

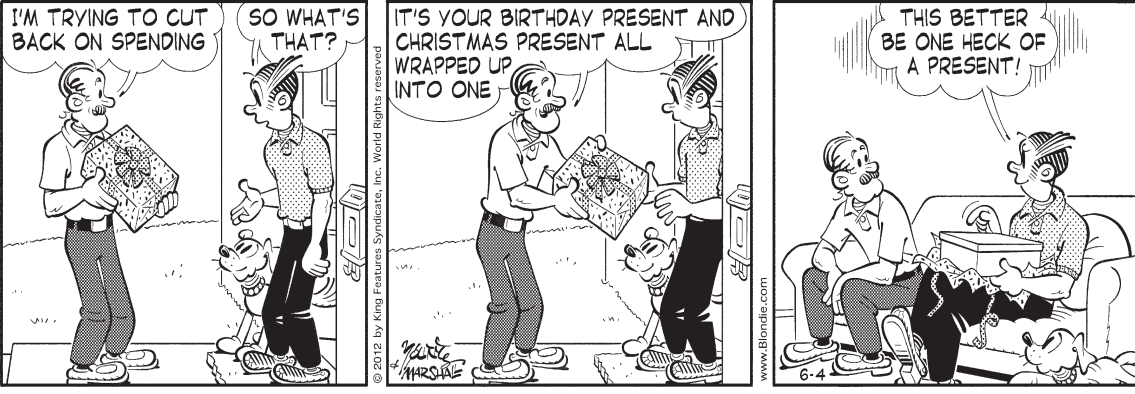
Baby Blues • Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott



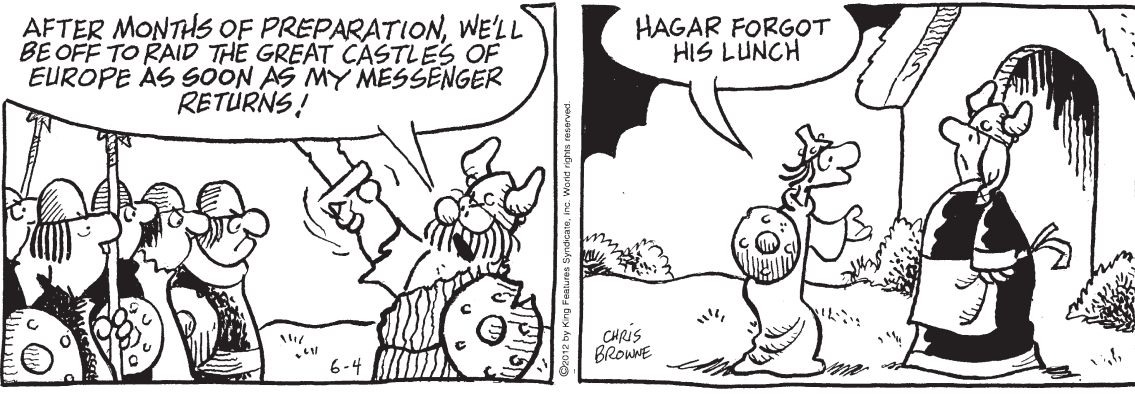
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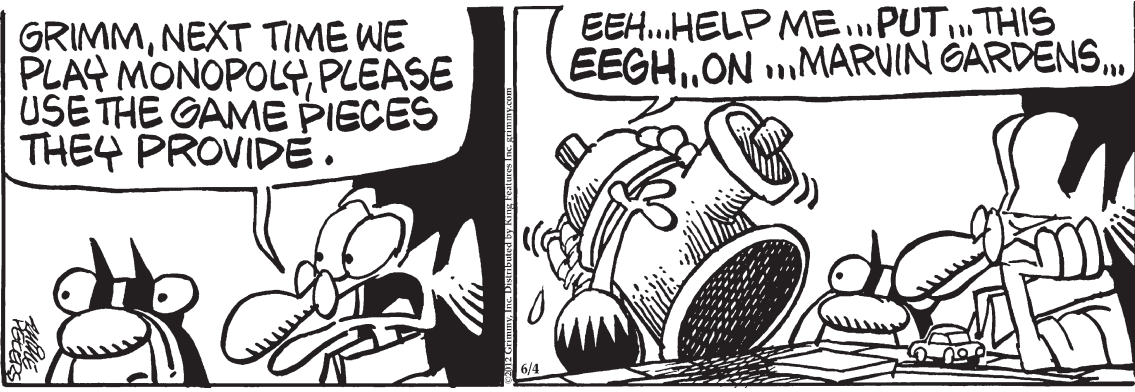
Blondie • Chic Young



