

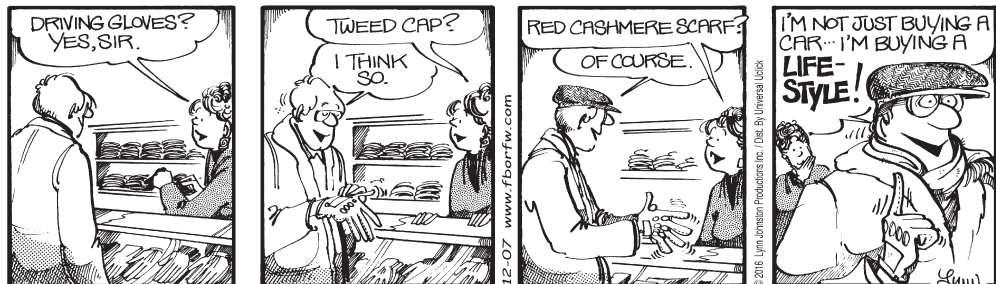
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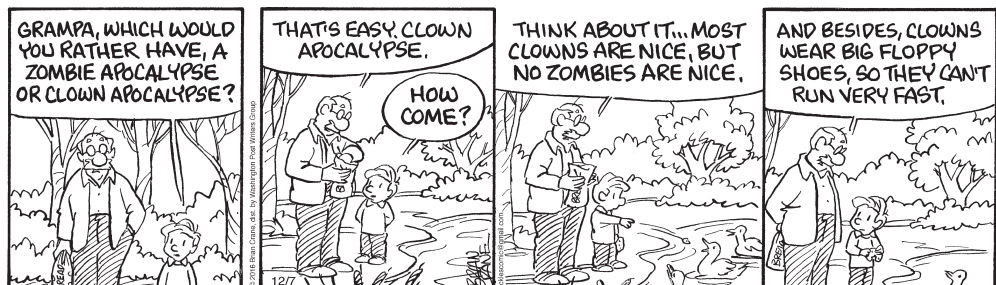
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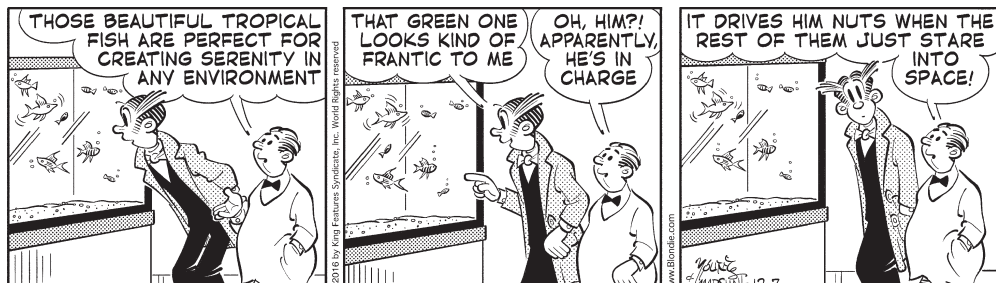
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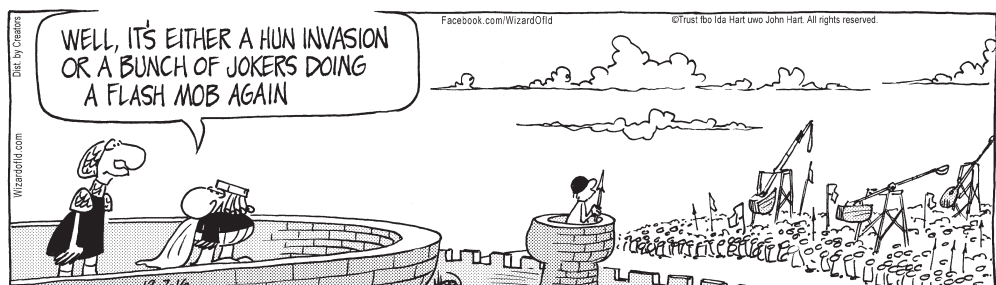
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DEAR ABBY

Husband's multiple affairs leave wife in legal limbo



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

Dear Abby: My husband of five years has confessed to affairs that resulted in two children. I suspected that something was up when after a year of marriage he seemed distant. Despite our almost 15-year age difference, I never in a million years thought he would do something like this.

