

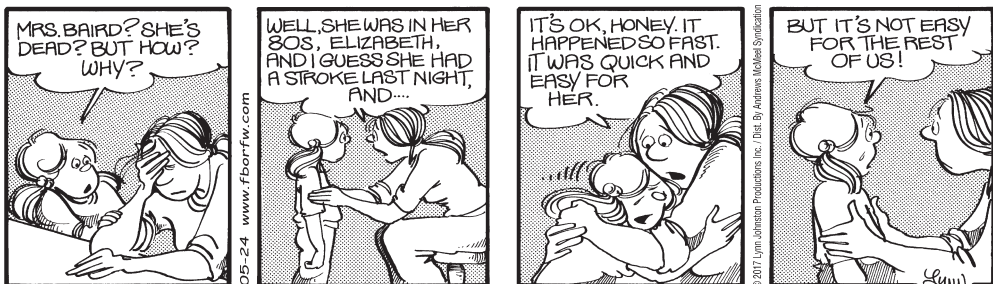
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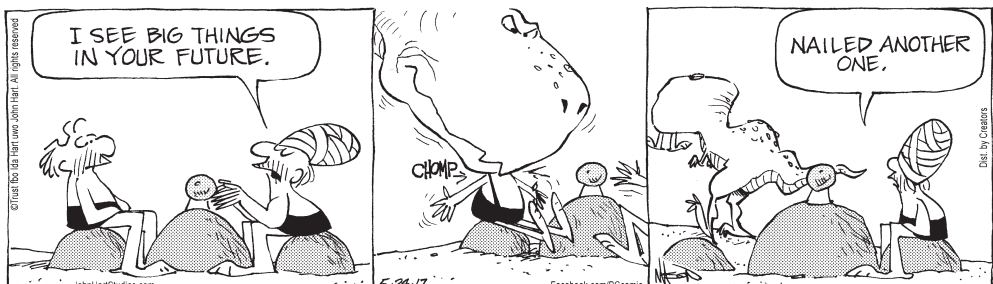
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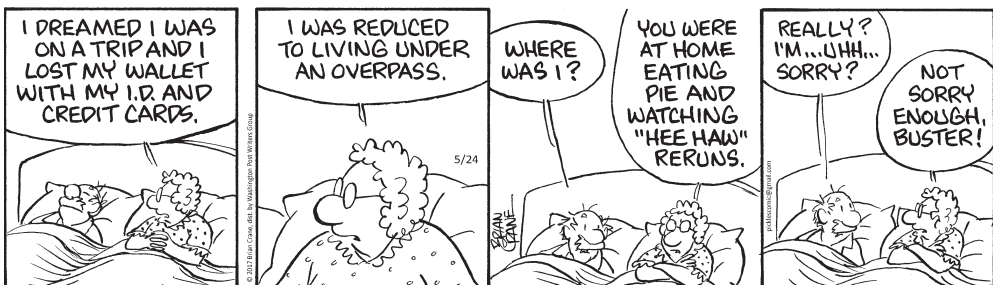
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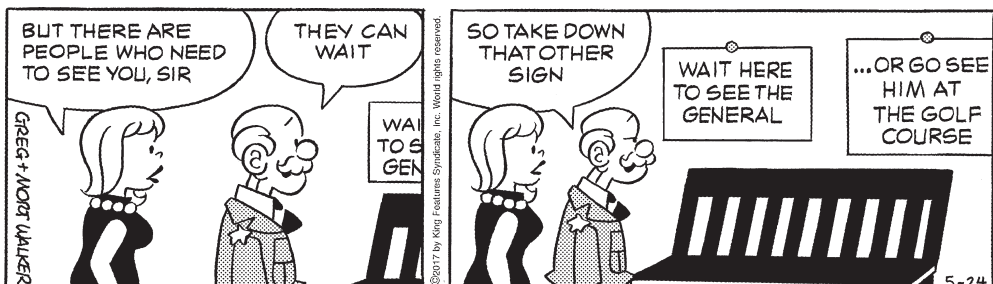
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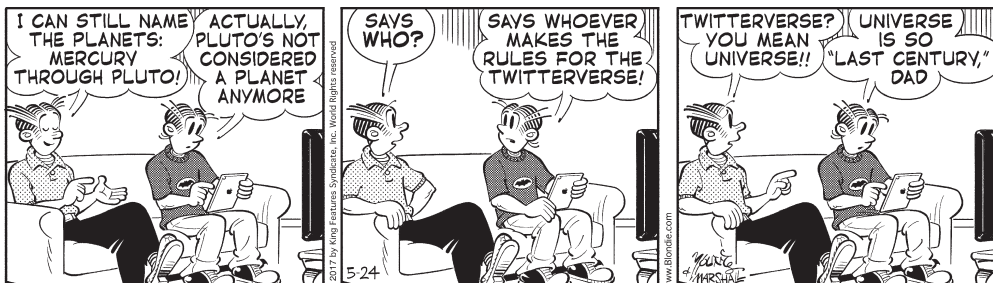
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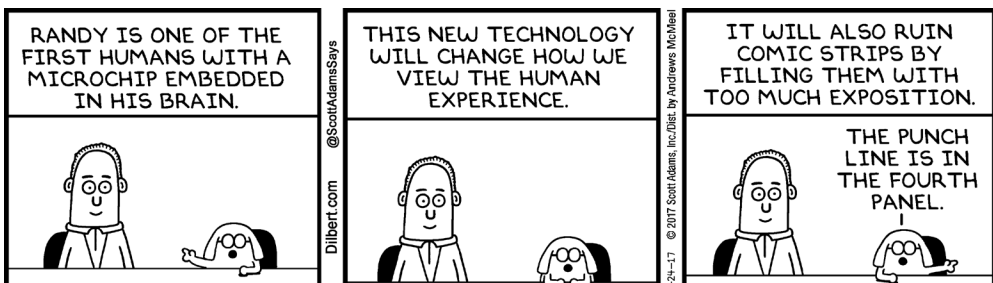
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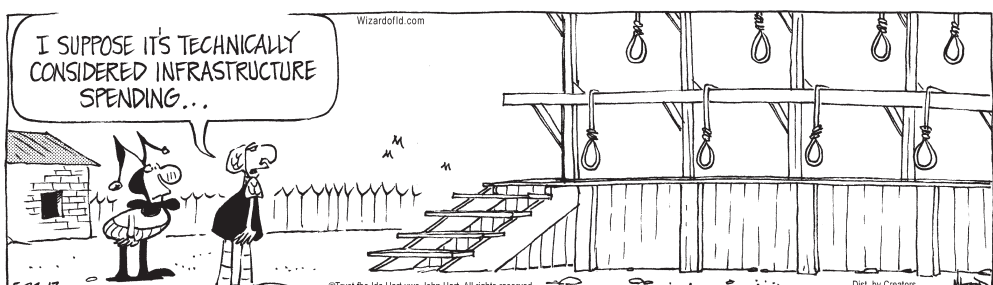
