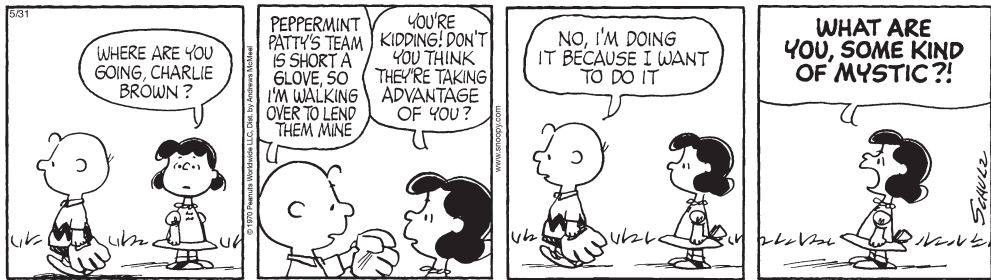


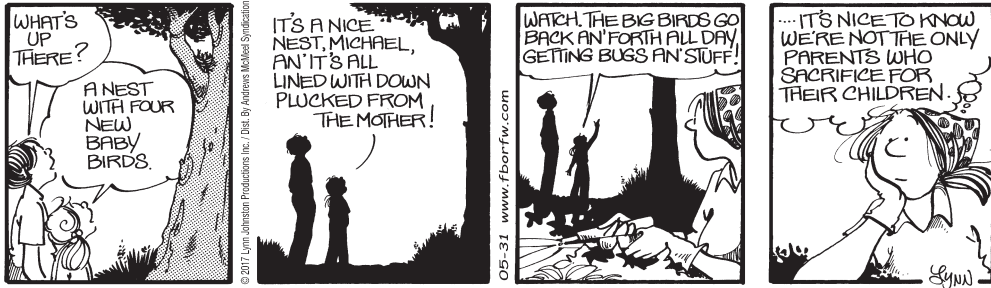
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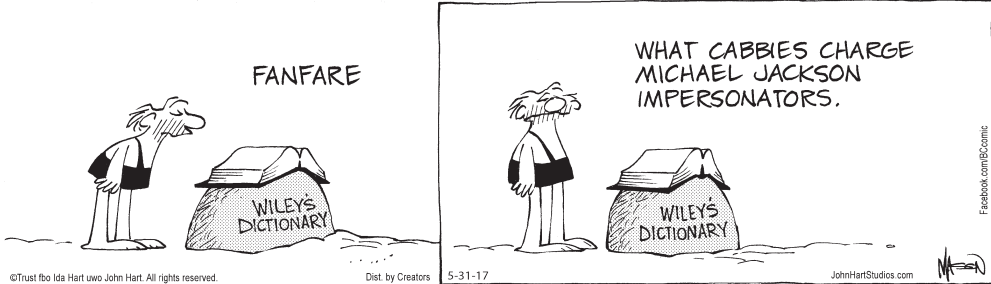
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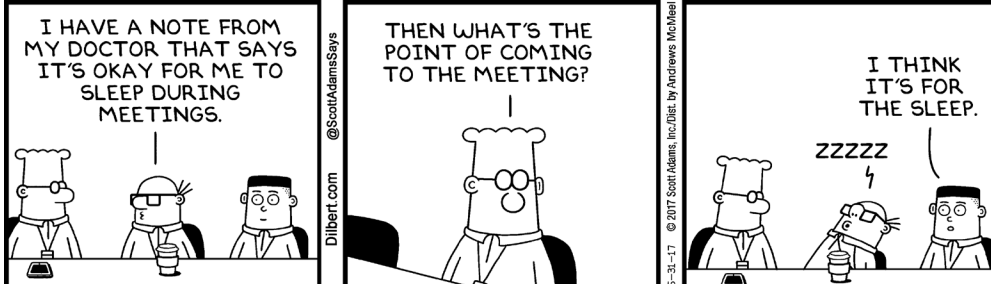
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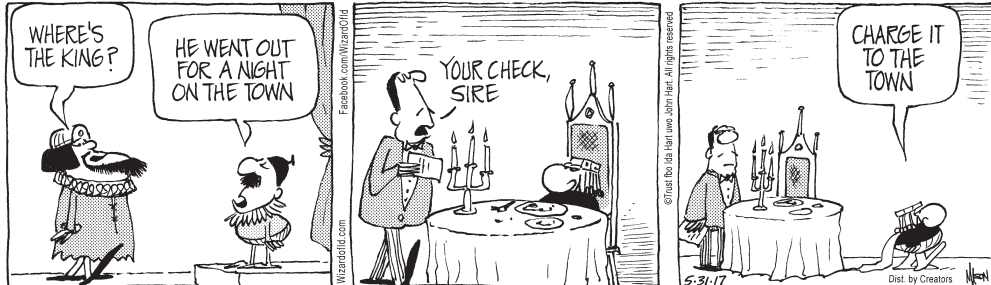
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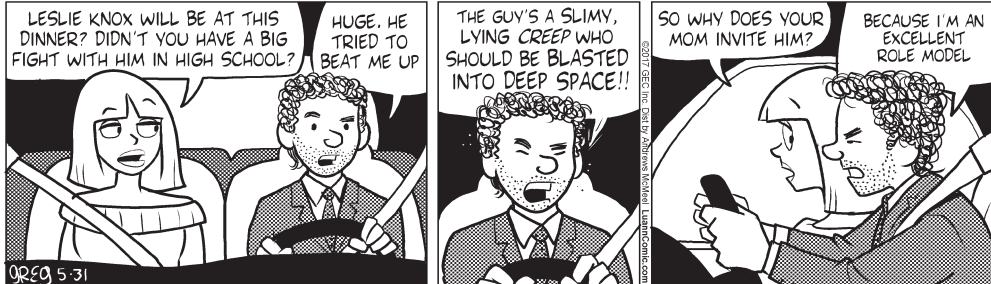
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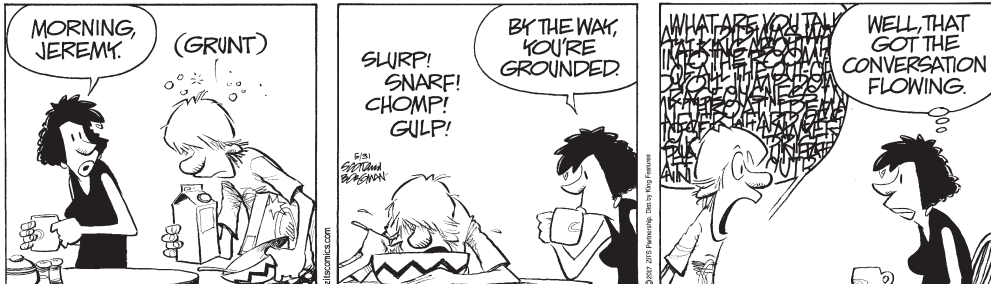
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DEAR ABBY

