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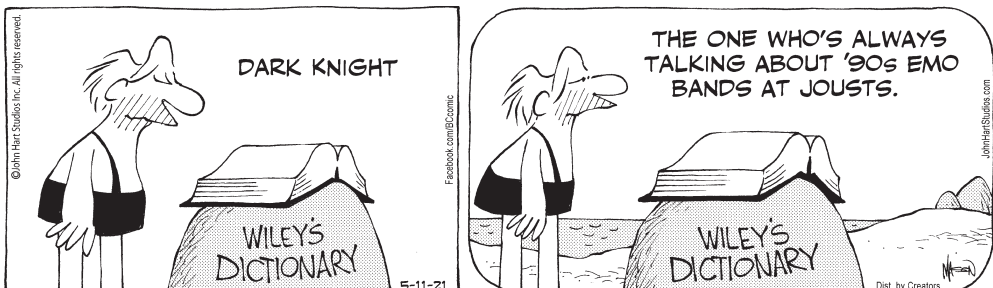
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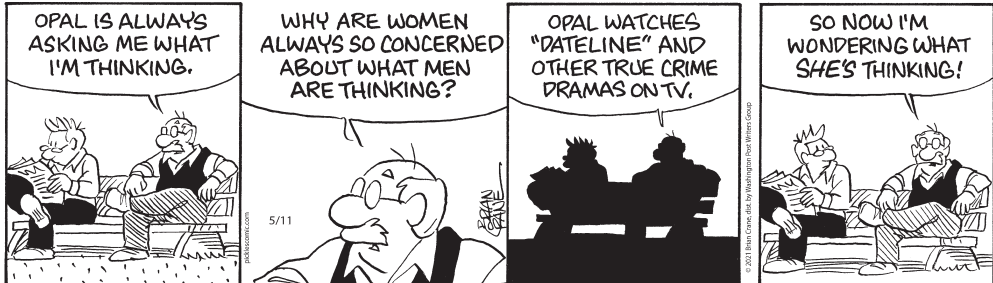
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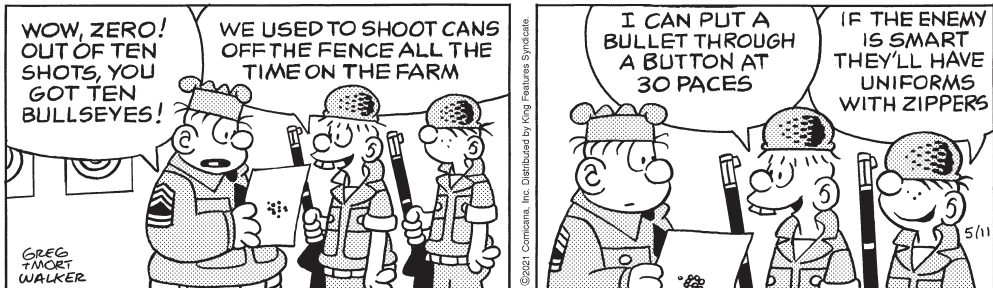
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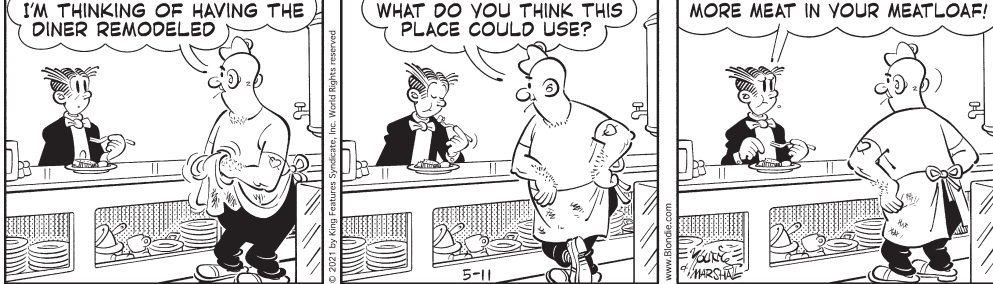
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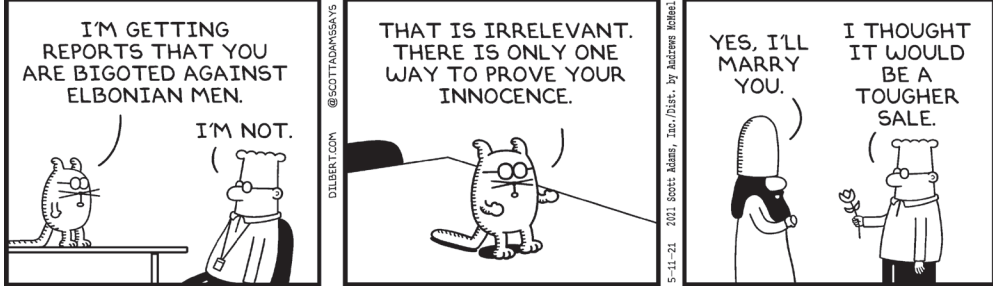
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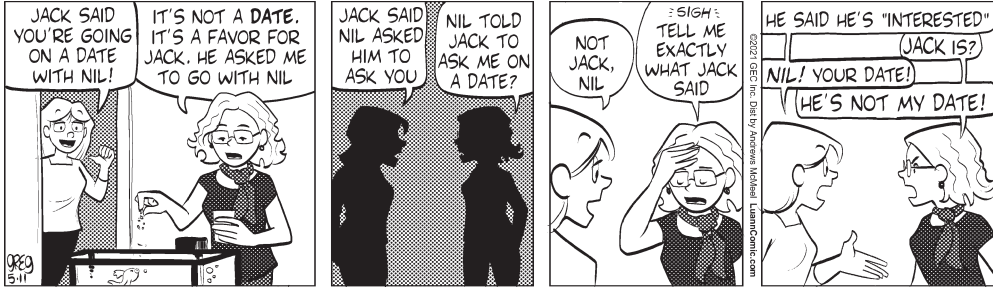
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DEAR ABBY

