

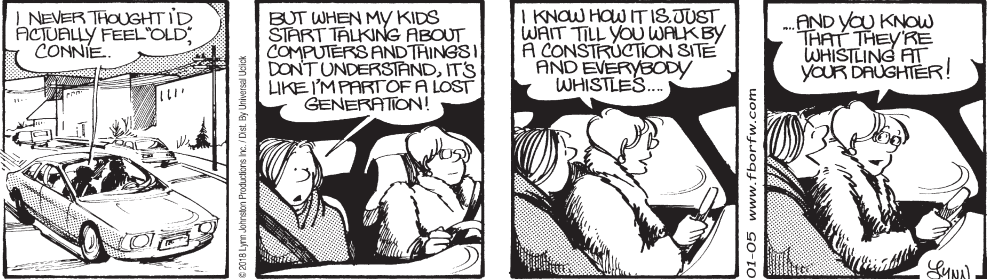
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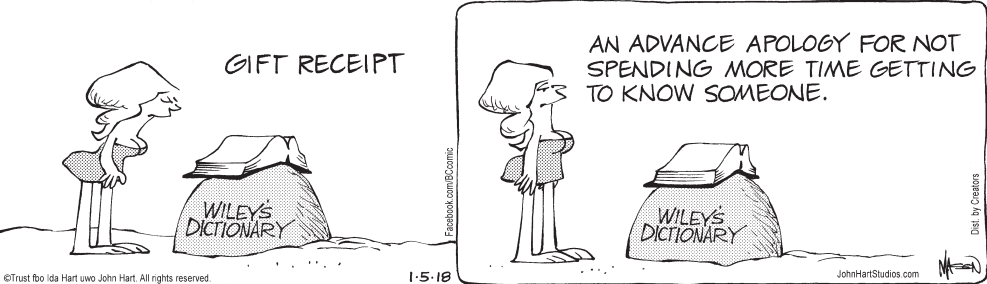
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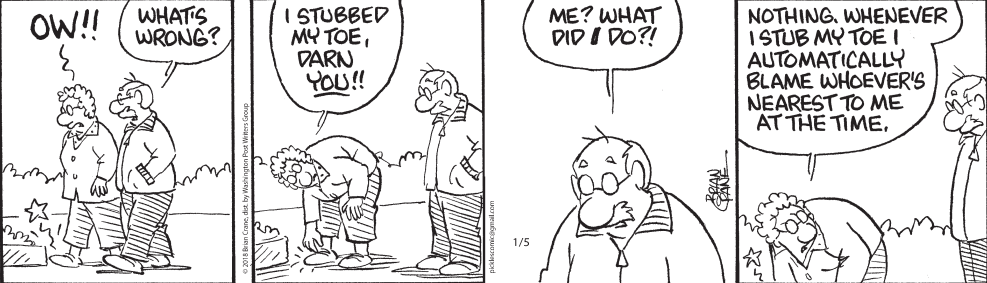
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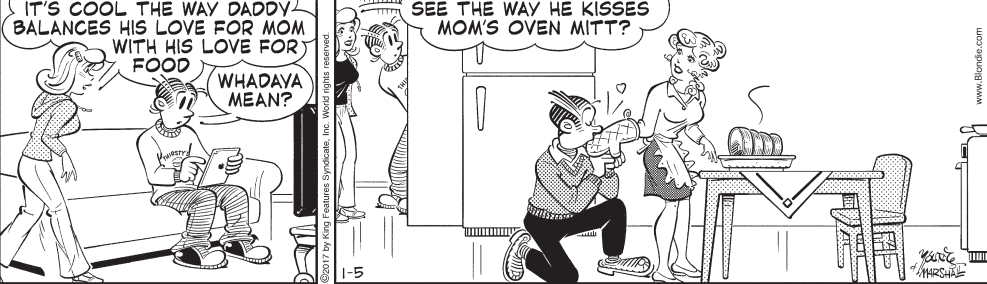
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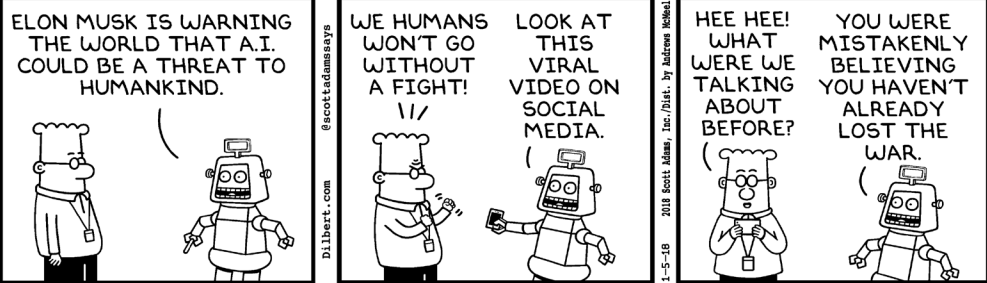
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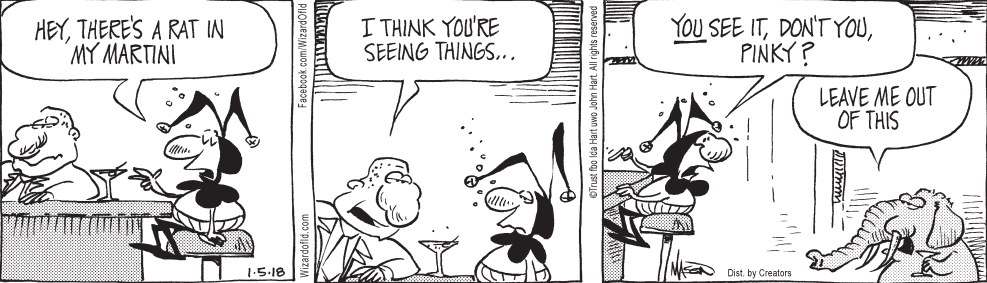
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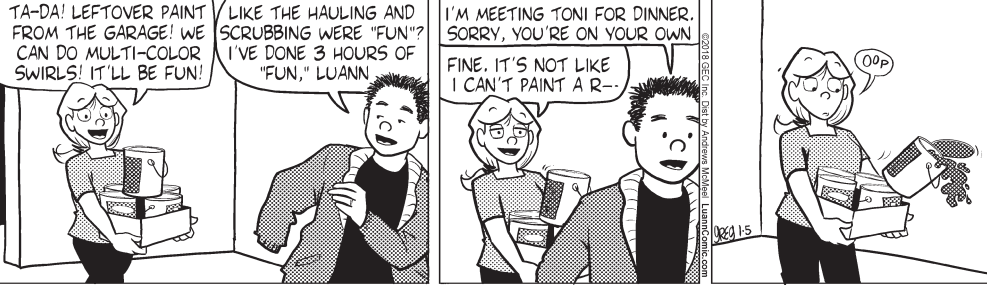
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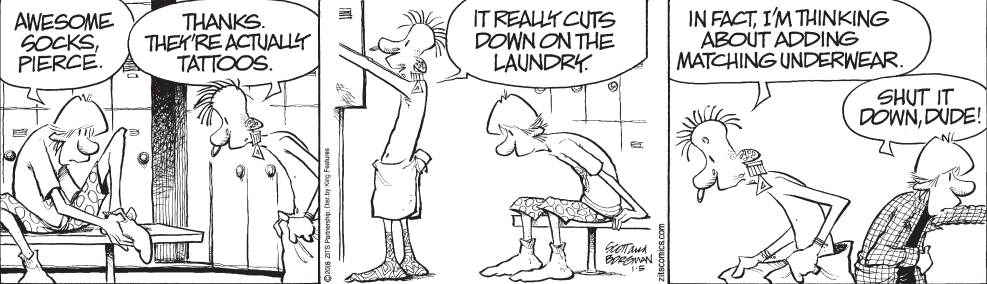
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BY GREG EVANS



ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

Whole family's safety is put at risk by domestic violence

Dear Abby: I grew up watching my mom being abused by her husband. It was terrible. Unfortunately, he eventually murdered her. She was only 36. I was 16 at the time, and although it has taken almost 30 years, I have finally found peace.

My message is to people who are currently experiencing abuse. No one deserves to be battered physically, mentally or emotionally. When people suffer from addiction (alcohol, drugs, etc.), they can get help only when they are ready. However, with domestic violence, the victims must consider not only themselves, but also their children. If you are a victim of domestic violence, PLEASE get out and get help. — **Healed In Georgia**

Dear Healed: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your mother at such a tender age. In her memory, I will again print the phone number for the National Domestic Violence Hotline. It is (800) 799-7233. There is a separate TTY number for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. It's (800) 787-3224. Its website is thehotline.org. Help is available if victims recognize they need it and reach out.

Dear Abby: I enjoy weekly massages from a popular self-employed masseuse. I have a standing appointment. If I cancel within 24 hours, I understand that I must pay her. However, if I give her more notice, must I still give her some remuneration? We have never discussed it.

I feel bad about canceling, as she may rely



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

on this income, but it's difficult to pay for the event that requires me to cancel in addition to a massage that didn't happen. What would you do? — **Unsure In Florida**

Dear Unsure: Your masseuse has a 24-hour cancellation policy so when clients can't keep the appointment, she can fill in the time with someone else. Most personal service professionals understand that from time to time appointments must be skipped or changed.

Because you are worried about her, talk with her about it and ask if she can slot you in at a different time if there's a schedule conflict. It would be a win-win. She'll get the money, and you will still have your weekly massage, which, clearly, is important to you or you wouldn't have a standing appointment.

