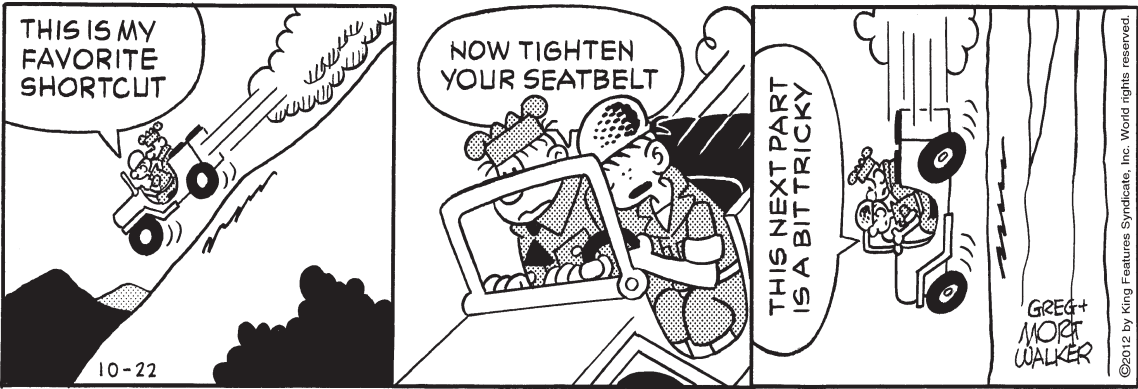


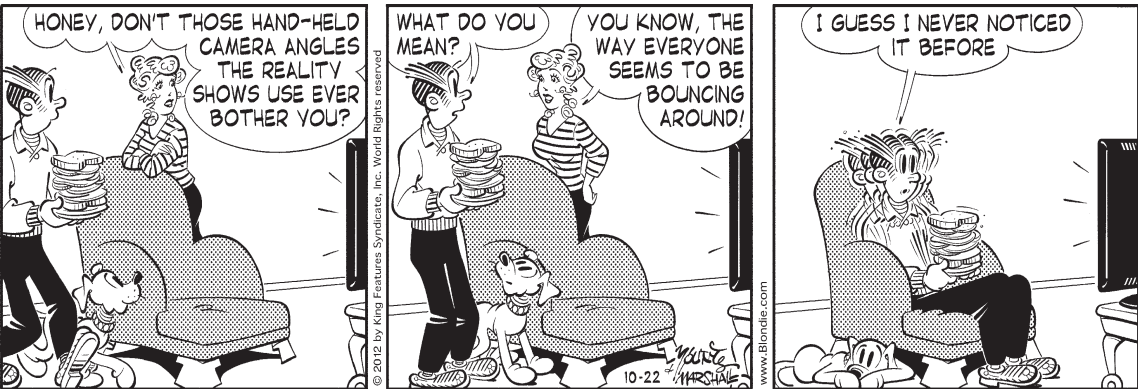
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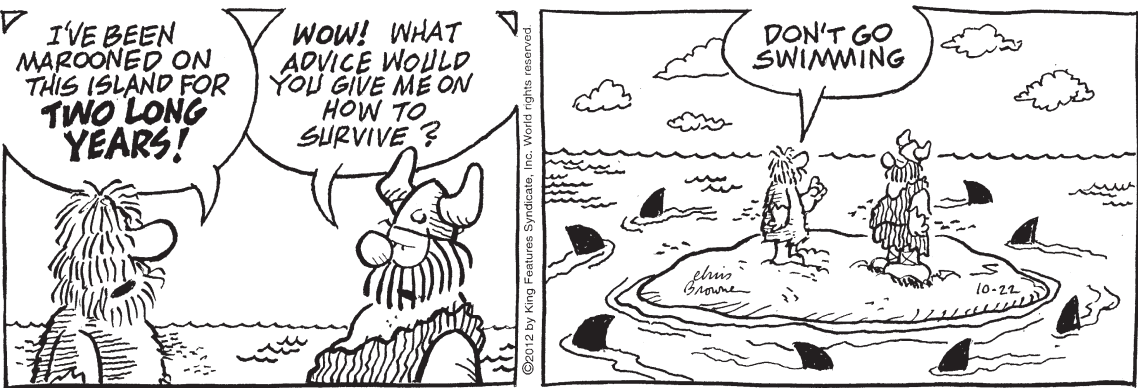
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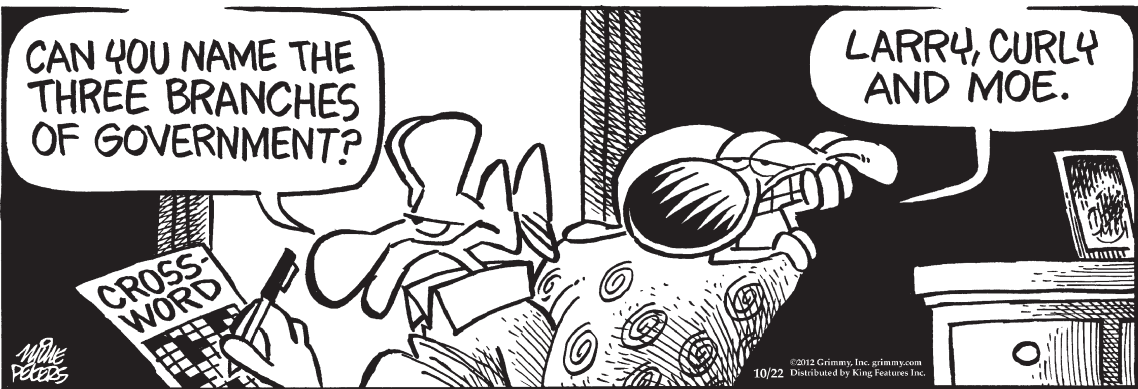
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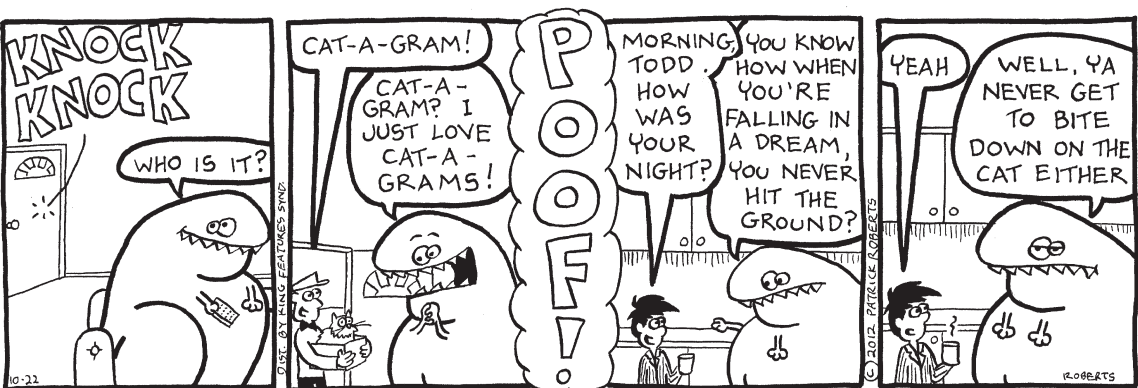
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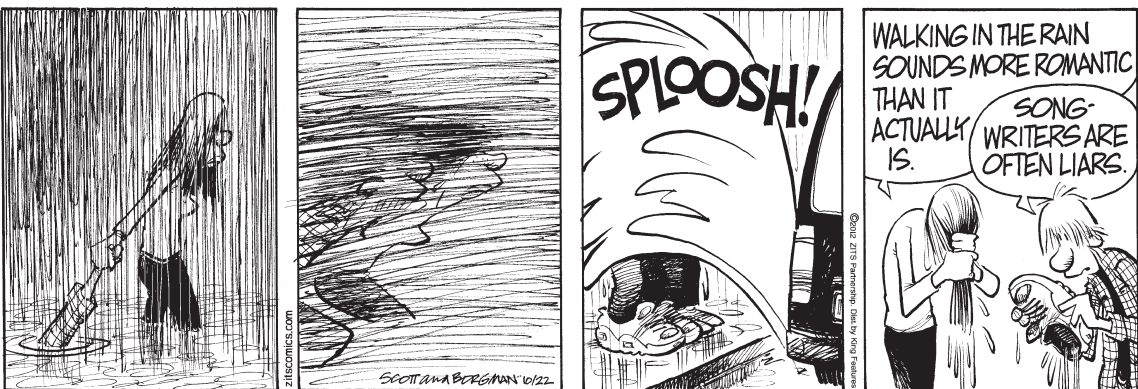
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Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts



Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



Terry Kovel • Antiques and Collecting

Furniture made to fit one room

Most furniture is made to fit in almost any room, but sometimes furniture is made to fit the room – to look as if it’s built into a wall. Today we install built-in kitchen cupboards, bookshelves and perhaps a niche for ornaments.

In the 18th and 19th centuries, corner cupboards, dressers and other large storage pieces may not have been “built-in,” but they were made for just one spot in the house.

Two matching mahogany, fitted pedestal bookcases sold in 2012 were each 7 feet 7 inches tall and 17 inches wide. The shelves were only 13 inches deep, the depth of most bookshelves today. The tall and thin column-like bookcases have glass doors and a carved ornament at the top.

The pair was probably made to be placed on either side of a doorway. They mimic the door-frame trim popular in expensive houses at the beginning of the 1900s, the English Edwardian period. The shape is uncommon, so this pair was probably a special order. The pair sold at a Neal Auction in New Orleans for \$2,988.

Q: I bought a Lady figurine from “Lady and the Tramp” for 99 cents. It’s porcelain, about four inches tall and marked “Disney, Japan” with a copyright symbol. Did I pay too much?

A: “Lady and the Tramp,” Disney’s animated romance about a purebred cocker spaniel and a mutt, was released in 1955 – the same year Disneyland opened in Southern California. The opening of the theme park ignited even more demand for Disney figurines.