A few months ago, he started disappearing again. At first it was a day here and a day there, but then it became weeks. I finally confronted him, and he confessed about the affairs. He claims the mother of the newborn is a prostitute and that it was a "mistake." He wants to be involved in the 3-year-old little girl's life, but not the newborn's. At that point I told him he needed to leave and remove his belongings from the house.

My friends say that legally I can't put him out of a house he owned before we were married. However, he did buy a home during our marriage. (I found that out accidentally.) It's where the 3-year-old lives.

I feel I am entitled to something. I asked him to have the older child's mother move, but he refused. Where does that leave me? With nothing? I don't know what to do. I don't have money for a lawyer and have nowhere to go. Please advise. — **What A Mess In Philadelphia**

Dear What A Mess: Your friends mean well, but you need a more informed source of information than they can offer. Because divorce laws vary from state to state, go online to womenslaw.org and search for "divorce in

Pennsylvania." You will find basic information about divorce laws in your state, which I think you will find both interesting and rewarding.

Dear Abby: I'm a woman, twice married. My first marriage was to a woman who hurt me deeply by lying and cheating. I am now married to a man who, even with his faults, is a wonderful husband.

My thing is, I am still strongly attracted to women. I consider myself to be bisexual. When my husband notices that I look at women, I'm honest and tell him what I admire about a particular woman. What I leave out is that I'm turned on by them. He is not open to my actively being bisexual, not even a threesome.

Is it all right for me to fantasize when I'm intimate with him that he's a woman? I know some people fantasize about being with a celebrity or a more attractive mate, but is it all right to fantasize about someone of a different gender? — **Fantazing In New York**

Dear Fantasizing: Your bisexuality is part of who you are. You should make clear to your husband that there is nothing "wrong" with being bisexual, and people who are can be and are monogamous. A commitment is a commitment, and you are sticking to yours.

Sexual fantasies are normal. And you're right that many people besides yourself fantasize about others (of both sexes) during sex. Because you don't act on your fantasies, relax and enjoy them, and stop flogging yourself.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Dec. 7, 1916

Because her running mate and the father of her litter of pups refused to go to his work at herding sheep, and insisted on sitting by a clump of tumble weeds and howling continuously, Queen, a valuable sheep dog, the property of Cushing Baker of Walla Walla, was recovered Tuesday from an abandoned well 110 feet deep. Queen disappeared Sunday and her absence was immediately noted. No trace could be found of her and it was not until Bob, her running mate, refused to move from the pile of weeds it was discovered that the dog had plunged into the abandoned well. Owing to the fact that the bottom of the well was covered with old weeds to a depth of several feet, the dog was not injured. It was necessary to lower a man into the well to recover the dog.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Dec. 7, 1966

A Texan who already faced charges of burglary in Umatilla County has been jailed here on charges of armed robbery in Pasco, Wash. Facing the additional charges of armed robbery is Billy Joe Thorn, 28, Texarkana. Thorn was arrested about noon

Saturday near Boardman by state police and brought to the county jail from Hermiston by sheriff's deputies. The Washington warrant charges Thorn with the \$10,300 robbery of Sigman's IGA supermarket in Pasco Nov. 23. A companion in the Umatilla County burglary charge, Charles Robert Mathis, had his \$5,000 bail revoked Monday by a bonding firm and is now also lodged in the county jail here. Mathis, Thorn and Mary Driggs Harris are charged with burglary in a dwelling in connection with a theft from Price's IGA in Milton-Freewater in July.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Dec. 7, 1991

