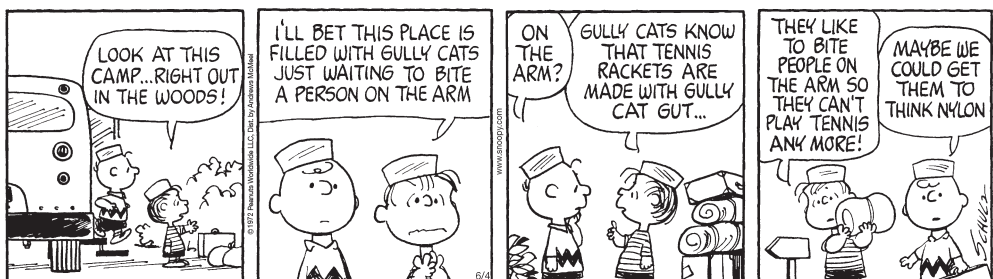


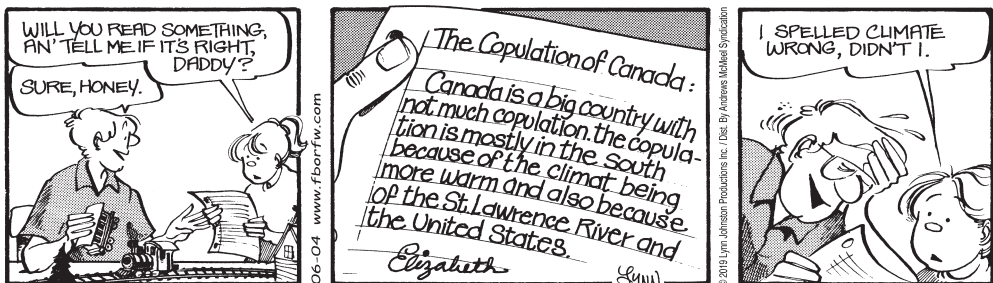
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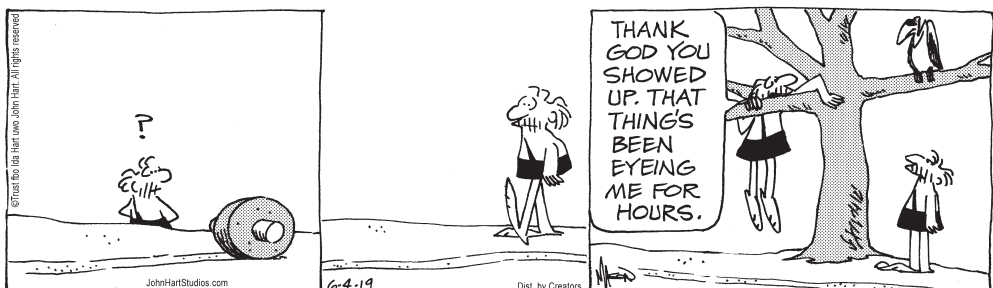
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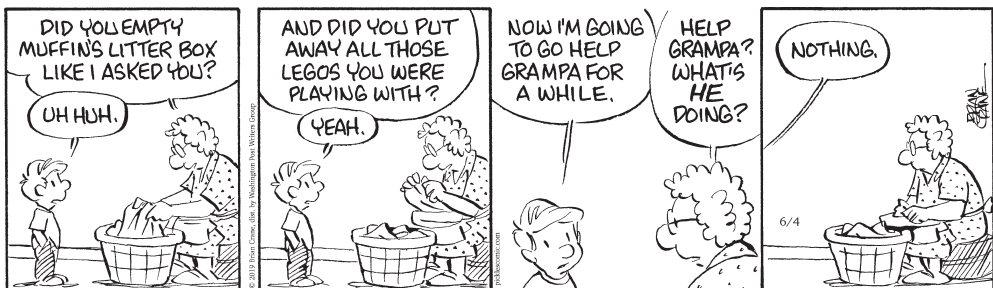
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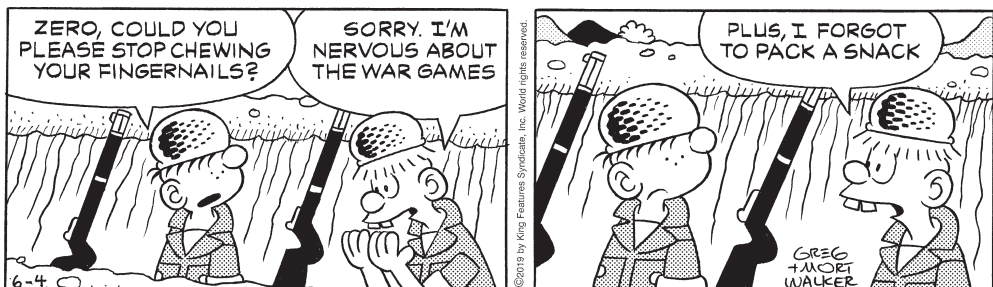
