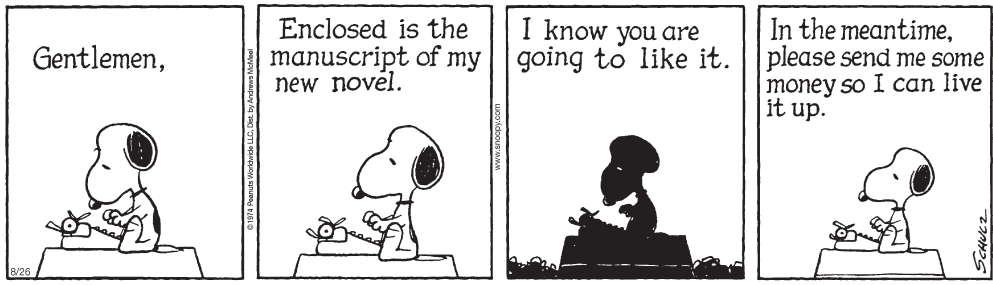


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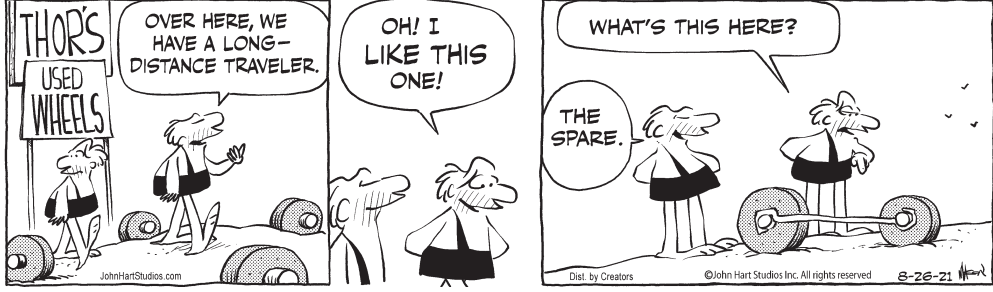
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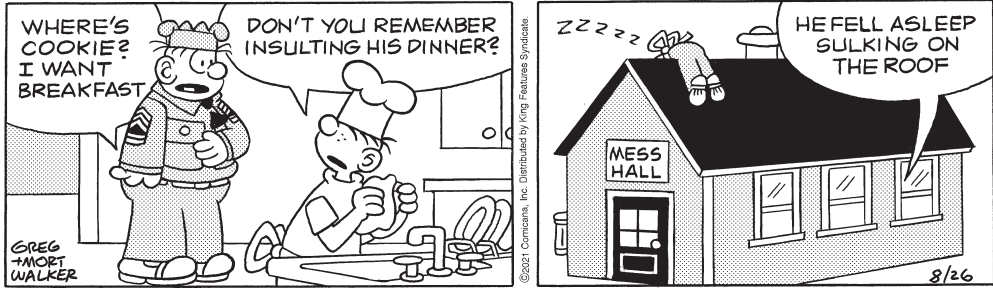
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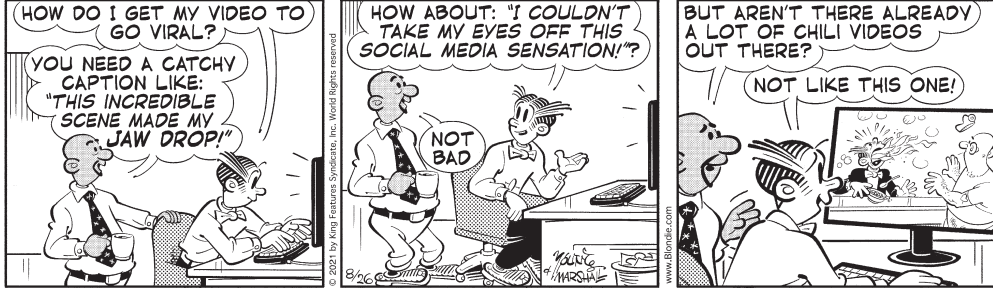
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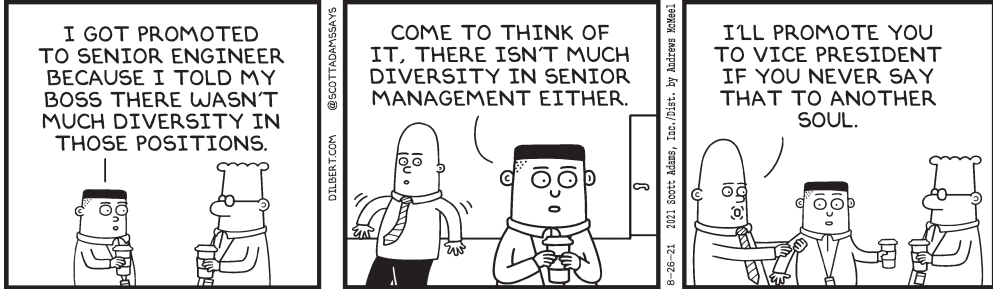
