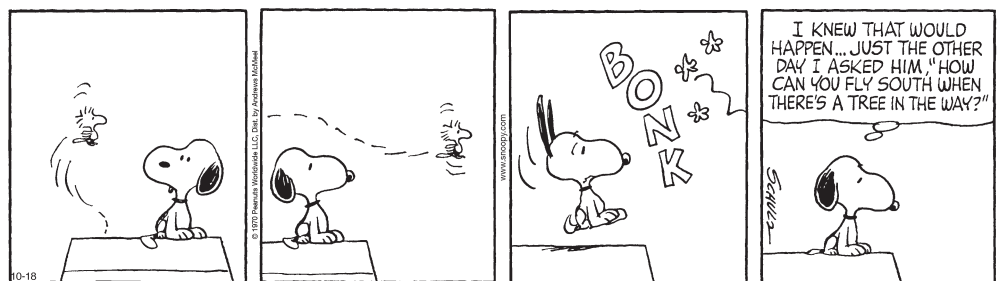


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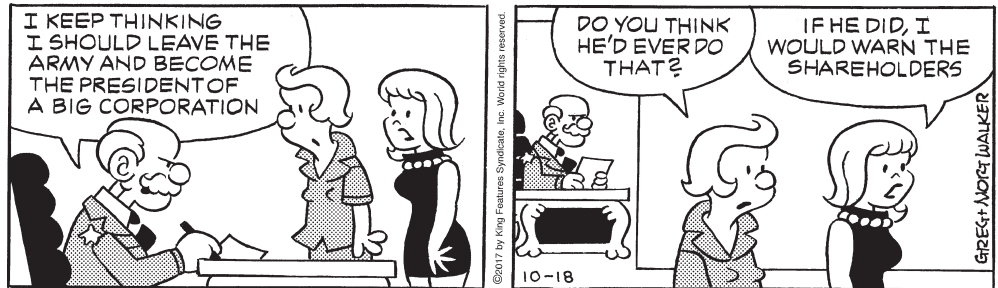
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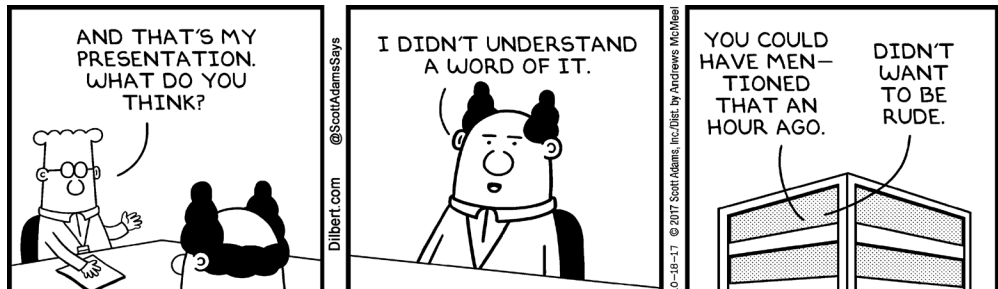
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DEAR ABBY

Plans to attend bachelor party cause man's girlfriend angst



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: My boyfriend of two years will be attending a bachelor party in Las Vegas. We've never had any issues of infidelity, yet I can't help but feel anxious about his upcoming trip. I know the scene that exists in Vegas — I'm in my mid-20s and I enjoyed my trips there when I was younger and single.

I'm worried about him and his friends going to strip clubs, topless pool parties, etc. I don't mind him enjoying a trip and going out with the boys, but I think attending an event with nudity is disrespectful to the other person when you're in a long-term, serious relationship. I don't want him to feel he has to tell his friends he can't go to those things. What are your thoughts on this? — **What Happens In Vegas ...**

Dear What Happens In Vegas: You and your boyfriend are both adults. Viewing topless entertainment or attending a topless pool party is not infidelity. If he hasn't given you any reason to worry so far, give him the benefit of the doubt.

P.S. By the way, I have heard that some bachelorette parties can be equally wild. Do you plan to swear off them yourself?

Dear Abby: My wife hates Facebook. She has always hated it and never signed up. I have had an account since the site began and maintain many connections with friends, family members who live far away, old teachers — even my in-laws. I don't discuss it with my wife much because it makes her angry.

I'm not constantly on it, and it's not like I'm doing anything bad. But if she hears from a friend about a funny or insightful comment I made on Facebook, we end up getting into a huge argument because she insists I have

to delete my account. The argument always ends with her saying, "You will delete it because I hate it!"

