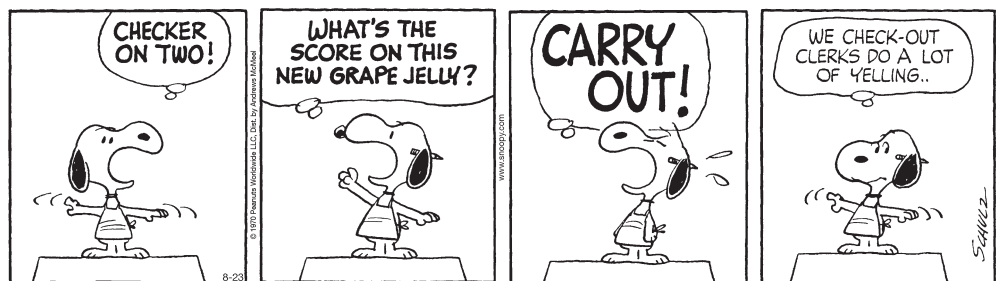


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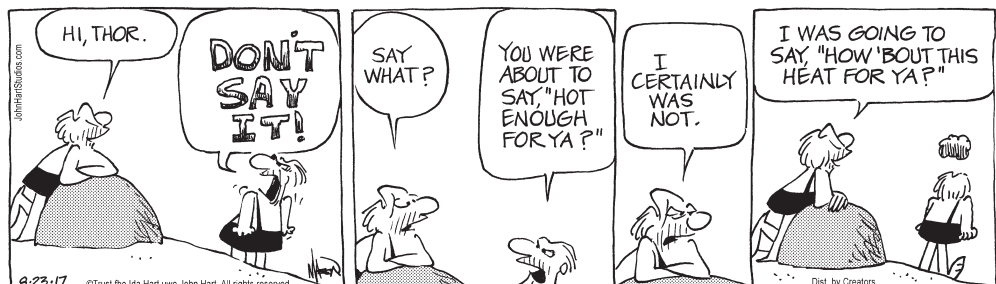
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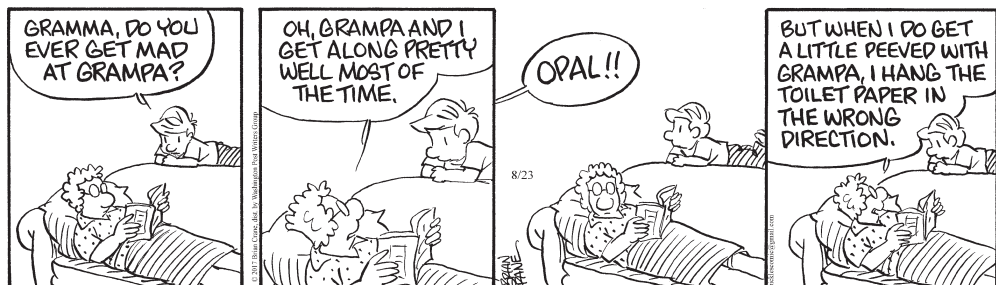
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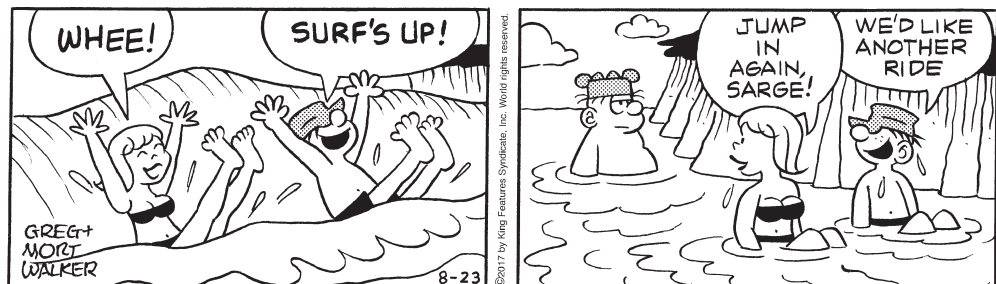
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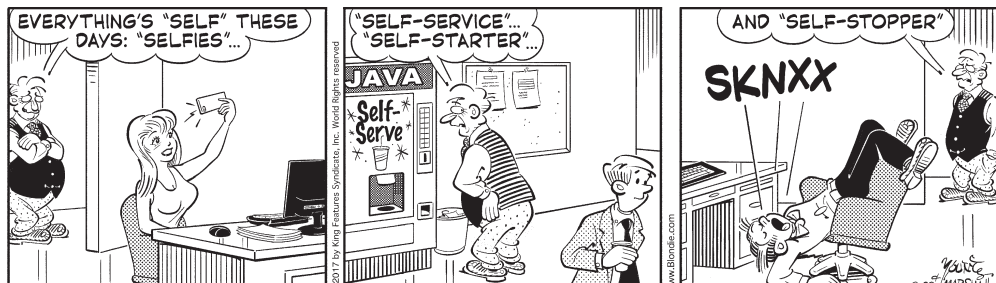
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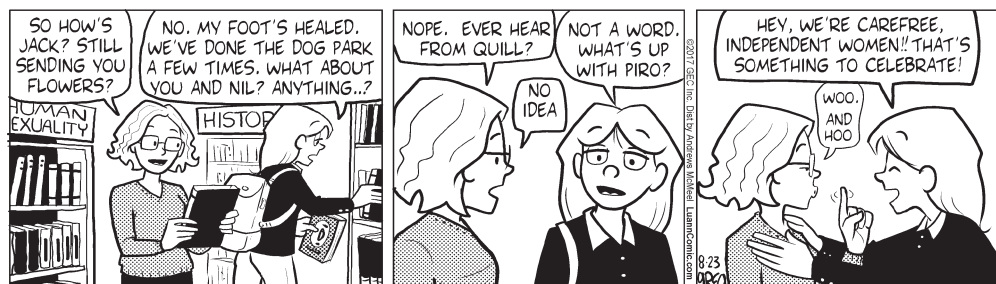
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DEAR ABBY

