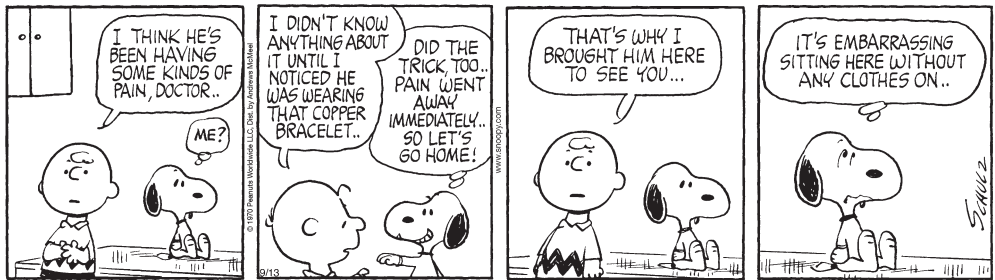


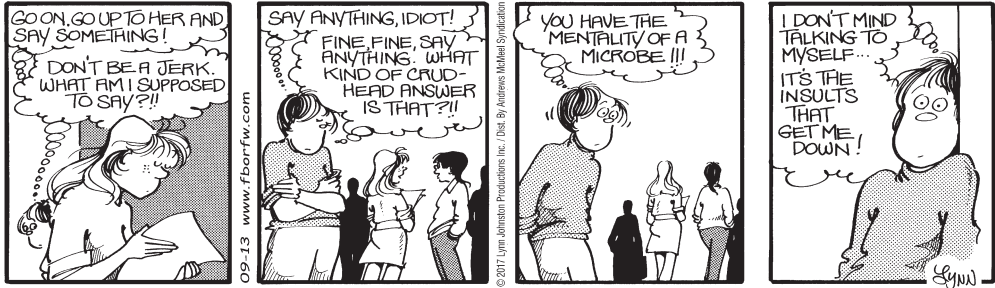
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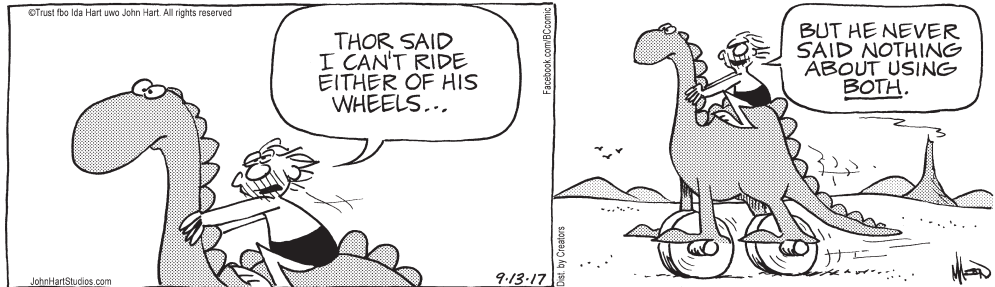
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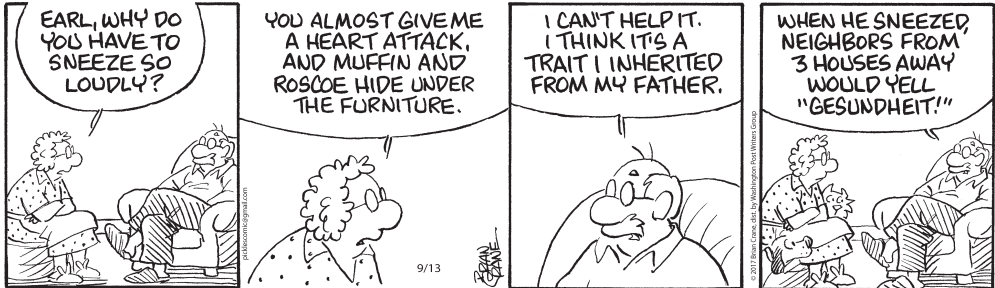
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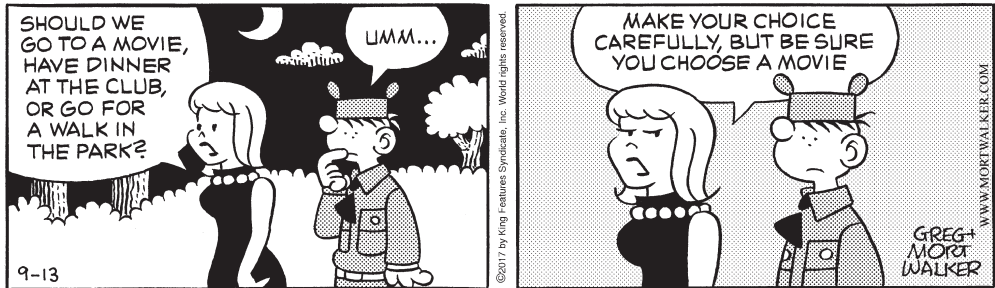
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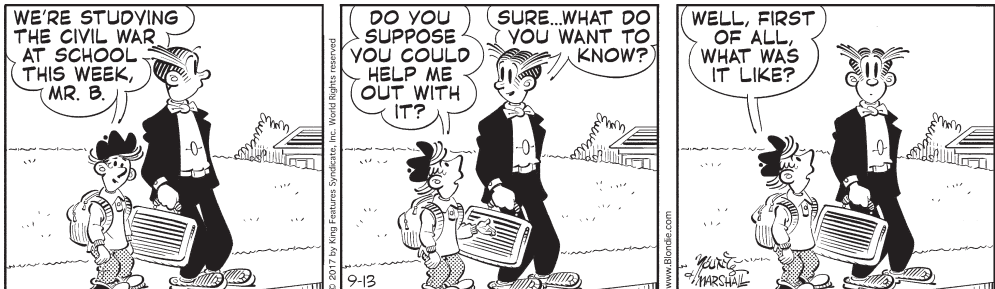
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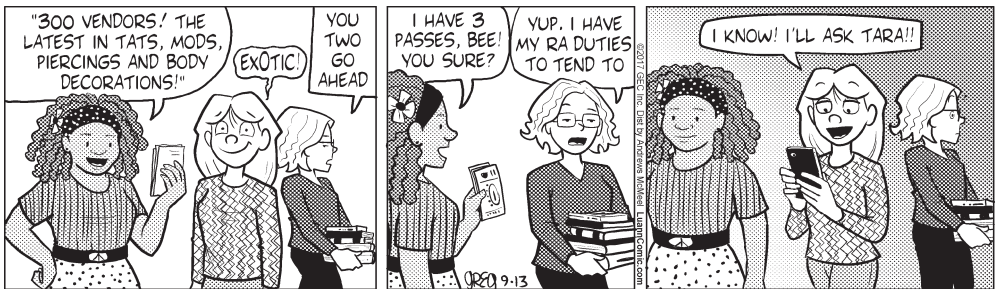
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DEAR ABBY

