

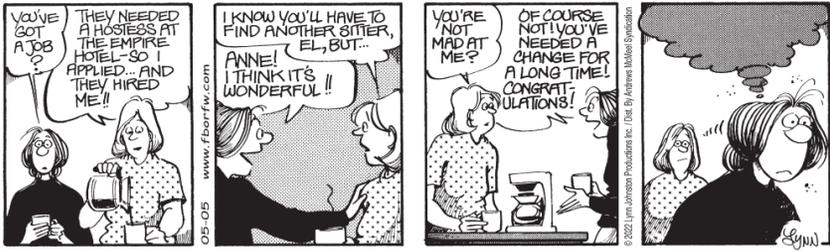
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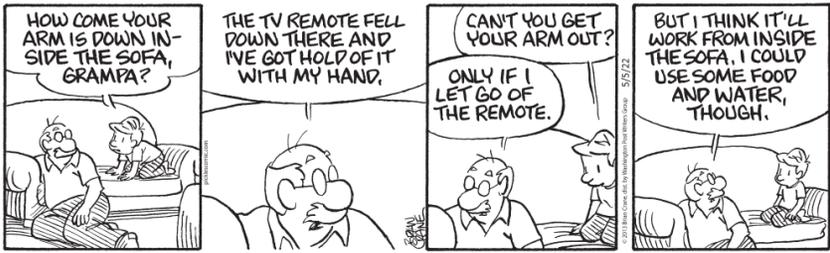
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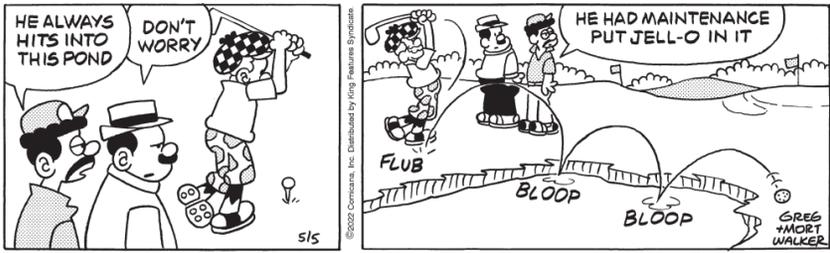
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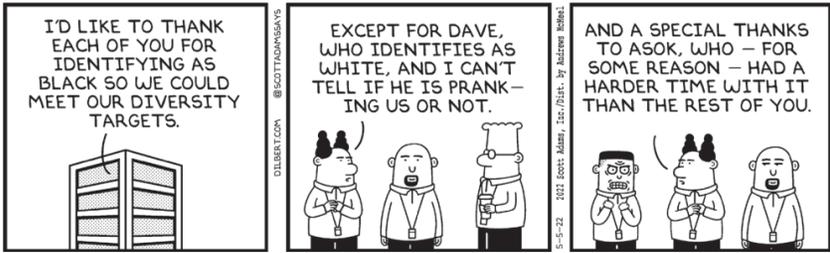
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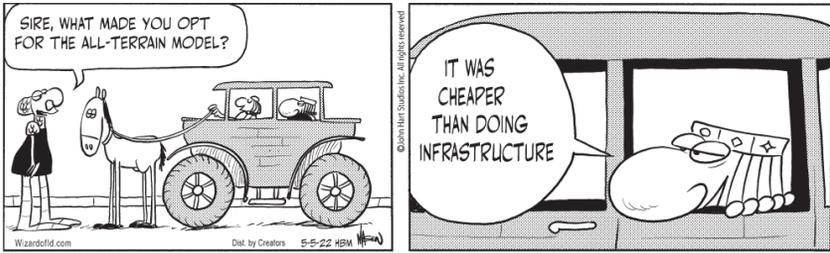
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DEAR ABBY

Mom doesn't know how to tell son about father



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: I have a wonderful 12-year-old son, "Oliver," who was conceived during a date rape at a work party. I don't remember much about that night. When I found out I was pregnant, I hoped my husband at the time was the father. When the baby came, it was obvious he wasn't, because Oliver is a different race.

Dear Abby: I'm in the process of building my first house down the street from my parents. Recently, my mom told me she wants a key so she and Dad can have access to my house in case of severe weather. The layout and foundation of my house are sturdier than theirs. When I told her I didn't want anyone to have a key, she got really offended. It made me feel awful, but Abby, this is my first house, and

We divorced when Oliver was 2. After I explained what happened, he offered to be Oliver's "dad" because he had bonded with him — provided he would not have to pay child support. I agreed.

If I have to give a key to someone when I don't want to, it defeats the purpose of having my own place.

