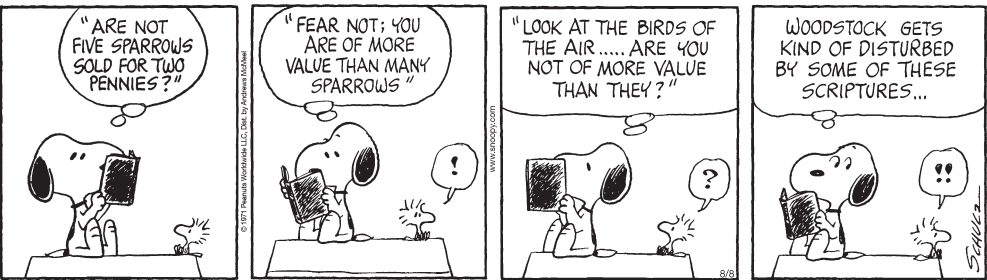


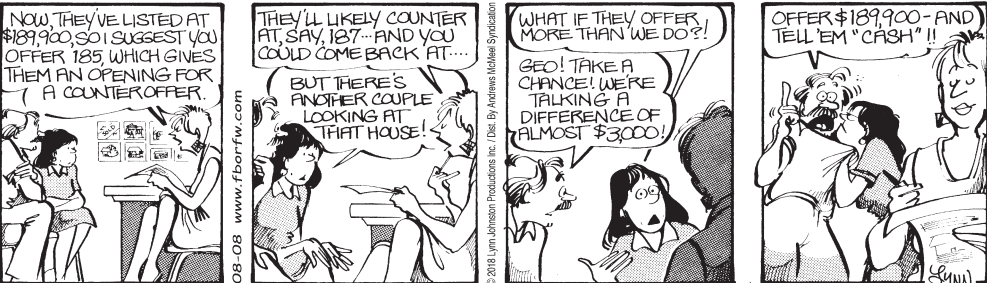
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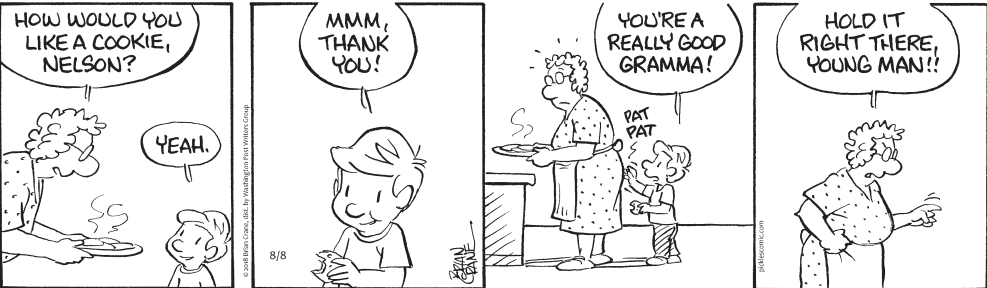
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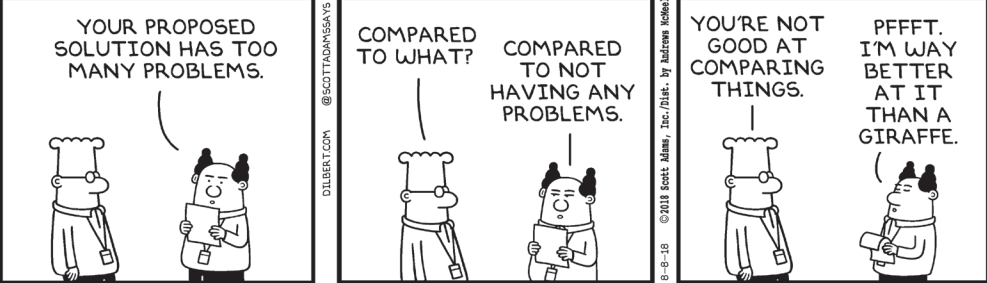
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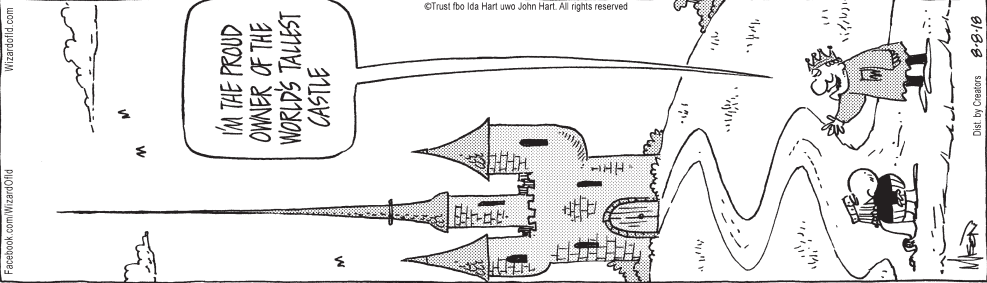
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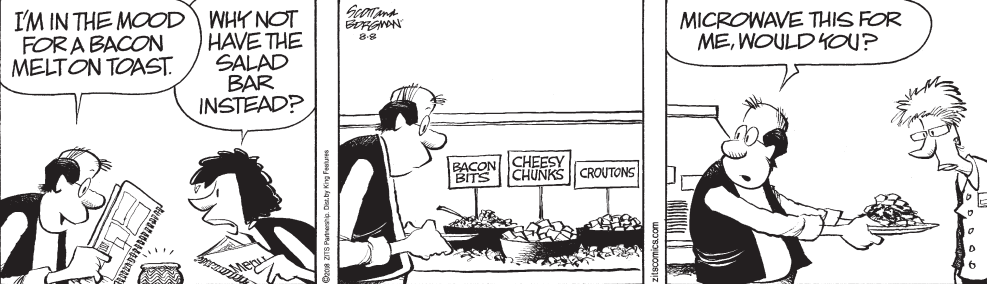
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DEAR ABBY

