



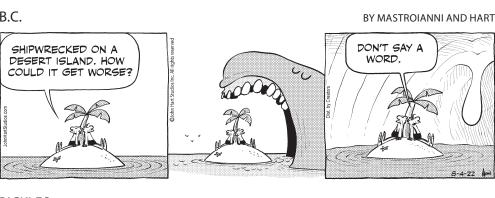
FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE















BEETLE BAILEY

BY MORT WALKER





GARFIELD

I'VE LOST MY PHONE!





BLONDIE

BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL







DILBERT

BY SCOTT ADAMS





THE WIZARD OF ID







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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN







DEAR ABBY

Mom struggles to adjust to new living arrangement

Dear Abby: My elderly mother spent her entire adult life spending her men's money, and now she has morphed into an entitled, self-absorbed and vapid woman. She blew through her inheritance years ago with no regard for future needs. I have now moved her into senior housing near me. She wants to make friends, but the problem is that she thinks she's better than everyone. She criticizes

people's dress and perceived social status. Although she looks like a frail old lady, she's in denial. She also has bouts of crying and irrational concerns and demands.

Abby, my mother has a roof over her head she can afford, food, access to health care and family nearby. She's just used to the constant go-go-go of her former country club life (which she never paid for). I'm recently retired, and her manipulations and the effect she could have on my marriage have me stressed-out. Please advise. - Stuck In The Muck

Dear Stuck: You are a caring, if frustrated, son. You mentioned that your mother has spent her entire adult life indulging herself and living the "country club life." Change at any age can be difficult, but as people age, they can become less resilient, which is more of a challenge. I can understand why your mother might sometimes shed tears over her changed status and even be in denial about it. You didn't mention how much freedom she



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has now, but she may have too much idle time on her hands. If she can't find things in common with her neighbors, perhaps she could make friends volunteering for some of the charities or activities in the community. You would be doing her a favor to suggest it. However, if her crying spells increase, she might benefit from being screened for depression by a medical professional.

Dear Abby: I have been in a mostly online relationship with a man for years. He is a musician, and we met after one of his shows. We live a thousand miles apart and, since COVID shut the world down, we have seen each other only twice. We love each other very much and have developed our relationship via texting constantly. My problem is I'm not a wealthy woman, but I have been sending him more than \$1,000 a month all this time so he can post his music on various websites. I'm not entirely comfortable with this. I have a strong aversion to being used, which is what it sometimes feels like. What do you think I should do?

- Out Of Tune In Delaware

Dear Out Of Tune: Listen to your intuition. Tell the musician you love him very much, but you will have to stop sending him money because you can no longer afford it. It happens to be the truth. How he behaves in the months that follow your announcement will show if he is on the level or if you have been used.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago in the East Oregonian

The scouts were up at 5:00 a.m. Norris Graham, Geo. Summerville, Raymond Rugg, Ed Hale and Gordon Keane cooked breakfast. V. Archie Twitchwell, Louis Hartrong, Red and Alfred Downs. M. Kirby hiked to Meachem for supplies and mail with Russel Lovell, Norris Graham and Donald Swainbnak. Dinner at 12:00; macaroni and cheese, pork and beans, bread and butter, stewed raisins and cocoa. In the afternoon the boys took little hikes around camp and played baseball and horseshoe. Some of the boys picked huckleberries. Allen Cardon, Alfred Downs, Elmer Warren, Clarence Thim and Willie Laing cooked supper. At 10 o'clock Scoutmaster Kirby arrived from town with a case of cantaloupes from Mr. Cardon and ten dozen doughnuts from Mrs. Swainbank. All gifts gratefully received.

50 years ago in the East Oregonian

Kenneth Brumit Archer led police officers on a horseback chase into the Blue Mountains and escaped Thursday.

Archer was wanted on a charge of negotiating a bad check. When a Umatilla County Sheriff's deputy and a state police officer approached a ranch near Weston, to serve the warrant, Archer jumped out a back window.

Archer got on a horse and headed north up a draw towards Pine Creek.

The officers also grabbed horses and tried to track him on horseback over the ridge. A helicopter was called to help in the search but this was given up when Archer got into the timber and brush.

Sheriff Bob Oliver said today that the Pine Creek country where Archer eluded the officers is extremely rugged and nearly impossible to walk.

25 years ago in the East Oregonian

Adam Guenther, serving as First Citizen for Oregon Boys State, recently had the opportunity to meet President Clinton, sit in on Senate proceedings and stop by for a chat with Oregon's own senators while at Boys Nation in Washington, D.C.

Guenther also had the chase to run for vice president of Boys Nation. He made it to the fourth round before losing his bid.

"It was a disappointment until we heard Bill Clinton. He told us that when he was at Boys Nation, he got put out in the fourth round," Guenther said with a smile.

However, Guenther denies that politics are in the stars for him.

'I don't know if I'm quite shallow enough for politics," Guenther said.

Instead, Guether, a senior at Pendleton High School, hopes that his involvement at Boys Nation will garner dollars for this college education. His goal is to attend law school with a minor in theater.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1790, the U.S. Coast Guard had its beginnings as President George Washington signed a measure authorizing a group of revenue cutters to enforce tariff and trade laws and prevent smuggling.

In 1830, plans for the city of Chicago were laid out.

In 1916, the United States reached agreement with Denmark to purchase the Danish Virgin Islands for \$25 million.

In 1964, the bodies of missing civil rights workers Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney were found buried in an

earthen dam in Mississippi.

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter signed a measure establishing the Department of Energy.

In 1987, the Federal Communications Commission voted 4-0 to abolish the Fairness Doctrine, which required radio and television stations to present balanced coverage of controversial issues.

In 1993, a federal judge sentenced Los Angeles police officers Stacey Koon and Laurence Powell to 2 1/2 years in prison for violating Rodney King's civil rights.

In 2020, nearly 3,000

tons of ammonium nitrate that had been improperly stored for years in the port of Beirut, Lebanon, exploded, killing more than 200 people, injuring more than 6,000 and devastating nearby neighborhoods; it was one of the larg-

est non-nuclear explosions

ever recorded. Today's Birthdays: Actor-singer Tina Cole is 79. Actor Kym Karath (Film: 64. Former President Barack Obama is 61. Author Dennis Lehane is 57. Actor Michael DeLuise is 53. Britain's Duchess of Sussex, the former

"The Sound of Music") is actor Meghan Markle, is 41.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

Challenging my logic is not Marigold. That is a total Phoebe thing. how a supposed to imitate it?



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE





