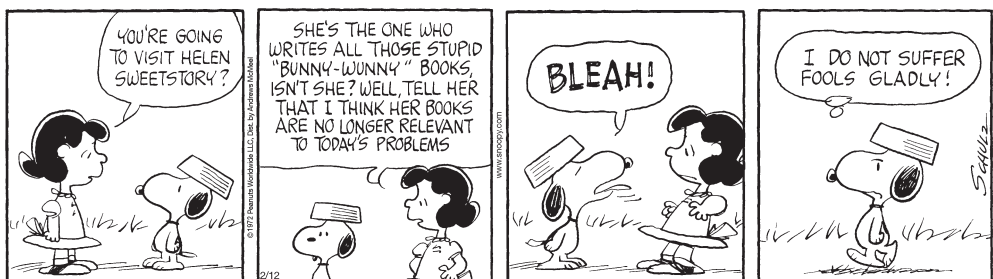
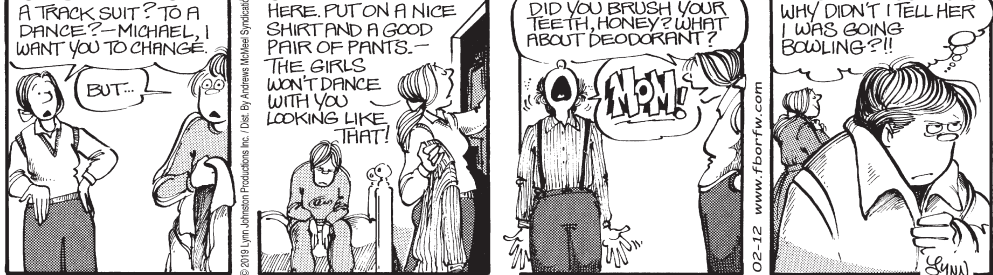


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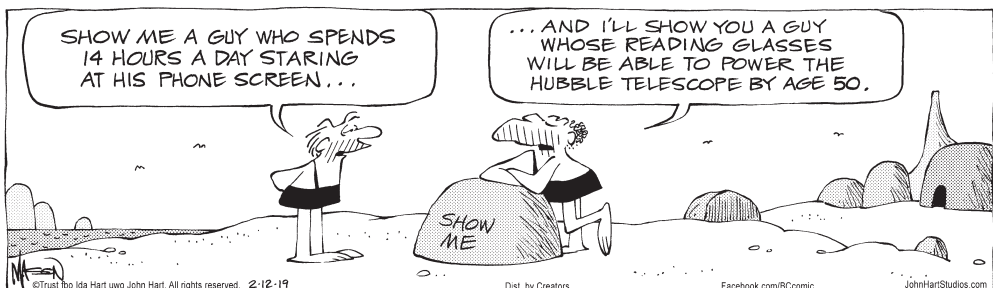


