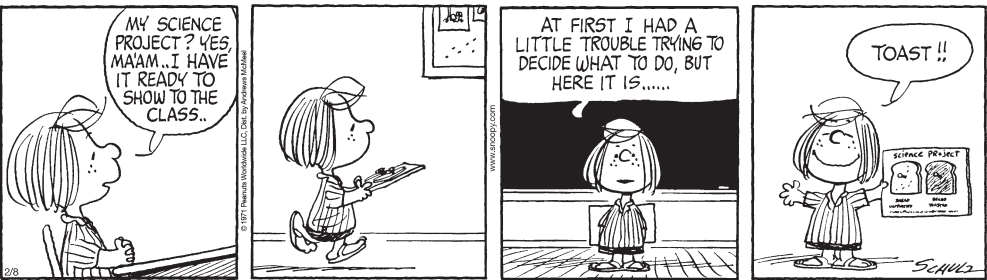


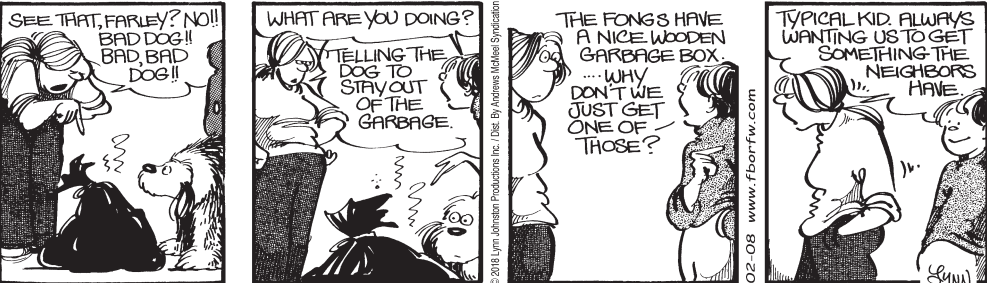
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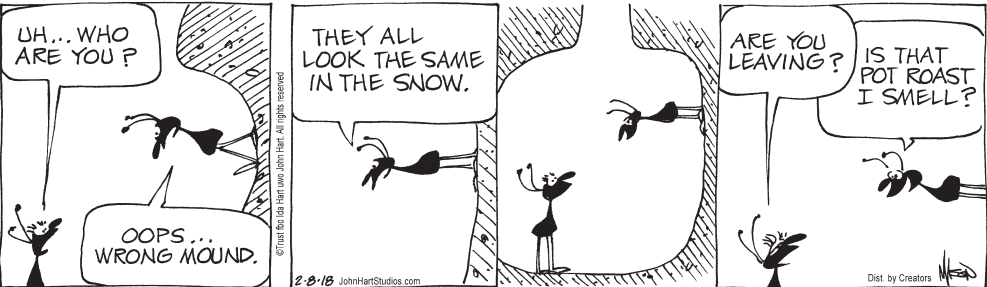
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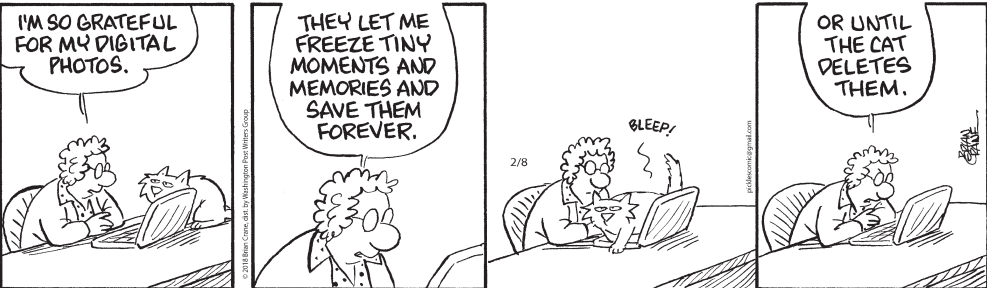
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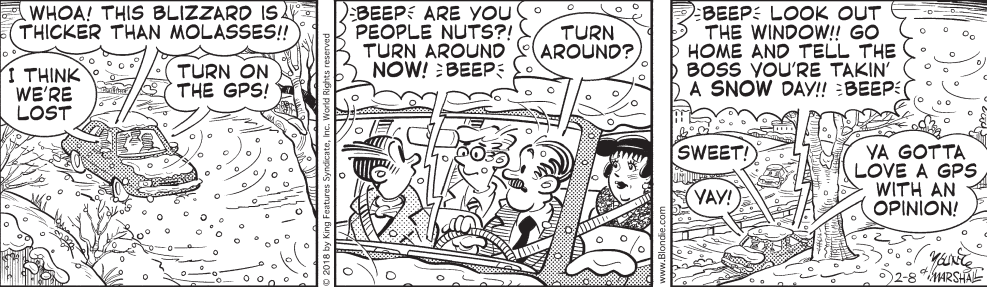