Disabled son is left off wedding guest list

Dear Abby: I have been married to my second husband for more than 15 years. My 30+-year-old son from my first marriage, who was born disabled, lives with us. He walks and talks, but cannot be left unattended. He also needs medication. He cannot read or write, but looks like he has no medical issues at all. I have no extended family members in the state. My husband and I were invited to a family wedding. However, my disabled son was not. Bride's rule: No children allowed. I pointed out that he is older than she is. He sees this relative several times a year. Child care is hard to find and expensive. I do not know if others tried to get the bride to change her mind. My husband attended alone while my son and I spent the evening with friends and had fun. He didn't say anything to cause a confrontation. Please share your thoughts. I get very sad whenever family events come around and she is there. Life is different when you have a family with special needs. — Hurt in the East



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: My boyfriend never gets off his phone — like ever! The first thing he does in the morning is wake up and grab his phone. He was off one day last week and — I'm not exaggerating — he didn't put it down for 13 hours. He plays this one particular game, and it's all he does. It's affecting our relationship, but if I say anything about it, he laughs, gets mad or ignores me. I don't know what else to do. Help! — Woman Vs. Phone in Ohio

Dear Woman: Was your boyfriend always like this? If the answer is no, he may have become addicted to gaming, which, as of 2020, had become a multibillion-dollar industry. According to The Addiction Center, the "average" gamer spends six hours a week glued to his or her cellphone. That your boyfriend went on a 13-hour binge is cause for alarm. One sign of addiction is when it interferes with daily life or relationships. That he blows you off when you try to discuss it tells me he is deep in denial. There is treatment for gaming addiction, but only if the addict is willing to admit there's a problem. Treatment may involve private counseling or, in some cases, inpatient care. However, if this is unaffordable, On-Line Gamers Anonymous (olganon.org) may be a helpful alternative. It is a 12-step program based on the principles of AA. If you go online, you will find there is a fellowship of friends and family members of gaming addicts. You might want to check it out. If you intend to continue this romance, get out of the house when he binges and do something you enjoy.

Dear Hurt: I agree, life is different for families in which someone has special needs. If you haven't already, I think you have the right to express your feelings to the bride. It would be better than silently nursing a grudge and fuming when you see her. While it would have been nice if she had included your son in the invitation, she was within her rights to invite — or exclude — anyone if she had concerns. Because your husband was able to represent the family while you and your son had fun elsewhere, from my perspective, everything

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago May 11, 1921

Mrs. W.R. Myrick, of this city, is being prominently mentioned as candidate for the office of president of the State Parent Teacher Association, which opens its state convention here tonight and which will elect officers on Friday. Mrs. Wyrick is possessed of great executive ability and is one of these state vice-presidents, a member of the convention committee, president of the Pendleton Parent Teacher Council and president of the Parent Teacher Association of Hawthorne school. She is well known in Parent Teacher work throughout the state.

