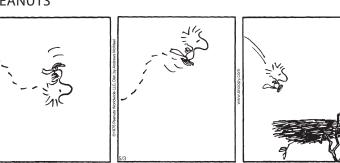
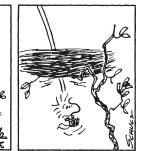
PEANUTS

BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ





FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE







B.C. IT'S NOT EASY

BEING A SNAKE.

EVERYONE RUNS AWAY OR TRIES TO WHACK YOU.



PICKLES

AAH! I LOVE IT WHEN THE HOUSE IS QUIET AT THE END OF THE DAY,







BY BRIAN CRANE

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BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL



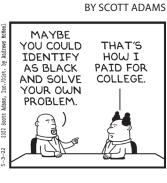




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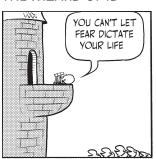
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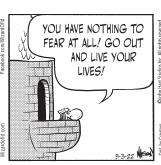


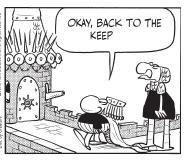


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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN







DEAR ABBY

Man's true colors shock his longtime girlfriend

Dear Abby: I am a 58-yearold, never-married woman. I've recently ended a relationship with a man I've known since childhood. I truly love him. The problem is that he had been stealing from me. I confronted him several times, but finally had to involve the police. Now, he has flattened my tires and repeatedly dented my cars.

Is there more than one right person for everyone? How long will it take me to recover from a broken heart, if ever? How well do you really know anyone? — Disillusioned In Washington

Dear Disillusioned: Inform the police that your ex-boyfriend is continuing to retaliate because you reported him. There is no timetable for healing from a broken heart, but take it from me, it DOES happen. I firmly believe there is more than one "right person" for everyone.

We get to know the significant people in our lives by observing them over a long period of time and watching how they treat others. You should not keep your distance from this man only because of his vandalism and the money he has cost you, but also because he has anger problems he seems unable to control. Surely those character flaws showed themselves before he started acting out on you. Think back on the little things you may have chosen to ignore.

Dear Abby: My wife and I married as teenagers 40 years ago. Our children are



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adults, and most people consider us a perfect couple. My wife has had several affairs over the years, some she has admitted to and others I have stumbled across. For the most part, they have been physical only, with no emotional attachment. Twenty years ago she had a passionate affair with a younger man. It ended when he broke it off to be with someone else. I didn't know about it at the time.

A year ago, she found out he's single again and invited him back into her life. Now, she's openly seeing him. She's telling me they are "just friends" and she "needs his company because only he understands her." I believe if he had a better job and financial outlook, she would leave me in a minute.

I can't stand the thought of losing the love of my life, but I also can't keep living with her knowing I play second fiddle in her heart. She refuses counseling because she doesn't see this as a problem. Should I give her more time (a year already) or file for divorce? — **Confused In Illinois**

Dear Confused: You have given your wife enough time to come to her senses. You state that she refuses counseling and you believe she would leave you in a minute if he made more money. That means she is staying with you only because of the lifestyle you provide. I do think there should be some counseling — for YOU. It will provide insight and emotional support as you contemplate divorce.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

When teams from various schools of Umatilla county meet here this weekend to vie with each other for championships in declamation and track and field events, the folk dance, which was introduced last year, will also be an event over which teams will contend. At present indications are that five teams will participate in the folk dances. A change in plans has been made and this year the teams will stage their dances on the courthouse lawn. This part of the program will be held Saturday morning and will be free to the public.

50 years ago — 1972

Irrigation from wells in some areas of the dry desert country of Eastern Oregon may be restricted before long. In fact, this was done in the Ordnance area in 1966 in a strip 12 miles wide and 15 miles deep. This was the word given Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce this week by State Engineer Chris Wheeler. Under discussion was the Butter Creek area, which extends some 18 miles south from Ordnance, and three miles east. The only shallow wells are along the creek bed. In other areas deep wells have recently been drilled, bringing much of this land under irrigation. But studies show the water level is dropping 30 feet per year. "Development started faster and went further here than in any other area in the state," Wheeler said in explaining why it was being watched so carefully by his department. "This may be one of our most critical areas." Restrictions might require only that no irrigation be carried out except during the growing season. But they may also require closure of some wells now in use.

25 years ago — 1997

The lightning that rattled windows all across town Saturday evening struck a tree at Pendleton High School. The strike scorched the tree. ripping bark off most of the tree trunk, and also damaged a cement sidewalk at the school. The lightning bolt apparently traveled down the tree and through the ground a few feet before blowing out a portion of the sidewalk near the high school shop. Trisha Olson, secretary for PHS principal Jim Krout, said the strike also caused some electrical problems, such as clocks not running and computers malfunctioning. The high school was remodeled and expanded over the past year, with work finishing at the start of the school year. Olson said the school is in the process of finding out how much damage was caused by the lightning strike so the school could inform its insurance company.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 3, 1979, Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher was chosen to become Britain's first female prime minister as the Tories ousted the incumbent Labour government in parliamentary elections.

In 1802, Washington, D.C., was incorporated as a city.

In 1937, Margaret Mitchell won the Pulitzer Prize for her novel, "Gone with the Wind."

In 1948, the Supreme Court, in Shelley v. Kraemer, ruled that covenants prohibiting the sale of real estate to Blacks or members of other racial groups were unenforceable.

In 1960, the Harvey Schmidt-Tom Jones musical "The Fantasticks" began a nearly 42-year run at New York's Sullivan Street Playhouse.

In 1987, The Miami Herald said its reporters had observed a young woman spending "Friday night and most of Saturday" at a Washington townhouse belonging to Democratic presidential candidate Gary Hart. (The woman was later identified as Donna Rice; the resulting controversy torpedoed Hart's presidential bid.)

In 2006, a federal jury in Alexandria, Virginia, rejected the death penalty for al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui, deciding he should spend life in prison for his role in 9/11; as he was led from the courtroom, Moussaoui taunted, "America, you lost."

In 2009, Mexican President Felipe Calderon told state television that a nationwide shutdown and an aggressive informational campaign appeared to have helped curtail an outbreak of swine flu in Mexico.

2011, Chicago's In Derrick Rose became at age 22 the NBA's youngest MVP.

In 2015, two gunmen were shot and killed by a police officer in Garland, Texas, after they opened fire outside a purposely provocative contest for cartoon depictions of the Prophet Muhammad.

BY DANA SIMPSON No, that's MY Are you gonna re-gift the happiness? happiness Get your own.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN Hey, Feeb...d'you remember that time you and the unicorn came to MY birthday party?

And you gave me a piece of PURE HAPPINESS. Sure



BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

BIG NATE

TRUE





