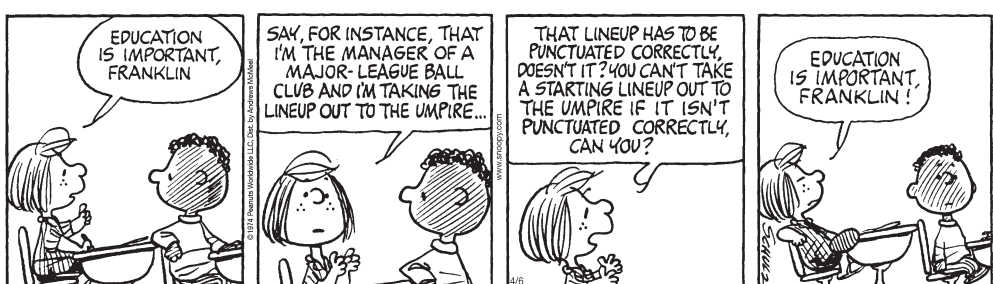


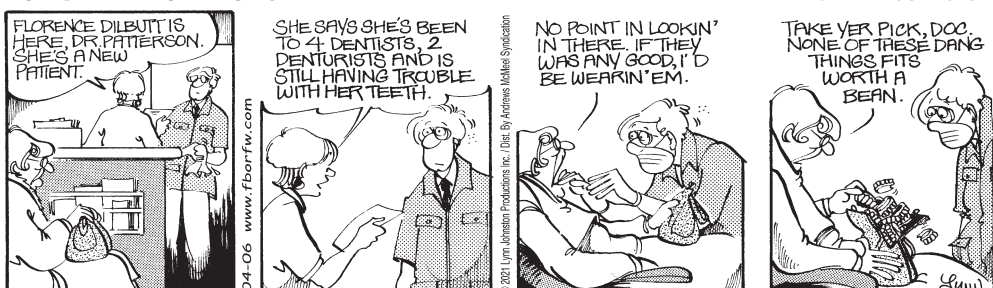
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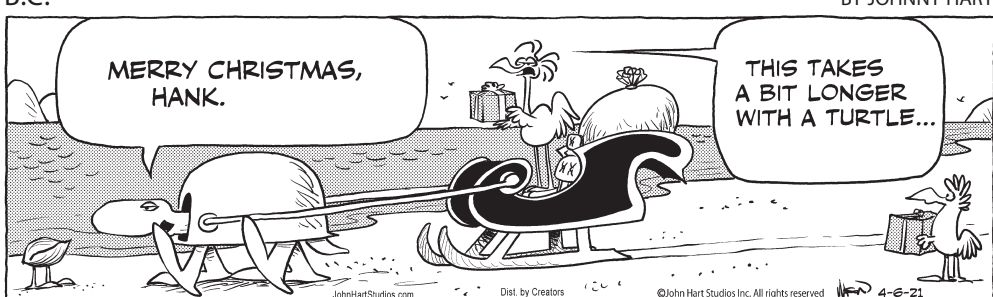
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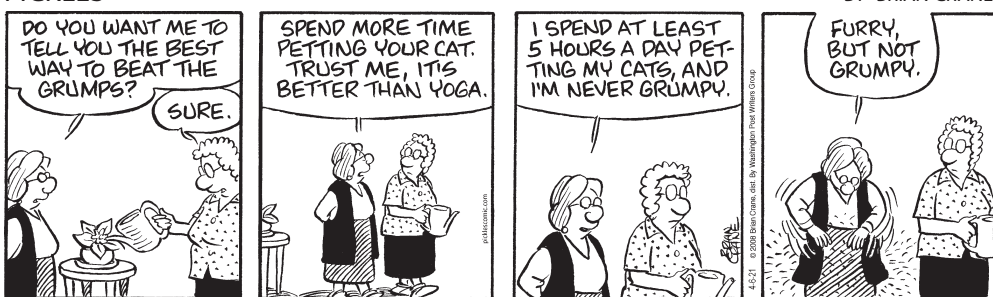
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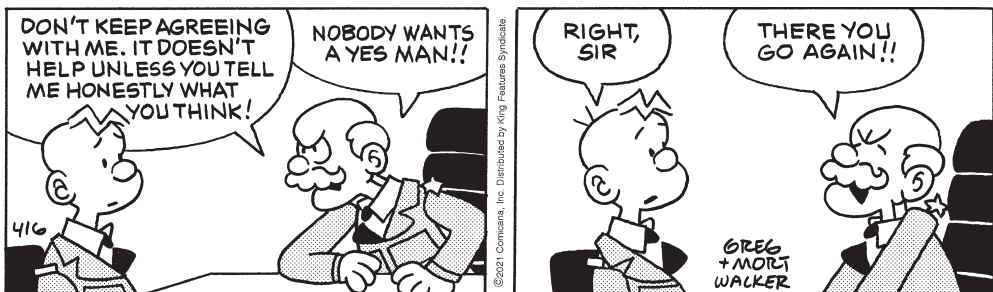
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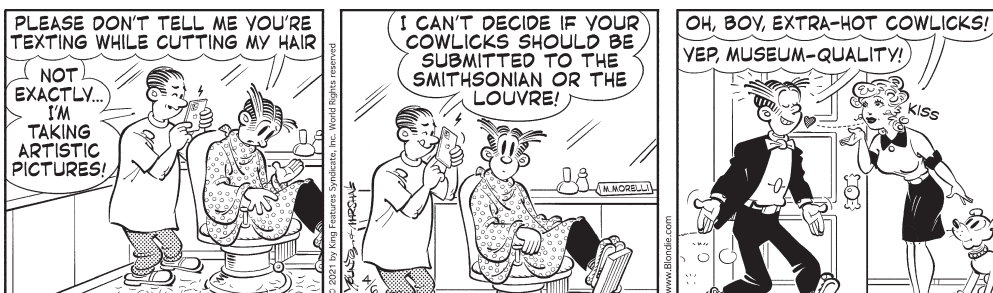
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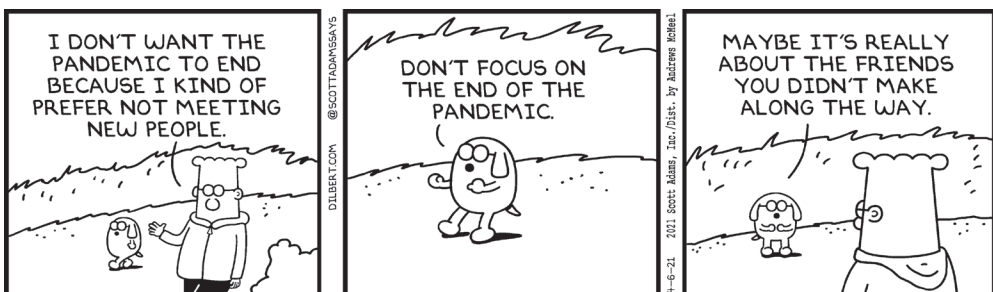
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DEAR ABBY

