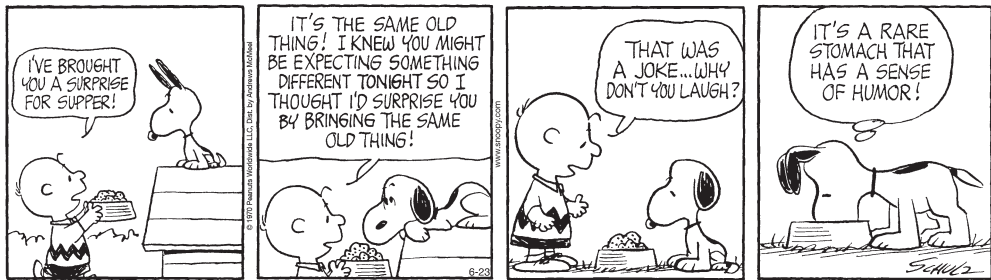


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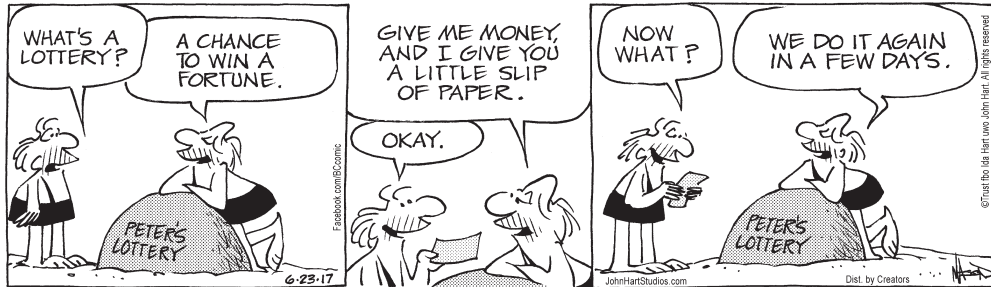
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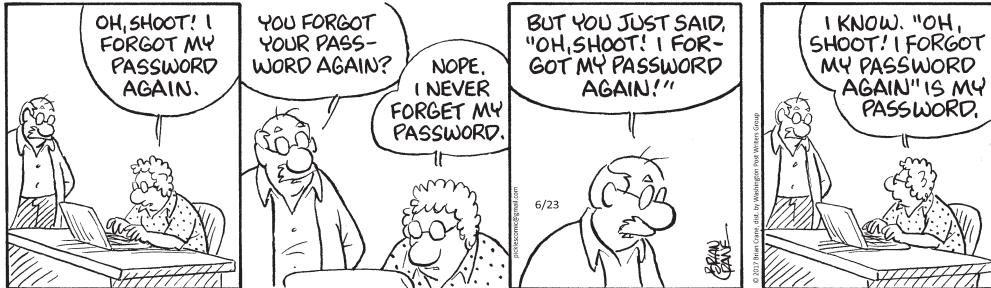
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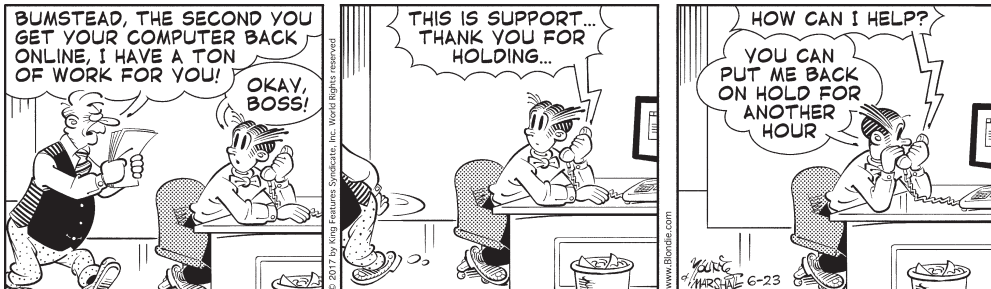
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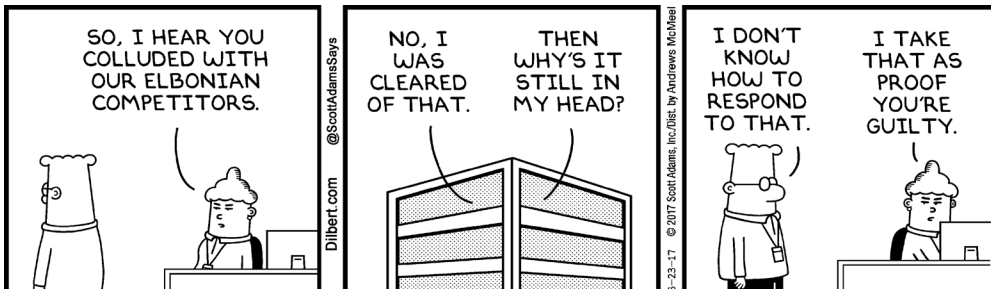
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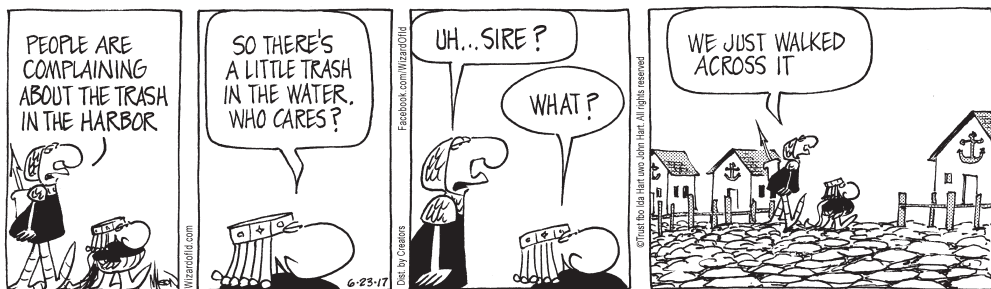
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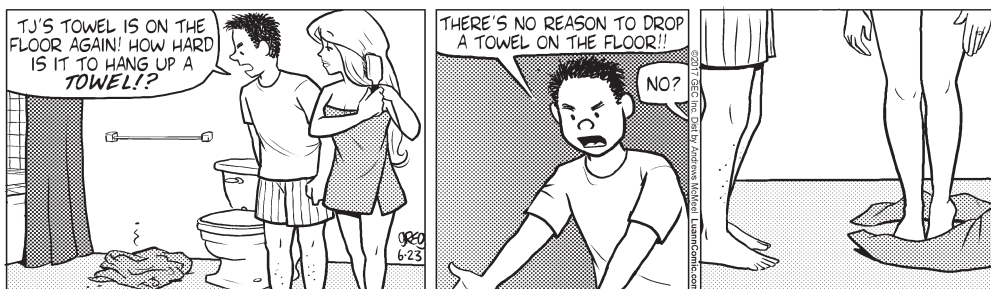
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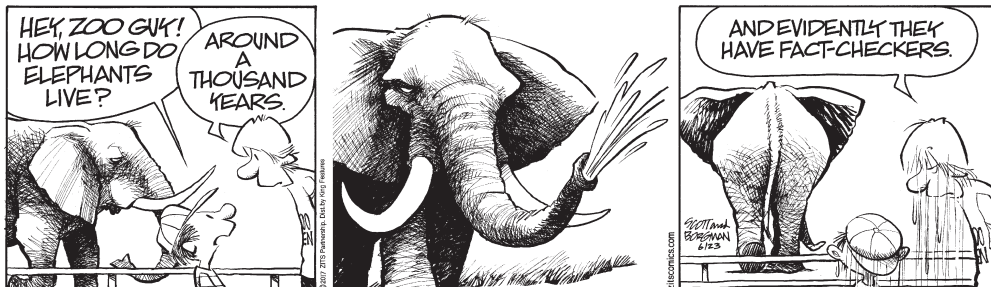
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DEAR ABBY