At about this time, Disney started to have some figures made in Japan. Lady figurines like yours sell for about \$10 online, so you paid a bargain price.

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Bridge • Steve Becker

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ —
♥ A K 10 8 7 6 3 2
♦ Q 9
♣ Q 10 2

WEST

♠ A K Q 8 4 2
♥ 9
♦ J 10 4
♣ J 7 6

EAST

♠ 10 9 6 5
♥ —
♦ 8 6 5 3
♣ A K 9 8 4

SOUTH

♠ J 7 3
♥ Q J 5 4
♦ A K 7 2
♣ 5 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 NT	3 ♥
Dble	3 ♠	4 ♥	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	5 ♥	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
Pass	Dble		

Opening lead — king of spades.

Famous Hand

In a duplicate tournament, where pairs move from table to table, the potential always exists for a pair to stray off course and wind up in the wrong seats. When this occurs, the mistake is usually discovered before the errant pair begins play at the wrong table. If the error is not discovered early enough, however, the offenders are likely to be penalized.

Probably no pair ever paid a greater penalty than the East-West duo in today’s deal, which occurred in the Master Pairs Championship in 1944. The bidding shown occurred at Table A-1, where Howard Schenken and John Crawford were seated North-South. East-West belonged at Table 1, but in another section.

Having already begun to play when the error was discovered, East-West were compelled by the tournament director to finish the hand out. This proved to be a severe penalty indeed, for Crawford brought in the doubled slam to score a cold top!

Schenken’s jump to two notrump after South’s skimpy one-heart opening was an attempt to intimidate the opponents and keep them out of the bidding. But East-West kept right on bidding spades until Schenken bid six hearts.

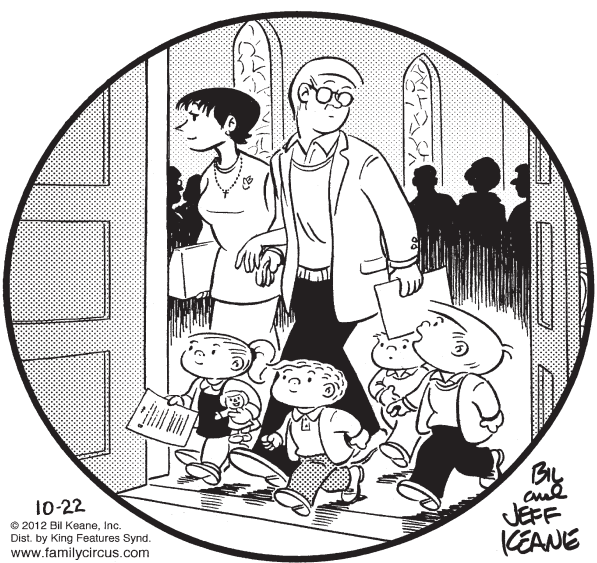
The opening spade lead was ruffed in dummy, after which Crawford ran all of dummy’s hearts. On the last trump, East, down to four diamonds and the A-K of clubs, was unable to guard both suits. If he threw a club, declarer would lead a low club and make the slam, so East discarded a diamond.

Crawford thereupon cashed four diamonds, bringing his total to 12 tricks. But that was not quite the end of it. During the play, West had let go of all his spades. So Crawford took the last trick with the jack of spades to make the slam with an overtrick!

It is doubtful that this particular East-West pair ever strayed to the wrong table again.

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“When we sing the hymns, I think it’s best for me to just be a listener.”

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★

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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.

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Cryptoquip

F O P D W J Q G K U W D H G D

K P T P W C H H G A P Q O L D Z Q O W Q ' H

H P J K P Q, L L A W Z L D P B G X J G X C U

J W C C L Q W Q P U Z L T P W F W B.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: COULD A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT CORRECT MANNERS FOR GEESE BE CLASSIFIED AS A PROPER GANDER FILM?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals T

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS 1 Aid 5 Verse 9 Wander about 12 Neighborhood 13 Fairy tale baddie 14 — de Janeiro 15 Coup in bridge or baseball 17 Moreover 18 Release 19 Patchwork horse 21 Mad 24 Roe provider 25 Golfer McIlroy 26 Haughty, strutting sort 30 Ms. Gardner 31 Bluefin and albacore 32 Oft-chanted initials 33 Round Table member 35 Smile 36 Trans-action

37 Skin-covered craft 38 Stimulant 40 One who's gonna get it? 42 Address for 33-Across 43 Extensive treat for sight-seers 48 Tackle the slopes 49 “— Lang Syne” 50 Ticklish Muppet 51 Tyrannosaurus — 52 Witenesses

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22 PBS science show 23 International auto race 24 Expecto-rated 26 Tug 27 Yoko of music 28 21-Down's continent 29 Tug 30 Anti-riot chemical 31 Bee follower 32 Type of snake 33 Tease 34 Cold War abbr. 35 Toll road 36 Revolutionary War hero 37 Tackles' teammates 38 Regret 39 Bullring bravo 40 Actress Thurman 41 Scepter

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		9	Court-	29	Tug

Yesterday's answer 10-23

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