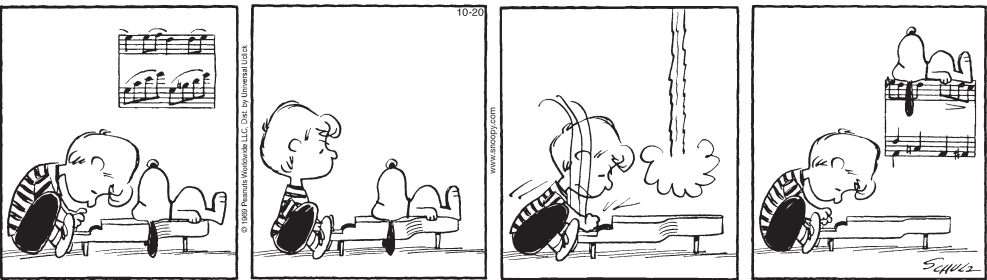


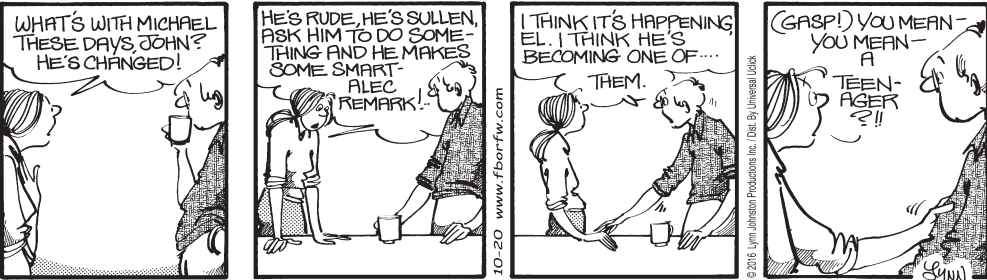
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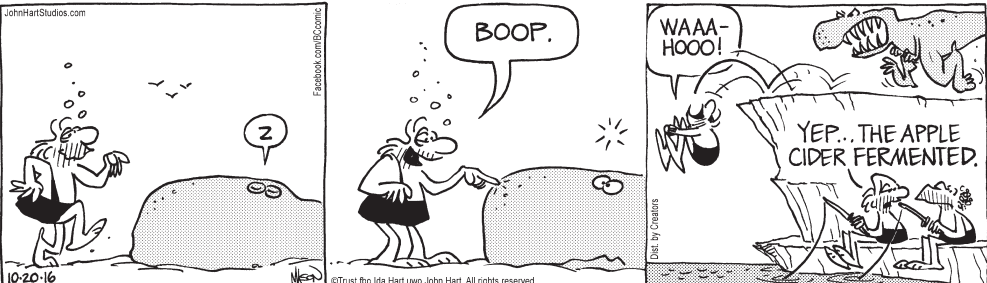
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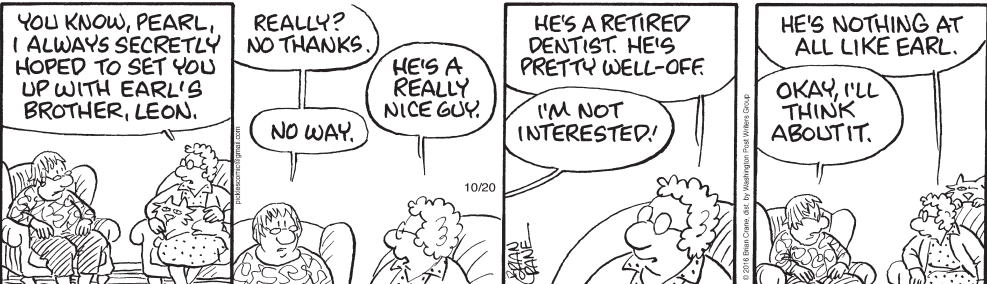
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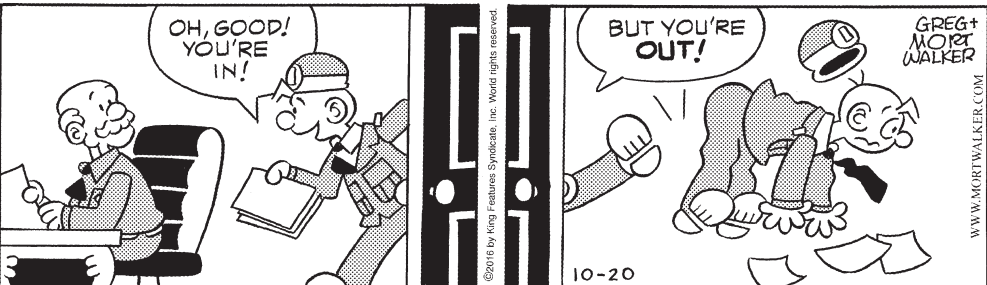
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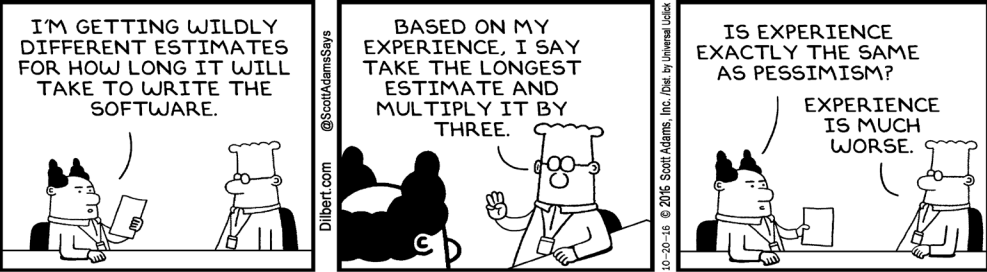
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DEAR ABBY