Serial father keeps chummy relationships with his exes

Dear Abby: I recently met a 28-year-old father of three I'm interested in. He seems wonderful. He's a hard worker, takes care of his responsibilities and is an amazing father to his children. They're all still very little, but they're great kids.



as this young man appears to be. Dear Abby: I recently attended a wedding after which the bride chose not to adopt her husband's last name. After the wedding we met them for dinner. When they strolled up to the restaurant to meet us, I happily exclaimed, "Oh, here come Mr. and Mrs. Smith!" after which I was quickly informed that I was wrong because the bride was keeping her maiden name.

The only thing that's been on my mind lately is he has a lot of baggage. Those kids are from three different women. He gets along with all of them very well, to the point that they sometimes do stuff together with the children. They go out to places, or sometimes he invites them over to his place to swim in the pool.

I understand that he has to maintain a healthy relationship with his exes for the sake of the children, but I never thought it would be this "healthy." I have never experienced something like this. I appreciate him being upfront about everything, but I can't stop thinking about it. Am I overreacting? — Three's Company

Dear Three's Company: I don't think so. While I admire the man's devotion to his children — not to mention his skilled diplomatic ability — it does appear that he has a problem making a lasting commitment to a woman. Unless you would seriously consider joining this "harem," I urge you to religiously practice contraception. If you would like children in the future, it would be better to approach it with someone who isn't as marriage-phobic

Abby, even if a woman goes by her maiden name, is it so wrong to refer to her as "the Mrs.?" — Stepped In It

Dear Stepped: Your mistake was an innocent one. Now that you know this couple is sensitive about their individual identities, address them by their names ("Linda" and "Robert") if you wish to maintain a social relationship.