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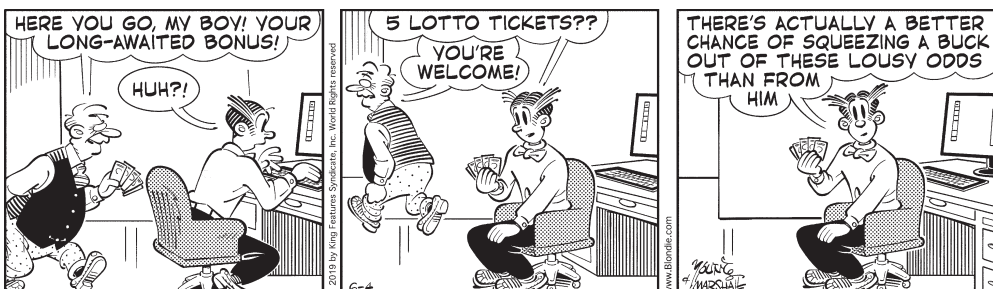
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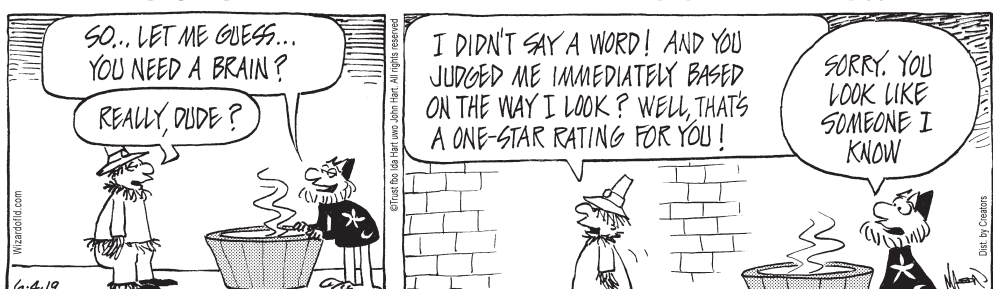
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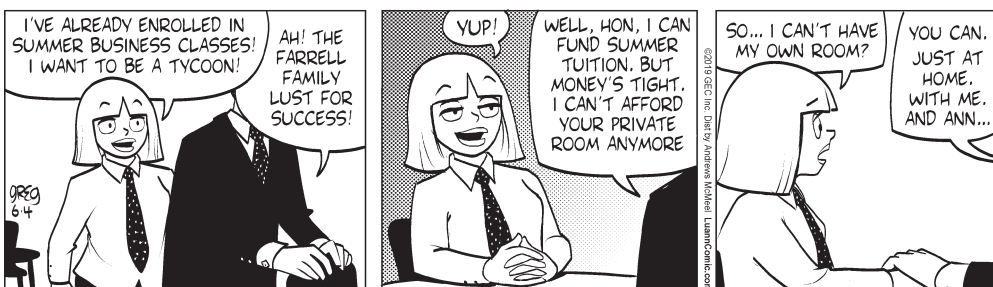
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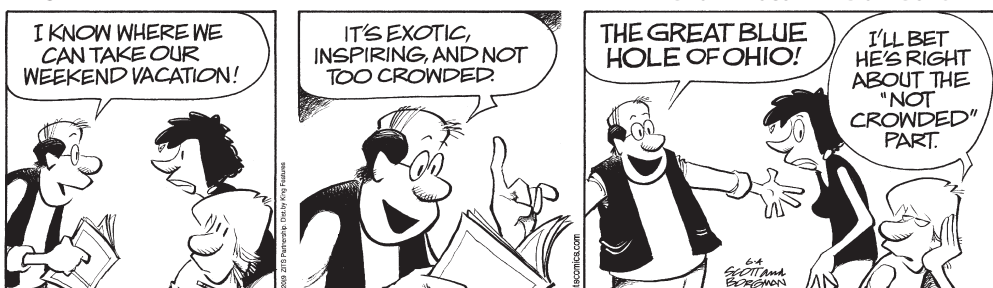
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DEAR ABBY