Baby in the buff causes grandma some concern

Dear Abby: My daughter “Scarlet” has a precious 18-month-old baby girl I’ll call Sierra. Scarlet, her husband and the baby spend a lot of time at their beach house, where they have several full-time employees, including a nanny, housekeeper, cook and gardener. These employees have been at the house for years and are practically part of our family. The problem is, my daughter and her husband allow Sierra to walk around the house and beachfront naked throughout the day.

I have told Scarlet on several occasions that I don’t feel comfortable with Sierra being exposed like that around the employees. A naked toddler might make them feel awkward, plus a child should be raised to understand that her private parts are just that — private — and not for anybody outside of her immediate family to look at.

Additionally, from a sanitary perspective, Sierra sits down on dirty, potentially bacteria-infested places such as kitchen tiles, grass and beach sand, which could cause infections. My daughter calls me old-fashioned and tells me not to worry. What do you think? — **More Modest In Nevada**

Dear More Modest: I seriously doubt that anyone is going to be embarrassed by the sight of a naked toddler. I know you are well-meaning, and your points may be valid, but frankly, I think you should let your daughter raise her daughter.

Dear Abby: I’m 61 and a recent widower. I befriended a new co-worker, a woman who

is single and 41. We started going out socially, and I was getting back into life.

I just found out she and my 24-year-old son have been dating for the last four months. Neither one mentioned anything about it to me. They were sneaking behind my back, and she continued to do things with me. When I realized what was going on, I confronted her and told her I felt taken advantage of and deceived.

I stopped speaking with her after that.

Am I wrong to feel this way? Her relationship has come between my son and me. And yes, I realize it takes two to tango. — **It Takes Two In The East**

Dear It Takes Two: Your son and your co-worker should have been upfront with you. That neither one was shows a lack of character. However, there is an upside to this. You now realize you are ready to go on living after the death of your wife. Get involved in community activities; go on some dating sites and you will meet someone better suited than your co-worker. What happened with her is yet another unfortunate example of what can go wrong in an office romance.

