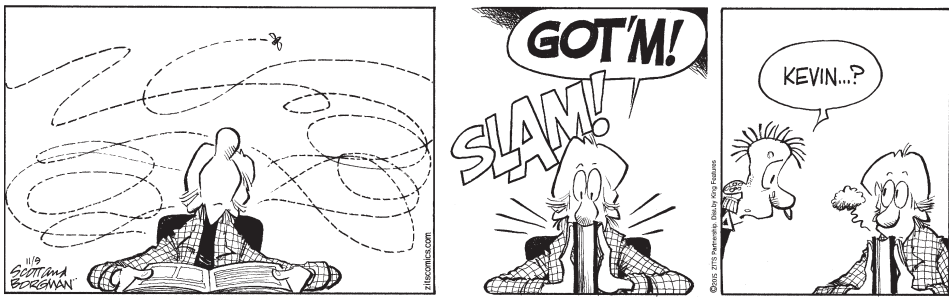


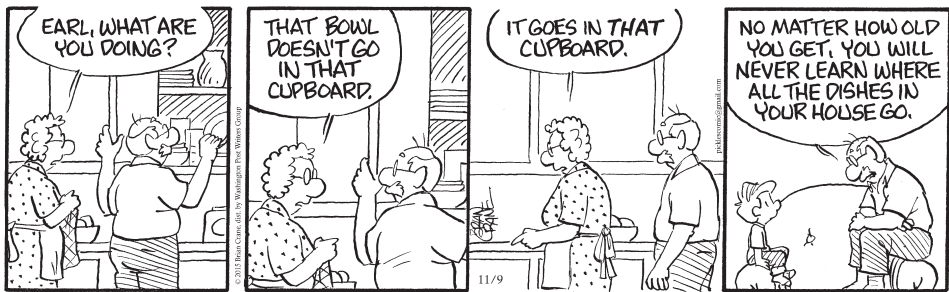
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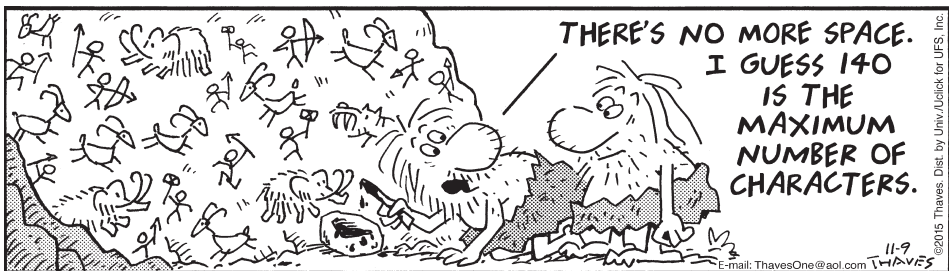
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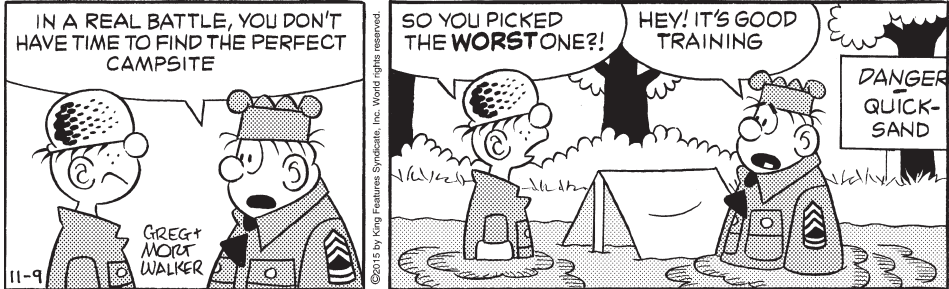
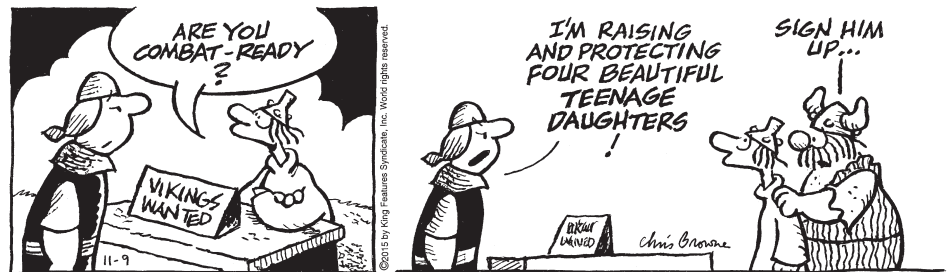
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Husband's Long Tresses Are Stressing His Wife

DEAR ABBY: My husband, who has a beautiful head of dark curly hair, decided to let it grow. It is now about halfway down his back. Sometimes he braids it or pulls it into a ponytail. Other times he wears it down and it falls loose. The problem is, I can't bear to look at him.

He has always been clean-cut and had short hair. But as time has gone on and many of his friends have begun losing their hair, he says he wants to grow his out while he can.

I know that in the grand scheme of life, hair shouldn't be an issue, but I can't seem to get past this. I think it's because of the way he used to look. I can't talk to him about it because he really likes his hair. This feels like MY problem, but how can I deal with it? — TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING

DEAR TOO MUCH: If you can't look at your spouse because his flowing tresses are a turnoff, this must be affecting many aspects of your marriage. Although he likes his hair long, if you address it in those terms he may be willing to listen. However, just as women should be free to wear their hair the way they want, the same should apply to males.