There have been times when Oliver and his brothers have asked about his brown skin, and I have been able to dodge the question. He's getting to an age where I don't think I can hold off much longer.

I have been living with my parents to save up, and Mom has used guilt trips against me before. My sister and brother-in-law agree I shouldn't give in to her. I feel like a horrible daughter for refusing because she's not the type to snoop, but there have been instances when I've been in my room and she has entered without knocking. Should I stick to my guns or am I wrong? — Daughter In Dilemma

I'm not sure what to tell him. I don't think I want him to know he is a product of rape, nor do I want to throw myself under the bus and say I cheated on his dad. Please help. — Looking For Best Way In Washington

Dear Daughter: It strikes me as somewhat pushy that your mother would ask for a key to your home before it is even completed. Because the house symbolizes your independence, I don't think you should hand the key over. It may make sense to have someone you trust be able to enter if you are traveling or have a pet that needs to be walked while you are working. In that event, you may change your mind and see the wisdom in offering her one.

Dear Looking: I fail to understand why you would equate "rape" with "cheating." What happened wasn't your fault, and you should feel neither guilt nor shame that it happened. While I understand your desire to protect Oliver, you should tell him the truth. When you do, be sure to emphasize how much you and your ex love him and how proud you are that he is your son.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

Breaking all records at the Oregon Agricultural College, Miss Mildred Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Rogers of this city, plunged 60 feet in a distance plunge at the O. A. C. swimming tank recently. Fifty-three feet was the best record made up to this time. Miss Rogers, who is a freshman at the college, is a member of the Varsity swimming team and has won honors in various other swimming events. While attending high school here she was prominent as a member of the basketball team as well as for her skills in swimming.

permit from city officials. At the park, students and faculty members from BMCC spoke out against the war, while the many young people played frisbee, enjoyed the sunshine and passed a petition for a marijuana referendum.

25 years ago — 1997

The communities of Pendleton and Pilot Rock have plenty of differences. But they share one thing — a commitment to the youth of their communities. And that commitment has begun to reap benefits. Leadership teams for both Deacon Perkins' class at Pilot Rock High and Brian Schimel's class at Sunridge Middle School have been giving back to their communities. What they are giving is their time and labor, and sometimes combining a little blood along with the sweat. Perkins' class recently participated in a blood drive while Schimel's painted the stage at Pioneer Park. At the start of this week, Pilot Rock students got out their shovels and began digging plots at the cemetery, where they are planting a permanent flower garden. At the end of the week, Sunridge students will take out their own shovels. They're putting on a petting zoo in Pendleton Grain Grower's parking lot. The competition between the two communities is increasing. It's a productive rivalry: kids competing against another in the community service arena.

50 years — 1972

An elderly couple, eating a picnic lunch in Roy Raley Park, were startled Thursday when more than 50 young people marched into the park and started to hold an anti-war protest. The couple stayed a few minutes and then left. Most of the young people were students from Blue Mountain Community College. The BMCC student council joined with the National Student Association in calling for a student strike Thursday, to protest the escalation of the Vietnam War. The young people organized at the Union Pacific Depot at 11 a.m. With a police escort, they marched down Main Street, then turned on Court. The students obtained a parade

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 5, 1961, astronaut Alan B. Shepard Jr. became America's first space traveler as he made a 15-minute suborbital flight aboard Mercury capsule Freedom 7.

ing the pregnant woman and five children.

In 1973, Secretariat won the Kentucky Derby, the first of his Triple Crown victories.

In 1994, Singapore caned American teenager Michael Fay for vandalism, a day after the sentence was reduced from six lashes to four in response to an appeal by President Bill Clinton.

In 2009, Texas health officials confirmed the first death of a U.S. resident with swine flu.

In 2014, a narrowly divided Supreme Court upheld Christian prayers at the start of local council meetings.

In 2016, former Los Angeles trash collector

In 1925, schoolteacher John T. Scopes was charged in Tennessee with violating a state law that prohibited teaching the theory of evolution. (Scopes was found guilty, but his conviction was later set aside.)

In 1942, wartime sugar rationing began in the United States.

In 1945, in the only fatal attack of its kind during World War II, a Japanese balloon bomb exploded on Gearhart Mountain in Oregon, kill-

Lonnie Franklin Jr. was convicted of 10 counts of murder in the "Grim Sleeper" serial killings that targeted poor, young Black women over two decades.

In 2020, Tyson Foods said it would resume limited operation of its huge pork processing plant in Waterloo, Iowa, with enhanced safety measures, more than two weeks after closing the facility because of a coronavirus outbreak among workers. Facebook said it had removed several accounts and pages linked to QAnon, taking action for the first time against the far-right conspiracy theory circulated among Trump supporters.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