Handy advice and tips help girls sharpen social skills

Dear Abby: I enjoy reading your column, especially letters regarding young girls and their social skills. I have two granddaughters who have the normal drama, mostly with other girls. I worry their social skills are getting sidetracked.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

afraid to give someone a compliment if you think it's deserved.

If you think you're not beautiful (or handsome), be well-groomed, tastefully dressed, conscious of your posture. (People who stand tall project self-confidence.) If you are not a "brain," try harder. If you are smarter than most, don't be a know-it-all. Ask others what they think and encourage them to share their opinions.

I am interested in ordering your booklet about popularity. You have such a good way with words, and I'm sure the girls would find it helpful and enjoyable reading. They are the only grandchildren I have, and I'm trying to give them insight and help them along to become fully functional, successful adults. Is it still available? — Linda In Terre Haute, Ind.

Dear Linda: Yes, the booklet is still available. It was written in response to thousands of questions from readers over the years who were not naturally socially assertive and contains many useful tips for polishing social skills. It can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds) to Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price. You will find the booklet covers a variety of situations and is meant for people of all ages. Everyone wants to be the kind of person others find interesting, attractive and worth knowing better. (If parents, teachers and clergy know someone needing help in this regard, it might make an inexpensive gift that could help change the course of that person's life.)

The key to being well-liked by both sexes is: Be kind. Be honest. Be tactful. Don't be

If you're not a good athlete, be a good sport. Be generous with kind words and affectionate gestures, but respect yourself and your family values always. If you think "putting out" will make someone like you, forget it. (It won't work, and later you'll be glad you didn't.) If you need help, ask God. And if you don't need anything, THANK God!

Dear Abby: My husband refuses to wear headphones. This means that when we sit in the living room together, I must put up with the blaring noise of whatever he is watching.

