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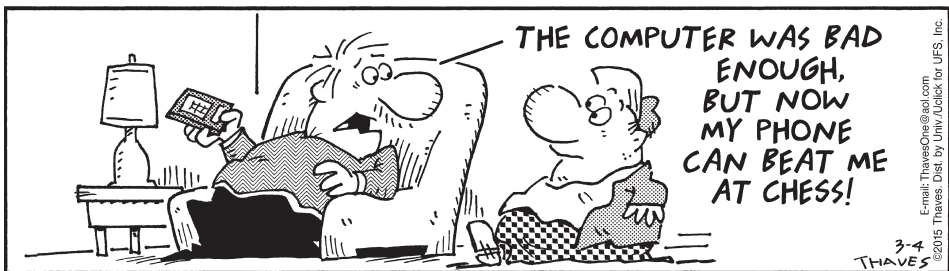
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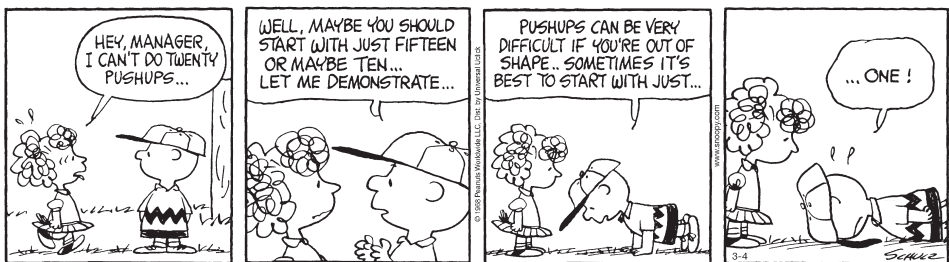
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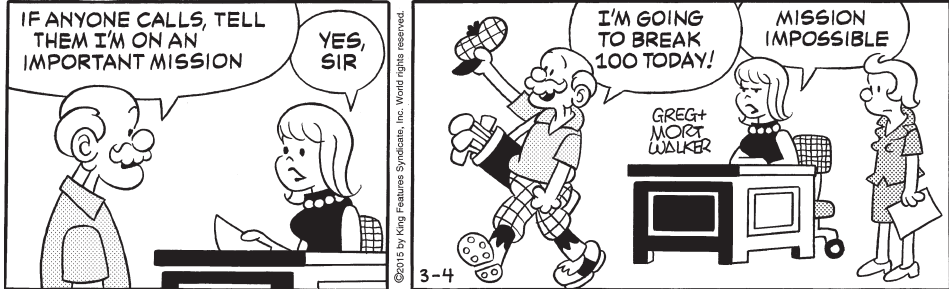
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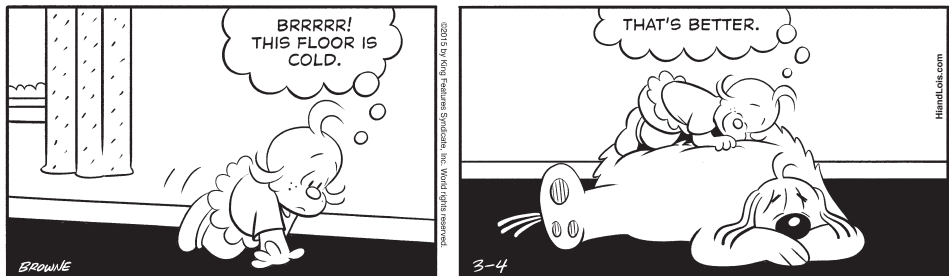
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## Husband's Secret Texting Puts His Wife On High Alert

DEAR ABBY: I was recently told by a friend that my husband had sent her texts of an inappropriate and sexual nature. My husband didn't deny that he sent them and refused to tell me what he sent.

This woman is envious of my husband and jealous of our relationship. She often comments about how she'd love to have a man like mine, etc. My concern is, he admits he texted her, but I don't understand why. My intuition tells me she told me the truth, but I want to trust my husband.

Now I'm suspicious. I always want to check his phone, and analyze every aspect of our life and marriage. I feel this has put a huge wedge between us, and I no longer feel the same love and passion for him. Please help. What do I do now? Is my marriage over? — SUSPICIOUS IN MICHIGAN

DEAR SUSPICIOUS: Your marriage may not be over, but it could be in jeopardy. Considering what has been going on, you have every right to be concerned.

Marriage counseling may help you and your husband get back on track if he's willing to go with you. But if he isn't, then for your own sake, get counseling on your own because you may need to talk to someone who isn't emotionally involved in your turmoil. It will make you stronger.

DEAR ABBY: Every time my new wife and I visit my mom or she visits us, my mother scratches my back, rubs my arm, rests her hand on my inner thigh, tickles me, hugs me or touches me any chance she gets. I don't reciprocate or validate the touching, but I don't discourage it either. She has been this way for so long that I've just gotten used to it. I never noticed how creepy it was until my wife mentioned something.

