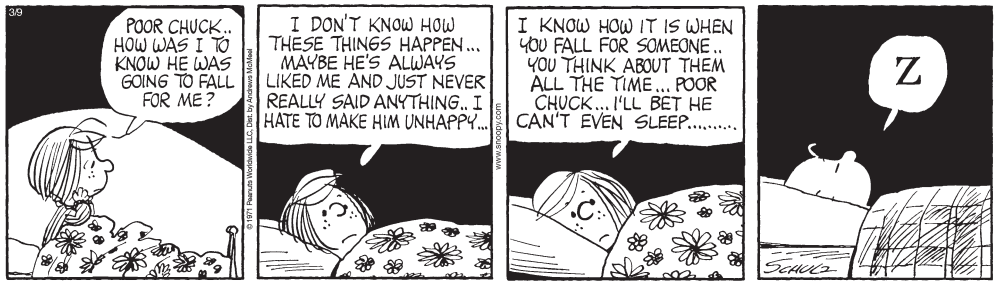


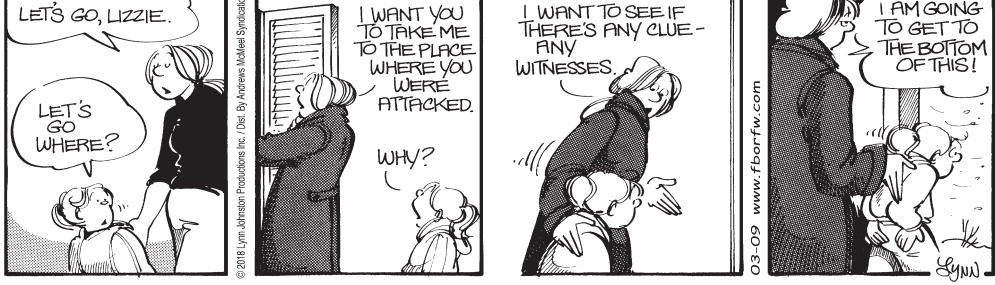
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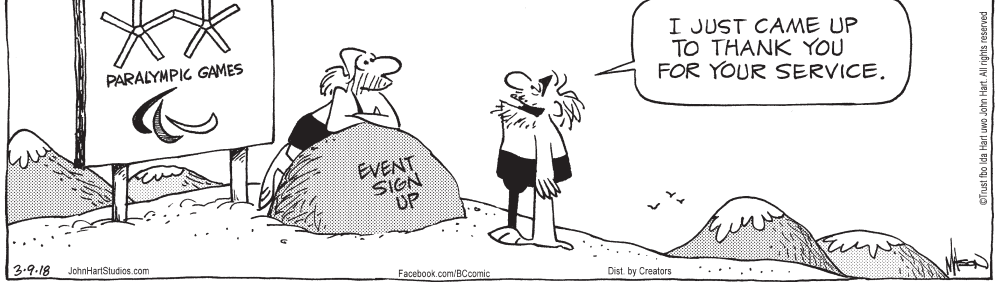
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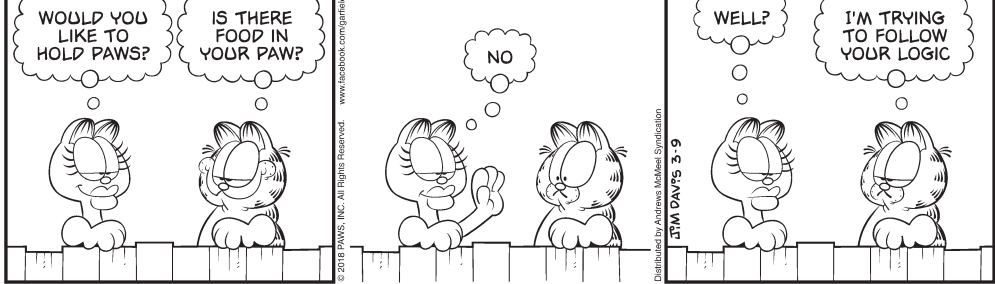
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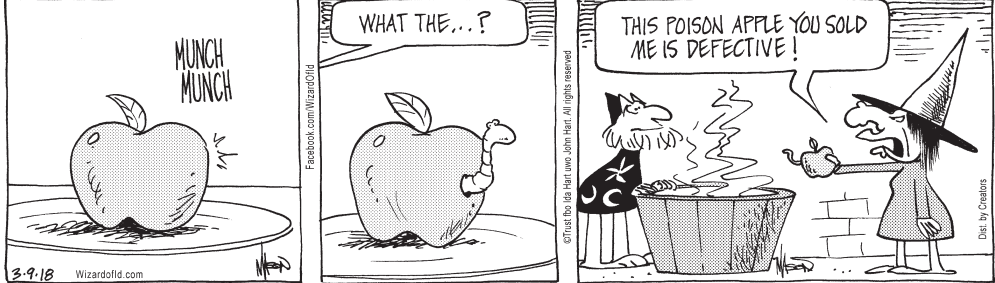
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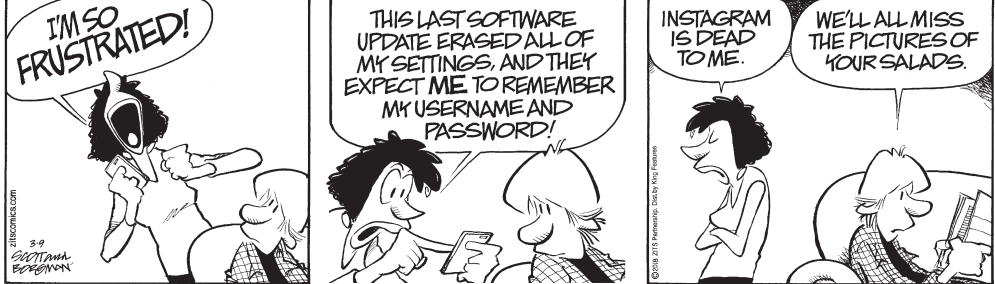
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DEAR ABBY

