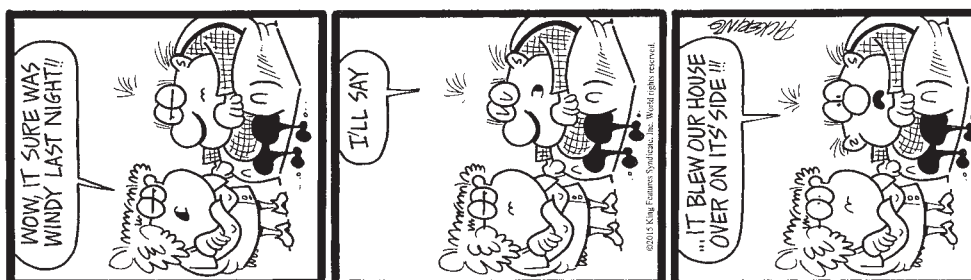


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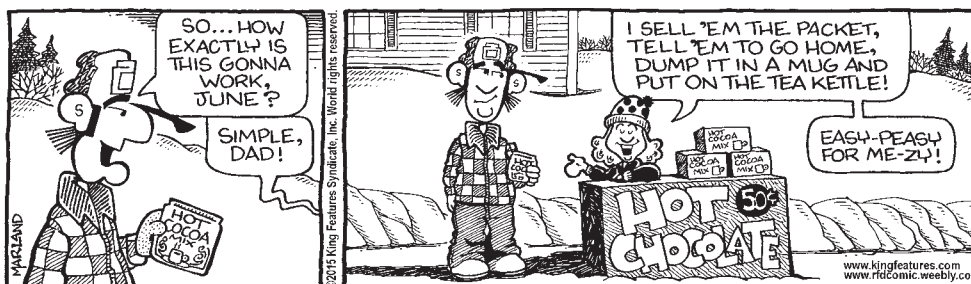
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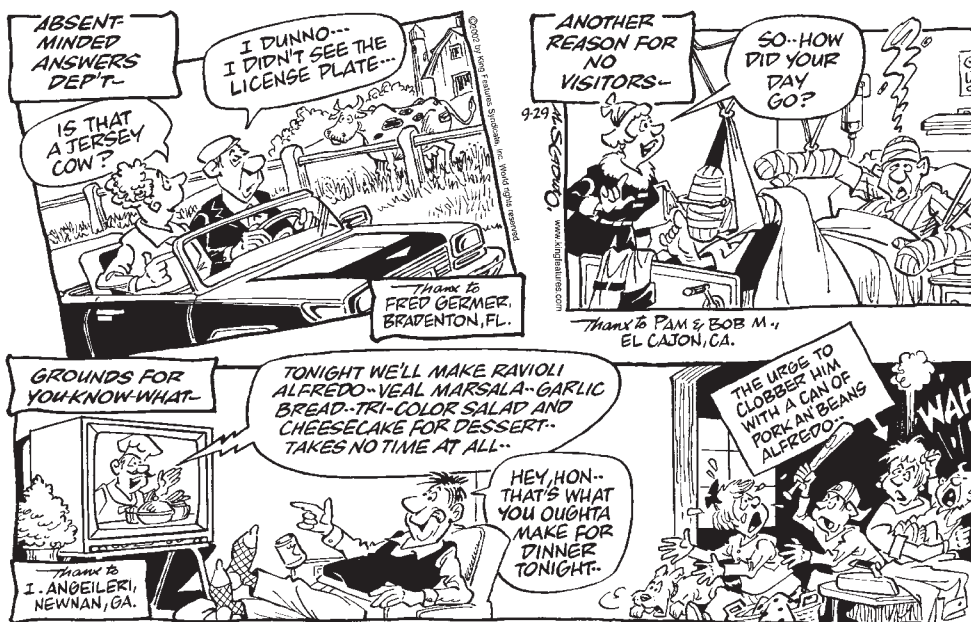
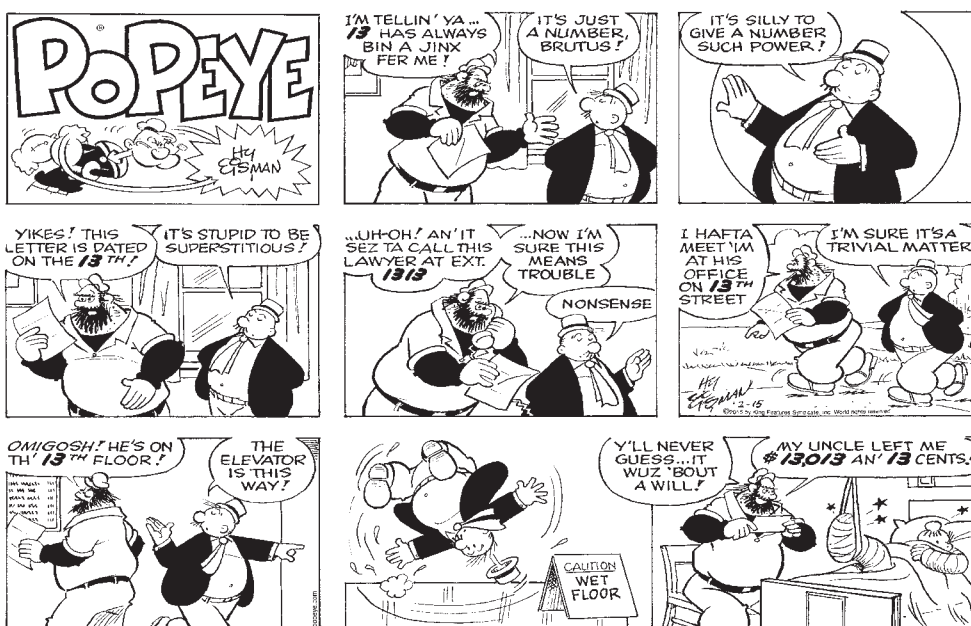
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