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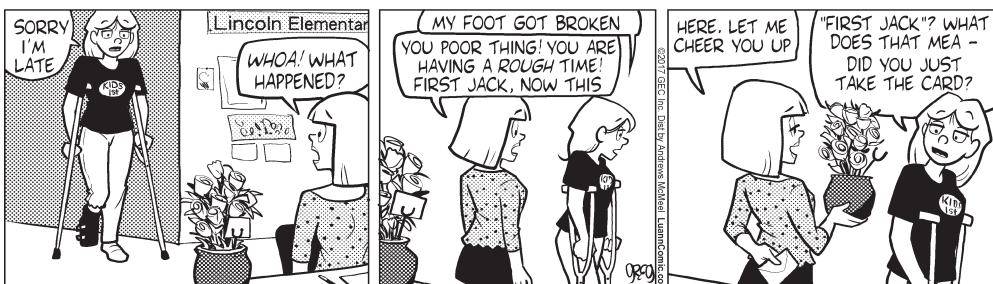
THE WIZARD OF ID

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LUANN

BY GREG EVANS



ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

New job in new state tests strength of men's relationship

Dear Abby: I am a gay man who has been dating a divorced man for nine months. I'm 25 and he is 50. He was married to a woman for more than 20 years and has three children. (I am the age between his middle and oldest children.) We met one day and have never been apart since.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

gay until some time after they were married. It happens.

