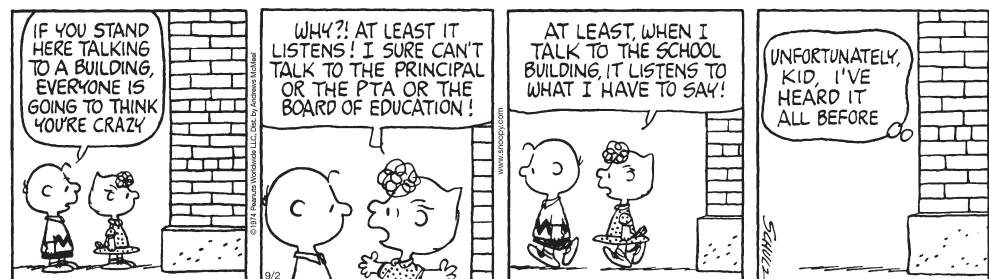


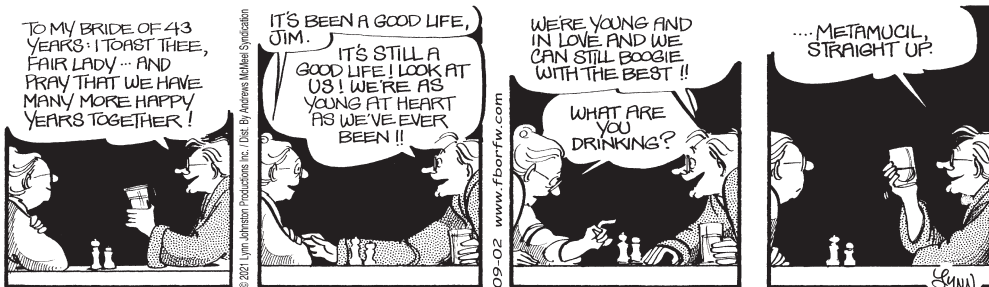
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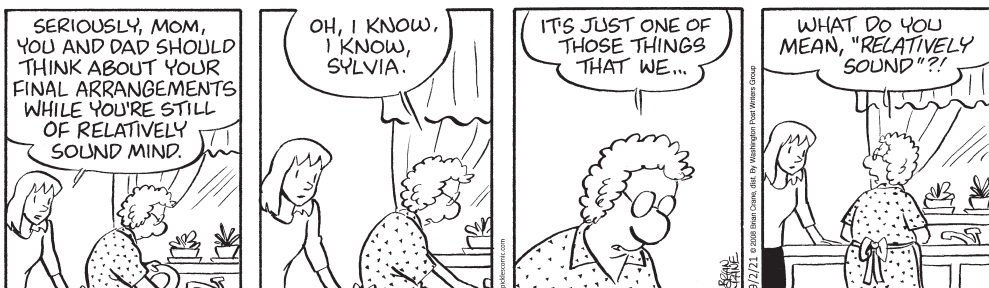
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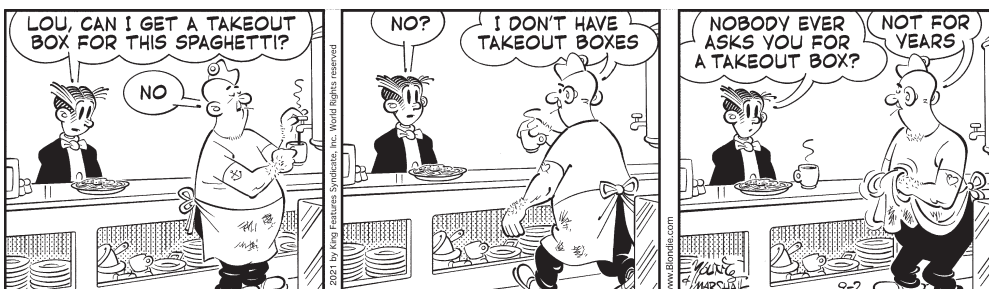
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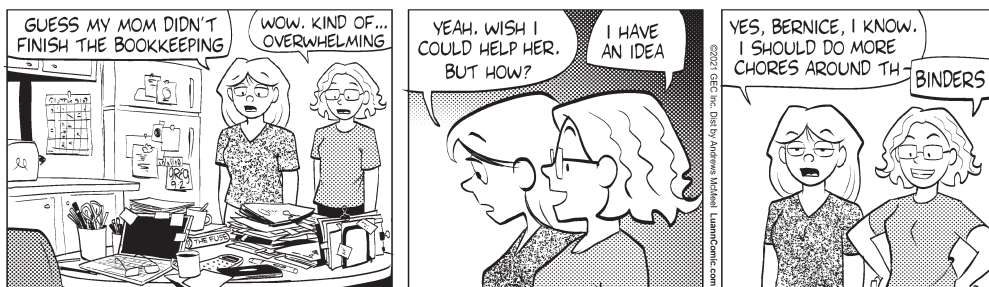
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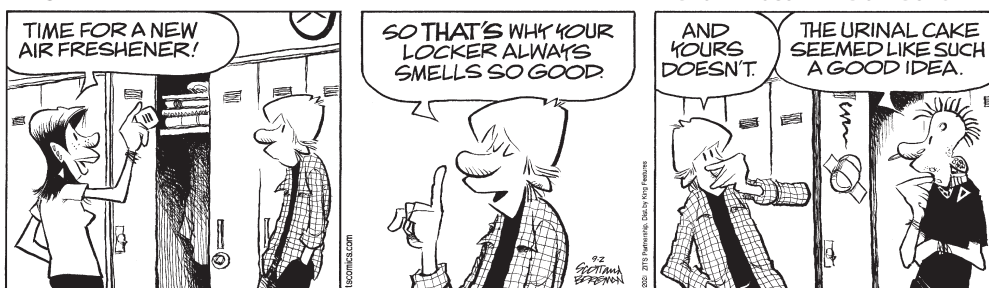
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DEAR ABBY

