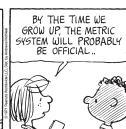
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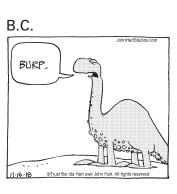
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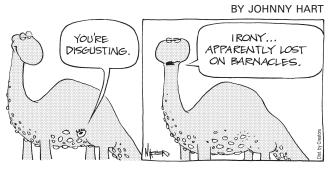












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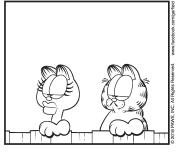


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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN







DEAR ABBY

Men's group chat draws fire for sharing explicit photos

Dear Abby: I must take issue with your response to "Tired of Behinds' (Sept. 5), who was upset that her fiance is part of a men's group chat that includes the sending and receiving of pornographic female images.

While "boys will be boys" has been the reigning excuse for male misbehavior for years - nay, centuries! — times are changing. "Tired" has every right to demand that her fiance behave respectfully toward

women, both publicly and in private. He may not be able to change his friends' behavior, but he has control over his own and could demonstrate that he's not a boy, but a man who respects women for who they are, not their looks or perceived sexual value. Would he want others to look at his sister, his mother, his daughter or her that way? I doubt it.

Excusing "boys" for their misogyny only perpetuates our sexual assault culture. "Tired" should take a long look at her fiance's behavior and decide whether or not he is the kind of man she wants to share her life with. — Wants A Better World For My **Daughter**

Dear Wants: Most, but not all, of the many women — and men — who commented on that letter agree with you. Read

Dear Abby: Your response supported the idea that for men to bond and feel like "real men," they need to advertise to each other their sexual interest in women other than their spouses, and women need to tolerate it. The practice is hurtful and disrespectful. How can a woman feel like her fiance's friends care about her welfare if they're sending naked photos of other women to him? It seems women's feelings don't matter at all in this bonding ritual. Furthermore, the men don't have to touch these other women to have a "sexual experience" with them. —

Tired Of "Boys" In Tucson Dear Abby: I do not agree with

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you that what these men are doing is the equivalent of "old-time barbershop talk." What's being shared dig-

itally today isn't at all like the magazines and chat from even 20 years ago. It's far more graphic and less woman-friendly. You are right that "Tired" will

not change her fiance. That's why

she should leave now and avoid the future heartbreak that could be waiting. There's always a victim when it comes to porn. Just because the sharing is within a closed group doesn't mean some women weren't victimized. Or that some men won't become addicted. — Sad About This In The West

Dear Abby: Speaking as a man who has been part of multiple "men's groups," as well as happily married for many years, I find "Tired's" fiance's chat group to be inappropriate, just as she does — particularly the group icon picture. I respect women as people, not physical/sexual objects. He should speak up out of respect for women. Doing so could influence one or more of his friends to rethink their position. — William In

Dear Abby: These are private conversations between adult men. Sexuality makes the world go 'round. Yes, women deserve respect and not to be sexually harassed. But we shouldn't have to totally remove sexuality from the equation. Women chat about men and look at images just like we do. It's just less talked about. — Mr. B. In Houston

Dear Abby: If these are solicited photos, as the writer suggests, privately sent and then shared in a group, it is illegal in most states. You cannot share nude photos of someone without her/his expressed consent. Perhaps "Tired" should inform her fiance of that! — Emily In Michigan

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Nov. 16, 1918

It took Pendleton people just 30 minutes yesterday to volunteer to fill 10 Christmas cartons for soldiers overseas, for half an hour after the news appeared in the East Oregonian that the "Sammies" lacking friends and relatives had sent their labels to the Red Cross, all the boxes were spoken for. Not only was there a ready response, but a waiting list of 22 names is at the Red Cross office in the federal building, in case more cartons are to be filled. Secretary Roosevelt has written headquarters asking for more labels of this kind.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Nov. 16, 1968

The demand for electric power is increasing sharply in Morrow County, with a "literal explosion of irrigation wells," Harley Young, manager of Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op, told the group's annual meeting Thursday. "There have been 43 new deep wells drilled for irrigation in Morrow County alone since Jan. 1," Young stated. "These require in excess of 3,000 h.p. to be tied to the wells." Servicing these new electric consumers has

created a problem during the past year in building new lines. Further major construction of lines and new transformers will be necessary to meet future demands. A new 5,000 h.p. transformer is planned for Jordan as one of the projects in the near

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Nov. 16, 1993

A 2-year-old boy playing with a cigarette lighter started the fire Monday morning that destroyed much of his family's upstairs apartment in a Pendleton triplex, Ron Campbell, Pendleton fire marshal, said. No one was injured in the fire, although the boy's mother, Vicki Morris, was given oxygen. The 10:22 a.m. blaze was set when the child, alone in a bedroom, used a cigarette lighter to ignite a bag of clothes, Campbell said. A smoke alarm sounded, prompting his mother to rescue the boy and his 4-year-old brother. The fire spread from the bag of clothes and climbed a wall, Campbell said. It generated enough heat to produce a "flashover," a flame that engulfs the entire room. The bedroom was gutted and other upstairs rooms were damaged by smoke and intense heat that melted items in the living room, Campbell said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On Nov. 16, 1933, the United States and the Soviet Union established diplomatic relations.

In 1914, the newly created Federal Reserve Banks opened in 12 cities.

In 1939, mob boss Al Capone, ill with syphilis, was released from prison after serving 7 1/2 years for tax evasion and failure to file tax returns.

In 1959, the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The Sound of Music" opened on Broadway.

In 1966, Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard was acquitted in Cleveland at his second trial of murdering his pregnant wife, Marilyn, in 1954.

In 1981, actor William Holden was found dead in his apartment in Santa Monica, California; he was 63.

In 1982, an agreement was announced in the 57th day of a strike by National Football League players.

In 2006, Democrats embraced Nancy Pelosi as the first woman House speaker in history, but then selected Steny Hoyer as majority leader against her wishes.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Clu Gulager is 90. Journalist Elizabeth Drew is 83. Blues musician W.C. Clark is 79. Actress Joanna Pettet is 76. Actress Marg Helgenberger is 60. Rock musician Mani is 56. Country singer-musician Keith Burns (Trick Pony) is 55. Former MLB All-Star pitcher Dwight Gooden is 54. Jazz singer Diana Krall is 54. Actress Lisa Bonet is 51. Actor-comedian Pete Davidson (TV: "Saturday Night Live") is 25.

Thought for Today: "History is a gallery of pictures in which there are few originals and many copies." — Alexis de Tocqueville, French historian (1805-1859).

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