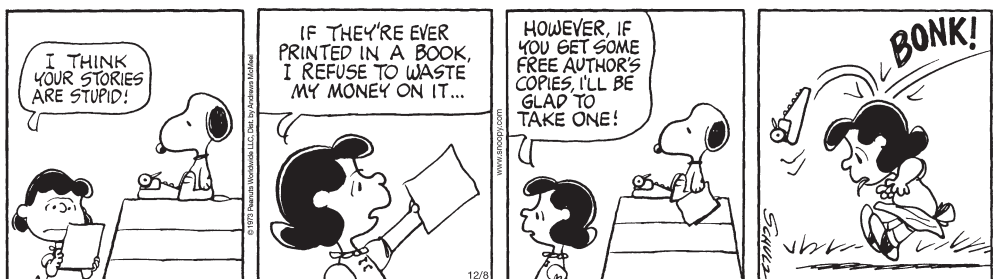


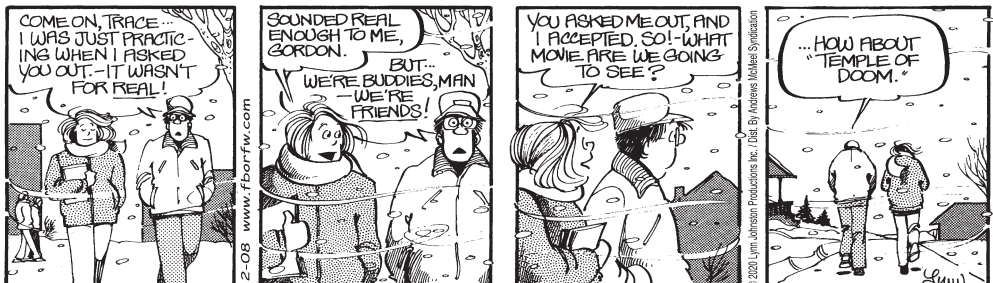
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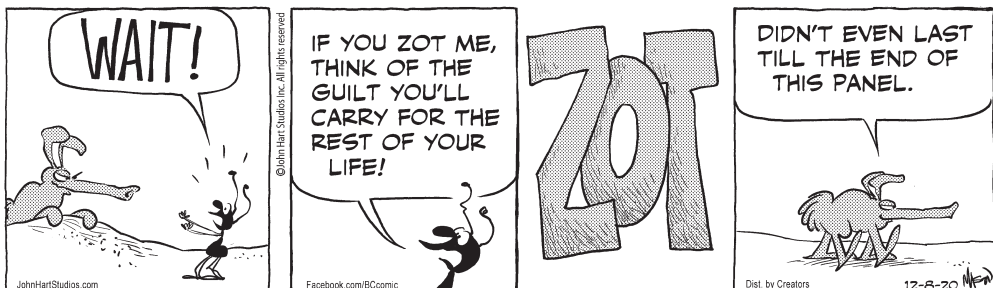
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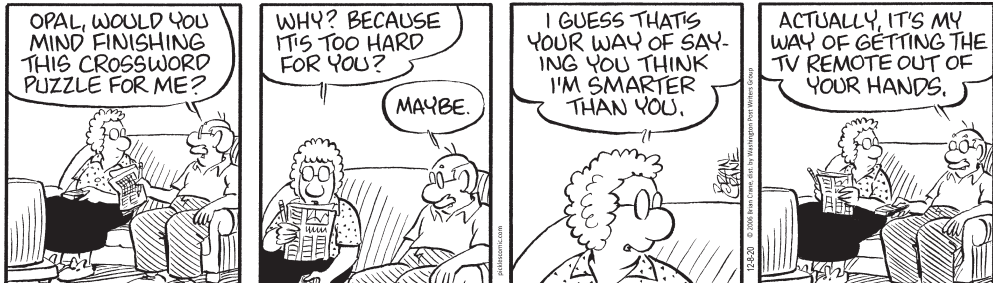
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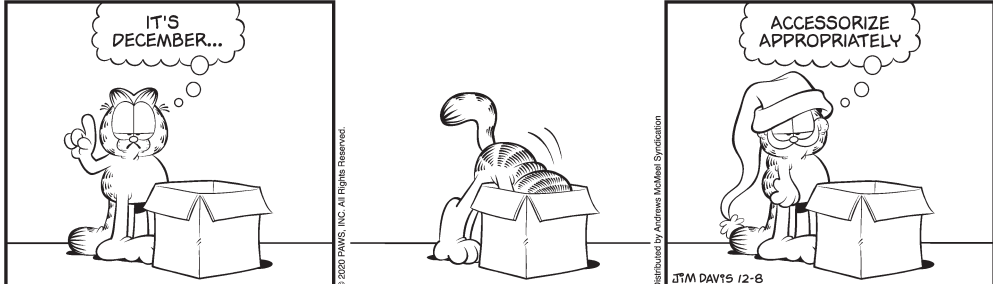