Age is no barrier for man long in love with neighbor



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I'm 36, doing very well in business, single and deeply in love with a 58-year-old woman. She has been a neighbor since I was in grade school. She's petite, pretty, intelligent, cheerful and looks my age. My parents moved to Florida when I turned 27, and I bought their home just so I could be near her. On my 33rd birthday, I begged her to cook for me. We had dinner and too much wine and ended up in bed. We don't live together, and she often tells me to find a younger woman. I have tried to gift her a car, jewelry, etc., but she has refused them all.

including holidays, sometimes for weeks at a time, in clients' homes caring for their animals. I have 40 years of care experience, and I'm recommended by every veterinarian in the area. I have worked very hard to build my reputation, and I charge reasonable prices.

Our families are against this. I'm going crazy trying to convince her I love her. When I told her I've loved her since middle school, she laughed. My parents say I am insane, though they love her dearly. Am I? Help, please. — In Love In California

On occasion, a client wants a "deal" and tries to bargain down my already reasonable fee. It is nearly always attorneys (who also look for a reason to be disappointed after the fact, but fail) or extremely wealthy people. I try hard not to show how insulting their request is, especially when someone's front gate costs more than my annual income. Sometimes I'll bend, but then I kick myself for doing it. (I am working hard to quit doing that.)

Dear In Love: Insane? No. When people are in love, they sometimes think emotionally rather than rationally. The 22-year difference in your ages may be why your parents are calling you insane.

Why should it cost me money to care for someone else's animals and home? I need a polite, respectful and definite comeback to decline making deals. — Pet Sitter In The South

Rather than try to "buy" your neighbor's love with gifts, try to get her to tell you how she DOES feel about you and about what happened the night she cooked you dinner. If it was only because she had too much to drink, she may be embarrassed that things went as far as they did. If it was because the attraction is mutual, you should explain to her that while it may be unusual, these kinds of relationships can be successful if both parties are mature. Example: The president of France, Emmanuel Macron, and his first lady.

