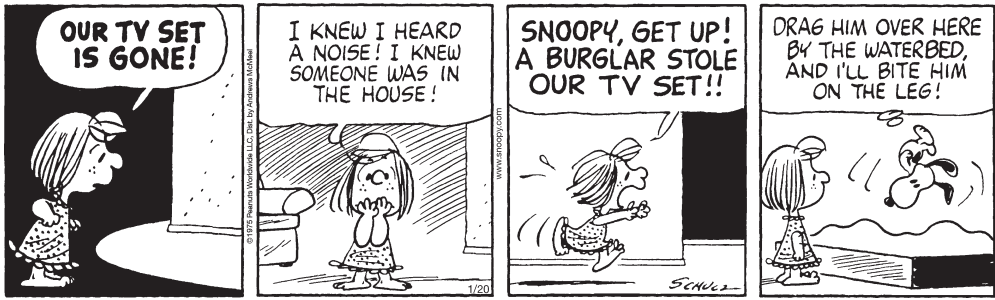


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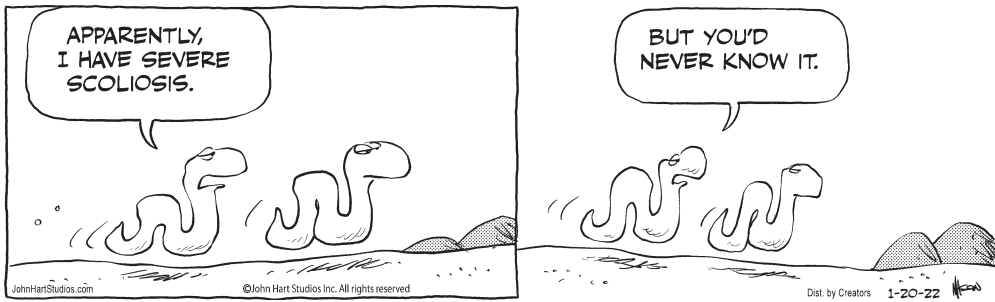
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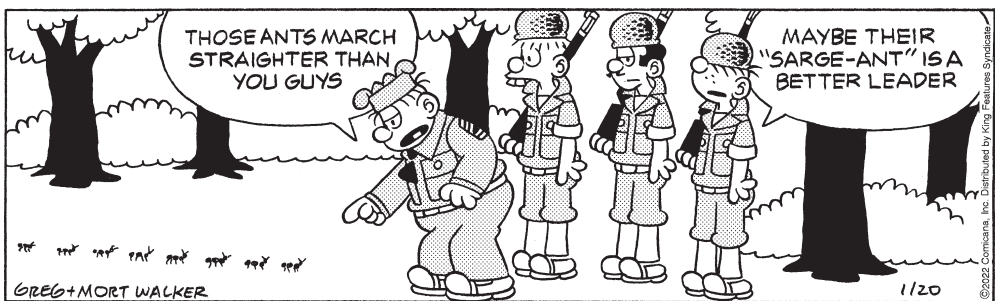
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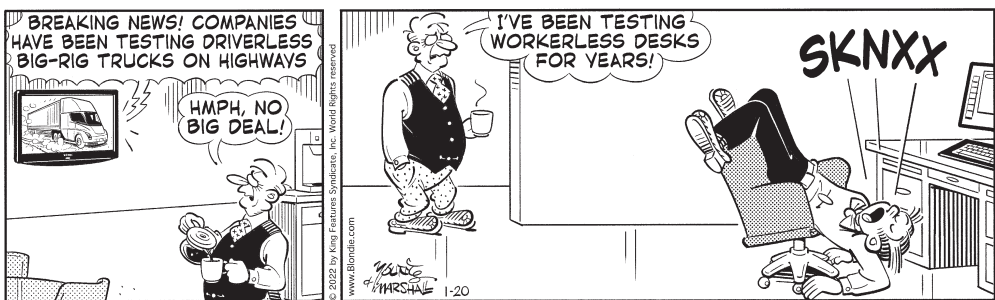
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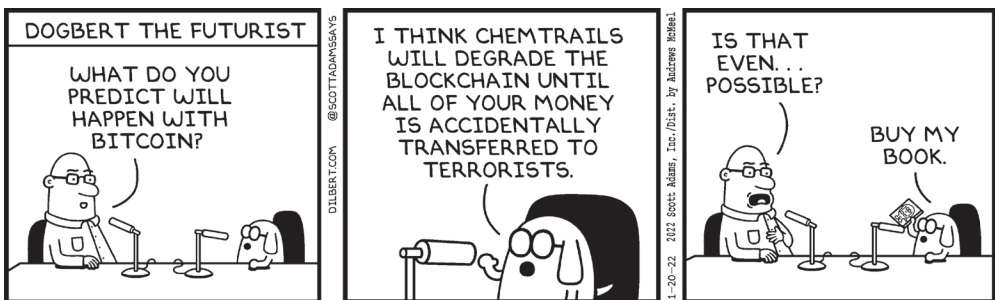
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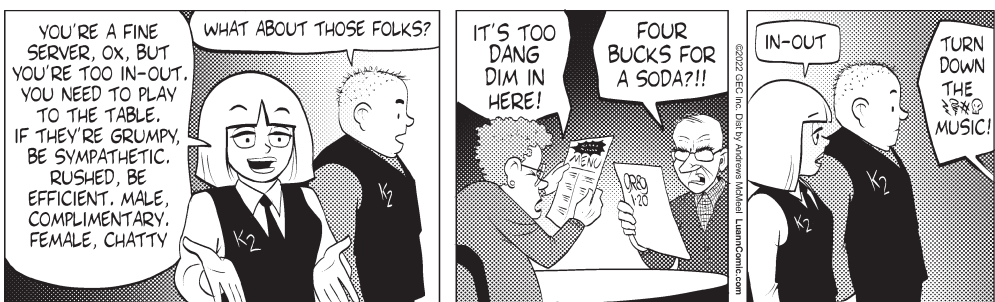
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DEAR ABBY