Dear Abby: I have a quick question. How long after a death should you wait to send a sympathy card? I have looked at your mom’s and aunt’s old columns, Amy Vanderbilt and Emily Post and cannot find an answer. — **Needs To Know In Georgia**

Dear Needs: The time to send a sympathy card is when you receive the sad news.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

DAYS GONE BY

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

A combine in a wheat field on the Jim Hill ranch three miles north of town was totally destroyed last night at 9 o’clock when the machine caught fire from the heat of the motor while the crew was pumping distillate. Burrell Anderson, employed on the separator, is at St. Anthony hospital today with two burned hands and is suffering from exhaustion as the result of attempting to put out the fire. Further damage by the fire was prevented by quick work of the crew who hooked a caterpillar engine to the combine and dragged it from the field. The ground around the machine was plowed to prevent the spread of the fire. The members of the Oregon Military Police were present to aid in the work. Captain H.E. Williams praised the work of the Boy Scouts who were also “on the job” as firefighters.

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

Lester E. Schmig, 25, Hermiston, received facial cuts and bruises in an auto accident on Westland bridge, southwest of Herm-

iston, Monday night that left his car a total loss. State police said Schmig was driving east when his car slid broadside into the concrete bridge and then left the bridge and hit a Pacific Power & Light pole, and then down a ten-foot embankment. The power pole was sheared off in the accident, dropping the power line onto the road, state police said.

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

There’s nothing unusual about people following the Oregon Trail this sesquicentennial year. However, it is unusual to find someone like Dennis Bates from Llenelly, South Wales, who is walking the Oregon Trail alone. He stopped in Pendleton Thursday. His Oregon Trail story begins with music. Dennis belongs to a men’s choir that visited the West Coast of the United States in 1987 and 1990. He heard about the upcoming Oregon Trail celebration. While visiting The Dalles, the seed of an idea was planted. Dennis was looking forward to retirement, enjoys American history and, as a member of hiking club, always has been involved in hiking and walking. Retracing the Trail seemed like a perfect summer’s occupation.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On August 8, 1974, President Richard Nixon, facing damaging new revelations in the Watergate scandal, announced he would resign the following day.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte set sail for St. Helena to spend the remainder of his days in exile.

In 1942, during World War II, six Nazi saboteurs who were captured after landing in the U.S. were executed in Washington, D.C.; two others who cooperated with authorities were spared.

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman signed the U.S. instrument of ratification for the United Nations Charter. The Soviet Union declared war against Japan during World War II.

In 1963, Britain’s “Great Train Robbery” took place as thieves made off with 2.6

million pounds in banknotes.

In 1968, the Republican national convention in Miami Beach nominated Richard Nixon for president on the first ballot.

In 1973, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew branded as “damned lies” reports he had taken kickbacks from government contracts in Maryland, and vowed not to resign — which he ended up doing.

In 2002, Saddam Hussein organized a big military parade and then warned “the forces of evil” not to attack Iraq as he sought once more to shift the debate away from world demands that he live up to agreements that ended the Gulf War.

In 2009, Sonia Sotomayor was sworn in as the U.S. Supreme Court’s first Hispanic and third female justice.

Today’s Birthdays:

Actor Dustin Hoffman is 81. Country singer Actor Keith Carradine is 69. Radio-TV personality Robin Quivers is 66. Actor-singer Harry Crosby is 60. Rock musician The Edge (U2) is 57. Rock musician Rikki Rockett (Poison) is 57. Rapper Kool Moe Dee is 56. Singer JC Chasez (’N Sync) is 42. Actress Tawny Cypress is 42. Rhythm-and-blues singer Drew Lachey (98 Degrees) is 42. Tennis player Roger Federer is 37. Actress Jackie Cruz (TV: “Orange is the New Black”) is 34. Britain’s Princess Beatrice of York is 30.

Thought for Today: “Man adjusts to what he should not; he is unable to adjust to what he should.” — *Jean Toomer, African-American author-poet (1894-1967).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