Stepmom feels squeezed out by father-daughter relationship

Dear Abby: I think my step-daughter "Caroline" has an unhealthy relationship with my husband. Caroline calls him several times a day and gets tattoos just like his. When she got a boob job, she wanted to show him. She doesn't talk to me much, although I have tried to be close to her.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Caroline knows I don't approve of the way she gets money. She has a job at a local store, but wants things she can't afford, so she sleeps with men for money. Her dad seems fine with it.

They seem to have a closeness that he doesn't share with me. We are fine until she gets involved. She does things to keep her dad doing things for her so he doesn't have time for me. What should I do? I've talked to him about this, but he thinks I'm crazy. — Disgusted Stepmom In Georgia

Dear Stepmom: You are not crazy. Your husband and his daughter have a relationship it would be an understatement to call "inappropriate."

Caroline appears to be unusually emotionally dependent upon her father. That she would show him her newly acquired "boobs" may seem strange, but it's not shocking to me. Many women who get implants show them off to anyone who will look until the novelty wears off.

What I do find appalling is a father who would approve of his daughter prostituting herself. What does Caroline's mother think

of all this? If she's living, she must be beside herself. If she's dead, she must be spinning in her grave.

Frankly, I'm not sure what you should "do." If it were me, I'd remove myself from the equation.

Dear Abby: Can you be stalked by your spouse? My husband checks my phone for messages, checks the mileage in my car, opens all the mail and listens in on all my phone conversations. If I'm late from work, I call to let him know, but he returns my call to make sure I am where I said I was.

He accuses strange cars that drive down our street of belonging to my boyfriends. He even went into the exam room with me while I was having a physical. The doctor asked him to leave for my privacy.

He says this shows his "concern" for me. I'm being smothered. Please help. — Stalked By Spouse

Dear Stalked: What your husband is doing is not a demonstration of concern for you. All the checking and accusations that there are other men in your life are symptoms of his insatiable insecurity and his need to possess and control you.

His behavior is not normal. He is sick, and he could possibly be dangerous. Please contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline and talk to a counselor. The toll-free phone number is 800-799-7233. You may need to create an escape plan, and someone there can help you do it.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 23, 1917

When the residents of the new little town of Boardman in Morrow County voted, 19 to 1, to build a \$12,000 school house, they failed to take into consideration that the O.-W. R. & N. is a taxpayer there. Now they have to fight for their right to build. An injunction suit brought by the O.-W. R. & N. against the Boardman district is being tried in Pendleton today before Judge Phelps. The company contends there is no justification for such an expensive school and it has a half dozen attorneys and officials here to try to prove it. Half the population of Boardman is here to tend to their end of the scrap and there are many witnesses to be examined.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 23, 1967