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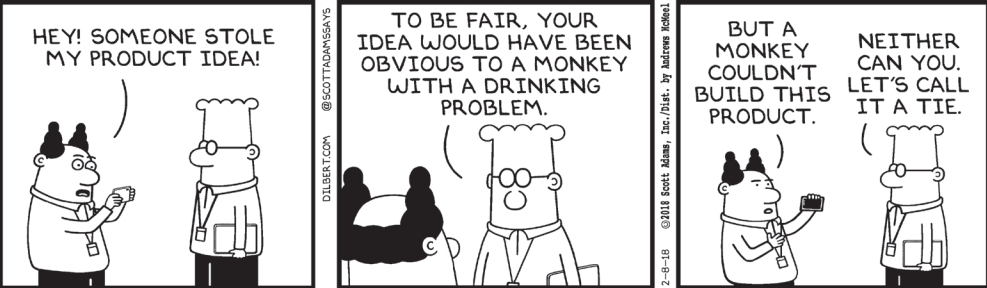
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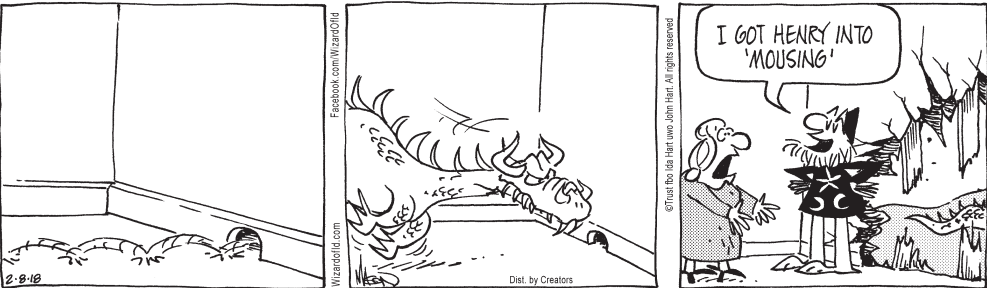
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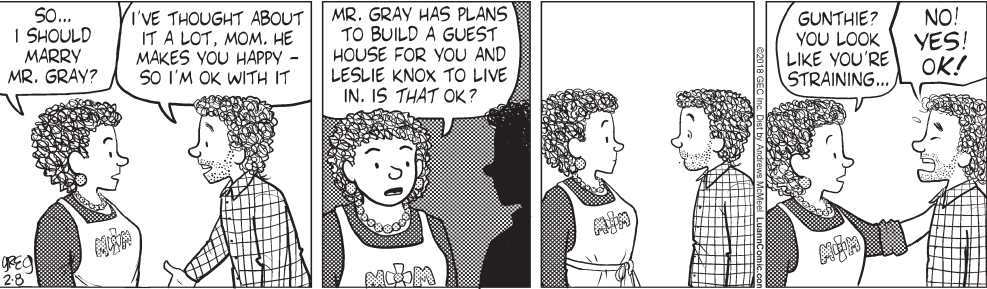
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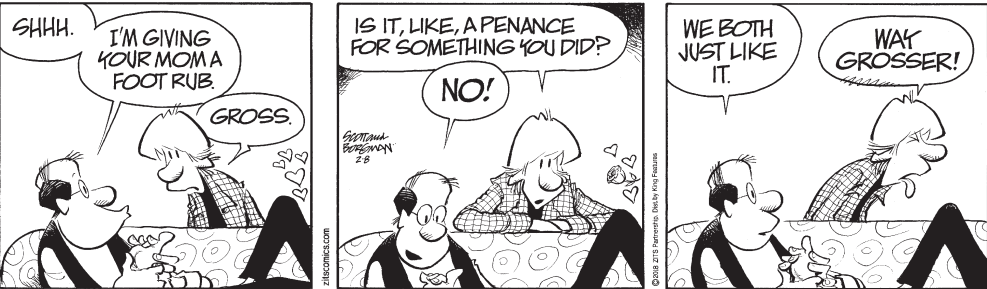
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DEAR ABBY

