# **COFFEE BREAK**

# **PEANUTS**





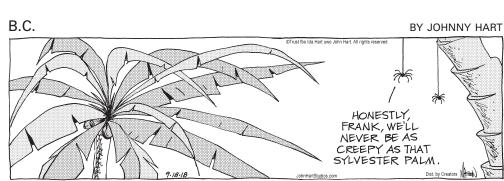
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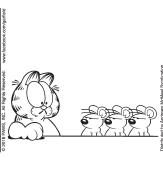
BY MORT WALKER

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# Wife on the verge of divorce calls for a one-year reprieve

Dear Abby: My husband has less and less interest in me. It started with the last presidential election. Since then, I have cut way back on politics because he doesn't want to hear any of it. Being an activist on several fronts, including politics and other areas, this is a big, emotional part of who I am. I get so upset by his silences that I stop talking to him completely.

I'm spent from feeling so lonely, so unworthy of love, helpless, hopeless and powerless. I can't take this much longer. He says he wants to be with me, and he has just started private therapy. I, too, am in therapy.

I was ready to draw up divorce papers when I suddenly changed my mind. I told him I'd wait a year for him to have his therapy, and then we'd review everything we had learned and proceed from there.

Have I made a mistake? Right now, I can't stand to be around him. He can be the world's greatest giver, but other times he's a selfish, insensitive, arrogant know-it-all. I don't know if I'm still in love with him. Does this proposed one-year respite have any chance of working? - Sad Wife In **Buffalo** 

Dear Wife: Yes, it does. It appears that in the midst of your pain and turmoil you experienced a brief moment of clarity. Your decision to give your husband — and yourself — a year of therapy and then revisit the issue of divorce was both wise and brilliant. You married each other for a reason; now give yourselves a chance to remember what it was.



JEANNE **PHILLIPS** Advice

Dear Abby: New neighbors moved in a few doors down from us. A few weeks later, they hosted an open house and invited about 15 families from the homes closest to theirs. They served food and gave everyone a tour of the home, which had been completely renovated.

My husband and I arrived about the same time as another neighbor, and the three of us visited with our hostess. As she rolled out the red carpet, the other neighbor proceeded

to talk about the history of the home. She then announced that the man who owned the home years ago had committed suicide — in the home. The hostess maintained a gracious stance, but my husband and I were horrified.

Should the neighbor be told that her comment was inappropriate? — Horrified

Dear Horrified: Because the comment may have cast a pall over the housewarming, it was inappropriate. However, it may not have come as a surprise to the new owners. In the state where I reside, real estate agents are required by law to disclose that there had been a death in the house (suicide, murder), which might affect the value of the property. If you feel the need to say something to the neighbor who made that tasteless comment, by all means do so.

To My Jewish Readers: Yom Kippur, the day of atonement, begins at sundown. During this 24-hour period, observant Jewish people fast, engage in reflection and prayer, and repent for any sin that might have been committed during the previous Hebrew year. To all of you - may your fast be an easy, but meaningful, one.

### **DAYS GONE BY**

#### 100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 17-18, 1918

C.W. Stewart, a member of the same regiment as Captain Lee Caldwell, passed through Pendleton today on his way from France to his home in Portland and said that Captain Caldwell is in the best of health at present but was slightly wounded recently. The injury was not great enough to be reported in the casualties.

Stewart is recovering from the effects of mustard gas and was sent home to

He is of the opinion that the war will last for another year, and says that this opinion is general among the allies.

#### 50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 17-18, 1968

Marine Corps Pfc. Bruce Carter, 18, was killed in action Sept. 11 at Quang Nam Province in Vietnam. He was married to Glenda for just one month. The death was reported Monday by the Defense Department.

#### 25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 17-18, 1993

A herd of cowboys rode into town this week. They came in "dualie" pickups, sedans and vans. They came for the Pendleton Round-Up, and to a man they wear boots and a big ol' hat.

It's unlikely, however, that there is a cowboy in town wearing more hats this week that Paul Rice Jr. President of the Round-Up Association and father of 1993 Round-Up Queen Jodi Rice, he's still managed to find time to compete in steer roping. Rice was ranked 15th in the world last year in steer roping; he's gone to the national finals four times. But his presidential duties this year have prevented him from traveling to as many events as he has in other years. That's just fine with Rice, who says he was ready for a break from non-stop travel that comes

# THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On Sept. 18, 1975, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was captured by the FBI in San Francisco, 19 months after being kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1759, the French formally surrendered Quebec to the British.

In 1793, President George Washington laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol.

In 1850, Congress passed the Fugitive Slave Act, which created a force of federal commissioners charged with returning escaped slaves to their owners.

In 1851, the first edition of The New York Times was published.

In 1959, during his U.S. tour, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev visited Wall Street, the Empire State Building and the grave of President Franklin D. Roosevelt; in a speech at the U.N., Khrushchev called on all countries to disarm.

In 1970, rock star Jimi Hendrix died in London at age 27.

In 1987, the psychological thriller "Fatal Attraction," starring Michael Douglas and Glenn Close, was released by Paramount Pictures.

In 1994, tennis star Vitas Gerulaitis, 40, was found dead in the guest cottage of a friend's home in Southampton, New York, of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning.

In 2001, a week after the-Sept. 11 attack, President George W. Bush said he hoped to "rally the world" in the battle against terrorism and predicted that all "people who love freedom" would join. Letters postmarked Trenton, N.J., that later tested positive for anthrax were sent to the *New* York Post and NBC anchorman Tom Brokaw.

In 2007, O.J. Simpson was charged with seven felonies, including kidnapping, in the alleged armed robbery of sports memorabilia collectors in a Las Vegas casino-hotel room.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Jimmie Rodgers is 85. Actor Robert Blake is 85. Singer Frankie Avalon is 78. Basketball Hall of Fame coach Rick Pitino is 66. College Football Hall of Famer and retired NFL player Billy Sims is 63. Singer Joanne Catherall (Human League) is 56. Actress Aisha Tyler is 48. Former racing cyclist Lance Armstrong is 47. Comedian-actor Jason Sudeikis is 43.

Thought for Today: "We want the facts to fit the preconceptions. When they don't it is easier to ignore the facts than to change the preconceptions." — Jessamyn West, author (1902-1984).

# PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN









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