The problem is, how do I address this with my mother? I don't want to throw my wife under the bus as the reason for the discussion, but I am not sure how believable it will be if I suddenly say after 30-plus years that it bothers me. I want the message that I feel she

should stop touching me at every opportunity to come from me. How do I have this conversation? What can I say? — NO MEANS NO

DEAR NO MEANS NO: Say, "I love you, Mom, and I know I should have mentioned this before, but when you do that, it makes me uncomfortable, so please stop." If she wants to know why, all you have to do is tell her you know she loves you, but you think what she's doing is excessive.

DEAR ABBY: We go out to eat occasionally with another couple I'll call Jack and Jill. Most restaurants around here offer free refills on soft drinks or self-serve. Jack will order water (free) to drink while Jill orders a soda. They then take their empty glasses and refill them with a colorless soft drink.

They see nothing wrong with the practice. We think it's stealing, and we are embarrassed. What are your thoughts, and how should we react when this is done in front of us? Lately we have been making excuses to avoid going out with them. — EATING WITH CHEAPSKATES

DEAR E.W.C.: I agree that it's stealing. Jack and Jill are taking something to which they are not entitled. Have you spoken to them about it? If you have, then because their behavior makes you uncomfortable, you are justified in not going out with them.

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### JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Pisces and a Moon in Leo if born before 5:57 a.m. (PST). Afterward, the Moon will be in Virgo.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015:

This year you often experience highs and lows with your sense of security and overall well-being. You'll stabilize come fall, when you finally will feel as if you have evolved to a point of comfort. At that point, you'll enter a new life and luck cycle. The first year is one of the luckiest. If you are single, ask yourself what type of person you want to relate to. Know that you have an excellent chance to manifest that desire. If you are attached, the two of you will opt for a change in lifestyle that could affect your relationship and your home. This change will be positive. VIRGO can be very critical.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

#### ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

★★★★ Avoid a controlling person at all costs -- you will be a lot happier if you do. Trust your inner voice. You might surprise some of your friends with a sudden change. Try to see past the obvious, and allow your innate creativity to emerge. Tonight: Celebrate the moment.

#### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Set aside some personal time for yourself by signing up for a yoga class or participating in a different type of relaxing activity. You are only human, and you need downtime. Someone seems to tighten the valve where you might expect money to flow. Tonight: Be a little naughty.

#### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ Use the morning for any heartfelt matters. The rest of the day, you might want to do some thinking about a situation that is not always comfortable. A friend could surprise you with an unexpected revelation. Check out an offer, but be realistic. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

#### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You might not be sure about an associate or loved one who seems to demand total control. You know that cannot happen. Your imagination will carry you past a problem to the right solution. Avoid power plays involving money. Tonight: Follow the music.

#### LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ You might need to be more observant of a situation that you view as being change-

able. Perhaps one of the reasons you are drawn to this matter is that you like the constant chaos -- it keeps your life exciting. Learn to let go of your need for control. Tonight: Make it your treat.

#### VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ You might notice a change in your self-confidence. You seem to have difficulty letting someone else assume that he or she is right. You will defy this person and perhaps create a difficult situation for others, unintentionally. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

#### LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★ You might want to step back and observe others' behavior. Express your caring in a way that someone else can receive before you make your exit. Try not to get involved in a conflict. You could feel as if someone is pushing you. Tonight: Not to be found.

#### SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★★ Defer to a friend, especially if you see a difficult situation emerging. Whether you completely agree with this person is not important right now; you will be able to discuss your feelings at a later point. Be careful with your funds. Tonight: Where people are.

#### SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ You could be questioning which way to go with a difficult but necessary person in your life. You might be able to come up with a better solution than this person, but don't count on him or her agreeing with you. Tonight: Do not try to control another person.

#### CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ Tap into your creativity, and walk away from a need to control situations. You will be happier if others agree on a solution because they want to and not because they felt coerced by you. Know that this could result in some insecurity. Tonight: Choose a favorite stressbuster.

#### AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

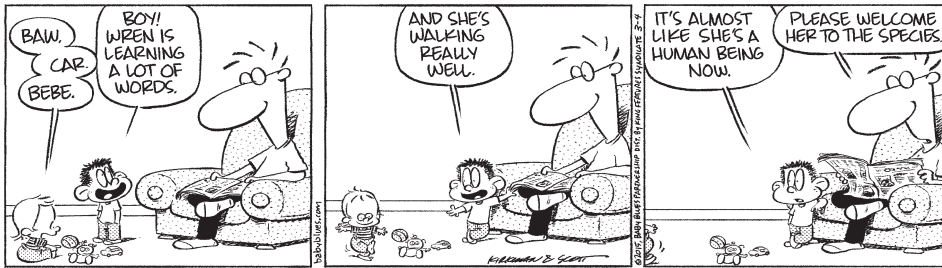
★★★★ You might decide that it is a good idea to pursue a different course from the one you currently are on. Use your diplomacy skills to let someone know where an idea could use some tightening. Tonight: Vanish to a favorite spot with a favorite person.

#### PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★★ Others will be determined to take the lead. Let them, and you will be able to go off and indulge in some fun activities with a friend. Remember that you don't always need to be at the center of everything that occurs. Tonight: Let others make the first move.

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