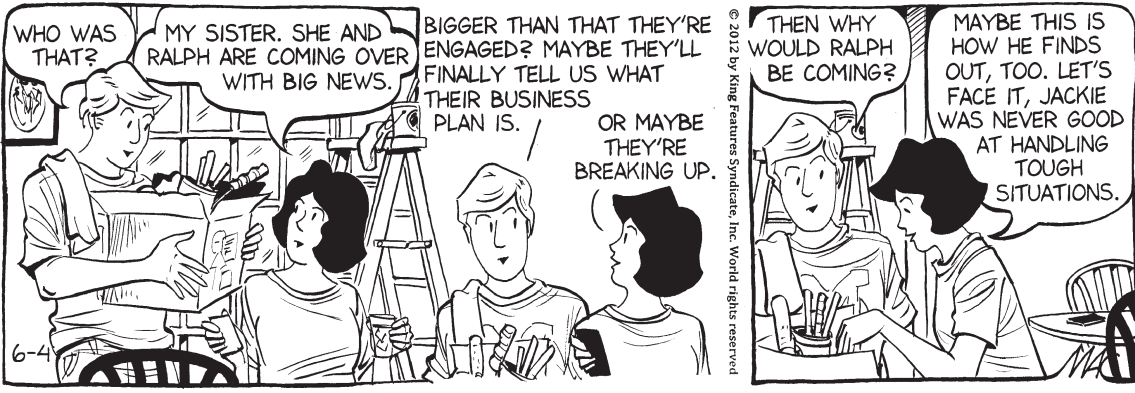
Hagar the Horrible • Chris Browne



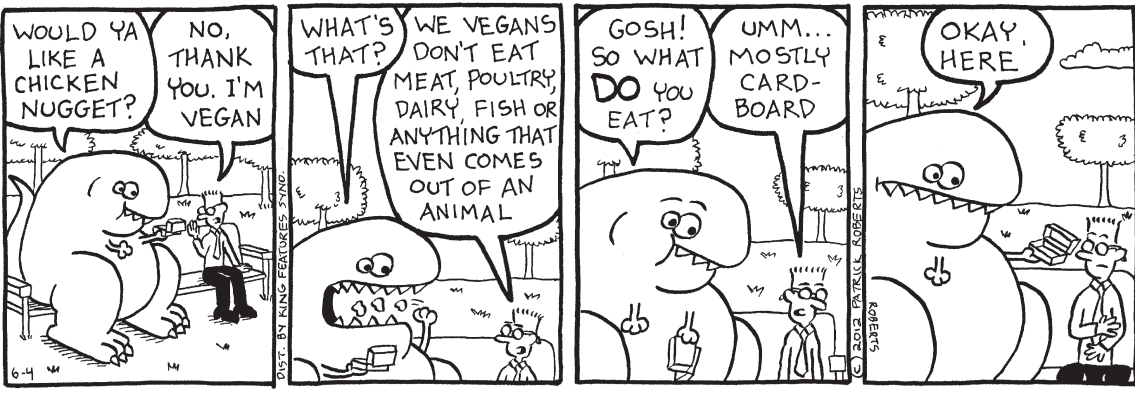
Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters



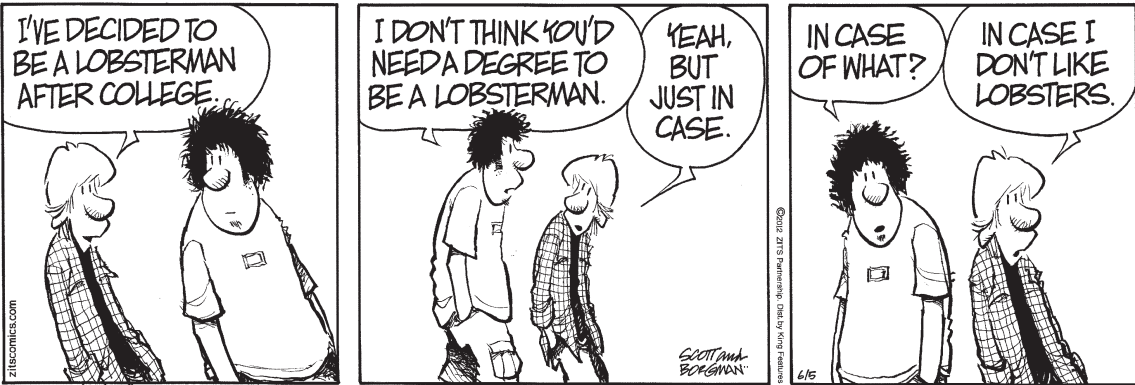
Sally Forth • Greg Howard



Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts



Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



Terry Kovel

• Antiques and Collecting

'Fantasy' breaks designers' rules



"Fantasy furniture" is a term used to describe tables and chairs that don't fit the rules of any recognized style.

Chairs made of cow horns or parts of spinning wheels, and tables held up by carved bears or shaped like large hands are "fantasies."

A famous and expensive dining room table has legs that are full-size carvings of either a man or woman hunched over to hold the tabletop on their backs.

An inexpensive fantasy design for a chair made about 1900 is now called "North Wind." It looks like a typical oak side chair with a solid seat and sometimes turned legs. But the back is made with a carved man's or woman's face, sometimes with flowing hair.

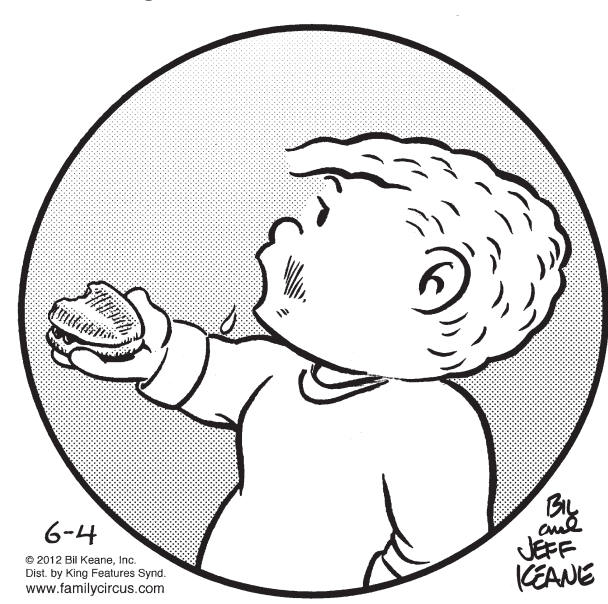
More ambitious designs have the full figure of a person climbing on top of the chair back. The best of the North Wind chairs have a one-piece back made of solid wood. The carving was not an added piece of wood. Inexpensive chairs influenced by the North Wind group were pressed-back chairs showing a face or a person. The design was pressed into the wood by a machine, not a raised carving.

A humorous fantasy chair sold recently. The back was carved to look like a beer keg with a pensive man leaning to the top of his hat. The chair, made in the early 1900s, sold for \$885 at a Showtime auction held in Ann Arbor, Mich.



The carved man leaning on the back of this wooden chair must have bumped into the head of anyone sitting in the chair. But in spite of the chair's discomfort, the unique humorous design attracted a buyer who paid \$885 for the chair at a Showtime auction in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Family Circus • Bil Keane



Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

1	4	2	7	9	8			
			6					
	5	2	8	7	1			
4			1					3
	9	5	3		8	1	6	
8				9				7
	8	3		4		6	2	
			2					
7	2		8		6		3	1

Difficulty Level ★

This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

Cryptoquip

YGLAO TMGRU UIA LAZE
PKTZU WRZDITPA KTJA ME
T WZGKCYAYU YTLCNTUGZ

Saturday's Cryptoquip: AS ITS CLEANSING

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOU MAKE A YOUNG SHEEP OUT OF TOY BUILDING BLOCKS, I SUPPOSE YOU'D CALL THAT A LEGO LAMB.