His day aboard the carrier begins during the pre-dawn hours. Before the bustling activity of flight deck operations start, he is moving over his aircraft, checking every inch of it for the mission it will fly that day. The life of a pilot depends on this man's checklist and the careful inspection of planes. Who is he? He is a "plane captain," a special breed

of man who takes care of an aircraft as a mother hen does her chicks. One of these men is Aviation Machinist Mate 3 C. Edward L. Morlan, 21, son of Mrs. Alden Morlan of Echo, a 1965 graduate of Pendleton High School, who is off the coast of North Vietnam aboard the attack aircraft carrier Bon Homme Richard, now on "Yankee Station" in the Gulf of Tonkin.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 23, 1992

Some men's dreams are bigger than others. Mike Monroe's dream — a houseboat built from salvaged materials — is bigger than most. The houseboat, 30 months in the making, is 15 feet wide, 50 feet long and weighs close to 22,000 pounds. It looks more like a mobile home but cuts through the water like a cabin cruiser, hitting a peak speed of 15 knots along the Columbia River. Monroe and his wife, Linda, operate Bert's Auto Salvage, a business conducive to the project that started as a much smaller idea in November 1989. Monroe recruited Linda's father, Jim Langdon — already notorious in these parts for his amphicar — to help him construct the pontoon foundation, an engine room, the decking and cabin.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 235th day of 2017. There are 130 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 23, 1927, amid worldwide protests, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in Boston for the murders of two men during a 1920 robbery.

On this date: In 13051, Scottish rebel leader Sir William Wallace was executed by the English for treason.

In 1775, Britain's King George III proclaimed the American colonies to be in a state of "open and avowed rebellion."

In 1858, "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," a play by Timothy Shay Arthur about the perils of alcohol, opened in New York.

In 1913, Copenhagen's Little Mermaid statue, inspired by the Hans Christian Andersen story, was unveiled in the harbor of the Danish capital.

In 1914, Japan declared war against Germany in

World War I.

In 1926, silent film star Rudolph Valentino died in New York at age 31.

In 1939, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agreed to a non-aggression treaty, the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, in Moscow.

In 1947, an audience at the Hollywood Bowl heard President Harry S. Truman's daughter, Margaret, give her first public concert as a singer (she had previously performed on the radio).

In 1960, Broadway librettist Oscar Hammerstein II, 65, died in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

In 1973, a bank robbery-turned-hostage-taking began in Stockholm, Sweden; the four hostages ended up empathizing with their captors, a psychological condition now referred to as "Stockholm Syndrome."

In 1982, Lebanon's parliament elected Christian militia leader Bashir Gemayel president. (However, Gemayel was assassinated some three weeks later.)

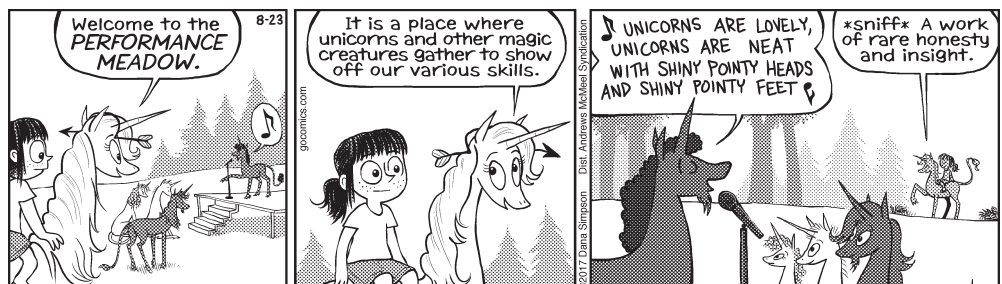
Today's Birthdays:

Actress Vera Miles is 87. Actress Barbara Eden is 86. Political satirist Mark Russell is 85. Pro Football Hall of Famer Sonny Jurgensen is 83. Actor Richard Sanders is 77. Ballet dancer Patricia McBride is 75. Former Surgeon General Antonia Novello is 73. Pro Football Hall of Famer Rayfield Wright is 72. Country singer Rex Allen Jr. is 70. Actor David Robb is 70. Singer Linda Thompson is 70. Actress Shelley Long is 68. Actor-singer Rick Springfield is 68. Country singer-musician Woody Paul (Riders in the Sky) is 68. Queen Noor of Jordan is 66. Rock musician Dean DeLeo (Army of Anyone; Stone Temple Pilots) is 56. Rock singer Julian Casablancas (The Strokes) is 39. Retired NBA player Kobe Bryant is 39. NBA player Jeremy Lin is 29.

Thought for Today: "The chains which cramp us most are those which weigh on us least." — Anne Sophie Swetchine, Russian-French author (1782-1857).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