Dear Abby: You and your mother have answered many sexual questions in your column over the years. Editors back in the '50s were more prudish about what could be published in family papers. Did your mother have to battle with dragons to print sexual questions from her readers? — Sonny In Alabama

Dear Sonny: If she did, she didn't mention it to me. While I agree that editors back then — and even now — tend to be conservative, if they disapprove of a letter, they are free not to print it.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 23, 1917

That Edward Terney of the Oregon Motor Garage knows how to war dance is testified to by fellow workers who yesterday saw him performing after a bucket of burning gasoline had been thrown upon him by accident. The gas was set afire by a short circuit in an old car. An employee grasped the bucket and rushed to the back alley with the same. In trying to throw the burning stuff upon the ground some of it went on Terney instead with the result his life might have been endangered had it not been for the quick work of Oliver Leslie who rolled Terney in the dirt, thus extinguishing the blaze. Terney was unhurt and suffered no damage save a small hole burned in his trousers.

accused of striking Harley Wagoner, Pilot Rock. Witnesses said Williams stopped his car as he crossed the picket line Tuesday, got out, and hit Wagoner three times, twice in the head and once in the stomach. Roland Faircloth, president of Local 3-8 of the International Woodworkers of America, said a doctor declared Wagoner suffered a slight concussion from the blows. Union officials said Wagoner had been calling Williams a "scab."

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 23, 1992

Randy Melton of Pendleton is a year away from high school graduation, but he already feels at home on the Whitman College campus. Melton, 16, spent the past two summers as a student at the Whitman Institute for Scholastic Enrichment program. This year he was invited back to Walla Walla as a counselor in a program aimed at encouraging minority students to attend college. Before the program, "I hadn't ever heard of Whitman College and I didn't think about college," Melton said.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 23, 1967

A union member who crossed the picket line at Kerns Co. in Pilot Rock two weeks ago to return to work was charged Wednesday with assault. Don Williams, Pendleton, is

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, June 23, the 174th day of 2017. There are 191 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On June 23, 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson, Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin (ah-LEK'-say koh-SEE'-gihn) and their advisers opened a three-day summit at Glassboro State College in New Jersey. The U.S. Senate voted 92-5 to censure Democrat Thomas J. Dodd of Connecticut for diverting campaign money to his personal use.

national convention in Chicago nominated former President Grover Cleveland on the first ballot.

In 1904, President Theodore Roosevelt was nominated for a second term of office at the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1931, aviators Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off from New York on a round-the-world flight that lasted eight days and 15 hours.

In 1947, the Senate joined the House in overriding President Harry S. Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley Act, designed to limit the power of organized labor.

In 1950, Northwest Orient Airlines Flight 2501, a DC-4, crashed into Lake Michigan with the loss of all 58 people on board.

In 1972, President Richard Nixon and White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman discussed using the CIA to obstruct the FBI's Watergate investigation. (Revelation of the tape recording of this conversation sparked Nixon's resignation in 1974.)

In 1757, forces of the East India Company led by Robert Clive won the Battle of Plassey, which effectively marked the beginning of British colonial rule in India.

In 1892, the Democratic

Today's Birthdays:

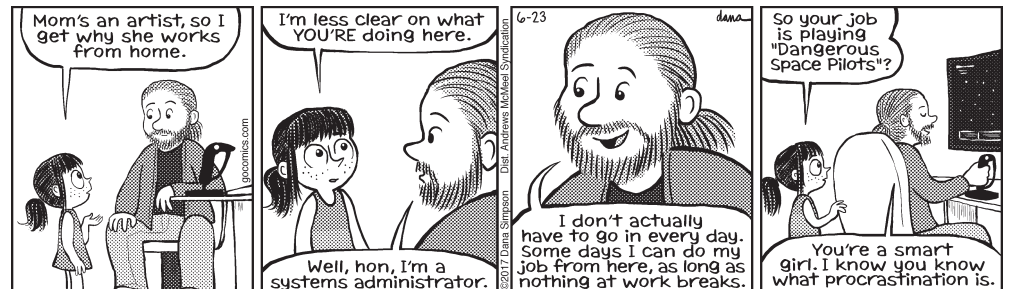
Singer Diana Trask is 77. Musical conductor James Levine is 74. Actor Ted Shackelford is 71. Actor Bryan Brown is 70. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas is 69. Actor Jim Metzler is 66. "American Idol" ex-judge Randy Jackson is 61. Actress Frances McDormand is 60. Rock musician Steve Shelley (Sonic Youth) is 55. Actor Paul La Greca is 55. Writer-director Joss Whedon is 53. Rhythm-and-blues singer Chico DeBarge is 47. Actress Selma Blair is 45. Actor Joel Edgerton ("Loving") is 43. Rock singer KT Tunstall is 42. Rhythm-and-blues singer Virgo Williams (Ghostnotes DJs) is 42. Actress Emmanuelle Vaugiere is 41. Singer-songwriter Jason Mraz is 40. Football Hall of Fame electee LaDainian Tomlinson is 38. Actress Melissa Rauch is 37. Church singer Anna Wattenburger is 6.

Thought for Today:

"Suffering without understanding in this life is a heap worse than suffering when you have at least the grain of an idea what it's all for." — Mary Ellen Chase, American author (1887-1973).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