I don't want to delete my Facebook page, and I hate arguing with my wife. What should I do? — **"Likes" Facebook In Raleigh, N.C.**

Dear "Likes" Facebook: Try to get to the bottom of why she finds your staying in touch with these people threatening, because it appears you married someone who is very controlling. She is your spouse, not your jailer. If you want to participate in social media, continue to do so.

Although you didn't mention it, I can't help but wonder if her jealousy and possessiveness have affected other areas of your life. If that's the case, talk about it with a licensed marriage and family therapist before it drives the two of you apart. If she won't go with you, go alone.

Dear Abby: I'm a doctor. I give free medical advice to my cousin and her mother several times a month, and have for quite some time now. I do it free of charge because we are family and there's a close bond between us.

My cousin works in marketing, so I asked her if she could help me design my presentation card. She replied that she would give me three designs to choose from, and it would cost roughly \$100. I feel it's wrong for her to charge me for her service since I've never charged her. — **Free Of Charge In California**

Dear Free Of Charge: It's possible your cousin was asking to be reimbursed for the cost of the MATERIALS involved in creating the cards for you. Before you allow yourself to get into a snit, perhaps you should clarify exactly what you would be paying for.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 18, 1917

The audience at the O.A.C.-Idaho football game Saturday will see the college contest from the grandstand. There will be too many people present to permit of turning the crowd loose along the sidelines such as is done at high school games, and all people except substitutes and officials will be kept off the south sidelines in order not to obstruct the view from the grandstand. The playing field will be placed as near the grandstand as possible for the benefit of the spectators.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 18, 1967

Col. Charles Wellington Furlong (U.S.A. Ret.), F.R.G.S., author of "Let 'er Buck," and grand marshal of the Westward Ho! parade in 1966, died recently in Hanover, N.H., two months short of his 94th birthday. Explorer,

author, soldier, artist, ethnologist, lecturer, world citizen who still claimed Pendleton as his home town, he was also a top cowboy and in 1914 won the world's championship bull riding at the Round-Up, riding the notorious Sharkey, staying 12 1/2 seconds, a record never beaten.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 18, 1992

Ralph and Katie Low of Pilot Rock were recent hosts for author Patrick McManus, who visited the area for a book signing. His humorous books about the outdoors include "Real Ponies Don't Go Oink" and "The Good Samaritan Strikes Again." Ralph and Pat met in June 1991 during the writer's last stop at Armchair Books in Pendleton. Pat was interested in chukar hunting, and Ralph knew just the property. Bird rights are owned by Dr. Richard Koch, father-in-law to the Lows' son, Wayne, both of Pilot Rock.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 291st day of 2017. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 18, 1767, the Mason-Dixon line, the boundary between colonial Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware, was set as astronomers Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon completed their survey.

On this date:
In 1685, King Louis XIV signed the Edict of Fontainebleau, revoking the Edict of Nantes that had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots.

In 1867, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia. The cornerstone was laid for Baltimore City Hall.

In 1892, the first long-distance telephone line between New York and Chicago was officially opened (it could only handle one call at a time).

In 1922, the British Broadcasting Co., Ltd. (later the British Broadcasting

Corp.) was founded.
In 1931, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died in West Orange, New Jersey, at age 84.

In 1954, Texas Instruments unveiled the Regency TR-1, the first commercially produced transistor radio.

In 1967, the first issue of Rolling Stone magazine (which carried a cover date of Nov. 9) was published.

In 1969, the federal government banned artificial sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats.

In 1977, West German commandos stormed a hijacked Lufthansa jetliner on the ground in Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all 86 hostages and killing three of the four hijackers.

In 1982, former first lady Bess Truman died at her home in Independence, Missouri, at age 97.

In 1997, a monument honoring American service-women, past and present, was dedicated at Arlington National Cemetery.

Today's Birthdays:

Sportscaster Keith Jackson is 89. Actress Dawn Wells is 79. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Mike Ditka is 78. Singer-musician Russ Giguere is 74. Actor Joe Morton is 70. Actress Pam Dawber is 67. Author Terry McMillan is 66. Writer-producer Chuck Lorre is 65. Gospel singer Vickie Winans is 64. Director-screenwriter David Twohy is 62. International Tennis Hall of Famer Martina Navratilova is 61. International Hall of Fame boxer Thomas Hearn is 59. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 57. Jazz musician Wynton Marsalis is 56. Country singer Josh Gracin is 37. Jazz singer-musician Esperanza Spalding is 33. Actor Zac Efron is 30.

Thought for Today: "I do not prize the word cheap. It is not a badge of honor ... it is a symbol of despair. Cheap prices make for cheap goods; cheap goods make for cheap men; and cheap men make for a cheap country!" — *President William McKinley (1843-1901).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