Woman's disappearing act ends four-year relationship

Dear Abby: I was “ghosted” by a woman I had been in a long-distance relationship with. It lasted four years until one day she just never responded again.

We are both parents, both 30, so it’s hard for me to understand how someone could do this to a person you’ve had a history with and claim to love. It seems like a child’s reaction. I’m finding it hard to move past this, because I have no idea what happened.

I feel blindsided. Could she have been hurt or died? I have no one to contact and no way to know. My question is, how does one go about moving past this, since it wasn’t a typical breakup? I would really appreciate your thoughts. — **Can’t Go Forward**

Dear Can’t Go: What the person did was cowardly, but I’m sorry to say it isn’t that unusual these days. What IS unusual is that during the four years you were in a relationship, you never met any of her friends or family, and have no idea how to contact her. Are you absolutely sure she is who she claimed to be and not a catfisher?

I agree that for someone to do what she did was childish. It was also brutal, and you may need counseling to help you get over it and learn to trust again.

Dear Abby: My question may seem odd, but your advice would be appreciated.

I have family who live in another city and have a medium-sized active dog. I have invited them to visit me in my newly built home, which has soft pine floors throughout. I mentioned to them that I would like to supply



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

dog booties when they visit so their dog’s claws — and the grit that gets caught up between its toes — would not scratch my brand-new floors. We are a family who has always removed our shoes when we enter a home.

I have tried inviting them numerous times over the past two years, but they always have an excuse why they can’t visit. Another family member told me that a comment was made that, “If we have to put booties on our dog and they want a showcase home, then it

will be empty of us.” Am I being silly and too particular with my request and thereby causing ill feelings within the family? — **Dog Booties In Canada**

Dear Dog Booties: Your request is neither picky nor “silly.” After paying top dollar for a new floor, I know I certainly wouldn’t want somebody’s pet scratching it up. A considerate guest would either comply or leave the dog at home. If they prefer not to accept your invitation, LET THEM.