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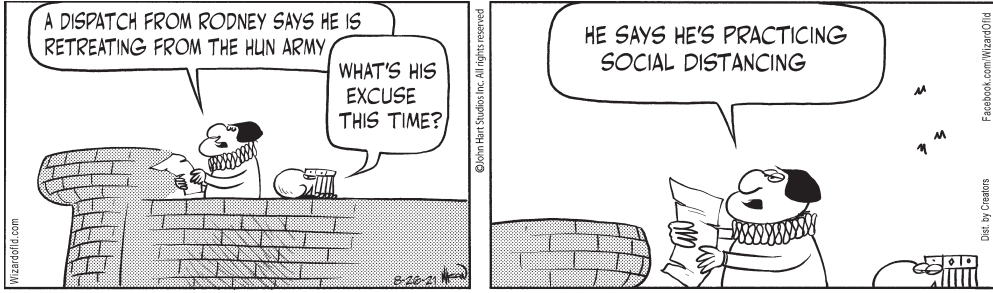
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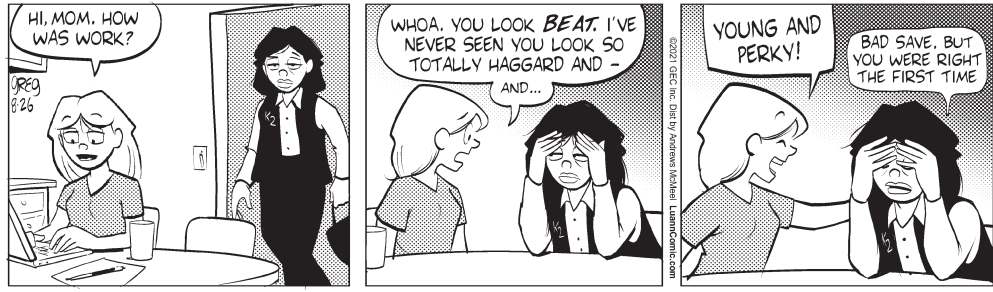
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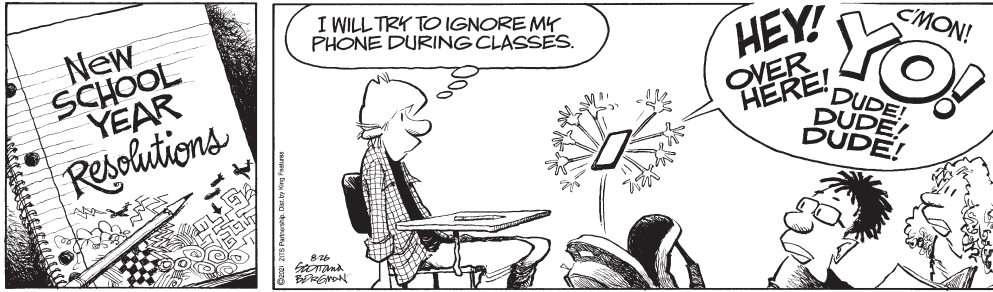
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DEAR ABBY