Dear Pet Sitter: Try this: "I'm the best. My prices are firm. If you're looking for a bargain, hire someone else. Plenty of people will accept what you're offering. But remember, you get what you pay for."

Dear Abby: I'm a full-time pet and livestock sitter. I work seven days a week,

Dear Abby: In the midst of planning my wedding, I got pregnant. My family wants to plan for a combination bridal/baby shower, but my mother thinks I should only have a baby shower because I will receive gifts at my wedding. What is your take on this? — Unsure In Texas

Dear Unsure: I agree with your mother for the reason she gave you. You will need baby things in the near future. Your wedding will effectively be your wedding shower.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 31, 1917

Pendleton's company of cowboy cavalry is now Troop D of the Oregon National Guard. Captain Kenyon A. Joyce, Sixth Cavalry U.S.A., inspecting officer for national guard cavalry, last evening formally inspected the new troop and accepted it. The inspection took place last evening about 8 o'clock in the Happy Canyon pavilion and was witnessed by many townspeople. The actual inspection took but a few minutes inasmuch as the new troopers have had no training. They were lined up in one long line at attention and the roll was then called by Captain C.E. Gjedsted, the recruitment officer. There were 65 men present last evening. A half dozen had been rejected by the physical examiner and a number of others were out of the city and unable to get in for inspection.

died in the past year. Several members of the Stanfield Iris Club and members of families of deceased members were on hand for the planting event. Presiding at the ceremony was club president Stella Bergtoll, who announce the memorials were planted in the memory of Ida Cloute, Carrie Reeves, Rose Hendrick and Lena Byrnes.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 31, 1967

A major improvement was made in Stanfield's City Park in a recent tree and shrub planting as a living memorial to four of the organization's members who have

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 31, 1992

Susan High was horrified when she found white supremacist propaganda in her mailbox last month. She mistakenly opened the envelope, which contained an eight-page newsletter titled "National Socialist Vanguard Report." High didn't need to read further. The swastika in the right hand corner said it all. The newsletter, and another white supremacist flyer mailed to high school students in late February, didn't evoke one positive response, according to Rick Cooper, the man who mailed them. In fact, the mailing seems to have backfired. Instead of "educating" and segregating residents as intended, the propaganda has brought the community closer together, heightening an effort to harmoniously integrate Hispanics and Anglos.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 151st day of 2017. There are 214 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 31, 1977, the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline, three years in the making despite objections from environmentalists and Alaska Natives, was completed. (The first oil began flowing through the pipeline 20 days later; today the pipeline carries an average of 1.8 million barrels of oil a day, according to the Alaska Public Lands Information Centers website.)

South Africa was founded.

In 1916, during World War I, British and German fleets fought the naval Battle of Jutland off Denmark; there was no clear-cut victor, although the British suffered heavier losses.

In 1935, movie studio 20th Century Fox was created through a merger of the Fox Film Corp. and Twentieth Century Pictures.

In 1962, former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann was hanged in Israel a few minutes before midnight for his role in the Holocaust.

In 1994, the United States announced it was no longer aiming long-range nuclear missiles at targets in the former Soviet Union.

In 2005, breaking a silence of 30 years, former FBI official W. Mark Felt stepped forward as "Deep Throat," the secret Washington Post source during the Watergate scandal.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor-director Clint Eastwood is 87. Singer Peter Dinklage is 79. Former Humanitarian Terry Waite is 78. Singer-musician Augie Meyers is 77. Actress Sharon Gless is 74. Football Hall-of-Famer Joe Namath is 74. Broadcast journalist/commentator Bernard Goldberg is 72. Rapper DMC is 53. Actress Brooke Shields is 52. Actor Colin Farrell is 41. Rock musician Scott Klopfenstein (Reel Big Fish) is 40. Rock musician Andy Hurley (Fall Out Boy) is 37. Rapper Waka Flocka Flame is 31. Pop singer Normani Hamilton (Fifth Harmony) is 21.

Thought for Today: "A conference is a gathering of important people who singly can do nothing, but together can decide that nothing can be done." — Fred Allen, American comedian (born this date in 1894, died in 1956).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