P.S. I'm surprised his friends want to hang around with a walking reminder that they are follicly challenged.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I went to a Mexican resort with five other couples for a seven-day vacation. On the second day, one of the wives, "Sandra," received the news that her sister "Kate" had died unexpectedly. The funeral would not be held until two days after we returned.

Sandra's husband was furious at the family member for calling. What did they expect her to do, hop a plane? We were all affected by Sandra's loss. The first two days all five couples were having a ball. After that call it was like someone popped the balloon — it

was never the same for any of us.

Some of us feel they could have waited until the last day before calling, although I personally think they should have waited until she got home. Sandra and Kate were completely dissimilar and not close. Even Sandra said, "Well, at least I had two good days of vacation." Should the family have waited? — DISGUSTED IN WISCONSIN

DEAR DISGUSTED: It depends, I think, upon the dynamics in the sisters' family and to what degree Kate's death was a shock to everyone. When death happens out of the blue, people sometimes react emotionally rather than rationally, which may be why the relative called immediately.

I agree with the friends who said the sad news could have been conveyed on the last day of the trip. Had Sandra been told immediately upon her return home, she might have been grateful. On the other hand, she also might have been furious, saying, "How could you keep this from me!?" That said, in my opinion it would have been kinder to let Sandra and her husband enjoy their holiday, since it was already too late to rush to the sister's bedside.

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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 Scorpio and a Moon in Libra if born before 11:02 p.m. (EDT). Afterward, the Moon will be in Scorpio.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR MONDAY, NOV. 9, 2015:

This year you will do your fair share of reflection on various matters of importance to you. Be careful not to get too worried about situations, as you are likely to replay them over and over again in your head. Learn to let go. If you are single, be as discriminating as possible. You have a tendency to attract those who are emotionally unavailable. You could avoid a problem by not rushing into a new relationship too quickly. If you are attached, the two of you benefit from frequent getaways together. These periods work well to strengthen your bond. LIBRA makes an excellent healer for you.

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)

★★★★ Have an important one-on-one conversation. Sensitivity remains key to your well-being as well as the other party's. Be willing to look at what is bothering you. The unpredictable marks your style as of late. You are likely to do something spontaneous today. Tonight: Stay open.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★★ Others appear to be quite strong-willed and determined to have their way. Unexpected insights occur because of what is going on around you. You'll hear some very different opinions from someone you consider to be a bit off-the-wall. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★ You will throw yourself into your work or a project. A friend suddenly could show up and seek your company. You enjoy this person, but you might find it difficult to incorporate him or her into your plans. Postpone any lengthy interpersonal exchanges. Tonight: Off to the gym.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ Your creativity opens you up to a new environment full of possibilities. Though you might want to stay where you are and continue on your present path, don't hesitate to enrich your life by opening up to new ideas. Tonight: Pretend that it isn't Monday.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★ Communication forces thought and

perhaps a wild action or two. You might find yourself breaking past a previous assumption. You will witness a better understanding evolve with a key person. Consider staying closer to home in the next few days. Tonight: Where you can relax.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ Your sense of direction and your long-term goals need to conform to your budget. You could feel out of sync with a situation that develops suddenly. Your ability to get past a problem emerges later in the day, after several discussions. Tonight: Speak your mind.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You could be overly cautious of a money matter. Curb any need to possess someone else or to show off. Stay centered when dealing with the unexpected. How you handle yourself will be important, as others are likely to observe and judge. Tonight: In the whirlwind of the moment.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★★ You have more dynamic energy than you realize. Your flexibility comes out when you feel as good as you do. Handle an important matter privately; you will be more effective as a result. Others who are involved will feel more comfortable this way. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Understand that others might not get where you are coming from right away. Even though you will chime with a group concern, there appears to be an element that is hidden or that you are not sharing. Be as open as possible. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ You know what you want, yet others might not want to go along with your ideas. You have the choice of taking the lead or flying solo. You will make the right call, as you know the goal. You baffle others when you are this direct. Tonight: At a favorite place with a friend.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ Make the necessary calls to get more information. Your final conclusion might be very different from what you thought it would be. Take the lead in a project, and you'll be much happier as a result. The task might be more complicated than you think. Tonight: Relax at home.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

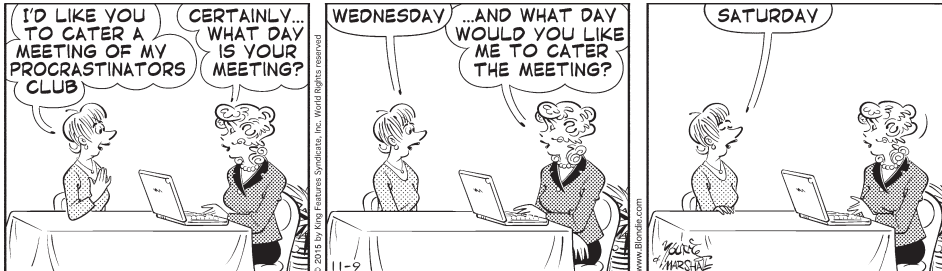
★★★★ A partner clearly has a say in the events about to take place. You might want to have a discussion with this person, but you don't want him or her to dominate the talk. Remember that he or she can't control you, and claim your power. Tonight: Fun for two!

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