Mom plants thick roots in married son's home

Dear Abby: Ten years ago, my friend "Maureen" suffered a breakup that emotionally and financially devastated her and moved in with her son and his young family. Since then, she has recovered in both areas.

Maureen inserts herself into every aspect of their lives — vacations, entertaining, etc. When they go out to eat, she always joins them. Her daughter-in-law, "Eve," has routinely given her hints that it's time to move on. Maureen then goes to her son and tells him what Eve said, and it causes problems in their marriage. After dinner each night, Eve goes into her room, closes the door and stays there.

Maureen is capable of living on her own, but she said she might get lonely and that's why she won't leave. The grandkids are pretty much grown now, and there's no need for Maureen to stay. Her friends have been encouraging her to make a life of her own. Eve and her husband plan to move out of state in 10 years, and Maureen plans on moving with them. I think she is putting her son's marriage at risk for her own selfish reason. Maureen isn't old and infirm. She could possibly meet a nice gentleman if she moved out. All her friends have suggested this. What are your thoughts? — Bystander in Florida

Dear Bystander: If Maureen were unwell or destitute, the situation would be different. She is neither. My thoughts are that until Eve is angry enough to assert herself and tell her husband the current living conditions are



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intolerable, nothing will change.

Dear Abby: I recently had to say goodbye to my precious dog, Wendy Darling. She was a sweet old girl with bad kidneys and severe joint pain. During the last few weeks of her life, she could barely eat, and not at all in the last days. I know in my head that ending her suffering was the right thing to do. I have supported friends and family who helped their pets this way.

It's my heart that is having trouble. I keep thinking that I didn't have the right to make that decision; that life is too precious to deliberately steal even a single day. While her body was declining, her mind and spirit danced, and she looked at me with complete trust. I miss her so much and find myself crying throughout the day. Can you tell me how to reconcile my head and my heart? I have this huge weight on my chest and more than a little bit of guilt. — Missing Wendy in Oregon

Dear Missing Wendy: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your precious canine companion. You gave Wendy Darling a wonderful life, filled with love. Dogs were meant to run and play, to love and be loved, not to suffer. I am sure you miss her, but please stop beating yourself up for making a rational decision about what was best for her. If your grief continues to overwhelm you, talk with your veterinarian about joining a grief support group. I am sure he or she will reassure you. Your loss is recent. That you are emotional is understandable. Try to remember that tears are healing.

DAYS GONE BY FROM THE EAST OREGONIAN

100 Years Ago Aug. 26, 1921

Jesse Brunn, or Jesse Roberts as he is better known, was exonerated from all blame for shooting Louis Ragains early last Sunday morning at Wright's cabin in the mountains near Starkey Prairie by the coroner's jury in the verdict brought in this morning at the conclusion of the testimony in the inquest. The verdict finds that "Louis Ragains came to his death as the result of a gunshot wound, the said shot being fired by Jesse Roberts, or Brunn, and we further find that the said shot was so fired by the said Jesse Roberts or Brunn in self-defense." After hearing the testimony of James Roach and Joseph Cunha Jr., who were the only witnesses examined this morning, it required only a few minutes for the jury to

draw up the verdict.

50 Years Ago Aug. 26, 1971

Quick action by an older sister may well have saved the life of a Pendleton girl. Linda Kay Brown, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Brown, was cooking breakfast Monday morning when her blouse caught fire. Linda's 18-year-old step-sister, Joy, ripped off Linda's clothes and squelched the fire, according to Brown. Linda is recovering well from first, second and third degree burns. Mr. Brown said she is doing well and is in good spirits but will probably be in Pendleton Community Hospital at least through the week. Joy received minor burns herself. While she was putting out the fire, another sister, 18-year-old Donna, was calling Brown. He and Mrs. Brown had already left

for work at Charley Brown Rentals, which they own.

25 Years Ago Aug. 26, 1996

The King rules Richard Cunningham's living room. He's on the wall crooning, back hair slicked into a pompadour. On another wall he's gyrating on stage in a white jump suit. "There's stuff on my wall and every place," said Cunningham, 53, of the Elvis Presley collection that's grown to fill every corner of his living quarters at Oregon Trail Manor since the early 1970s. Cunningham's collection has been helped along by his single-minded passion for supporting cerebral palsy. For close to 15 years he's helped attract thousands of dollars in donations and put on an auction for the birth defect caused by a brain disorder that affects motor skills and speech.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing American women's right to vote, was certified in effect by Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby.

In 1817, the University of Michigan was founded.

In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa began cataclysmic eruptions, leading to a massive explosion the following day.

In 1939, the first televised major league baseball games were shown on experimental station W2XBS: a double-header between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field. (The Reds won the first game, 5-2, the Dodgers the second, 6-1.)

In 1944, French Gen. Charles de Gaulle braved the threat of German snipers as he led a victory march in Paris, which had just been liberated by the Allies from Nazi occupation.

In 1957, the Soviet Union announced it had successfully tested an intercontinental ballistic missile.

In 1968, the Democratic National Convention opened in Chicago; the four-day event that resulted in the nomination of Hubert H. Humphrey for president was marked by a

bloody police crackdown on antiwar protesters in the streets.

In 1972, the summer Olympics opened in Munich, West Germany.

In 1985, 13-year-old AIDS patient Ryan White began "attending" classes at Western Middle School in Kokomo, Indiana, via a telephone hook-up at his home — school officials had barred Ryan from attending classes in person.

In 2018, a gunman opened fire on fellow gamers at a video game tournament in Jacksonville, Fla., killing two men and wounding 10 others before taking his own life. Playwright Neil Simon, whose comedies included "The Odd Couple" and "Barefoot in the Park," died at the age of 91.

Today's Birthdays: Pop singer Vic Dana is 81. Former Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is 76. R&B singer Valerie Simpson is 76. Pop singer Bob Cowsill is 72. Broadcast journalist Bill Whitaker is 70. Actor Brett Cullen is 65. Former NBA coach Stan Van Gundy is 62. Jazz musician Branford Marsalis is 61. Country musician Jimmy Olander (Diamond Rio) is 60.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