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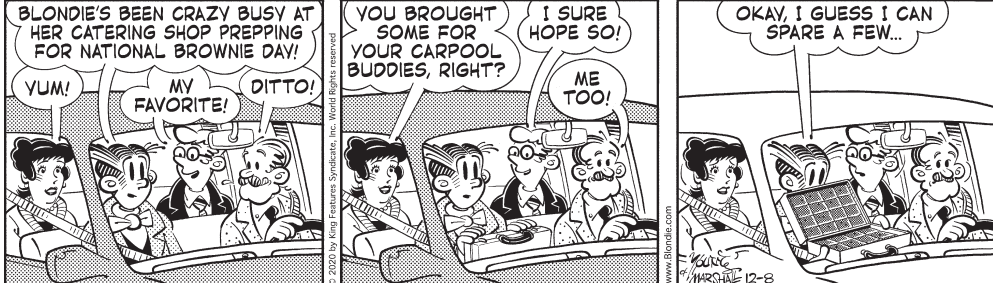
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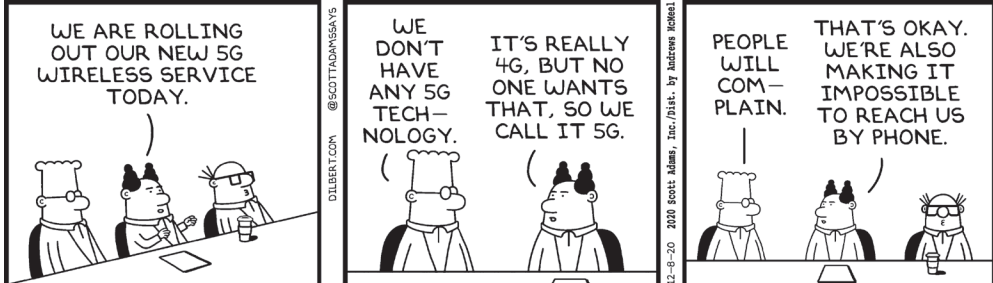
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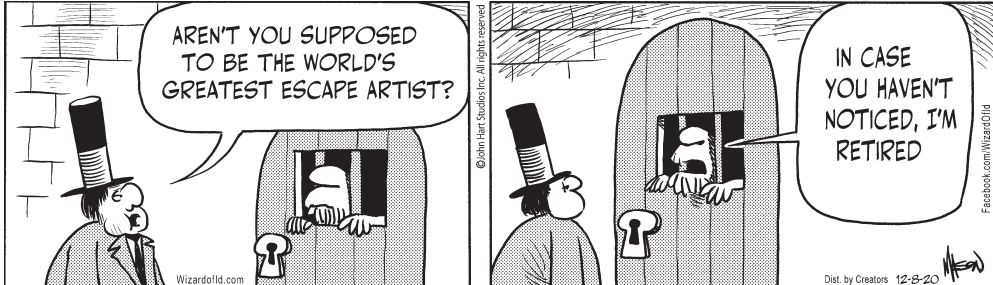
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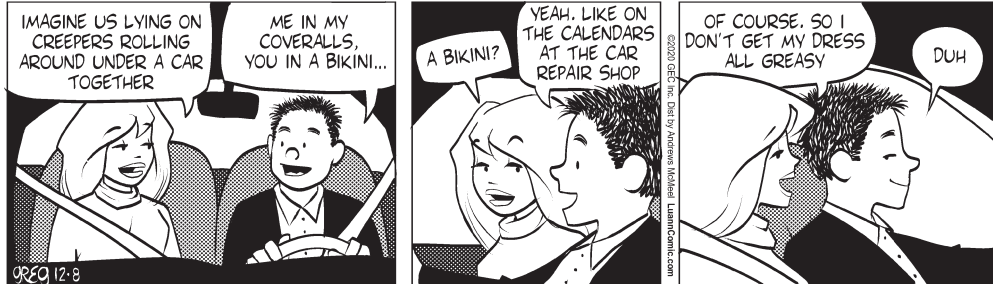
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DEAR ABBY

