

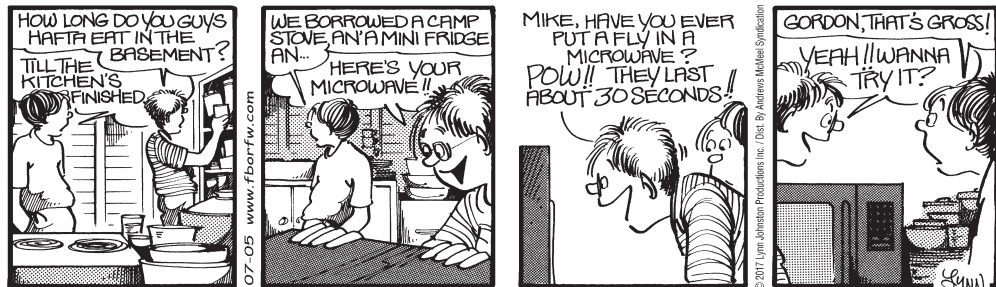
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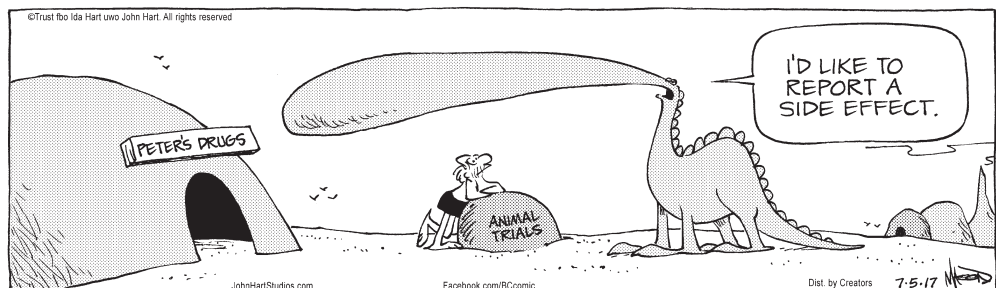
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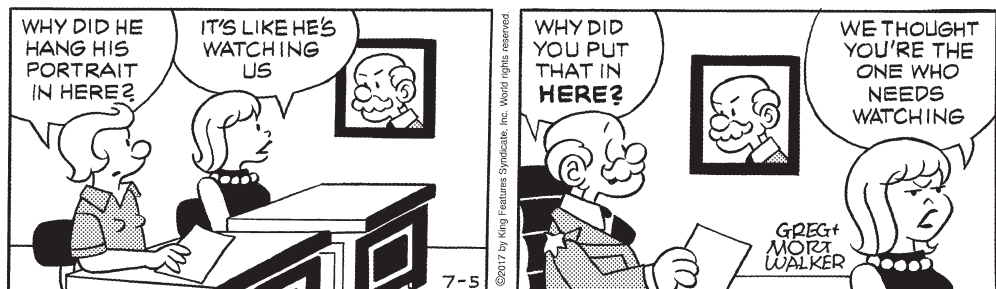
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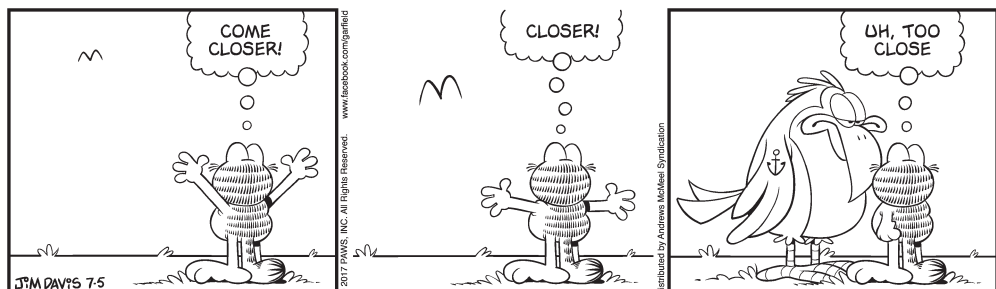
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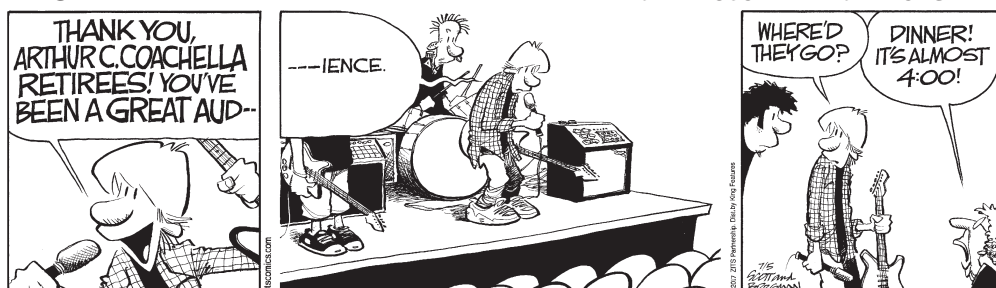
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DEAR ABBY

Widow reconsiders romantic overture from an old friend



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: This is something I can't talk about in my grief support group. I'm a 70-year-old widow. I lost my dear husband of 35 years 17 months ago. I always was more sexual than he was. Since the funeral, I have had a one-night stand with a nice younger man, but it was a failure for me physically. Since then, I am leery. Last night, a dear friend visited. He knew both of us for years. I had flirted with him last year, but nothing happened. Last night he came on to me. I was upset about my failure to perform with the nice young man, so I turned him down. Now I don't know what to do.

for them. He pays no attention to me unless he has something to complain about. When he does, he says hurtful things that make me cry and then he tells the kids to call me a crybaby. It's almost as if he is trying to turn them against me.