Less than a week after a fire destroyed all their possessions, a young Pendleton couple is trying to regroup and find a new place to live. Gary Briggs, 23, and Jennifer Jay, 21, who have "been out on our own for four years," managed to retrieve a pair of shoes, a teddy bear, a blackened painting by Jennifer's grandfather, some knick-knacks and a handful of M&Ms inside a plastic container that miraculously survived the heat. The rest is gone, including a glass full of dollar bills being saved for a trip to Reno, three Cocker Spaniels, a cat, and the new washer-dryer combination that hadn't been paid off.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 342nd day of 2016. There are 24 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 7, 1941, Imperial Japan's navy launched a pre-emptive attack on the U.S. Navy base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, one of a series of raids in the Pacific. The United States declared war against Japan the next day.

On this date:

In 43 B.C., Roman statesman and scholar Marcus Tullius Cicero was slain at the order of the Second Triumvirate.

In 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1842, the New York Philharmonic performed its first concert.

In 1909, chemist Leo H. Baekeland received a U.S. patent for Bakelite, the first synthetic plastic.

In 1946, fire broke out at the Winecoff Hotel in Atlanta; the blaze killed 119 people, including hotel

founder W. Frank Winecoff.

In 1965, Pope Paul VI and Orthodox Patriarch Athenagoras I simultaneously lifted the mutual excommunications that had led to the split of their churches in 1054.

In 1972, America's last moon mission to date was launched as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral. Imelda Marcos, wife of Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos, was stabbed and seriously wounded by an assailant who was shot dead by her bodyguards.

In 1985, retired Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart died in Hanover, New Hampshire, at age 70.

In 1987, Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev set foot on American soil for the first time, arriving for a Washington summit with President Ronald Reagan.

In 1995, a 746-pound probe from the Galileo spacecraft hurtled into Jupiter's atmosphere, sending back data to the mothership before it was presumably destroyed.

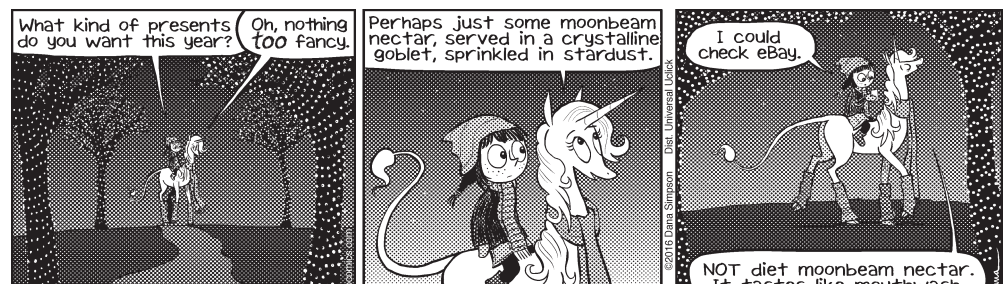
Today's Birthdays:

Linguist and political philosopher Noam Chomsky is 88. Bluegrass singer Bobby Osborne is 85. Actress Ellen Burstyn is 84. Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., is 79. Broadcast journalist Carole Simpson is 76. Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench is 69. Actor-director-producer James Keach is 69. Country singer Gary Morris is 68. Singer-songwriter Tom Waits is 67. Sen. Susan M. Collins, R-Maine, is 64. Basketball Hall of Famer Larry Bird is 60. Actress Priscilla Barnes is 59. Former "Tonight Show" announcer Edd Hall is 58. Rock musician Tim Butler (The Psychedelic Furs) is 58. Actor Patrick Fabian is 52. NFL player Terrell Owens is 43. Singer Aaron Carter is 29.

Thought for Today: "No nation ever had an army large enough to guarantee it against attack in time of peace or insure it victory in time of war." — *President Calvin Coolidge (1872-1933).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