50 Years Ago May 11, 1971

A justice of the peace court? Thanks, but no. That was the reaction Monday when the Milton-Freewater Chamber of Commerce voted on the question of JP court or a district court. About a week ago the chamber's board of directors decided that Milton-Freewater, like Hermiston, should have its JP court rees-

tablished. Monday's vote ended that move. Chamber members said they favored the district court for several reasons: It saves the count at least \$6,000 a year in property taxes; the office is manned daily by a clerk so service is adequate. District Judge Richard Courson sits once a week in Milton-Freewater, as he does in Hermiston. Chamber members said they could see no reason for duplicating services by reestablishing the JP court.

25 Years Ago May 11, 1996

This is an especially sweet Mother's Day for Carrie Russell Reger. Finally at home in Athena following brain surgery, Reger says her two-year-old, Jordan, is really happy to have her back. "She's very, very loving," Reger says. Still plagued by headaches that doctors say could last another six months as the swelling of her brain goes down, Reger isn't sure when she'll return to work. "Right now, I just want to be with my baby. I haven't even had the heart to take her to day care yet."

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 11, 1935, the Rural Electrification Administration was created as one of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal programs.

In 1858, Minnesota became the 32nd state of the Union.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces landed on the Aleutian island of Attu, which was held by the Japanese; the Americans took the island 19 days later.

In 1946, the first CARE packages, sent by a consortium of American charities to provide relief to the hungry of postwar Europe, arrived at Le Havre, France.

In 1947, the B.F. Goodrich Company of Akron, Ohio, announced the development of a tubeless tire.

In 1953, a tornado devastated Waco, Texas, claiming

114 lives.

In 1960, Israeli agents captured Nazi war criminal Adolf Eichmann in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

In 1973, the espionage trial of Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony Russo in the "Pentagon Papers" case came to an end as Judge William M. Byrne dismissed all charges, citing government misconduct.

In 1981, legendary reggae artist Bob Marley died in a Miami hospital at age 36.

In 1996, an Atlanta-bound ValuJet DC-9 caught fire shortly after takeoff from Miami and crashed into the Florida Everglades, killing all 110 people on board.

In 1997, IBM's "Deep Blue" computer demolished Garry Kasparov, winning the six-game chess rematch

between man and machine in New York.

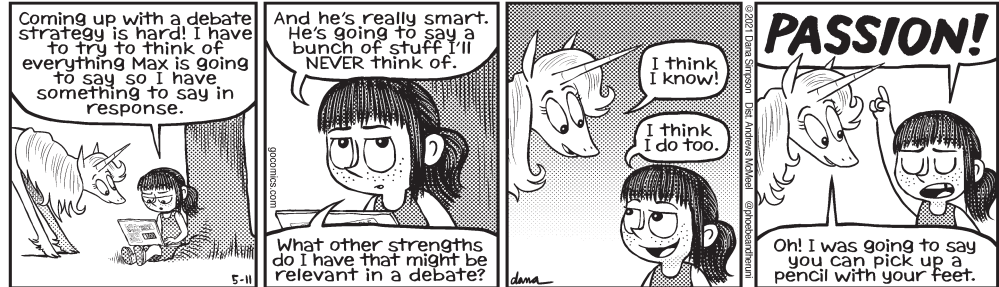
In 1998, India set off three underground atomic blasts, its first nuclear tests in 24 years. A French mint produced the first coins of Europe's single currency, the euro.

In 2010, Conservative leader David Cameron, at age 43, became Britain's youngest prime minister in almost 200 years after Gordon Brown stepped down and ended 13 years of Labour government.

Today's Birthdays: Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan is 88. Jazz keyboardist Carla Bley is 85. Rock singer Eric Burdon (The Animals; War) is 80. Actor Pam Ferris is 73. Actor Shohreh Aghdashloo is 69. Actor Nicky Katt is 51. Latin singer Prince Royce is 32.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