Dear Abby: I am worried about my best friend. She never eats at school, and I don't think she's eating at home either. She's beginning to get weak. Yesterday we were playing ball in P.E., and when she caught the ball, I saw her wince. I asked her if she was OK, and she said yes, but I'm still worried. What should I do? — **Scared For Her**

Dear Scared: Talk to your P.E. teacher about the fact that you are worried about your friend and why. She may not be eating because she thinks she needs to lose weight. Or she may have a serious eating disorder. The teacher will know what to do. Please don't wait.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 5, 1918

The old wooden school house which stands on the hill above Adams and which has served so long as the dispensary of learning for the youth of that community is now to give way to a modern structure having all the conveniences of arrangement, equipment and comfort that the present day affords. The building is to be located at the north end of the Main street on the slight elevation of ground and is to be the one story type with a full basement. The main story is to have four school rooms with coat rooms, teachers closets and book cases, a library room, front and rear entrances and ample corridor space. The basement is to contain a gymnasium which may be used for lectures and social events and will have shower baths and locker rooms adjoining it, manual training room, domestic science room, toilet room, heater, fan and fuel rooms, etc. The main floor will be raised above the level of the group for ample lighting of the entire basement.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 5, 1968

"There are people in the room who know more about marijuana than I do," said Ernest Gallaher, Pendleton police chief. "I don't claim to be an expert." Several young people in the front row chuckled. Gallaher was speaking to a large audience listening

to a panel discussion at a County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations meeting at the Pendleton Presbyterian Church. Asked if high school students in the Pendleton area use marijuana, he replied, "I certainly want to thank those (in the front row) who came. They leave no doubt. ... I have said it once and I'll say it again. Anyone who doesn't believe there is marijuana here has his head buried in the sand."

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 5, 1993

A cheerful, amiable man, Bob Tonack is undeterred by his disabilities as he gathers cans and bottles for spending money. He's affectionately known around town as "Bottle Bob." The 63-year-old is a client at Bethphage Mission West of Pendleton, which provides residential and vocational services for developmentally disabled adults. Now retired from the agency's wood shop, Tonack shares his home with a fellow client. "Bottle Bob" has become a Pendleton fixture. Friends gave him a cap and T-shirt bearing his nickname. Tonack helps clean up and beautifies the community as he makes his rounds. He looks for refundable cans among the weeds. He pulls dead heads off roses at the Umatilla County Historical Society Museum, "to keep them blooming." Tonack stresses that he doesn't go through trash cans or enter private property without permission during his search for bottles and cans.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the fifth day of 2018. There are 360 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 5, 1953, Samuel Beckett's two-act tragicomedy "Waiting for Godot," considered a classic of the Theater of the Absurd, premiered in Paris.

On this date:
In 1066, Edward the Confessor, King of England, died after a reign of nearly 24 years.

In 1781, a British naval expedition led by Benedict Arnold burned Richmond, Virginia.

In 1895, French Capt. Alfred Dreyfus, convicted of treason, was publicly stripped of his rank. (He was ultimately vindicated.)

In 1905, the National Association of Audubon Societies for the Protection of Wild Birds and Animals was incorporated in New

York State.

In 1925, Democrat Nellie Tayloe Ross of Wyoming took office as America's first female governor, succeeding her late husband, William, following a special election.

In 1933, the 30th president of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, at age 60. Construction began on the Golden Gate Bridge. (Work was completed four years later.)

In 1943, educator and scientist George Washington Carver died in Tuskegee, Alabama, at about age 80.

In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower proposed assistance to countries to help them resist Communist aggression in what became known as the Eisenhower Doctrine.

In 1964, during a visit to the Holy Land, Pope Paul VI met with Patriarch Athenagoras I of Constantinople in Jerusalem.

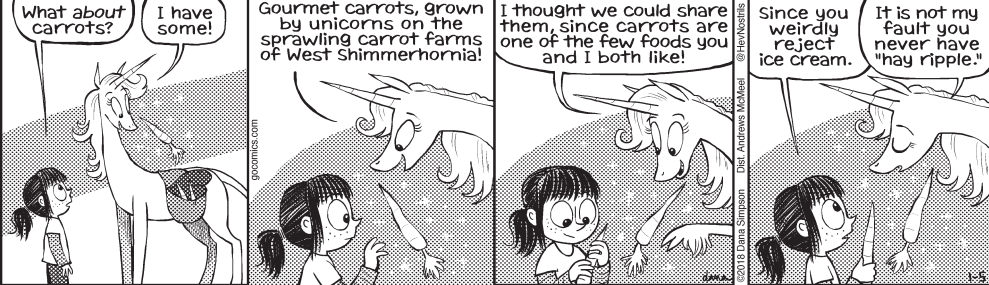
Today's Birthdays:

Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale is 90. Actor Robert Duvall is 87. Juan Carlos, former King of Spain, is 80. Singer-musician Athol Guy (The Seekers) is 78. Former talk show host Charlie Rose is 76. Actress-director Diane Keaton is 72. Actor Ted Lange is 70. Rhythm-and-blues musician George "Funky" Brown (Kool and the Gang) is 69. Rock musician Chris Stein (Blondie) is 68. Former CIA Director George Tenet is 65. Actress Pamela Sue Martin is 65. Actor Clancy Brown is 59. Singer Iris Dement is 57. Rock musician Troy Van Leeuwen (Queens of the Stone Age) is 50. Rock singer Marilyn Manson is 49. Actor Bradley Cooper is 43. Actress January Jones is 40.

Thought for Today: "Wisdom is divided into two parts: (a) having a great deal to say, and (b) not saying it." — *Author unknown.*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