Strings attached to son's gift have mom tied up in knots

Dear Abby: My son bought me a car in 2012. I had no idea he was doing it. He traded my car in for this newer car.

During the last five years this “gift” has been nothing but a sore spot. If I get a ding from a parking lot, it’s my fault. If I let someone smoke in it, I’m unappreciative. It’s always, “I do something to help you, and you’re so ungrateful.” I’m at the point of giving it back and riding a bus. What’s the solution? — **Auto-Challenged Mom In West Virginia**

Dear Auto-Challenged: The solution is to stand up for yourself. Your son appears to be using his “generosity” to badger you.

If you haven’t told him how his comments have made you feel, you should. Point out that you can’t control what happens to the vehicle when you’re not in it. And once a gift is given, it’s the recipient’s to do with as she wishes. If a friend lighting up in YOUR car doesn’t bother you, you shouldn’t have to apologize for it.

As a last resort, consider trading the car in for one he has nothing to do with.

Dear Abby: After 31 years of marriage, I divorced my husband last year. I was very unhappily married, and am glad to be moving forward in life. Our children suffered as well because of our marriage, and are only now beginning to make healthy choices.

My problem is that people I knew ages ago have found me on social media and want to reconnect. I’m not ready for that. I don’t want to discuss what’s been happening for the last 32 years. I don’t want to wave them off, but



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Advice

neither do I want to talk about my life. It would make them uncomfortable.

I’m building a new life now, but it’s still under construction. How do I respond to these well-meaning old friends? — **Not Ready In The South**

Dear Not Ready: You do not have to reveal anything to these old acquaintances that you don’t wish to. If they ask questions you feel are too personal or painful, all you have to say is you would rather not discuss it. Then change the subject.

Dear Abby: My husband tosses and turns, snores, talks and sings in his sleep. In short, I cannot get my sleep when we’re in the same bed. He insists that I sleep with him because “if I don’t, it would create a rift in our marriage.” When I tell him I love him but I need to get my sleep, he says that love is only a word for me if I don’t act upon it by sleeping next to him. It has gotten so bad I am thinking of leaving him. Advice? — **Only A Word In Ohio**

Dear Only A Word: Rather than leave, schedule an appointment for both of you with your family physician. Because your “musical” husband is tone-deaf when he hears you need a solid night’s sleep, let the doctor impress upon him how important sleep is for good mental and physical health. Many happily married couples sleep in separate beds — and sometimes even separate rooms — and have great relations both in and out of bed. When there are sleep problems, sleeping apart isn’t a matter of rejection; it’s common sense.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 8, 1918

One Pendleton boy and two with relatives living here or near here may have been among the American troops on board the submarined transport Tuscania, according to latest advices. John Doane, son of Mrs. J.N. Doane who lived at 317 South Main street until her sons enlisted and brother of Roscoe Doane, formerly of the Pendleton Drug Store and now in the medical department of the army, enlisted in Co. F of the 20th Engineers last December in Portland, and this company was one given as aboard the vessel. In the same company was Claude Ayres, a brother of Mrs. Homer I. Watts of Athena. Mrs. Watts did not know her brother’s company was aboard until she read the *East Oregonian* last evening. The Portland papers state that Frank R. Hayes, a brother of Mrs. Willard Bond of this city, was in one of the units aboard the submarined vessel.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 8, 1968