Escalating violence is signal for wife to leave relationship

Dear Abby: My husband has always had anger issues. Recently, they have progressed from targeting inanimate objects to targeting me.

A few weeks ago, when he got upset, he punched the navigation screen in my car out. Then he proceeded to grab my hair and slammed my head into the car window (it didn't break, but my head hurt for more than a week).

He apologized later, but I can't forgive him. Maybe I never will. What's worse, I haven't been able to bring myself to leave and don't really know how to. Is this behavior a deal breaker? — Stuck in Minnesota

Dear Stuck: Yes, this is absolutely a deal breaker. Do not minimize what he did to you. I'm sorry you didn't go to the emergency room after it happened.

Each time your husband attacks will be worse — increasingly so — until he maims or kills you. For your safety you must get out of there, and the sooner the better. For directions on how to safely make your exit, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline. The toll-free phone number to call is 800-799-7233 or visit thehotline.org and a counselor there will direct you.

Dear Abby: My 5-year-old daughter, "Maude," is afraid of large dogs. In the past, my husband has publicly scolded her when she cowered away from them.

A friend of our family has a dog that Maude is especially hesitant around, and my daughter recently confided that she no longer wants to go over to this friend's

house because of it. She made me promise not to tell her father why. When I told him privately about our conversation, he rolled his eyes and accused our daughter of having a "weak" mentality. Is he being unreasonable or is it just me? — Frustrated in Philly

Dear Frustrated: Your daughter doesn't have a "weak mentality." She's afraid of dogs, and possibly with good reason. Find an animal rescue organization or shelter that encourages the public to spend time socializing with the dogs and cats. It may help to get her past her aversion. It has helped other children, and it's also good for the animals. Give it a try and let me know what happens.

Dear Abby: I am a 49-year-old divorcee. A younger man (31) at work is showing an interest in me. We have talked several times about seeing each other outside of work. Also he is African American. I would like to go out with him, but I'm not sure how my family and friends would react. What do you think? — Betwixt and Between

Dear Betwixt: What are you concerned about? Is it that you would be dating a younger man, one of a different race or that he's a co-worker? If it's the latter, and things don't work out, it could be dicey. However, if at this stage of your life you still need approval from friends and family about dating someone you like, it appears you are not ready for a relationship.

To My Muslim Readers: A happy Eid-al-Fitr, one and all!



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 3-4, 1919

Trouble looms large for John Christian Zoller, of Duncan, married Saturday night at North Forks, to little Miss Katy Muriel Thurston, who, her father, Frank Thurston, says is not yet 15 years of age. Mr. Thurston is in Pendleton today to take action against Zoller, who is 40, and a man named James Snyder. Zoller, accompanied by a man giving the name of Tom Mooney and his home as Arlington, procured a marriage license Saturday afternoon at the county court house. Zoller produced a note, signed with Mr. Thurston's name, saying the girl is of age and had his consent to marry. Mooney signed the affidavit that he personally knew the girl to be of legal age. Mr. Thurston declared today that Katy is but 14 years of age and that she was spirited away for the ceremony after Zoller and Snyder returned with the license. The order was branded by Mr. Thurston as a forgery.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 3-4, 1969