SALOME'S STARS HOROSCOPE



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Having second thoughts could be a good thing, even if you're determined to go through with your plans. You might find it worthwhile to take a fresh look at how things have been set up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Financial matters could continue to be a problem until you're able to straighten out some of the more pesky situations. Once that happens, the rest should be easier to unsnarl.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Family matters once again take center stage, and should be dealt with competently and quickly. And, again, insist on others taking on their fair share of the responsibilities.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your creative pursuits seem to be running into roadblock. But rather than blame outside factors, look within to see if you might be holding back your efforts for some reason.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Keep that keen Cat's Eye focused on relevant aspects of this new situation in your life. Don't be distracted by trivial matters. You need the pertinent facts before making a decision.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) As much as you prefer doing things on your own, continue to accept help if you still need to resolve the problem affecting your project. Some cheerful news is about to come your way.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
While you might begrudge the added time it will take to get your project from point

A to B to C, etc., you could benefit from the facts that will emerge over this expanded time span.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Regarding your workplace suggestions, be prepared to produce the facts to counter reactions from skeptics who feel your approach is unreasonable or even impossible.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Savvy Sagittarians will look for work-related answers on their own rather than rely on unproved assumptions. It might take more time to do so, but the payoff is worth it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your aspects continue to favor family issues, with special emphasis this week on changes in and around your home. Get everyone to suggest what he or she would like to see done.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
A matter you thought had been settled might still produce surprises. Best advice: Continue to gather facts to bolster your position just in case you need to produce them quickly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) While your instincts are usually right when discerning 'twixt truth and deception, you could benefit from doing more research on the new "prospect" that you've been pitched.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your wisdom is only matched by your generosity, making you the sort of friend everyone hopes to have.

FLASHBACK BY MICK HARPER

1. Name the only No. 1 song by the Edgar Winter Group.
2. Which song mentions not playing B-17 on the jukebox, as it would bring back memories?
3. What day of the week is mentioned in two songs by Spanky and the Gang?
4. Name the group that released "Have I the Right?"
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "He got joo-joo eyeball, he one holy roller, He got hair down to his knee, Got to be a joker he just do what he please."

