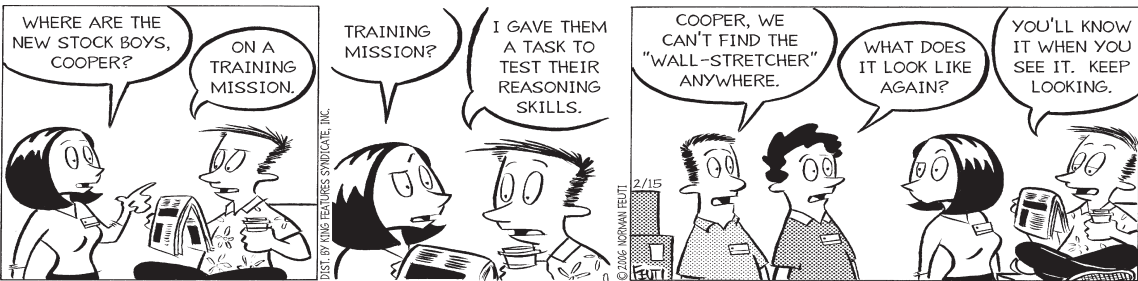
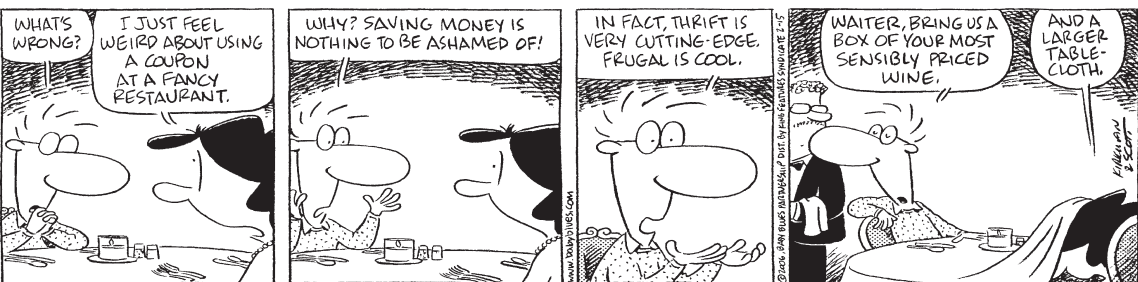
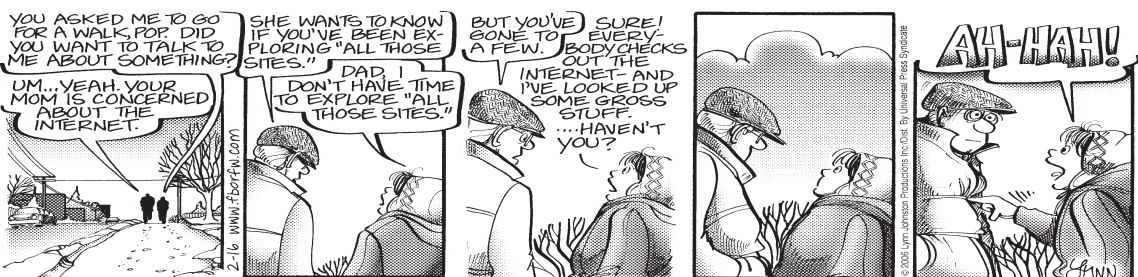


Retail • Norm Feuti (Sample)

Baby Blues • Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott (Sample)