“Gee, that kid in the balcony was good with the pea shooter,” said one star after the performance. “I took one kid’s pea shooter away from him,” was another comment. The identified flying objects from the audience

onto the Vert Auditorium stage were to be expected at the opening night of the Kiwanis Kapers, “Once Upon a Circus.” It was kids’ night. The audience was simply acting in the tradition of vaudeville days when tomatoes often smacked faces. The scene also had a Saturday matinee mood. Jaws crunched candy, balloons floated to the ceiling, and the kids whistled and cheered when the clowns, the four legged woman, Tom Thumb, the bearded lady, the snake charmer, the barker, balloon salesman, Buffalo Bill, Annie Oakley, dancing poodles, harem honeys, a rajah, the animal trainer, and many more walked through the aisles.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 8, 1993

Two teenage boys were injured Sunday afternoon when the convertible in which they were riding overturned on a gravel road near the edge of Pendleton. Passersby helped right the 1979 MG and remove the driver, Benjamin J. Straughan, 16, and passenger Brian A. Arvidson, 16, both of Pendleton. Straughan was treated and released at St. Anthony Hospital. Arvidson remains hospitalized after suffering serious head injuries. The boys were injured when they lost control on County Road 1307, the Birch Creek cutoff, on their way to soccer practice.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 39th day of 2018. There are 326 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On Feb. 8, 1968, three college students were killed in a confrontation between demonstrators and highway patrolmen at South Carolina State University in Orangeburg in the wake of protests over a whites-only bowling alley. The science-fiction film “Planet of the Apes,” starring Charlton Heston, had its world premiere in New York (it went into general release the following April.)

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Roanoke Island, North Carolina, ended in victory for Union forces led by Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside.

In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

In 1922, President Warren G. Harding had a radio installed in the White House.

In 1937, during the Spanish Civil War, Malaga fell to Nationalist and Italian forces.

In 1942, during World War II, Japanese forces began invading Singapore, which fell a week later.

In 1952, Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed her accession to the British throne following the death of her father, King George VI.

In 1978, the deliberations of the Senate were broadcast on radio for the first time as members opened debate on the Panama Canal treaties.

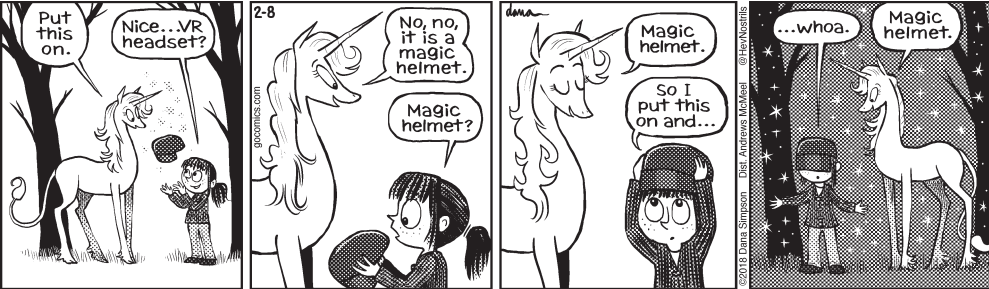
In 1992, the XVI Olympic Winter Games opened in Albertville, France.

Today's Birthdays: Composer-conductor John Williams is 86. Newscaster Ted Koppel is 78. Actor Nick Nolte is 77. Comedian Robert Klein is 76. Actor-rock musician Creed Bratton is 75. Singer Ron Tyson is 70. Actress Brooke Adams is 69. Author John Grisham is 63. Retired NBA All-Star and College Basketball Hall of Famer Marques Johnson is 62. Rock singer Vince Neil (Motley Crue) is 57. Basketball Hall of Famer Alonzo Mourning is 48. Dance musician Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo (Daft Punk) is 44. Actor Seth Green is 44. Rock musician Phoenix (Linkin Park) is 41. Actress-comedian Cecily Strong is 34. Hip-hop artist Anderson.Paak is 32.

Thought for Today: “Health is the thing that makes you feel that now is the best time of the year.” — *Franklin P. Adams, American journalist (1881-1960).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