ANSWERS

1. "FRANKENSTEIN" IN 1973. THE INSTRUMENTAL WAS HEAVY ON SYNTHESIZER, AND WINTER PLAYED A NUMBER OF THE INSTRUMENTS.
2. "PLEASE MR. PLEASE," BY OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN IN 1975.
3. SUNDAY, "SUNDAY WILL NEVER BE THE SAME" AND "SUNDAY MORNIN'"
4. THE HONEYCOMBS, IN 1964. TO AUGMENT THE DRUMS DURING THE CHORUS, BAND MEMBERS STAMPED THEIR FEET ON THE STAIRS IN THE STUDIO.
5. "COME TOGETHER," BY THE BEATLES IN 1969. THE SONG WAS THE SUBJECT OF A LAW-SUIT WHEN IT WAS CLAIMED THAT JOHN LENNON LIFTED PART OF CHUCK BERRY'S "YOU CAN'T CATCH ME." IT IS SUSPICIOUS: BERRY'S WORDS WERE "HERE COME A FLAT-TOR, HE WAS MOVIN' UP WITH ME," AND LENNON'S WERE "HERE COME COME OF FLATTOR, HE COME GROOVIN' UP SLOWLY"

SUPER CROSSWORD: SHALL I COMPARE THEE?

ACROSS	56 Vacuum tube variety	91 Big company, investment-wise	DOWN	44 "Mad Money" host Jim	77 That girl's
1 Scared	58 Pastoral tract	94 Swirly letter	1 Leaning	46 Bad guy	78 Here, to Fifi
7 Side of a cut gem	59 Spanish for "houses"	95 Around, as a year	2 Engaged man	48 Not foreign, as policy	79 Fidel's friend
12 Fighting junk e-mail	60 Prefix with mobile	96 Warble	3 Parish leader	49 Lyric works	82 Immerse
20 GMC truck	63 Charles of chair design	99 "I — film today ..."	4 Singer India.—	50 "Judge not, — ye be judged"	85 Opposite
21 Sunni's god	64 Founding father Franklin	103 Buck looking more sickly?	5 Papas of "Z"	51 Tirana's land: Abbr.	87 Pretend
22 "Mona Lisa" painter	66 Hemingway feeling more uptight?	108 Nobelist Bohr	6 Mends, as holey socks	52 Dee lead-in	88 Long-jawed fish
23 Danes wearing more frills?	69 Noblewoman	111 Fleur-de- — (iris)	7 Less true	53 Vendor's pushable vehicle	89 Biblical beast
25 Easily caught baseball hits	70 Flowers from Mexico	112 Andean pack animals	8 — carte menu	54 "Do — say, not ..."	92 Philips rival
26 TV reception enhancers	72 Med. scans	113 Light collision	9 Film teaser	55 "Grease" director Kleiser	93 Attire
27 Tend the soil	73 Fisher using more off-color language?	116 Minnow, e.g.	10 British noble	57 Hunting dogs	95 Lunar feature
29 Court mallets	76 Believing in one God	118 Weird things	11 2003-07 Fox drama series	61 Old Glory's country	97 Defames in writing
30 SSgt., e.g.	80 "Remember the —!"	121 Duchamp showing more	12 High mount	62 One being examined	98 — jet
31 Steel city in the Ruhr	81 "Splendor in the Grass" director	123 Chastised loudly	13 Revised: Prefix	65 "Thor" actress Alexander	100 Keys of R&B
33 Feldman acting more bashfully?	82 John of lawn tractors	124 Kowtow, say	14 First-rate	66 Old Balkan region	101 Least naive
36 Time spent in office	83 I, to Klaus	125 Brown slowly	15 "Actually ..."	67 Lilly of drugs	102 Singer Simpson
38 Rubbish	84 Import taxes	126 Grinning villains, often	16 Gunfire burst	68 Come to light	103 Ruses
41 Angry with	86 Allen being more sly?	127 Nobelist Irish poet	17 Nosy sort	69 Jackie's #2	104 John on the Mayflower
42 "Modern Family" airer	90 Venue	128 Roccoco	18 "Someone Like You" singer	70 "Curses!"	105 Chill server
45 Certain quadrilateral			19 Lichen-filled	71 Jai —	106 Boxer Griffith
47 One who's worshiped			20 Film's actors	72 Basso Siepi	107 Fortuitous
51 Griffin suffering more pain?			28 Drug busters		109 Pole dance?
			34 Hoopster Ming		110 "Oh My My" singer Ringo
			35 Newspaper employee		114 Lion's locks
			37 — tai		115 "SOS!," e.g.
			39 "Butt out!"		117 Drescher or Tarkenton
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Answers to the crossword puzzle will appear in Wednesday's paper.