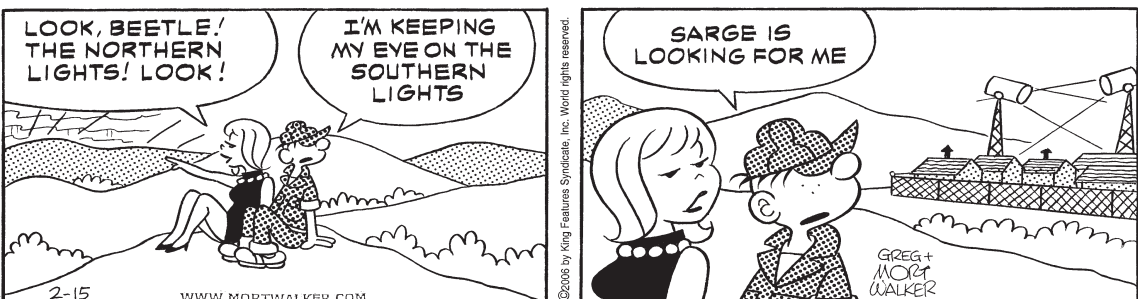
For Better or Worse • Lynn Johnston

**Garfield** • Jim Davis**Hagar the Horrible** • Chris Browne

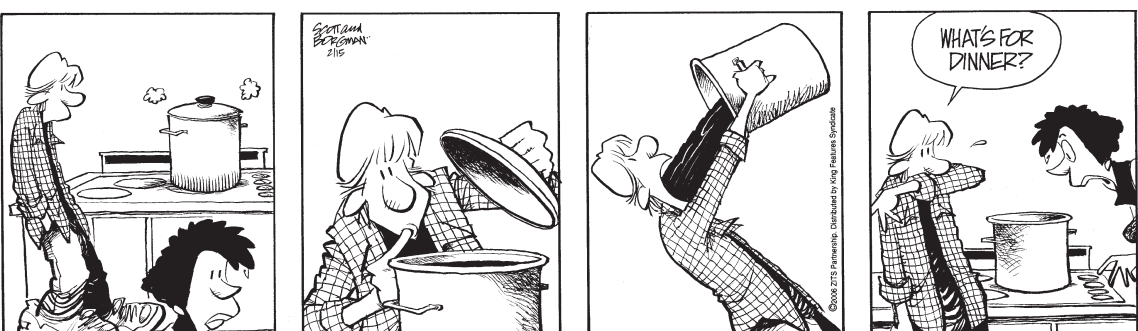
Blondie • Chic Young



Beetle Bailey • Mort Walker



Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



Sally Forth • Greg Howard



Cryptoquip

W Q B A K W V K L Q G U G A S B	F S F K V E E L G N K P V E U T C
N W P P A O K X L L P A S P O V	F H J V O L T V K K P F H
D L O K N O P U X A P , G Y A B	Y G O C F C Z , F ' Y M V S F C F K V E L
D L O ' X X Y A V W P B B A S P A .	Z F J F C Z L G N M V T T U O C F C Z .
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE GOT REVOKED, I RECKON YOU COULD BE FEELING A BIT DIS-CARDED.	Yesterday's Cryptoquip: AFTER A PROFICIENT MASSEUR LOOSENS UP YOUR MUSCLES, I BET YOU'LL BE PAST TENSE.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals L	Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals M

Crossword

CROSS

1 Alluring, slangily

5 Biz degree

8 Confront

12 Post-bout wear

13 German preposition

14 Press

15 Maple genus

16 Interrogation

18 Pie contents

20 Duck down

21 Eggs

22 Sheepish remark?

23 Impetuous

26 Corrugated edge on a coin

30 Lennon's lady

31 Make up your mind

32 Debtor's letters

33 Favorably disposed

36 Jack

38 Praise in verse

39 Tie up the phone

40 How to say "alas"

43 Sudden huge profit

47 Literary critic Lionel

49 Blood-hound's trail

50 Green land

51 Court

52 Zilch

53 Begged

54 Mel of Coopers-ton

55 Radiate

DOWN

1 — Spee

2 Places

3 First victim

4 Dry red wine

5 Carta lead-in

6 Town

7 Movie-excellence org.

8 Re off-spring

9 Saharan

10 Traffic pylon

11 MIT grad, perhaps

17 True-blue, to Scots

19 Wall climber

22 Morsel

23 "Explain yourself"

24 Blackbird

25 Scale member

26 Gasoline abbr.

27 Midafternoon, on a sundial

28 Ph. bk. info

29 Eviscerate

31 Indivisible

34 Hung about

35 Pastoral poem

36 Linden or Sparks

37 Rectangular

39 Leg-of-mutton sleeve

40 Dance lesson

41 Seed coat

42 Tragic

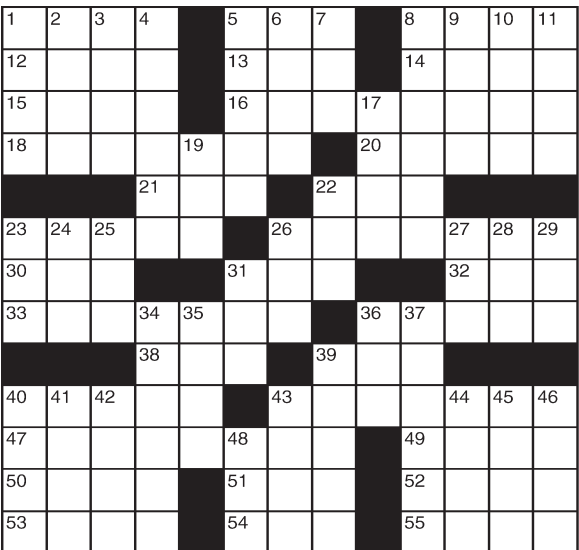
43 Predicament

44 "American —"