Granddaughter is blind to signs of fiancé's abusive potential

Dear Abby: My granddaughter is getting married in seven months and I'm worried for her. I see many red flags she's ignoring...



make me angry" instead of "I am angry," or says, "You're hurting me by not doing what I tell you."

(8) Hypersensitivity: Is easily insulted, claiming hurt feelings when he or she is really mad.

(9) Cruelty To Animals Or Children: Kills or punishes animals brutally. Also may expect children to do things that are far beyond their ability...

You have printed a list of warning signs of an abusive mate. Can you print it again so I can give it to her? — Perceptive In Pennsylvania

Dear Perceptive: Gladly, because it could be a lifesaver.

(1) Pushes For Quick Involvement: Comes on strong, claiming, "I've never felt loved like this by anyone." An abuser pressures the new partner for an exclusive commitment almost immediately.

(2) Jealousy: Excessively possessive; calls constantly or visits unexpectedly; prevents you from going to work because "you might meet someone"; checks the mileage on your car.

(3) Controlling: If you are late, interrogates you intensively about whom you talked to and where you were; keeps all the money; insists you ask permission to go anywhere or do anything.

(4) Unrealistic Expectations: Expects you to be the perfect mate and meet his or her every need.

(5) Isolation: Tries to isolate you from family and friends; accuses people who are your supporters of "causing trouble." The abuser may deprive you of a phone or car, or try to prevent you from holding a job.

(6) Blames Others For Problems Or Mistakes: It's always someone else's fault if something goes wrong.

(7) Makes Others Responsible For His Or Her Feelings: The abuser says, "You

a diaper) or may tease them until they cry. Sixty-five percent of abusers who beat their partners will also abuse children.

(10) "Playful" Use Of Force During Sex: Enjoys throwing you down or holding you down against your will during sex; finds the idea of rape exciting.

(11) Verbal Abuse: Constantly criticizes or says blatantly cruel things; degrades, curses, calls you ugly names. This may also involve sleep deprivation, waking you with relentless verbal abuse.

(12) Rigid Gender Roles: Expects you to serve, obey, remain at home.

(13) Sudden Mood Swings: Switches from sweet to violent in minutes.

(14) Past Battering: Admits to hitting a mate in the past, but says the person "made" him or her do it.

(15) Threats Of Violence: Says things like, "I'll break your neck" or "I'll kill you," and then dismisses them with, "Everybody talks that way," or "I didn't really mean it."