Unguarded comment may cause brothers to break permanently

Dear Abby: I am a senior male. I understand I may have some beliefs that others find old-fashioned. However, I consciously try to be tolerant of others' feelings and beliefs. That said, my problem is with my younger brother, who is a homosexual. I have always tried to ignore that side of his life and, consequently, we have always had a good relationship. He lives in another state, so we only talk on the telephone.



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

you. He is doing what emotionally healthy people do, erasing a negative influence from his life. You can continue trying to apologize by penning a heartfelt letter of apology and remorse, promising to never use those words again, and sending it to your brother. But if he continues to be unresponsive, you will have to live with it.

Dear Abby: I met a man online seven months ago. We hit it off right away. I checked to make sure he wasn't a "catfisher" and everything checked out. We talk on the phone at least twice a day, Facebook Messenger and video chat. He sent me a card for my birthday along with some money.

I have developed strong feelings for him, and he has told me he loves me. He has told me many times he wants to meet, but we couldn't do it because of the pandemic. He's a jewelry designer trying to get his business back up before he loses it. He's afraid to lose everything.

I don't know what to do. Should I keep waiting or just stay friends with him? We really care about each other, but circumstances prevent us from meeting. — Brokenhearted in New York

Dear Brokenhearted: Because "circumstances" prevent you from meeting this man in person, try hard to regain your balance and stay friends. Although you think you know him, until you finally meet in person, you really don't. Even if you confirmed he works in jewelry design, he may still be hiding something from you. Often when a significant other keeps making excuses not to meet, there's a good reason for it and not always what you want to hear.

A couple of months ago while we were talking, the subject of sexuality came up, and I told him I find the fact that he is gay "disgusting." I know it was a poor choice of words. I merely meant to say that I, myself, am and always have been totally heterosexual. I have never had any sexual interest in members of my own sex. I never meant my comment to be judgmental of my brother or anyone else.

I left several messages apologizing for anything I said that he found objectionable. Now, when I try to contact him, he doesn't answer my phone calls.

Abby, I miss my brother. I truly love him, and I don't want to lose all contact with him. If you have any advice for me, please give it to me. I'm desperate and can think of nothing I might be able to do to restore our relationship. Please help me. — Feels Like A Fool in Washington

Dear Feels Like: I have never understood why so many straight people spend so much time obsessing about what gay people might be doing behind closed doors. That, to me, is disgusting.