Sitter's pushy granddaughter is a concern for working mom



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: Because my husband and I work, I take our 6-month-old to a sitter several times a week. I understand little ones tend to be mean sometimes — hitting, biting and pushing — but in this case, it's a little different.

ted me back saying Drew can work as much as he wants! He also said Drew hasn't worked full time since he started working there.

Well, Drew got mad at me and left. I still love him. I thought he was my soul mate. Should I keep wishing we could get back together? — **Feeling Lifeless**

My sitter cares for her 3-year-old granddaughter as well as her clients' children, and her granddaughter pushes the littler ones. I have seen her push a 1-year-old down. I have never observed any of the other children do it, only the granddaughter.

Dear Feeling Lifeless: No! In a sense, you were taken for a ride, and I'm not talking about four-wheelers. Your next soul mate should be someone who is completely honest and, preferably, fully employed. Drew is neither.

I wouldn't be so worried if my daughter were 2 and could defend herself, but she's only 6 months old. She is crawling, sitting up and standing already, and I'm gravely worried the girl will harm my infant. I don't want my baby ending up with a head injury. What can I do to try to resolve this? — **Deeply Concerned in the South**

Dear Abby: I have been remarried for four years to a wonderful man who treats me like a queen. However, he and my 18-year-old daughter dislike each other, which causes a huge amount of stress and conflict. They fight, and I'm stuck in the middle. I don't know what I can do to resolve this problem. I love them both with all my heart! — **Desperate For Peace**

Dear Deeply Concerned: Talk to the sitter about your concerns. Ask if it is possible to keep the older girl separate from the younger ones, however, the only way to be absolutely certain your little one is safe would be to change babysitters.

Dear Desperate: I wish you had mentioned why your husband dislikes your daughter and vice versa. Is he overbearing and trying to parent her? That is your job, not his.

Dear Abby: I made a friend on Facebook. "Drew" and I texted through Messenger, and I went to ride four-wheelers with him one day. We hit it off great. We started dating, and he moved in with me for a few months.

Dear Desperate: I wish you had mentioned why your husband dislikes your daughter and vice versa. Is he overbearing and trying to parent her? That is your job, not his.

In the beginning, Drew didn't mention he was working only part time. After he told him he needed to tell his boss he needed full time or a different job. I wrote a comment to that effect on their page, and his boss tex-

Your daughter is no longer 14. At 18, she is now considered to be an adult, and because the "combatants" are both adults, they should act like it, be civil and refrain from turning their disagreements into open warfare. Your mistake has been allowing yourself to be placed in the middle. A better solution would be to get family counseling if your daughter plans to continue to live with you.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 8, 1920

The present squeeze in the grain market is due to the fact that no wheat is moving into the primary markets, according to W. L. Thompson, president of the American National Bank, who while in town to look after interests here told the *East Oregonian*: "The policy of buying from hand to mouth, for filling only immediate needs, has to a large extent taken out of the wheat market all the larger mills of the country." Mr. Thompson said farmers can help themselves and the grain business in general by taking up the "Buy a Barrel of Flour" movement. With the movement county, state and nation-wide, mills would soon be obliged to get into the wheat market for supplies and thus would encourage the farmers to sell at a profitable price. The farm bureau on Saturday urged all its members and all farmers in the county to get behind the movement by buying a barrel of flour for their own use. Households in Pendleton likewise are urged to lay in their supplies of flour at once. A barrel of flour constitutes but 196 pounds and the retail price at present is around the \$10 mark.