Boyfriend sets 'do not disturb' policy for visit to ex-girlfriend

Dear Abby: I've been dating a great guy for a year and a half. For eight years before we met, he dated a woman with teenage daughters. He never had children, so they are as close to his own kids as he will ever have. He was recently invited to the graduation party of one of the daughters. It will be a weeklong trip, since they have moved across the country. He intends to stay awhile and visit with the girls and his old girlfriend. I'm grudgingly OK with that.

that he send you a text confirming he has arrived safely, and another telling you when he has started back and expects to be home.

The way to "get past this" is to stay very busy in his absence. Make plans with friends during the evenings so you won't be sitting alone at home, stewing. And when he returns, do not give him the third degree.

Dear Abby: I am a 41-year-old mother of three, married less than two years. I now realize what a selfish lover my husband is. He expects things from me and refuses to reciprocate, which leaves me unhappy and unsatisfied. When I ask him to change things up or return the same foreplay, it results in us not connecting at all. How do I get him to be less selfish without hurting his feelings? I'm on the verge of cheating. — It's Stale in the Midwest

Dear It's Stale: Cheating won't help your situation. It will likely make it worse. Instead of dealing with a selfish or sexually repressed husband, you will have, in addition, one who is outraged when he discovers your infidelity. Find a time when you are both calm to talk to him. Tell him you love him, but your sex life is unsatisfactory, and if he loves you, he will agree to talk things out with a licensed marriage and family therapist. If he refuses or things don't improve, you may want to consult a lawyer.

The part I'm having real trouble with is that he told me he won't call or text me the entire week that he is gone. He has apologized in advance but says he wants to concentrate on the girls and have a break from everything. We usually talk every day, and this seems extreme, especially since he will be spending a week with the woman who broke up with him and left him heartbroken (his words). He realizes his behavior isn't normal and assures me we are OK, but I'm so hurt. Am I right to be this upset, and how do I get past this? — Silent Treatment in Illinois

Dear Silent Treatment: I understand why you would find it upsetting that your boyfriend of a year and a half has unilaterally decided to go radio silent under these circumstances. It is a radical change of his behavior pattern, and I'm sure most women would be at least taken aback. Before he leaves, request



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DAYS GONE BY FROM THE EAST OREGONIAN

100 Years Ago Sept. 2, 1921

Sam Oliver, a member of this year's graduating class of the Pendleton High School, and former U.S. Navy man, has invented a device for the saving of grain ordinarily wasted through the sack dump during harvest operations. The device, for which Mr. Oliver has applied for a patent, can be made for \$4 or \$5 and is fastened to the sack dump. It was used on the O. Vlassenroot farm and on 1000 acres 15 sacks were saved. The appliance consists of a box beneath the sack dump, and extending beyond it. Any grain which goes beyond the sack dump is caught in the box. Mr. Oliver, who will enter University of Oregon this fall, will either manufacture the invention or sell the patent right to a combine company. Pictures and a working model will be shown here at the Northwest Grain and Hay Show, September 22, 23 and 24.

month's average rainfall. At Heppner, nearly two inches fell in less than 15 minutes. Weatherman Don Gilliam said the amount equaled that which fell on May 25, when Shobe Creek flooded Heppner. A lower portion of the South Cold Spring Road north of Pendleton was closed by a mud slide at 3:30 a.m. today. It was reopened by 10 a.m. No one was injured in the accident caused by the mud shortly before the road was closed.

