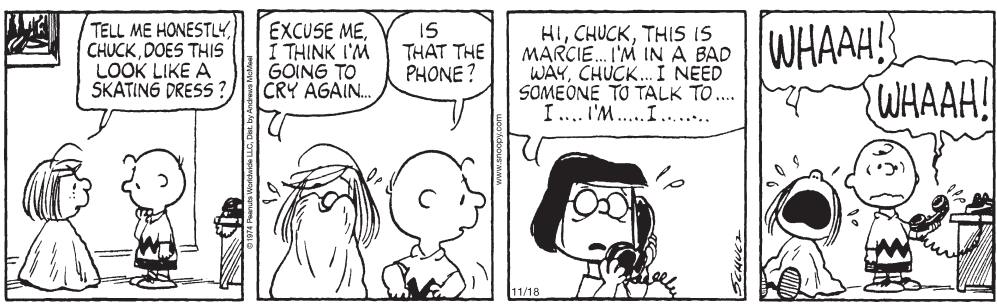


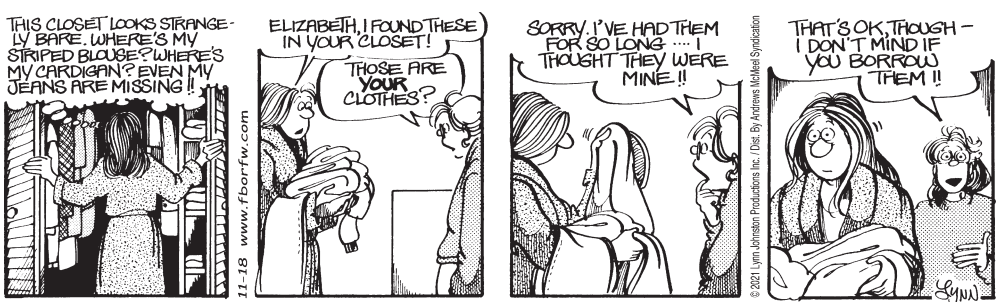
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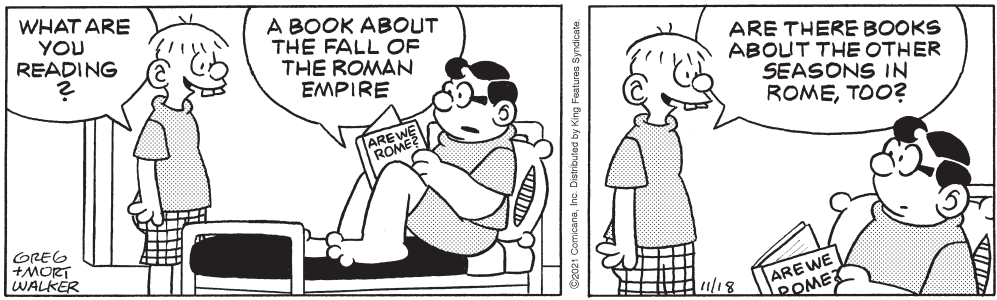
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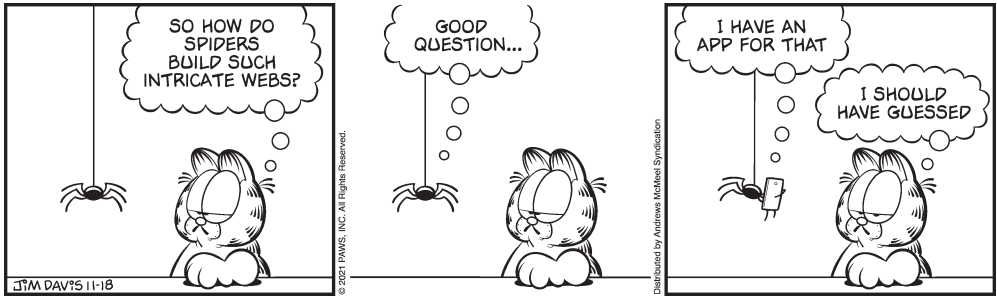
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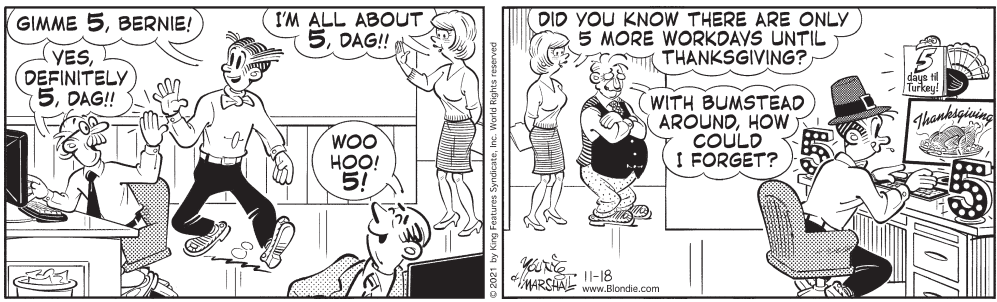
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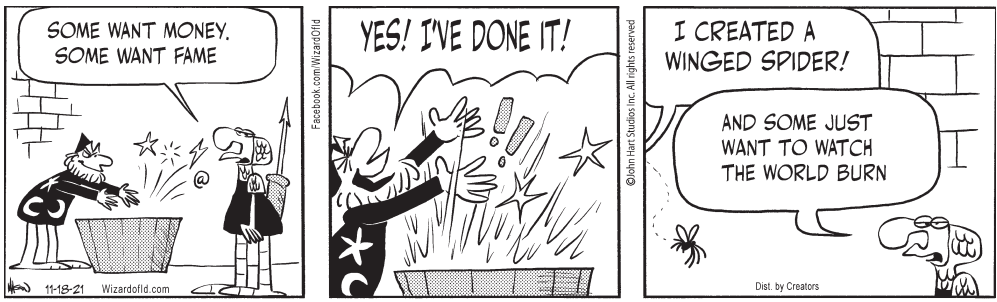
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DEAR ABBY