and neighbor Jerry Mills loaded up their dogs and drove to the Big Canyon Creek country about 40 miles west from Enterprise on a scouting trip. They had planned to talk to ranchers and others and select an area to hunt in later. But they found fresh tracks across the road and turned the dogs loose. The dogs treed a female weighing 85 pounds and Debbie killed the big cat with shots from an M-1 carbine. This is Debbie's first year of hunting. No, she didn't get a buck. But with a cougar rug on the floor, could she ask for more?

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 8, 1995

Last week's flooding may have caused more than water damage to area homes. It also is suspected of contaminating the city's drinking water with infectious bacteria. City officials recommended Thursday that the public boil water for drinking or cooking to lessen the threat of fecal coliform bacteria, which was discovered in the area's water system a day earlier. That recommendation was lifted Friday morning after city officials announced that an extra dose of chlorine had killed existing bacteria. Within hours of the notification Thursday afternoon local grocery stores were packed with customers carting home cases of water. Bottled water in the gallon size was snapped up and quickly sold out at Albertson's and Safeway once word began spreading about the contamination problem. Albertson's grocery manager said the water was gone before the announcement "even hit the radio." In the last 20 years, this type of contamination has happened three times, and each time it was due to flooding.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 8, 1970

You might think of cougar hunting as man's work but don't say so in front of Debbie Edwards. The Pendleton girl — she's only 13 — bagged a cougar last week. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Edwards, Route 1. Debbie was one of the few lucky hunters in Oregon to draw a cougar tag this year. Saturday she, her father,

TODAY IN HISTORY

On Dec. 8, 1941, the United States entered World War II as Congress declared war against Imperial Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Kimberly Bergalis, who had contracted the disease from her dentist, died in Fort Pierce, Fla., at age 23.

sparked their invasion of the country to topple the Taliban-led government.

In 1886, the American Federation of Labor was founded in Columbus, Ohio.

In 2012, Pakistan's president visited a British hospital where a 15-year-old schoolgirl, Malala Yousafzai, was being treated after being shot in the head by a Taliban gunman in October.

Today's Birthdays: Flutist James Galway is 81. Actor Mary Woronov is 77. Actor Kim Basinger is 67. Rock musician Phil Collen (Def Leppard) is 63. Actor Teri Hatcher is 56. Singer Sinead O'Connor (AKA Shuhada' Davitt) is 54. Rock singer Ingrid Michaelson is 41. Actor Hannah Ware is 38. NHL defenseman Drew Doughty is 31.

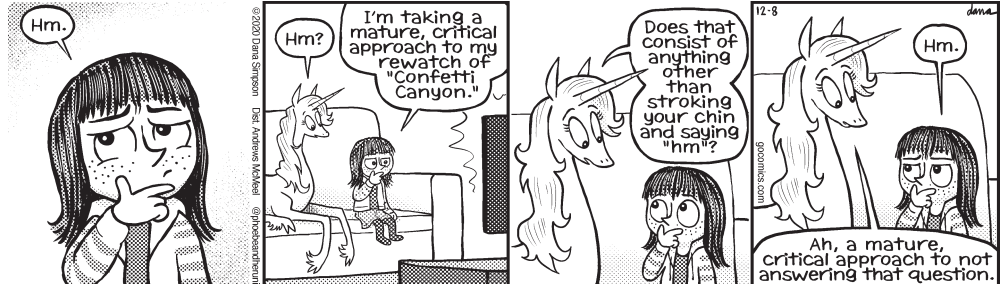
In 1949, the Chinese Nationalist government moved from the Chinese mainland to Formosa as the Communists pressed their attacks.

In 2014, the U.S. and NATO ceremonially ended their combat mission in Afghanistan, 13 years after the Sept. 11 terror attacks

In 1991, AIDS patient

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