I do a lot of writing, and in order to think, I need silence. I have tried earplugs, but they don't muffle enough of the noise. Now, when I have had enough, I leave the room. This results in us being in two separate places, which he hates. Is there another solution I may be overlooking? — Loud In Maine

Dear Loud: You might try noise-canceling headphones. However, if that doesn't work, because you need to "hear" in your head the sentences you are trying to write, you may have to do your writing when your husband is not at home.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 13, 1917

Articles of incorporation were filed yesterday for the African Protective Progressive Order of this city. The incorporators are William H. Bazzell, founder, Warren Crawford, worthy promoter, Robert H. Gray, vice worthy promoter, Willis Miles, secretary-treasurer and George W. Hooker. The purposes as set forth are "to promote the common welfare, secure a more perfect union, uphold their country and its laws and to advance the interests of members." The organization is incorporated for \$100.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 13, 1967

S.E. Brogoitti, Helix, former chairman of the State Board of Education, was in satisfactory condition this morning at Grande Ronde hospital with burns he received during a five-car accident Sunday. Brogoitti was the driver of a car struck in the rear by another

car during a blinding dust storm on Highway 82, five miles from La Grande. His gasoline tank exploded, and when he got out of the car, he was caught in the flames. He suffered third degree neck and face burns. Ahead of Brogoitti's car was a car that had stopped during the dust storm.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 13, 1992

A large manufacturing business from Washington has expressed interest in relocating to Milton-Freewater, which could add as many as 80 jobs to the local economy. But it's hardly a done deal. The Pacific Grinding Wheels company, now located in Marysville, Wash., wants to move from eastern Washington — possible into the old Key Technology building. Company president Jim Kean said the moving plans are contingent on several factors. After eight months of preliminary work on the part of the city of Milton-Freewater and the Port of Umatilla, a financial picture is coming into focus that should allow the company to move.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 256th day of 2017. There are 109 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 13, 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election, and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

On this date: In 1759, during the French and Indian War, the British defeated the French on the Plains of Abraham overlooking Quebec City.

In 1814, during the War of 1812, British naval forces began bombarding Fort McHenry in Baltimore but were driven back by American defenders in a battle that lasted until the following morning.

In 1911, the song "Oh, You Beautiful Doll," a romantic rag by Nat D. Ayer and Seymour Brown, was first published by Jerome H. Remick & Co.

In 1923, Miguel Primo de Rivera, the captain general of Catalonia, seized power in Spain.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the

U.S. Senate; she became the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1959, Elvis Presley first met his future wife, 14-year-old Priscilla Beaulieu, while stationed in West Germany with the U.S. Army. (They married in 1967, but divorced in 1973.)

In 1962, Mississippi Gov. Ross Barnett rejected the U.S. Supreme Court's order for the University of Mississippi to admit James Meredith, a black student, declaring in a televised address, "We will not drink from the cup of genocide."

In 1971, a four-day inmates' rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in western New York ended as police and guards stormed the prison; the ordeal and final assault claimed the lives of 32 inmates and 11 hostages.

In 1977, conductor Leopold Stokowski died in Hampshire, England, at age 95.

In 1989, Fay Vincent was elected commissioner of Major League Baseball, succeeding the late A. Bartlett Giamatti.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Barbara Bain is 86. Actress Eileen Fulton (TV: "As the World Turns") is 84. Actor Joe E. Tata is 81. TV producer Fred Silverman is 80. Rock singer David Clayton-Thomas (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 76. Actress Jacqueline Bisset is 73. Singer Peter Cetera is 73. Actress Christine Estabrook is 67. Actress Jean Smart is 66. Singer Randy Jones (The Village People) is 65. Record producer Don Was is 65. Actor Isaiah Whitlock Jr. is 63. Actress-comedian Geri Jewell is 61. Country singer Bobbie Cryner is 56. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 56. Radio-TV personality Tavis Smiley is 53. Rock musician Zak Starkey is 52. Actor Louis Mandylor is 51. Olympic gold medal runner Michael Johnson is 50. Country musician Joe Don Rooney (Rascal Flatts) is 42. Singer Fiona Apple is 40. Actor Ben Savage is 37. Rock singer Niall Horan (One Direction) is 24.

Thought for Today: "Better to be without logic than without feeling." — Charlotte Bronte, English author (1816-1855).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