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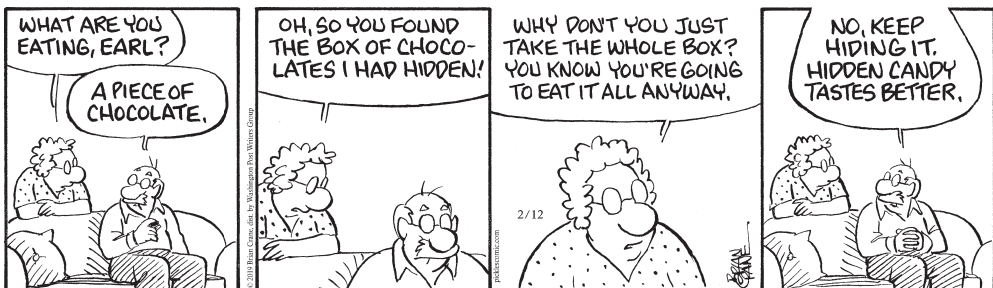
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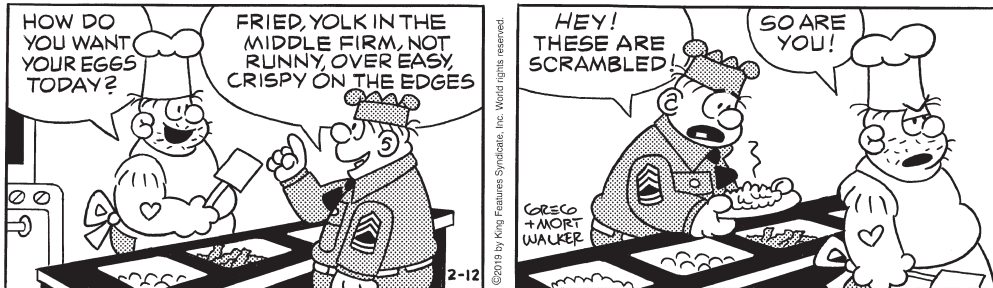
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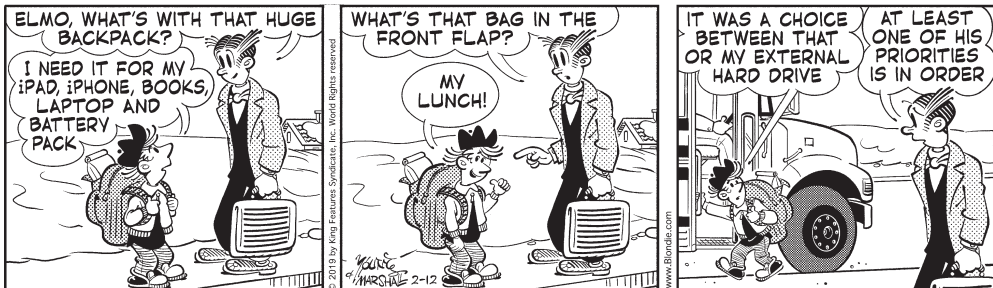
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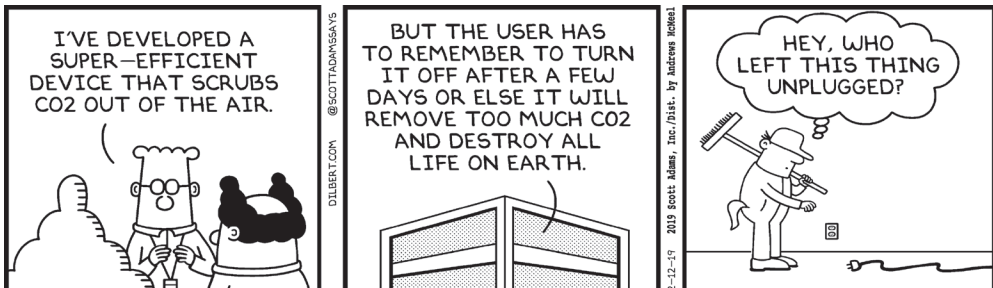
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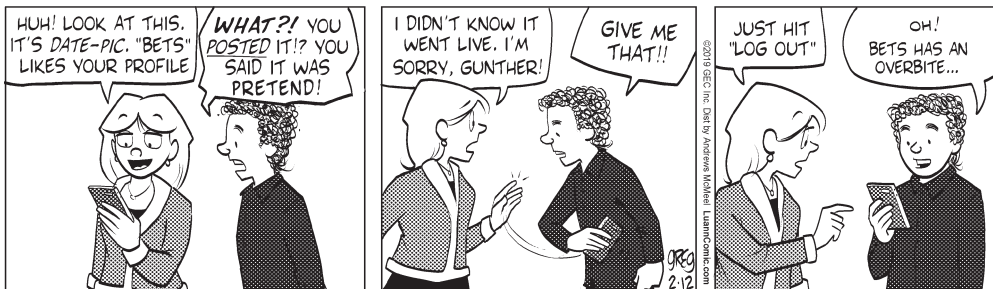
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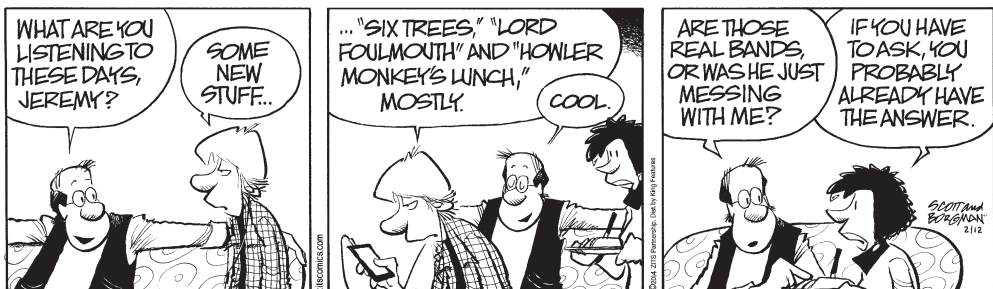
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DEAR ABBY

Second wife-to-be wants man's name all to herself

Dear Abby: My boyfriend and I both got divorced about the same time, but his took much longer to become final. It is finally over, so we have begun talking seriously about marriage and starting a family.



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Please keep in mind that after your wedding you will — if you wish — become "Mrs. John Smith." The ex can use the last name, but will have to use her own first name with it (Ms. Jane Smith) without reference to your husband.

During one of our conversations, he mentioned that his ex-wife doesn't intend to change back to her maiden name. I was shocked because she took advantage of him financially and was emotionally abusive all during their marriage. They had no kids, so it has nothing to do with her wanting to share the same name with them. They were married only a few years, so she isn't well established under that name, either.

Of course, if you wish to keep your maiden name, you are free to do it — many women do. But if you make that decision, please do it for any other reason than because of the one you put in your letter to me.