Today's Cryptoquip clue: E equals Y

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Poi base
5 State of matter
8 Cauldron concoction
12 Start
14 Unusual
15 Minimum score on a golf course
16 One
17 Lamprey, e.g.
18 Invigorants
20 Hurricane, for one
23 Ill will
24 Cronos
25 Straightest path
28 Blunder
29 Gladiatorial venue
30 Work measure
32 Harbor city
34 React in horror
35 Chest muscles, for short

DOWN

36 "For — sake!"
37 Man's hat
40 — Lanka
41 Quite
42 "South Pacific" song with lyrics in French
47 Lion's pride?
48 GOP symbol
49 Lip
50 Stitch
51 War god

3 Tractor-trailer
4 "Do unto — ..."
5 High-lander
6 Dined
7 Aware
8 Southeast
Asian
9 Hindu princess
10 Idle of
Monty Python
11 Drenches
13 Thing
19 —
20 That woman
21 Pitches
22 Fairy tale
26 Spruced up
27 5-Down's language
29 Mimgic
31 Navigational gizmo, for short
33 Orbital high point
34 Oriental enter-tainer/companion
36 Get ready
37 Notoriety
38 "Zounds!"
39 Money of Vietnam
40 Bouillabaisse, e.g.
43 — -de France
44 Scratch
45 Individual
46 " — Impossible"

Saturday's answer 6-4

P	I	C	B	A	T	H	P	U	M	A			
D	O	R	O	L	E	O	A	T	O	P			
Q	U	E	E	N	B	E	E	R	A	V	E		
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R	U	B	S	Q	U	E	N	C	H	E	D		
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Q	U	E	S	T	I	O	N	D	A	N	A		
H	A	R	R	I	T	A	P	S	L	A	D	E	N
H	A	R	R	I	D	I	V	A					
A	C	A	I	Q	U	E	B	E	C	E	R		
Z	I	N	G	E	S	P	Y	H	E				
E	D	I	T	D	A	T	A	H	E				

Bridge • Steve Becker

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A J 8 3
♥ A K Q 9 6
♦ 9 5

WEST

♠ 5
♥ 10 7 5
♦ 10 7 5 4 2
♣ J 10 8 6

EAST

♠ A 9 7 2
♥ Q 4 2
♦ J
♣ A K Q 7 4

SOUTH

♠ K Q 10 8 6 3
♥ K 9 6
♦ 8 3
♣ 3 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1♥	2♣
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass

Opening lead — jack of clubs.

Famous Hand

Most deals played in the annual world championship receive limited publicity, even though they may have been bid or played exceptionally well. Often, this is because the same result has been achieved at both tables, yielding no gain to either side.

Here is one such deal from the U.S.-Italy match in 1967. When Benito Garozzo and Pietro Forquet were North-South for Italy, they got to four spades as shown. It was a sound contract that ordinarily would have been made, but Forquet ran into a combination of bad luck and very good defense -- and went down one.

West (Edgar Kaplan) made the normal lead of the jack of clubs, and East (Norman Kay) realized that straightforward defense probably would not produce more than three tricks (two clubs and a spade).

He therefore overtook the jack of clubs with the queen and shifted to his singleton jack of diamonds. Declarer won with dummy's queen, led the jack of trumps, which held, and continued with a trump, won by Kay with the ace.

Continuing with the plan he had formulated at the start, Kay now underled his A-K of clubs, Kaplan winning with the ten. Kaplan then returned a diamond, and Kay ruffed to put the contract down one.

This sparkling defense was later duplicated at the second table by the Italian East-West pair, Walter Avarelli and Giorgio Belladonna. They defeated four spades in exactly the same manner, and the deal proved to be a complete wonder.

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47				48						
49				50				51		