Man locks himself away for days after every fight



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: When my husband and I fight, which isn't really that often, he shuts himself away for several days. He locks the door to his office or the guest room and won't come out. I try to give him time to cool off, but sometimes it's awkward. He wouldn't talk to me at all for several days while his whole family was here celebrating his grandma's 90th birthday.

or "interesting" may sound a bit odd.

In a similar vein, what does one say to someone when they share that they are divorced? I recall a woman I met telling me she was divorced. I said, "I'm sorry," and she replied, "I'm not!" What's an appropriate response for when these situations happen? I don't want to appear unsympathetic, but perhaps they don't want sympathy.

He's mad again. I apologized by text since he wouldn't talk to me, but our kids — ages 6 and 8 — are going to wonder why Daddy isn't with us. Should I skip a planned event and give him more time to cool off or try to approach him? — **Waiting For Him In Georgia**

— Sympathetic In Florida

Dear Sympathetic: You may have hit on something. The birthrate in the United States is at an all-time low because many women have chosen to forgo motherhood. If someone tells you she doesn't have children, all you have to say is "Oh," and change the subject. You should not interrogate the person further. As for the subject of divorce, sometimes dissolution of a marriage is therapeutic. Do not ask for — or expect — more details. Show an interest in what your old friend is doing NOW and move on from there.

Dear Abby: My late husband was a dentist. Should I include his DDS degree on his headstone? — **Not Sure In The South**

Dear Not Sure: Although your husband may be deceased and no longer practicing dentistry, it doesn't make him any less a dentist. He earned his degree. If you would like it carved in granite, I don't see why it shouldn't be. Inquire at the cemetery about its protocol.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

The State Dog Tax Law which was enacted at the legislative session of 1919, and which was thought to be unconstitutional, has recently been upheld by the supreme court, and will now be rigidly enforced by the county court, according to a statement today. Applications for license should be made to the county clerk by all dog owners, being careful to give the length of collar desired. This is a state tax and is additional to any city tax which may be collected in the cities. The tax is \$1.00 for males and \$2.00 for females. The tax is now due and collectable.

end of Main to get back onto the main drag. Residents of the area complained about the noise and litter. The Traffic Safety Commission and the city's engineer's office recommended a change in the traffic flow, keeping it on North Main. The council gave a green light to the experiment. It's worked, Bryan said, and the traffic past his residence has been reduced by about half. "We came to you about a year ago with a gripe and a petition," Bryan said, "and something has been done. Thank you."

25 years ago — 1997

Hal's Hamburgers was closed, but that didn't stop a pickup from plowing into the drive-through at about 7:10 Saturday morning when the driver lost control. No one was in the popular landmark restaurant at S.E. 20th and Court in Pendleton. The restaurant will be closed at least two weeks for repairs, said manager Randy Cook. The window on the south side was smashed, and the impact pushed the grill and hood vent about eight inches away from the wall. Cook said Saturday's incident was the first time anything like that had happened. The culprit was a 1991 Ford pickup, which also smashed into a nearby storage shed. Police reports did not identify the driver, and no citations were issued.

50 years ago — 1972

Usually when someone shows up at a city council meeting, it's with a problem. So when Calvin Bryan stepped forward at the Pendleton City Council meeting, councilmen sat back to grapple with another headache. Bryan surprised them. "I want to express my gratitude and that of my neighbors to the council and to the Traffic Safety Commission," he said, on how the city handled a traffic problem in the area. A favorite pastime of youthful drivers in Pendleton is to drive down Main Street in a sort of endless parade. The route used to include circling the block at the north

TODAY IN HISTORY

On Jan. 20, 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating Europe's Jews.

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt became the first chief executive to be inaugurated on Jan. 20 instead of March 4.

In 2009, Barack Obama was sworn in as the nation's 44th, as well as first African American, president.

In 1801, Secretary of State John Marshall was nominated by President John Adams to be chief justice of the United States.

In 1961, John F. Kennedy was inaugurated as the 35th President of the United States.

In 2011, federal authorities orchestrated one of the biggest Mafia takedowns in FBI history, charging 127 suspected mobsters and associates in the Northeast with murders, extortion and other crimes spanning decades.

In 1936, Britain's King George V died after his physician injected the mortally ill monarch with morphine and cocaine to hasten his death; the king was succeeded by his eldest son, Edward VIII, who abdicated the throne 11 months later to marry American divorcee Wallis Simpson.

In 1964, Capitol Records released the album "Meet the Beatles!"

In 2020, Chinese government experts confirmed human-to-human transmission of the new coronavirus, saying two people caught the virus from family members and that some health workers had tested positive.

In 1981, Iran released 52 Americans it had held hostage for 444 days, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