When I asked him why she wasn't changing it, he told me she said his family was always nicer to her than her own. I suggested he ask her to adopt another last name of her choosing if she doesn't want to go back to her maiden name rather than be falsely associated with a family she is no longer a part of (or welcome in). He won't consider taking on my last name, so I'm thinking about keeping my own maiden name after our marriage until she changes hers. Am I overreacting, or are two "Mrs." too many? — Soon To Marry in California

Dear Abby: My mother used to go nuts anytime the cameras came out. No matter the setting, the celebration or how lovely she looked, Mom would fling her hand up and yell, "Get that thing out of my face!" even when other family members were in the shot.

One day, in exasperation, I finally told her, "Ya know, Mom, someday the only pictures your descendants will have of you will be of an angry, scowling woman."

Abby, please remind your readers we aren't trying to persecute them when we want a picture. We just want to hold, share and save photos of the people we love the most, and the kindness and love in their eyes shouldn't be obscured by their hands. — Finally Got Through to Mom

Dear Soon To Marry: You are overreacting. When a man has divorced, his ex can retain his last name if she wishes. Some do it because they think it may be to their advantage socially to be associated with the family. I have heard of others doing it because they didn't like their maiden name.

Dear Finally: Although we live in a self-promoting and selfie culture, many individuals feel the way your mother does — like a deer in the headlights when a camera is aimed their way. That said, the point you made was valid, and I am pleased that she listened. It is for that reason I'm printing your letter.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 11-12, 1919

M.B. Moon, a brakeman of The Dalles, and Mrs. W.F. Wedekind, wife of an O.W.R. & N. fireman of The Dalles, were arrested early this morning by Chief Al Roberts, and Policeman Charles Myers in a room of Hotel St. George, where they registered early Monday morning as man and wife, having arrived on train No. 4. The couple were followed here by W. F. Wedekind, husband of the woman, who made complaint to the officers, with the result that both were placed under arrest. Wedekind later swore to a complaint before F. E. Schmidt, deputy district attorney, and the prisoners have been turned over to the custody of Sheriff Taylor, charged with adultery. Moon is reported to have a wife and child at The Dalles.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 11-12, 1969

The Port of Umatilla added 640 acres, a section of land, to its industrial park east of its present site, by accepting an offer from the Bureau of Land Management at the Port's monthly meeting Monday. The Port Commission gave approval to a purchase

price of \$19,200 for section 18. This is \$30 an acre for the land that has no waterfront on the Columbia River, and its terrain is dotted with rock outcroppings. The tract has Highway 730 frontage. The Port Commission has been negotiating with BLM for the land for several years.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 11-12, 1994

Marty Campbell makes his car payments from the money he earns as a public speaker. So it wasn't a surprise when the 20-year-old sophomore switched his major at Blue Mountain Community College from agriculture education to communications. And now Campbell has an extra nudge in the direction of fulfilling his new goal to put his voice to work in television or radio — a possible \$2,500 award for being named BMCC Scholar. With a 3.3 grade point average and a seat in the college's student government as vice president, Campbell has been included among a group of scholars from other community colleges and technical schools throughout Oregon — and the rest of the U.S. One or two scholars are picked from every school so Campbell acknowledges the competition is stiff.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On Feb. 12, 1999, the Senate voted to acquit President Bill Clinton of perjury and obstruction of justice.

In 1809, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, was born in a log cabin in Kentucky.

In 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was founded.

In 1912, Pu Yi, the last emperor of China, abdicated, marking the end of the Qing Dynasty.

In 1924, George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" premiered in New York.

In 1959, the redesigned Lincoln penny — with an image of the Lincoln Memorial replacing two ears of wheat on the reverse side — went into circulation.

In 1963, a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 720 broke up during severe turbulence and crashed into the Florida Everglades, killing all 43 people aboard.

In 1980, the FBI announced that about \$5,800 of the \$200,000 ransom paid to hijacker "D.B. Cooper" before he parachuted from a Northwest Orient jetliner in 1971 had been found by an 8-year-old boy on a riverbank of the Columbia River in Washington state.

In 1993, in a crime that shocked and outraged Britons, two 10-year-old boys lured James Bulger, 2, from his mother at a mall near Liverpool, England, and beat him to death.

In 2000, Charles M. Schulz, creator of the "Peanuts" comic strip, died in Santa Rosa, Calif. at age 77.

In 2008, General Motors reported losing \$38.7 billion in 2007, a record annual loss in automotive history, and offered buyouts to 74,000 hourly workers.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Franco Zeffirelli is 96. Movie director Costa-Gavras is 86. Basketball Hall of Famer Bill Russell is 85. Author Judy Blume is 81. Actor-talk show host Arsenio Hall is 63. Actress Christina Ricci is 39. NFL quarterback Robert Griffin III is 29.

Thought for Today: "Determine that the thing can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way." — Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