A father's anger issues stem from head injury



JEANNE PHILLIPS
ADVICE

Dear Abby: I'm a divorcee who has reconnected with a childhood neighbor, "Levi." He was physically assaulted as a teenager and badly injured. He has made almost a complete recovery, but has a metal plate in his skull and a traumatic brain injury. We have always been friends, and after my divorce, he asked me out.

at you or at him — the more the boy will feel this is what a normal adult relationship is like. For your son's sake, you should separate. If Levi's abuse escalates from verbal to physical, THAT'S when you should "run for the hills."

Dear Abby: I am a mother of three adult kids. We are all comfortable financially. My eldest and youngest are successful.

We had fun, enjoyed parties and hanging out, and I got pregnant. Immediately I began to resent Levi. Neither of us was capable of raising children. Our 5-year-old now lives in chaos.

My middle child is happy to say he is not a capitalist. He works for nonprofits and barely makes ends meet. He went to college, but dropped out in his last semester. He has no health insurance. He drives a car, but has no insurance or driver's license. He clearly knows better, but insists that all these concerns of mine are "old world and overrated."

He cannot control his temper. He's quick to yell at our son, "Jaden," and me, and puts me down in front of him. We have to move to a different area of the home to give Levi space.

I'm sick about the mistakes I've made with him, but I'm not sure what they were. I try to focus him on his license and insurance, but nothing gets done. What's the next best step? — **Helicopter Mom In Michigan**

He truly cannot help it, but it's hard to tolerate the tantrums. Jaden loves his father anyway and never holds a grudge. Levi frequently apologizes, but the behavior never stops. He has never been physically abusive, but he's walking a fine line with the verbal nastiness. I'm constantly a referee to prevent escalation.

Dear Helicopter Mom: I am sorry you didn't mention what exactly your son does for these nonprofit organizations. Because they are "nonprofit" does not mean there is no money to pay their employees. Not only do staffers at nonprofits earn good wages, there are also benefits. The next best step for YOU would be to step back, and allow your adult son to conduct his life the way he has chosen and to accept the consequences.