Dear Abby: I work in a company that has small offices. Although most people have their own office, I share one because I was the last guy hired.

I have one co-worker who I really like, but he has a serious problem. He — and his wife, I suspect — don't do laundry. This results in him having serious odor. When he comes into my office or I have to go into his, or even walk by his door, the smell is seriously

It started great. We had a connection I had never experienced before I met him. He was let go from his job, and I supported him for some time. He finally found a job in Georgia, and I am left in New York.

I made plans to move there with him, but I'm nervous about it. First, because I have never been in love before and I'm not sure if he's as in love with me as I am with him. Second, he cheated on his wife with a man my age. The guy left him right before he met me, and I'm not so sure he is completely over him. (I know they are still in contact, but he has never lied about it.)

I'm worried he might cheat on me too, or worse, give his ex another shot, and I'll be left on the sidelines. What advice can you offer me? — Wants To Make The Right Move

Dear Wants: Do nothing drastic right now. Pay him a visit. Without committing yourself, take a look around to see if Georgia might suit you.

You say this man hasn't lied to you. While you're there, ask him whether he would give his ex another shot if the man were willing. However, don't prejudge him because he was unable to remain faithful to his wife. Like some gay men who come out later in life, he may not have fully realized that he was

rank. How do I tell him or his superiors about this issue? — Holding My Nose In Texas

Dear Holding: Go to your supervisor and explain the problem. You should not have to counsel the offending employee; the boss, your supervisor or someone in human resources should do it. If the problem is as severe as you say it is, it probably won't be the first time they have heard about it because others will have noticed it and complained, too.

Dear Abby: I have a new neighbor, and after meeting just once, she declared us to be "great friends." I work full time and she doesn't, so anytime I'm home she wants to get together. That would be fine if I liked her, but I don't! We are complete opposites, and she has a major gambling problem. How do I gracefully say I'm not interested in being friends? — Please Leave Me Alone

Dear Please: The poor woman is new in the neighborhood. That may be why she's reaching out the way she is. When she suggests getting together, explain that you have a full-time job and things you need to do at home, so the answer is you don't have time. Sorry.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 24, 1917

Pendleton's cavalry troop is being closed up today. And tonight Captain C.E. Gjedsted expects to wire Adjutant General White that Troop D, Second Squadron, O.N.G. 16th Divisional Cavalry has been organized up to full peace footing. Athena will furnish the bunch to complete the organization, Dell Blancett having found ten or a dozen boys of that vicinity yesterday who wanted to go with the Pendleton unit. They will be signed up this afternoon. Pilot Rock furnished a dozen or more recruits yesterday, bringing the total up to 56 last night. This afternoon there were 59 sworn in without counting the Athena contingent.

fire, then left, thinking Mrs. Gunderson would watch the fire, and that it would be small and could do no damage. Instead, flames started shooting up the length of the tree and brush adjacent ignited. The fire department was called at 7:45 a.m. and quickly had the fire extinguished. Bees were still swarming around the tree Monday and the Gundersons were puzzled as to just how to get rid of them.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 24, 1992

A Pendleton postal employee and his wife were arrested Thursday and charged in the May 1990 theft of a Federal Reserve Bank cash shipment taken from the Pendleton Post Office. William P. Cuff Jr., 44, was charged with theft of mail by a postal employee and receipt of stolen mail. His wife Reese A. Cuff, 45, also was arrested and charged with possession of stolen mail. No one involved with the investigation ever revealed the amount of money taken, but a \$10,000 reward plus 10 percent of any recovered funds was offered in June 1990 for significant information leading to an arrest. The investigation took a twist on July 2, 1990, when "a substantial amount" of the stolen money was recovered from a Northeast Portland mailbox.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 24, 1967

