

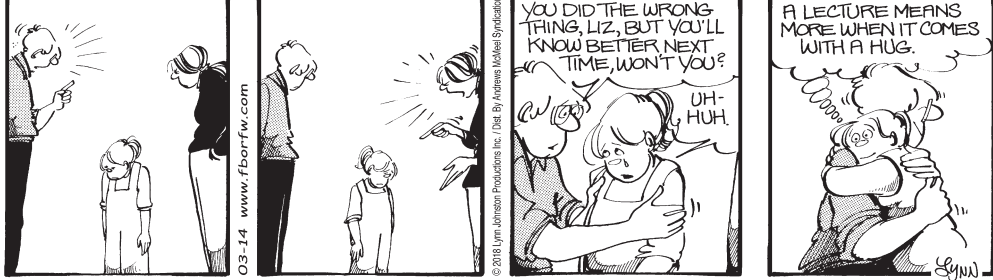
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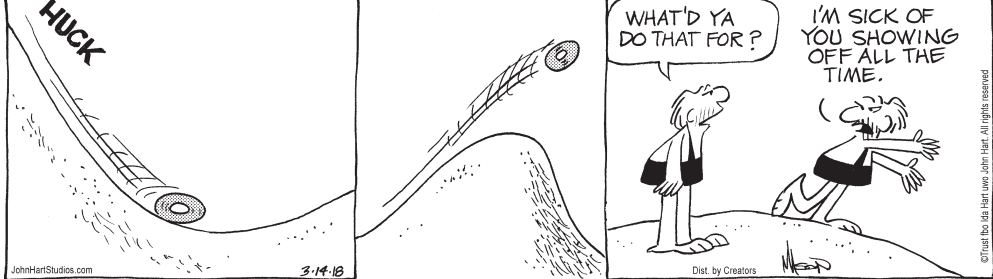
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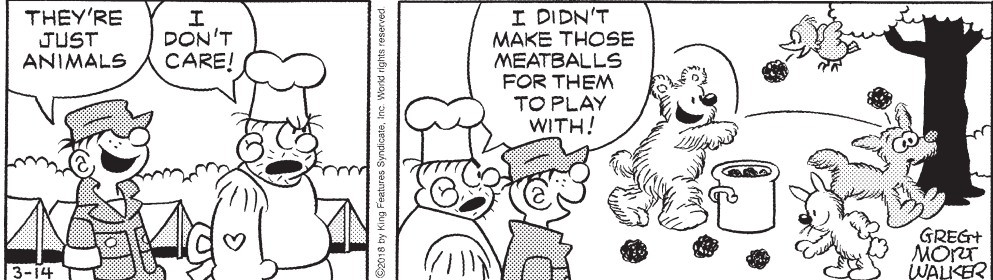
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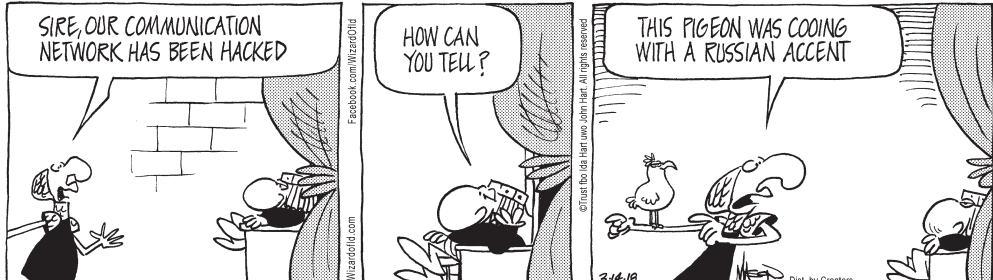
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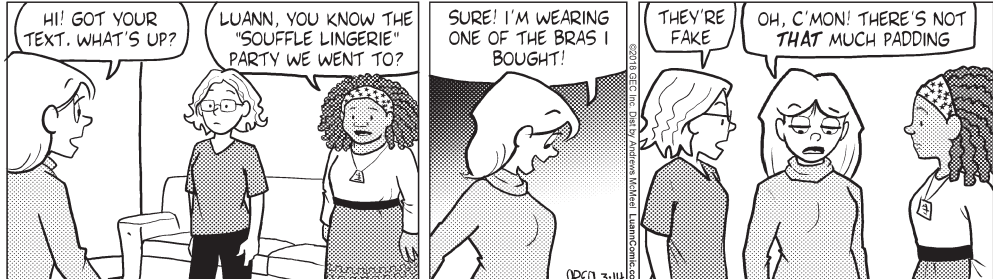
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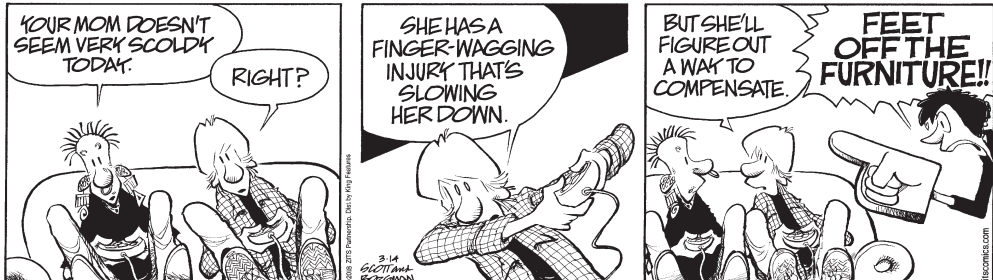
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BY GREG EVANS