I'll be frank. After what you said to your brother, he would have to be a saint to forgive

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago April 6, 1921

Whether work on the Cold Springs road, in Umatilla county, should start at the river or at the Pendleton end is a subject for controversy. Farmers want the road started from the river, so that they can truck their wheat to the boats and ship by water to the markets. Pendleton people want the work started from Pendleton, as this will bring business into the town. There isn't enough money in sight at this time to complete the road, so one end or the other is bound to be disappointed.

50 Years Ago April 6, 1971

Approximately 80 Safeway employees in Baker, Enterprise and La Grande went on strike today, joining 60 Safeway employees who struck stores in Hermiston and Pendleton last Thursday. The employees are all members of Retail Clerks Union Local 1612, which seeks

parity with wages paid to Safeway employees in the Tri-Cities area of Eastern Washington. Other major grocery stores in Pendleton, Hermiston and Umatilla have locked out union clerks. All stores are continuing operation with supervisory personnel and nonunion workers.

25 Years Ago April 6, 1996

Next school year, Renae Schuening's students will learn about depths of man's inhumanity to man from someone who has seen the evidence first hand. Schuening, who teaches social studies to sixth, seventh and eighth graders at the Helix School, is one of 45 American teachers who received a teaching fellowship from the New York-based Jewish Labor Committee. The fellowship is to study Jewish history with an emphasis on the Zionist Movement of the late 19th and 20th centuries, the Holocaust, and the founding of the State of Israel.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On April 6, 1909, American explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson and four Inuits became the first men to reach the North Pole.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Shiloh began in Tennessee as Confederate forces launched a surprise attack against Union troops, who beat back the Confederates the next day.

In 1886, the Canadian city of Vancouver, British Columbia, was incorporated.

In 1896, the first modern Olympic games formally opened in Athens, Greece.

In 1917, the United States entered World War I as the House joined the Senate in approving a declaration of war against Germany that was then signed by President Woodrow Wilson.

In 1945, during World War II, the Japanese warship Yamato and nine other vessels sailed on a suicide mission to attack the U.S. fleet off Okinawa; the fleet was intercepted the next day.

In 1954, Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., responding to CBS newsman Edward R. Murrow's broadside against him on "See It Now," said in remarks filmed for the program that Murrow had, in the past, "engaged in propaganda for Communist causes."

In 1968, 41 people were killed by two consecutive natural gas explosions at a sporting goods store in downtown Richmond, Indiana.

In 1974, Swedish pop group ABBA won the Eurovision Song Contest held in Brighton, England, with a performance of the song "Waterloo."

In 1985, William J. Schroeder became the first artificial heart recipient to be discharged from the hospital as he moved into an apartment in Louisville, Kentucky.

In 2008, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama, speaking at a private

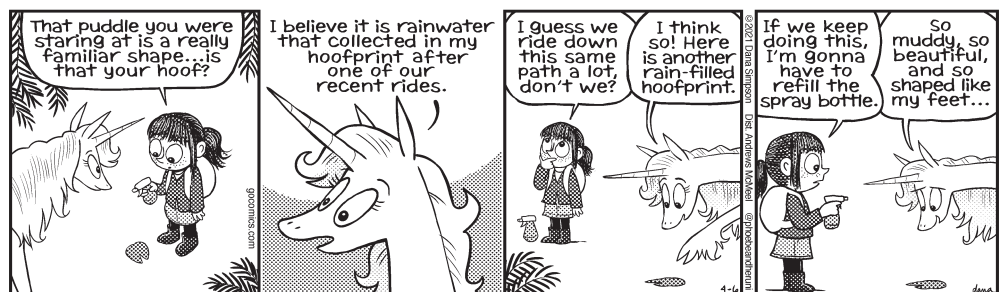
fundraiser in San Francisco, spoke of voters in Pennsylvania's Rust Belt communities who "cling to guns or religion" because of bitterness about their economic lot; Democratic rival Hillary Rodham Clinton seized on the comment, calling it "elitist."

In 2017, Don Rickles, the big-mouthed, bald-headed "Mr. Warmth" whose verbal assaults endeared him to audiences and peers and made him the acknowledged grandmaster of insult comedy, died at his Beverly Hills home at age 90.

Today's Birthdays: Nobel Prize-winning scientist James D. Watson is 93. Actor Billy Dee Williams is 84. Movie director Barry Levinson is 79. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Janet Lynn is 68. Actor Paul Rudd is 52. Actor Zach Braff is 46. Jazz and R&B musician Robert Glasper is 43. Actor Eliza Coupe is 40. Actor Charlie McDermott is 31.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