Dear Abby: I love to cook for my family. My granddaughter has now become a vegan. It has taken away my enjoyment for the fun meals we used to have. I can no longer cook for her, and it has changed the family dynamics. How can I cope with this without being angry? — **Sad Down South**

Dear Sad: Allow me to offer two suggestions. Either have your granddaughter bring food with her that she can eat, or widen your repertoire by learning to prepare one vegan dish the entire family can enjoy along with her.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 20, 1916

The first carload of apples sent from the Stanfield project was shipped this week to Kenmare, North Dakota. The sale was made through F.E. Faucett at this end of the line and A.W. Gray, formerly of Stanfield, at the North Dakota end.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 20, 1966

A problem of raw sewage leaking from a private sewer line on the North Hill came before the Pendleton City Council again Tuesday night. Gary Hodges, 414 N.W. 3rd, said sewage from the line is accumulating in his basement as well as seeping from a cutback in the back yard of another home. The council about a year ago helped property owners in that area set up an improvement district. But at the last moment one of the property owners changed his mind and the district was never formed. City Manager Rudy Enbysk said last

night that the private sewer line, laid many years ago, has no manholes. Cleaning it is a problem. He said the city has no responsibility for the line but pledged cooperation if property owners decide to go ahead with placing a new line.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 20, 1991

Police are looking for two men who were “bold and calm” Friday night when they kicked open a locked door and robbed an 87-year-old woman who lives in a house four miles north of Pendleton. Oregon State Police say the suspects are two unknown males who were wearing cowboy-style bandanna masks when they broke into the home of Eve M. Moen about 7:45 p.m. Friday. The two men entered the house and interrupted Moen, who was watching TV. They told her to stay where she was on the couch, police said. One of the subjects took a purse that contained \$300 and yanked a phone out of the wall. The two men fled the scene with both the purse and phone.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 294th day of 2016. There are 72 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 20, 1976, 78 people were killed when the Norwegian tanker Frosta rammed the commuter ferry George Prince on the Mississippi River near New Orleans.

On this date:

In 1714, the coronation of Britain’s King George I took place in Westminster Abbey.

In 1803, the U.S. Senate ratified the Louisiana Purchase.

In 1914, “Stay Down Here Where You Belong,” an anti-war song by Irving Berlin, was published by Waterson, Berlin & Snyder Co. in New York.

In 1936, Helen Keller’s teacher, Anne Sullivan Macy, died in Forest Hills, New York, at age 70.

In 1944, during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur stepped ashore at Leyte in the Philippines, 2 1/2 years after saying, “I shall return.” A series of gas storage tank explosions and fires in Cleveland killed 130 people.

In 1947, the House Un-American Activities Committee opened hearings into alleged Communist influence and infiltration in the U.S. motion picture industry.

In 1964, the 31st president of the United States, Herbert C. Hoover, died in New York at age 90.

In 1965, in one of the more colorful moments of his presidency, Lyndon B. Johnson, recovering from gall bladder surgery at Bethesda Naval Medical Center, pulled up his shirt and jacket to show off his abdominal scar to reporters and photographers.

In 1968, former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy married Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis.

In 1973, in the so-called “Saturday Night Massacre,” special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox was dismissed and Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson and Deputy Attorney General William B. Ruckelshaus resigned.

In 1981, a bungled armored truck robbery carried out by members of radical groups in Nanuet, New York, left a guard and two police officers dead.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor William Christopher is 84. Japan’s Empress Michiko is 82. Rockabilly singer Wanda Jackson is 79. Former actress Rev. Mother Dolores Hart is 78. Singer Tom Petty is 66. Actor William “Rusty” Russ is 66. Actress Melanie Mayron is 64. Retired MLB All-Star Keith Hernandez is 63. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., is 61. Movie director Danny Boyle is 60. Former Labor Secretary Hilda Solis is 59. Actor Viggo Mortensen is 58. Rock musician Jim Sonefeld (Hootie & The Blowfish) is 52. Rock musician David Ryan is 52. Rock musician Doug Eldridge (Oleander) is 49. Journalist Sunny Hostin (TV: “The View”) is 48. Political commentator and blogger Michelle Malkin is 46. Rapper Snoop Dogg is 45. Singer Jimi Westbrook (country group Little Big Town) is 45. Actor John Krasinski is 37. Rock musician Daniel Tichenor (Cage the Elephant) is 37.

Thought for Today:

“Next to ingratitude, the most painful thing to bear is gratitude.” — *Henry Ward Beecher, American clergyman (1813-1887).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

