BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ









FOR BETTER OR WORSE









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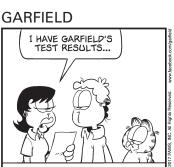


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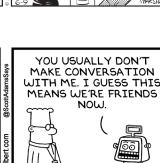
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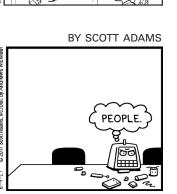


MY BOSS FORGOT TO

FUND MY PROJECT SO I'VE BEEN SCAVENGING

FOR PARTS.





THE WIZARD OF ID















DEAR ABBY

Mistress stops believing man will leave his family for her

Dear Abby: I am a 24-year-old professional woman who has been having an affair with a married man for three years. We have great chemistry, a passionate sex life, endless laughs and give each other a lot of support. He's married and has children, and when he is with them I find myself incredibly jealous. I feel left out, and I no longer believe he will ever be with me, although he says he will.

Because of his legal status in the U.S., it could take a few years before he becomes a citizen and is able to divorce. Should we take a break and revisit our relationship in a few years, or should I stick by him until everything is sorted out? — Jealous

Confused Lovebird

Dear Lovebird: I'm all for taking that break. The status quo is painful. As things stand, there are no guarantees your lover will ever leave his wife and children for you. If you take a break, you might meet someone who is eligible and actually willing (and able) to build a future with you. I say, go for it.

Dear Abby: My husband takes personal and business calls on his cellphone. When I'm with him, I ask who is calling before he picks up. He thinks this is "unusual" and becomes upset when I do. I think it is a courtesy to let me know who he is talking to, since I am usually left sitting in the car next to him or at the table with an unfinished meal,



IEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

playing a guessing game of "who is on the other end." Should I bite my

tongue, or should he let me know? -Who's Calling Dear Who's: Unless your husband is a doctor or a bail bondsman, he

shouldn't be taking business calls when you're having a meal together. If the call is important, he can return it after you have finished eating. As to being curious about who's on the other end of the line, if it's a friend, your husband could do what I do -

and that's mention the name of the person in his greeting or during the course of the conversation.

I don't think your curiosity is "unusual." Quite the opposite, in fact. But for heaven's sake, stop allowing your food to get cold while you wait for him to finish talking. Eat it while it's hot!

Dear Abby: This might seem like a trivial question, but it's one that has been bothering me for a long time. Does anyone else read the comics back to front, last to first? I simply can't enjoy reading them the "normal" way. Am I a horrible person? Do I have OCD? Am I antisocial? Should I write to "Dear Abby"? Oh wait. That's what I'm doing. Help! -**GARY IN SAN DIEGO**

DEAR GARY: You are none of the above. Some people do the same thing with mystery novels because they can't stand the suspense.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 9, 1917

In order to provide all the money for the state road fund to which it is entitled, the county court this morning appointed Deputy Sheriff J.A. Blakey as county traffic officer with special instructions to see that all auto owners purchase the proper state license. This order of the court is aimed at those auto owners who, intentionally or from neglect, have failed to purchase a 1917 auto license. It has come to the knowledge of the court that there are quite a number of auto owners in this county who are running their cars on old licenses and some of them, it is said, are very prominent residents. Inasmuch as the road bonds are to be financed by auto license fees, the state will make special effort to see that all such fees are collected.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 9, 1967

Federally owned land in Morrow County should be classified for disposal under the Public Land Sale Act of 1964. These are the recommendations from the Bureau of Land Management for the 12,066 acres of arid land it holds in north Morrow County and for 3,553 acres in small, scattered tracts in the rest of the county. The decision eliminates the many

journeymen applications to obtain the land through Desert Entry Land Act of 1877. Many of these date back to the fall of 1965 when a flurry of interest developed in irrigating the land from the Columbia River. Included are applications from a large group of Portland businessmen who proposed developing potato and alfalfa fields and constructing processing plants on the site to handle the crops.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 9, 1992

Powerlifter Ross Phillips, manager of Greg's Heavy Metal Gym in Pendleton, won a division title and qualified for the world championships at the American Powerlifting Federation Masters and Teenagers National Championships in Columbia, Ohio, Saturday. Phillips took first place in the master division, 60-64 age group, 165-pound class. He lifted 405 pounds in the squat, 230 pounds in the bench press and 480 pounds in the deadlift to win. Just three weeks ago Phillips set age-group world records in two of the three events required in powerlifting competition at the Budweiser World Record Breakers meet in Bend. He made a record squat of 405 pounds, then broke his own record with a lift of 420 pounds. He also set the world deadlift record for his age and weight with a 505-pound effort.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 160th day of 2017. There are 205 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History

On June 9, 1954, during the Senate Army-McCarthy Army hearings, special counsel Joseph N. Welch berated Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., for publicly attacking a member of Welch's law firm, Fred Fisher, asking McCarthy: "Have you no sense of decency, sir? At long last, have you left no sense of decency?"

On this date:

In A.D. 68, Roman Emperor Nero committed suicide, ending a 13-year reign.

In 1870, author Charles Dickens died in Gad's Hill Place, England.

In 1911, Carrie (sometimes spelled "Carry") A. Nation, the hatchet-wielding temperance crusader, died in Leavenworth, Kansas, at age

In 1934, the first Walt Disney animated cartoon featuring Donald Duck, "The Wise Little Hen," was released.

In 1943, the federal government began withholding income tax from paychecks. 1946, Bhumibol

In Adulyadej became king of Thailand at age 18, beginning a 70-year reign that ended with his death in Oct. 2016.

In 1953, 94 people died tornado struck when a Worcester (WU'-stur), Massachusetts

In 1969, the Senate confirmed Warren Burger to be the new chief justice of the United States, succeeding Earl Warren.

In 1973, Secretariat won the Belmont Stakes, becoming horse racing's first Triple Crown winner in 25 years.

In 1986, the Rogers Commission released report on the Challenger disaster, criticizing NASA and rocket-builder Morton Thiokol for management problems leading to the explosion that claimed the lives of seven astronauts.

In 1997, the final episode of "Married... with Children" ("Chicago Shoe Exchange") aired on Fox, ending the series' 11-season run.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Jackie Mason is 89. Media analyst Marvin Kalb is 87. Former baseball manager and player Bill Virdon is 86. Sports commentator Dick Vitale is 78. Author Letty Cottin Pogrebin is 78. Rock musician Mick Box (Uriah Heep) is 70. Retired MLB All-Star Dave Parker is 66. Film composer James Newton Howard is 66. Mystery author Patricia Cornwell is 61. Actor Michael J. Fox is 56. Writer-producer Aaron Sorkin is 56. Actor Johnny Depp is 54. Actress Gloria Reuben is 53. Gospel singer-actress Tamela Mann is 51. Rock musician Dean Felber (Hootie & the Blowfish) is 50. Rock musician Dean Dinning is 50. Musician Ed Simons is 47. Country musician Shade Deggs (Cole Deggs and the Lonesome) is 43. Bluegrass singer-musician Jamie Dailey (Dailey & Vincent) is 42. 39. Actress Natalie Portman is 36.

Thought for Today: "Next to the slanderer, we detest the bearer of the slander to our ears." — Mary Catherwood, American novelist (1847-1901).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN





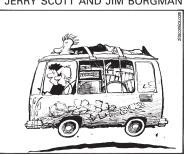




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