### **PEANUTS**



MY GRADES IN SCHOOL YAVE REALLY BEEN GOING DOWN SO I THOUGHT IF YOU'D TYPE THIS TERM PAPER FOR ME, IT WOULD GET A BETTER GRADE.





BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ

### FOR BETTER OR WORSE





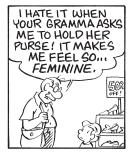








### **PICKLES**









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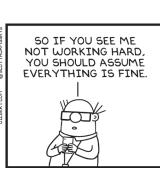
**BLONDIE** COFFEE, NOPE, IF I GET TOO LAND THEN THE BOSS WILL EXPECT IT EVERY DAY TOO PRODUCTIVE

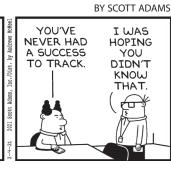




## DILBERT







## THE WIZARD OF ID







## LUANN AS LONG AS YOU'RE GONE WHEN THE FUSE IS OPEN, YOU CAN SLEEP







BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



## **DEAR ABBY**

# Disconnect regarding faith may herald couple's demise

Dear Abby: I have been dating this guy seriously for a year. We have talked about marriage and we were even looking at rings. Due to certain recent events, I have come to realize that my hope for his Christianity to grow stronger is probably never going to happen. I love this man with all my heart, but I also need a husband who will pray with me, have a heart for God, who will want to go to church and make decisions by praying and leaning on God.

We have talked about this and what my needs are, but he's not sure if he will get there Do I hold on and hope through my actions and life, he will learn how to walk with God fully, or should I let him go and try to find someone else? — Brokenhearted Believer

Dear Believer: If you can't accept this man just the way he is, let him go. You shouldn't marry anyone hoping to change him because it wouldn't be fair to either of you. If faith is your No. 1 priority, it would be better for both of you if you look further for a life partner.

Dear Abby: My friend "Gina" and I have known each other for many years. The other day she got into a heated discussion on Facebook with several other people we've known for years. It was about politics. When I read her post, I was shocked. She belittled and bullied those who didn't share her opinion. I have since deleted my FB account because I don't want to see such hatred. What do I tell her when she asks why I'm no longer on social media? — Social Media Distanced

**Dear Social**: Tell Gina the truth. Say you



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deleted your account because you were shocked when you saw people with differing political opinions being bullied and demeaned, which you found shocking and offensive. If she's foolish enough to push you for more detail, tell her how her post affected you. It's shameful that adults in this day and age cannot calmly discuss their differences without resorting to those tactics.

Dear Abby: I am torn between two guys. I have known the first guy for a year, and we had some ups and downs. Six months ago he had a heart attack, but he pulled through, thank God. But since then, things have been very hard. Our relationship went sour and we broke up.

I met the second guy online a month ago. He seems very sweet and down to earth and treats me like a princess. The first guy and I ended up talking again, and the problem is, I'm still in love with him. I think both of them are wonderful and I don't know what decision to make. Please help me. — Choices, Choices in Delaware

Dear Choices: Before making any decision, it's important you fully understand why your relationship with Guy No. 1 went sour after his heart attack. Could it be related to his near-death experience? You need to have all the facts before jumping back into a romance

You haven't known Guy No. 2 long enough to really know who he is yet. Do not pull the plug on this one until you have more answers than you were able to put in your letter to me.

### DAYS GONE BY

### 100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 4, 1921

Charles Hascall is in St. Anthony's hospital and Emos Adeff is in the county jail as the result of an argument over the boundary of their respective sheep ranges, followed by two fights. Deputy Sheriff E. F. B. Ridgeway, who arrested Adeff at the John Ross ranch on Butter Creek said it has not been proved whether either man used any weapon in their two rounds of battle. Adeff, he says, maintains that he broke Hascall's nose and injured his eye merely by blows from his fist. Other reports are that the men picked up whatever implements at hand that were convenient and would serve the purpose. One of the combatants herds sheep for K. G. Warner and the other for John Ross. An argument is alleged to have ensued over the boundaries of the respective ranges, which led to a fight. Hascall, the story goes, was worsted in the first encounter, which was stopped by Mr. Warner. Later Hascall returned to settle accounts with Adeff with the result that he was in need of hospital treatment when the contestants were separated.

#### 50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 4, 1971

From now on when you call the Umatilla County Courthouse on a holiday or a weekend the telephone will be answered, not by the stern voice of a sheriff's deputy, but by the tinny sound of a recording. Why? Because on Monday, the first observance of a new holiday, "the sheriff's department spent all day answer-

ing the phone," said County Commissioner Raymond Rees. Many people apparently did not know about the new holiday — Lincoln's Birthday was observed Feb. 1 instead of Feb. 12 to provide a three-day weekend for state and county employees. Another such occasion arises Feb. 15, a Monday, when George Washington's birthday will be observed to provide another three-day weekend. The traditional Washington's Birthday observance has been Feb. 22. The recording will be plugged into the courthouse switchboard, Rees said. And the sheriff's phone will ring only when somebody wants that department, not other offices in the courthouse.

### 25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 4, 1996

The nation's first mail election for a congressional seat was a tremendous success based on the nearly 66 percent voter participation. It's not clear if the mail ballot was a boost to either candidate. But voter turnout in the recently concluded election set a record for a special election in Oregon this century. Some Gordon Smith proponents have surmised that had the election been conducted at the polls. Ron Wyden would have stood to lose votes because seniors and urban residents — seen as generally supportive of Wyden — would have been less likely to go to the polls in cold and snowy conditions, particularly in the Portland-metro area where Wyden won some 80,000 votes. Rural voters on the other hand are seen as less likely to be turned from the polls by bad weather, which seemingly would have helped Smith.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

On Feb. 4, 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta.

In 1783, Britain's King George III proclaimed a formal cessation of hostilities in the American Revolutionary War.

In 1913, Rosa Parks, a Black woman whose 1955 refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., city bus to a white man sparked a civil rights revolution, was born Rosa Louise McCauley in Tuskegee.

In 1962, St. Jude Chil-

dren's Research Hospital was founded in Memphis, Tennessee, by entertainer Danny Thomas.

In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst, 19, was kidnapped in Berkeley, California, by the radical Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1976, more than 23,000 people died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala with a magnitude of 7.5, according to the U.S. Geological Survey

In 1983, pop singer-musician Karen Carpenter died in Downey, California, at age

In 1997, a civil jury in

Santa Monica, California, found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

In 2004, the Massachusetts high court declared that gay couples were entitled to nothing less than marriage. and that Vermont-style civil unions would not suffice.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jerry Adler is 92. Rock musician John Steel (The Animals) is 80. Actor Lisa Eichhorn is 69. Actor Gabrielle Anwar is 51. Olympic gold medal boxer Oscar De La Hoya is 48. Singer Natalie Imbruglia is 46.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN In normal conversation, there is give and take. I talk about myself, and then individuals I am talking to also get to talk about themselves. There is talking about oneself normally, and then there is therapy. In therapy, everything is about me! It is so much easier.



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