I love Levi and my son. Should I continue trying to make it work? Or should I run for the hills with Jaden? — **Second-Guessing My Life**

Dear Second-Guessing: Your love for Levi is beside the point. The longer Jaden is subjected to his father's irrational outbursts — whether they are aimed

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1921
A new system enabling the public to watch bread making from the mixing of the dough to the finished loaf will be demonstrated to Pendleton people when the Bake-Rite Sanitary Bakery opens business Tuesday morning in the new Koch building on Main street. Mr. Karl Swanson has installed several Bake-Rite plants in the Northwest and only recently finished one at Bend, Oregon. The oven will have a capacity of 120 loaves every 40 minutes, and hot bread will be available every hour. Gas will be used for fuel and later electricity will be installed for this purpose. The bakery is the first business to move into the new building.

some vacant firemen positions in his department reengineered to training slots, and this fall three Vietnam veterans have been hired to fill those jobs. In addition to required on-the-job training, the men have agreed as a condition of employment to enroll in college-level studies equivalent to 45 credit hours to be completed within two years. Both the hiring and the agreement were effected under the Veterans Readjustment Appointments program.

50 years ago — 1971
For some of the increasing numbers of veterans entering the labor market, it's proving to be a discouraging road toward a steady job and paycheck sufficient to support themselves and their families. It can be especially tough for young men who went into the service from high school and have no previous civilian job experience. Ed Pellessier, fire chief at Umatilla Army Depot, himself a veteran of World War II and the father of a veteran of the Vietnam conflict, has found a way to make room for at least a few of those ex-servicemen. He has had

25 years ago — 1996
In the not-so-distant future, students from throughout Umatilla and Morrow counties will likely help their teachers troubleshoot computer problems. Video conferencing may also be in place, allowing one teacher to reach out to a multitude of classrooms for instruction. Both goals were developed by Michael Lasher, the Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District's new information technology director. Last week, Lasher spearheaded a hook-up of the tiny Ukiah School District to the Internet, an on-line existence he likened to an educational democracy. "You are at no disadvantage in being in Ukiah than if you lived in New York City," he explained. For Lasher, computers are tools that help students and teachers open educational opportunities.

TODAY IN HISTORY

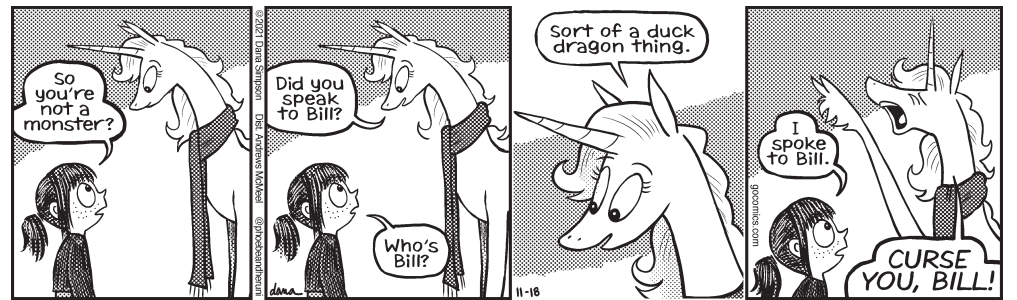
On Nov. 18, 1991, Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon freed Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite and Thomas Sutherland, the American dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut.
In 1883, the United States and Canada adopted a system of Standard Time zones.
In 1963, the Bell System introduced the first commercial touch-tone telephone system in Carnegie and Greensburg, Pennsylvania.
In 1976, Spain's parliament approved a bill to establish a democracy after 37 years of dictatorship.
In 1978, U.S. Rep. Leo J. Ryan, D-Calif., and four others were killed in

Jonestown, Guyana, by members of the Peoples Temple; the killings were followed by a night of mass murder and suicide by more than 900 cult members.
In 1987, the congressional Iran-Contra committees issued their final report, saying President Ronald Reagan bore "ultimate responsibility" for wrongdoing by his aides. A fire at London King's Cross railway station claimed 31 lives.
In 1999, 12 people were killed when a bonfire under construction at Texas A&M University collapsed. A jury in Jasper, Texas, convicted Shawn Allen Berry of murder for his role in the dragging

death of James Byrd Jr., but spared him the death penalty.
In 2003, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled 4-to-3 that the state constitution guaranteed gay couples the right to marry.
In 2004, Former President Bill Clinton's library opened in Little Rock, Arkansas; in attendance were President George W. Bush, former President George H.W. Bush and former President Jimmy Carter. Former Ku Klux Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry, convicted of killing four black girls in the racially motivated bombing of a Birmingham, Alabama, church in 1963, died in prison at age 74.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