Bees that refused to come out of a tree resulted in firemen being awakened Sunday morning to answer a call. The fire was in a tall poplar tree at the Eddie Gunderson home at the south Heppner city limits. Dr. A.D. McMurdo had been called to get rid of a swarm of bees making its home in the tree. He decided to smoke them out, set the tree on

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 144th day of 2017. There are 221 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 24, 1775, John Hancock was unanimously elected President of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia, succeeding Peyton Randolph.

On this date:

In 1844, Samuel F.B. Morse transmitted the message "What hath God wrought" from Washington to Baltimore as he formally opened America's first telegraph line.

In 1883, the Brooklyn Bridge, linking Brooklyn and Manhattan, was dedicated by President Chester Alan Arthur and New York Gov. Grover Cleveland.

In 1935, the first major league baseball game to be played at night took place at Cincinnati's Crosley Field as the Reds beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 2-1.

In 1937, in a set of rulings,

the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Social Security Act of 1935.

In 1941, the German battleship Bismarck sank the British battle cruiser HMS Hood in the North Atlantic, killing all but three of the 1,418 men on board.

In 1957, anti-American rioting broke out in Taipei, Taiwan, over the acquittal of a U.S. Army sergeant who had shot and killed a Chinese man.

In 1962, astronaut Scott Carpenter became the second American to orbit the Earth as he flew aboard Aurora 7.

In 1976, Britain and France opened trans-Atlantic Concorde supersonic transport service to Washington.

In 1977, in a surprise move, the Kremlin ousted Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny of the Communist Party's ruling Politburo.

In 1980, Iran rejected a call by the World Court in The Hague to release the American hostages.

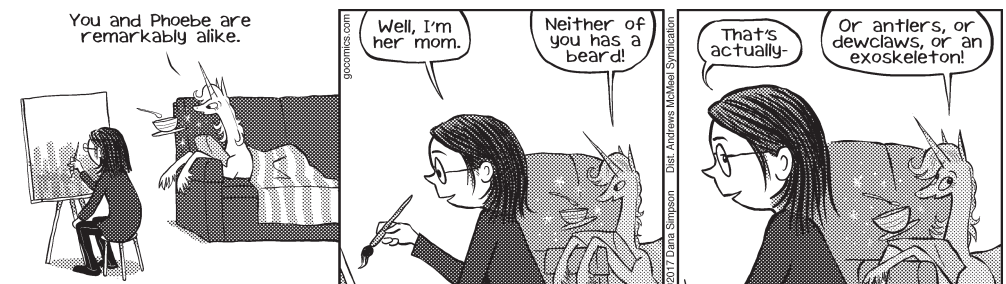
Today's Birthdays:

Actor-comedian-impresionist Stanley Baxter is 91. Jazz musician Archie Shepp is 80. Comedian Tommy Chong is 79. Singer Bob Dylan is 76. Actor Gary Burghoff is 74. Singer Patti LaBelle is 73. Actress Priscilla Presley is 72. Country singer Mike Reid is 70. Actor Jim Broadbent is 68. Actor Alfred Molina is 64. Singer Rosanne Cash is 62. Actor Cliff Parisi is 57. Actress Kristin Scott Thomas is 57. Rock musician Jimmy Ashurst (Buckcherry) is 54. Rock musician Vivian Trimble is 54. Actor John C. Reilly is 52. Actor Dana Ashbrook is 50. Actor Eric Close is 50. Country singer Billy Gilman is 29.

Thought for Today: "It is the weakness and danger of republics, that the vices as well as virtues of the people are represented in their legislation." — Helen Maria Hunt Jackson, American author (1830-1885).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