ZITS

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DEAR ABBY

Lighthearted poem reminds visitors to use guest towels



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I'm frustrated that guests in my home almost never use the guest towels I've put out for them in the bathroom. Why do they do this?

I remember a little poem in your column that addresses this. I'd like to clip it and put it in there next to the towels. Please print it again! — Good Hostess In Clover, S.C.

Dear Hostess: With pleasure — here it is:

A Guest Towel Speaks, by Mabel Craddock

Please use me, Guest; Don't hesitate. Don't turn your back Or vacillate. Don't dry your hands On petticoat, On handkerchief, Or redingote. I'm here to use; I'm made for drying. Just hanging here Gets very tiring.

I thought the poem was clever enough when I first saw it that many of you would enjoy it. After it appeared, many readers thanked me for printing it. Some said they'd framed and hung it in the bathroom their guests used. (Problem solved!) I hear from many readers asking me to re-run articles that hold meaning for them. Some say the articles have been saved until

they are yellowed with age and falling apart. Eventually, it was suggested they be put together in a booklet. Since so many readers kept the items to re-read, the booklet is titled "Keepers." It can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address, plus a check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds), to Dear Abby, Keepers Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price. Filled with clever observations, "Keepers" is both witty and philosophical. It contains poems, essays and letters on subjects as diverse as children, parents, human nature, philosophy and death. It's a quick and easy read as well as an inexpensive gift for newly married couples, pet lovers, new parents, and anyone grieving or recovering from an illness.

Dear Abby: Do you think it is right that my parents disowned me because I'm seeing a guy they don't like? I don't think it is. I'm 25, and I live on my own with my son. — Not Right In Washington

Dear Not Right: Not knowing the guy or your parents' reason for disliking him, I can only suggest that their reaction seems extreme. By age 25 you should be mature enough to decide something like this without being emotionally blackmailed. Please recognize that if you give in to this, they will be making your decisions for you until they are no longer on this side of the sod.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 14, 1918

With Hoover as chief chef, the high school domestic science department is serving lunch to 50 or more students every school day at a surprisingly low cost. A very palatable menu is offered each day and there is nothing on the bill that costs more than five cents. The advanced class of the department is in charge of the noon luncheons, a different member taking charge each week of the planning, ordering, keeping of accounts and paying of bills and there is much rivalry between them to see which can present the most attractive menu at the least cost. Miss Catherine Hoag, head of the department, has general supervision of the work. It is planned to continue the noon luncheons as long as they pay expenses. Though \$30 a month is paid for help, the class is \$25 ahead up to date.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 14, 1968

James S. Rose, assistant professor in Kansas University School of Education and son of James E. Rose and the late Dorothy Rose of Pilot Rock, has been selected to receive the national award for excellence in educational

finance research from the National Education Association. Rose's study of the components of the property tax base in Oregon school districts will be one of eight papers presented at the National Conference on School Finance March 31-April 1 in Dallas, Texas. In his award winning study, Rose analyzed the relationship between education need and fiscal capacity in 71 Oregon school districts during the 1965-66 school and fiscal years.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 14, 1993