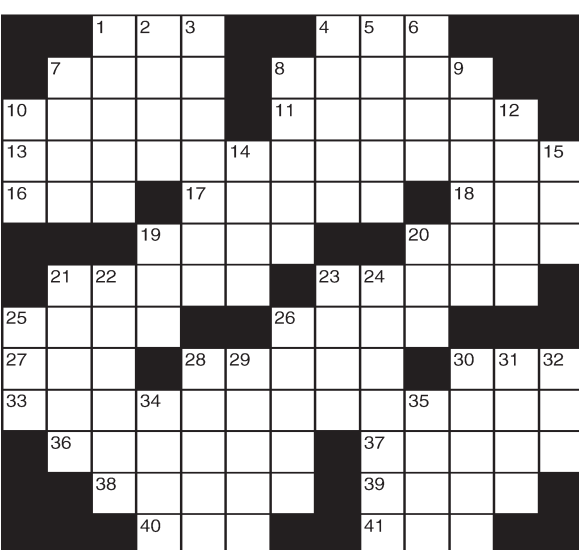
45 Taboo practice

46 Got bigger

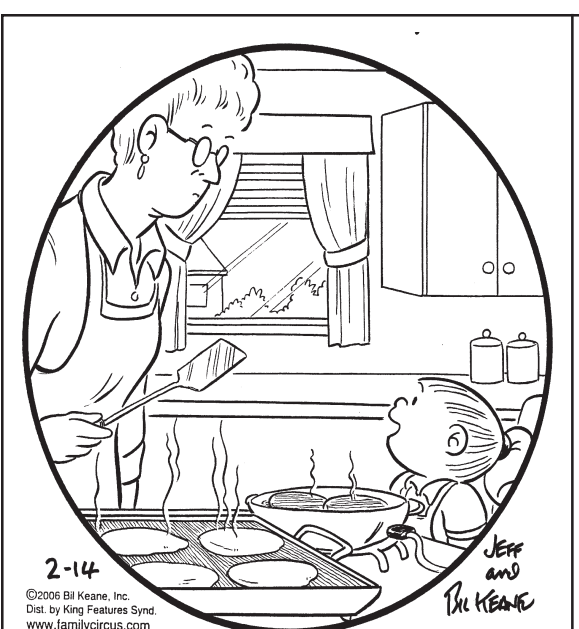
48 Jima preceded



ACROSS	25 Garbage barge	41 Under-stand	12 Basin access-ories
1 Big shot, for short	26 Ethereal	DOWN	14 Almost black
4 — de deux	27 Ander-son's "High —"		15 Witness
7 Elite alterna-tive	28 Sample	1 Opinions	19 Matlock's field
8 Checker moves	30 Literary collection	2 Summer-time treats	20 Firma-ment
10 One who runs away	33 Overly conven-tional	3 Sun-shade	21 Patton portra-yer
11 Painkiller	36 Mexican entree	4 Post-larval	22 Pen
13 Cupid's arsenal	37 Scalawag	5 Eastern bigwigs	23 Skater
16 "Monty Python" opener	38 Mastro-ianni co-star	6 Practice pugilism	24 Small carpet
17 Leaves the shore	39 Fairy-tale preposi-tion	7 Who-dunit basis	25 Rds.
18 "Golly!"	40 Perched	8 Actress Foster	26 Wan
19 2003 Toni Morrison novel		9 Cheroot	28 Miss America's sparkler
20 Paddock pop		10 Hoover's org.	29 Shoelace tip
21 Squa-mous			30 Shop talk
23 Hears the alarm			31 It may be a common object
			32 Over-whelm
			34 Biblical prophet
			35 "Clue" weapon



Family Circus • Bill Keane



“Grandma, for Valentine’s Day let’s have heart-shaped pancakes.”



North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠ 10 8 5 2			
♥ K 8 6 3			
♦ A 5			
♣ K 7 4			
WEST		EAST	
♠ Q 7 3		♠ A 4	
♥ A J 2		♥ Q 10 9 5 4	
♦ J 9 4 2		♦ 10	
♣ J 10 5		♣ Q 9 8 3 2	
SOUTH			
♠ K J 9 6			
♥ 7			
♦ K Q 8 7 6 3			
♣ A 6			

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	

Opening lead — jack of clubs.