I want a relationship with him. I want love and attention, but I don't know how to get it. Please help! — Not Wanted In The East

Dear Not Wanted: What your partner is doing is unhealthy not only for you, but also for your children. He is emotionally abusing you, while at the same time encouraging those children to disrespect you and minimize your feelings.

For your sake — and theirs — you must not allow this to continue. If you do, they will think the abuse is normal behavior and perpetuate it in their own relationships when they are older.

If I sleep with him, will it destroy our friendship? Will I be able to keep him from becoming a major presence in my home? — Wondering Widow

Offer your partner the option of couples counseling to repair your relationship. If he refuses, go without him. If you do, I promise you will find it enlightening. Please do not procrastinate, because his verbal abuse could escalate.

Dear Widow: Please accept my condolences for the loss of your husband. That your first experience after your husband's death wasn't all that you fantasized it would be isn't unusual. Good sex is all about communication. It takes time for couples to adjust to each other and feel comfortable enough to talk frankly about their individual needs.

Dear Abby: Is there a way to respond to individuals who use swear words often and loudly in a public place such as a restaurant? Hearing the F-word used by people at the next table ruins my enjoyment of my meal.

However, if you would not welcome someone becoming "a major presence in your home," allow me to point out that it might be better not to go to bed with him. Once a door is opened, it's not unusual for a guest to become comfortable and crave more "hospitality."

Dear Offended: I don't advise you to approach the "offenders." If you have a complaint, direct it to the manager of the restaurant, who can then inform the "F-worders" they are disturbing other patrons and to please keep it down. And if they don't, ask to change tables and sit in a quieter section of the restaurant.

Dear Abby: I am a mother of two, and I'm afraid the baby's dad is with me only

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 5, 1917

Preston DeWitt, employed upon the D.W. Dupuis ranch, last week was showing his skill at jerking the head from a live rattlesnake by grabbing it by the tail and popping it with whip fashion. He got Mr. Rattler's head but when it flew off the fangs struck the back of his hand. He lost no time at sucking the poison out and now says "never again."

across the street and into the house of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Chapin. A window and the outside of the house were damaged. Gray had extensive lacerations to his chin, requiring 12 stitches to close. His five-year-old daughter, who with her mother had gone to the doctor's office on learning of the accident, also passed out while watching her father being stitched up. She cut her chin in an identical place and had five stitches to close her wound.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 5, 1967

Mike Gray, owner of Gray's Repair Shop and service station in Heppner, went to the doctor for a shot. He fainted, waited 15 minutes, then sat in his pickup another five minutes before attempting to drive. He only made it two blocks north of Gale Street before he started to faint again. He turned off the ignition and headed for the curb before passing out a second time. But the truck did not stop before it had struck a parked car, veered

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 5, 1992

Eastern Oregon Psychiatric Center, the state's 60-bed mental health facility in Pendleton, is no longer being considered for expansion or downsizing, says Superintendent Steve Feinstein. At one point this spring, state officials considered closing EOPC. Later, a proposal to expand operations was considered. Both ideas have been scrapped and the facility will continue in a stable mode. However, EOPC "did not come through this (budget cuts) unscathed," Feinstein said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 186th day of 2017. There are 179 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 5, 1947, Larry Doby made his debut with the Cleveland Indians, becoming the first black player in the American League three months after Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier in the National League. In the game against the Chicago White Sox at Comiskey Park, Doby, pinch-hitting for Bryan Stephens, struck out in his first at-bat during the seventh inning; Chicago won 6-5.

mission of suppressing counterfeit currency.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the National Labor Relations Act.

In 1940, during World War II, Britain and the Vichy government in France broke off diplomatic relations.

In 1946, the bikini, created by Louis Reard, was modeled by Micheline Bernardini during a poolside fashion show in Paris.

In 1954, Elvis Presley's first commercial recording session took place at Sun Records in Memphis, Tennessee; the song he recorded was "That's All Right."

In 1962, independence took effect in Algeria; the same day, civilians of European descent, mostly French, came under attack by extremists in the port city of Oran.

In 1811, Venezuela became the first South American country to declare independence from Spain.

In 1865, the Secret Service Division of the U.S. Treasury Department was founded in Washington, D.C., with the

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Katherine Helmond is 88. Actress Shirley Knight is 81. Singer-musician Robbie Robertson is 74. Julie Nixon Eisenhower is 69. Rock star Huey Lewis is 67. Baseball Hall of Fame pitcher Rich "Goose" Gossage is 66. Country musician Charles Ventre is 65. Singer-songwriter Marc Cohn is 58. Actor John Marshall Jones is 55. Actor Dorian Wilson is 55. Actress Edie Falco is 54. Actress Jillian Armenante is 53. Actress Kathryn Erbe is 52. Actor Michael Stuhlbarg is 49. Rapper RZA is 48. Country musician Dave Haywood (Lady Antebellum) is 35. Rock musician Nick O'Malley (Arctic Monkeys) is 32.

Thought for Today: "The real drawback to 'the simple life' is that it is not simple. If you are living it, you positively can do nothing else. There is not time."

— Katharine Fullerton Gerould, American writer (1879-1944).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