25 Years Ago Sept. 2, 1996

Cooler weather over the Labor Day weekend allowed firefighters to make progress on three fires that have burned through more than 89,000 acres of timber in the Blue Mountains of northeastern Oregon. "The freezing level on Tuesday or Wednesday should come down to 6,000 feet, so that would really help. We might get some precipitation," Dolly Davis, spokeswoman for the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center in Portland, said today. The largest of the three fires, the Tower Fire, has burned 47,800 acres, and was 84 percent contained. Estimated containment for the Bull blaze is Thursday. The Summit Fire has burned 37,000 acres and was 65 percent contained.

50 Years Ago Sept. 2, 1971

Rain Wednesday and this morning sent Heppner residents scurrying to high ground, closed a road, led to a car accident and, in Pendleton in less than 24 hours, exceeded the

TODAY IN HISTORY

On Sept. 2, 1969, in what some regard as the birth of the internet, two connected computers at the University of California, Los Angeles, passed test data through a 15-foot cable.

In 1666, the Great Fire of London broke out.

In 1789, the United States Treasury Department was established.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Gen. William T. Sherman's forces occupied Atlanta.

In 1944, during World War II, Navy pilot Lt. (jg) George Herbert Walker Bush was shot down by Japanese forces as he completed a bombing run over the Bonin Islands. (Bush was rescued by the crew of the submarine USS Finback; his two crew members, however, died.)

In 1945, Japan formally surrendered in ceremonies aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay, ending World War II.

In 1960, Wilma Rudolph

of the United States won the first of her three gold medals at the Rome Summer Olympics as she finished the 100-meter dash in 11 seconds.

In 1963, Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace prevented the integration of Tuskegee High School by encircling the building with state troopers. "The CBS Evening News" with Walter Cronkite was lengthened from 15 to 30 minutes, becoming network television's first half-hour nightly newscast.

In 1998, a Swissair MD-11 jetliner crashed off Nova Scotia, killing all 229 people aboard.

In 2005, a National Guard convoy packed with food, water and medicine rolled into New Orleans four days after Hurricane Katrina.

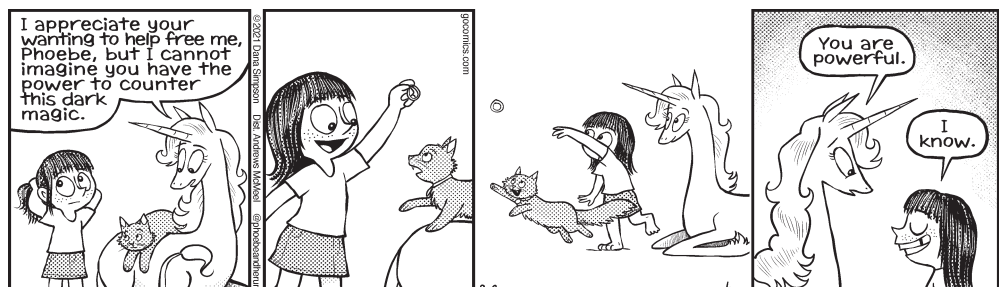
In 2019, a fire swept a boat carrying recreational scuba divers that was anchored near an island off the Southern California coast; the captain and four other crew

members were able to escape the flames, but 34 people who were trapped below died.

Today's Birthdays: Former Sen. Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo., is 90. Former United States Olympic Committee Chairman Peter Ueberroth is 84. Singer Jimmy Clanton is 83. R&B singer Sam Gooden (The Impressions) is 82. R&B singer Rosalind Ashford (Martha & the Vandellas) is 78. Singer Joe Simon is 78. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Terry Bradshaw is 73. Basketball Hall of Famer Nate Archibald is 73. Actor Mark Harmon is 70. Former Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C., is 70. International Tennis Hall of Famer Jimmy Connors is 69. Actor Linda Purl is 66. Rock musician Jerry Augustyniak (10,000 Maniacs) is 63. Country musician Paul Deakin (The Mavericks) is 62. Pro Football Hall of Famer Eric Dickerson is 61. Actor Keanu Reeves is 57.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