Anyone at risk should contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at (800) 799-7233 or thehotline.org.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 9, 1918

Miss Eglantine Moussu has been appointed to the telephone service of the signal corps and is soon to be in France serving as an operator behind the lines of the American army.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 9, 1968

Doris Ditton, Peace Corps volunteer from Hermiston, has found the training she had in Camp Fire and 4-H work invaluable in her work with the Peace Corps in India.

the training and benefits I received from the Camp Fire Girls and the various 4-H clubs." Miss Ditton lives at Literacy House, Lucknow, India. Literacy House, founded in 1953 by an American woman, is headquarters for teacher training, writing of textbooks and audio-visual aids.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 9, 1993

Annie Lowe was 16 years old when her father, fulfilling a promise he'd made to his wife, gave up the gentleman-farmer lifestyle in Durham, England, and moved his family to the desolate frontier of Eastern Oregon.

With an afternoon sun lighting her eyes, Annie reminisces about her days growing up in Cecil, where her father ran the community's only store, post office and phone exchange.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 68th day of 2018. There are 297 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 9, 1862, during the Civil War, the ironclads USS Monitor and CSS Virginia (formerly USS Merrimac) clashed for five hours to a draw at Hampton Roads, Virginia.

On this date: In 1661, Cardinal Jules Mazarin, the chief minister of France, died, leaving King Louis XIV in full control.

In 1796, the future emperor of the French, Napoleon Bonaparte, married Josephine de Beauharnais. (The couple later divorced.)

In 1841, the U.S. Supreme Court, in United States v. The Amistad, ruled 7-1 in favor of a group of illegally enslaved Africans who were captured off the U.S. coast after seizing control of a Spanish schooner, La Amistad; the justices ruled that the Africans should be set free.

In 1916, more than 400 Mexican raiders led by Pancho Villa attacked Columbus, New Mexico, killing 18 Americans.

During the First World War, Germany declared war on Portugal.

In 1918, writer Mickey Spillane, famous for his pulp detective novels, was born Frank Morrison Spillane in Brooklyn, New York.

In 1933, Congress, called into special session by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, began its "hundred days" of enacting New Deal legislation.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. B-29 bombers began launching incendiary bomb attacks against Tokyo, resulting in an estimated 100,000 deaths.

In 1954, CBS newsmen Edward R. Murrow critically reviewed Wisconsin Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's anti-communism campaign on "See It Now."

In 1964, the U.S. Supreme Court, in New York Times

Co. v. Sullivan, raised the standard for public officials to prove they'd been libeled in their official capacity by news organizations.

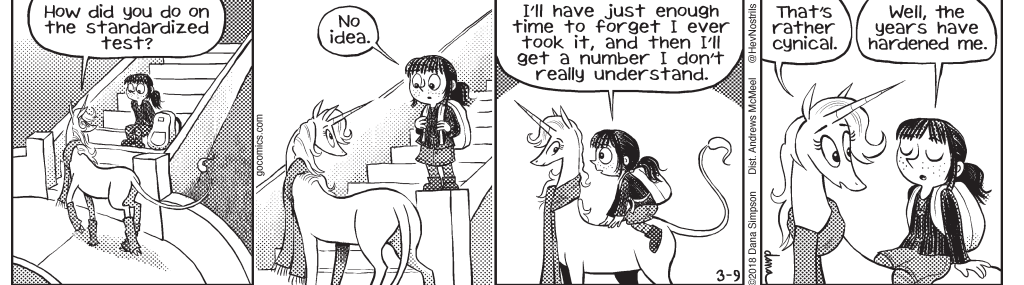
In 1997, gangsta rapper The Notorious B.I.G. (Christopher Wallace) was killed in a still-unresolved drive-by shooting in Los Angeles; he was 24.

Today's Birthdays: Former Sen. James L. Buckley, Conservative-N.Y., is 95. Actress Joyce Van Patten is 84. Country singer Mickey Gilley is 82. Singer-musician John Cale (The Velvet Underground) is 76. Singer Mark Lindsay (Paul Revere and the Raiders) is 76. Former ABC anchorman Charles Gibson is 75. Actress Juliette Binoche is 54. Actor Emmanuel Lewis is 47. Actress Jean Louisa Kelly is 46. Comedian Jordan Klepper is 39. Rapper Bow Wow is 31.

Thought for Today: "Inspiration is an empty bank account." — Mickey Spillane (1918-2006).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