The Odd Fellows Building at NE Main and NE 6th, in the heart of the north Milton-Freewater business district, was virtually destroyed by fire of undetermined ori-

gin Monday afternoon. Firemen and all trucks and equipment, including three man lifts, fought the dense clouds of smoke and intermittent bursts of flame more than three hours before the fire in the two-story building of wood and tin covered with stucco showed signs of abatement. Damage was confined, however, to the building, erected by IOOF Lodge in 1907 and used continuously by the lodge since then.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian June 3-4, 1994

A Hermiston environmental group has collected 500 signatures and organized a postcard-writing campaign against the Army's plan to destroy chemical weapons. On the other hand, eight members of the Hermiston City Council have written Congress in favor of the Army's plan to incinerate chemical weapons at the Umatilla Army Depot. Susan Jones, a member of Citizens for Environmental Quality, gave the local Chemical Demilitarization Citizens Advisory Commission what she said were nearly 500 signatures against incineration. The petition will be forwarded to Congress. As of Wednesday, 98 of 101 comments received by the Department of Environmental Quality came from DEQ's pre-printed postcards, signed by residents.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On June 4, 1942, the World War II Battle of Midway began, resulting in a decisive American victory against Japan and marking the turning point of the war in the Pacific.

In 1919, Congress approved the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing citizens the right to vote regardless of their gender, and sent it to the states for ratification.

In 1939, the German ocean liner MS St. Louis, carrying more than 900 Jewish refugees from Germany, was turned away from the Florida coast by U.S. officials.

In 1943, the president of Argentina, Ramon Castillo, was overthrown in a mili-

tary coup. In 1954, French Premier Joseph Laniel and Vietnamese Premier Buu Loc signed treaties in Paris according to "complete independence" to Vietnam.

In 1990, Dr. Jack Kevoorkian carried out his first publicly assisted suicide, helping Janet Adkins, a 54-year-old Alzheimer's patient from Portland, Oregon, end her life in Oakland County, Michigan.

In 1998, a federal judge sentenced Terry Nichols to life in prison for his role in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City.

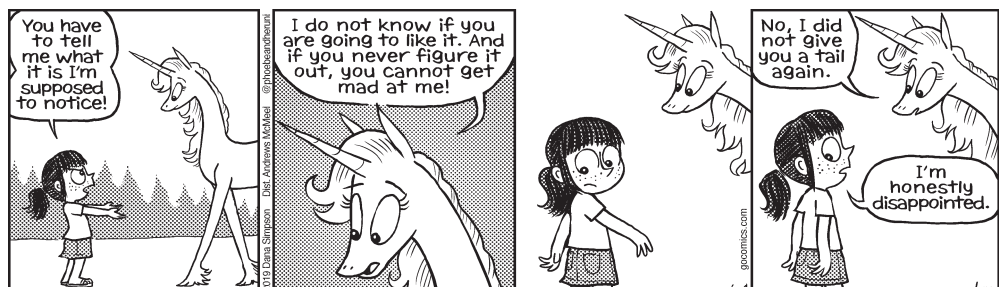
Today's Birthdays: Sex therapist and media personality Dr. Ruth Westheimer

is 91. Jazz musician Anthony Braxton is 74. Actor Parker Stevenson is 67. Singer-musician El DeBarge is 58. Actress Julie White is 58. Comedian Horatio Sanz is 50. Actor Noah Wyle is 48. Actress Angelina Jolie is 44. Rock musician JoJo Garza (Los Lonely Boys) is 39. Country musician Dean Berner (Edens Edge) is 38. Olympic gold medal figure skater Evan Lysacek is 34. Americana singer Shakey Graves is 32. Rock musician Zac Farro is 29.

Thought for Today: "When you betray somebody else, you also betray yourself." — Isaac Bashevis Singer, Polish-born American Nobel Prize-winning author (1904-1991).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