The contractor for the Main Street Improvement project in Pendleton has agreed to pour sample sidewalk sections that will give local organizers a chance to select appropriate color schemes. The Main Street Improvement Committee selected base colors and surface "grain" colors for the concrete sidewalks that will give the appearance of a boardwalk. The committee is looking at four light-brown tones that would act as the base color and two darker-brown colors that would create a woodgrain effect. The committee also recommends the removal of galvanized poles that hold handicapped parking signs and replacing them with black decorative poles that resemble new street light poles.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On March 14, 1923, President Warren G. Harding became the first chief executive to file an income tax return, paying a levy of \$17,990 on his \$75,000 salary.

In 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent for his cotton gin, an invention that revolutionized America's cotton industry.

In 1885, the Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera "The Mikado" premiered at the Savoy Theatre in London.

In 1900, Congress ratified the Gold Standard Act.

In 1907, President Theodore Roosevelt signed an executive order designed to prevent Japanese laborers from immigrating to the United States as part of a "gentlemen's agreement" with Japan.

In 1939, the republic of Czechoslovakia was dissolved, opening the way for Nazi occupation of Czech areas and the separation of Slovakia.

In 1951, during the Korean War, United Nations forces recaptured Seoul.

In 1964, a jury in Dallas found Jack Ruby guilty

of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy, and sentenced him to death. (Both the conviction and death sentence were overturned, but Ruby died before he could be retried.)

In 1967, the body of President John F. Kennedy was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent memorial site at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

In 1975, "Monty Python and the Holy Grail," a sendup of the legend of King Arthur, had its world premiere in Los Angeles. Academy Award-winning actress Susan Hayward, 57, died in Los Angeles.

In 1980, a LOT Polish Airlines jet crashed while attempting to land in Warsaw, killing all 87 people aboard, including 22 members of a U.S. amateur boxing team.

In 1990, the Soviet Congress of People's Deputies held a secret ballot that elected Mikhail S. Gorbachev to a new, powerful presidency.

In 1998, India's Congress party picked Sonia Gandhi, the Italian-born widow of assassi-

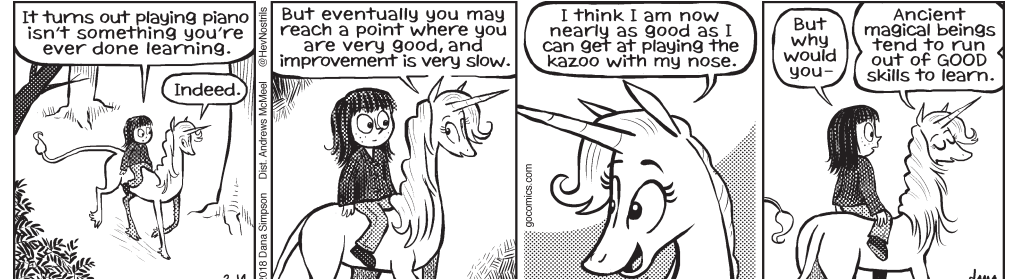
nated prime minister Rajiv Gandhi, as its new president.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Phil Phillips (Song: "Sea of Love") is 92. Former astronaut Frank Borman is 90. Actor Michael Caine is 85. Composer-conductor Quincy Jones is 85. Movie director Wolfgang Petersen is 77. Country singer Michael Martin Murphy is 73. Rock musician Walt Parazider (Chicago) is 73. Comedian Billy Crystal is 70. Actor-writer-comedian-radio personality Rick Dees is 67. Country singer Jann Browne is 64. Prince Albert II, the ruler of Monaco, is 60. Country singer Kristian Bush is 48. Actress Grace Park is 44. Actor Chris Klein is 39. Actress Kate Maberly is 36. Singer-musician Taylor Hanson (Hanson) is 35. Actor Jamie Bell is 32. Rock musician Este Haim (Haim) is 32. Actor Ansel Elgort is 24. Olympic gold medal gymnast Simone Biles is 21.

Thought for Today: "The avoidance of taxes is the only intellectual pursuit that still carries any reward." — John Maynard Keynes, British economist (1883-1946).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

