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Gasoline prices in Texas have decreased, by average, about 1 cent in the past week, according to a national survey.

Survey: Gas prices decrease slightly

Average 1 cent less across state

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 1 cent per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.23 a gallon Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas.

This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.4 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.43 a gallon, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were \$1.04 per gallon lower than the

same day one year ago and are 14.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 18.0 cents per gallon during the last month and stands \$1.09 per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"After March came in like a lion at the pump, things are beginning to cool down, especially in hardest hit areas in the West," said Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy senior petroleum analyst. "While the West Coast will continue to see relief in the

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Local woman charged in convenience store theft

Herald Staff Report

An employee of a west side Big Spring convenience store was arrested for her alleged role in a theft at the store Saturday.

Big Spring police responded to a theft complaint to the Star Stop convenience store at 800 E. Interstate 20 early Saturday.

"Upon arrival it was found that more than \$1,500 in currency was missing from within the safe and three \$50 lottery tickets were missing from the lottery ticket display," a Big Spring Police Department news release stated. "After reviewing the security footage of the incident, it was believed that the female suspect was familiar with the store and

possibly an employee."

Following up on information received that day, officers identified Krystal Henderson, 29, as a suspect in the theft. She was later located at the Budget Inn Hotel on West Highway 80.

"Henderson confessed to the theft at the Star Stop," the BSPD release stated. "The detective assigned to the case also completed a search of Henderson's residence and vehicle, locating evidence from the theft."

Henderson was arrested and charged with theft over \$1,500, a state jail felony punishable by up to two years incarceration. She also had outstanding warrants for her arrest for a probation violation on failure to identify and evading arrest/detention.

Cruz hones pitch to voters

By PHILIP ELLIOTT

Associated Press

LINCOLN, N.H. — Ahead of his expected presidential campaign, Sen. Ted Cruz is banking on his hopes that rural New Hampshire voters and his home state of Texas share a similarly dour view of government.

He is promising to abolish the Internal Revenue Service and scrap the Education Department. He vows to curtail federal regulators, likening to locusts

that deserve to be killed. And his standard campaign-style speech includes a zinger about the Second Amendment.

"I'm pretty sure, here in New Hampshire, y'all define gun control like we do down in Texas: gun control is when you hit what you aim at," Cruz said Sunday during the first of a two-day visit to New Hampshire.

It's all part of the pitch Cruz is mak-

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HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

Jeans 'N Classics' vocalist, Michael Shotton, entertains the audience during Saturday's performance of the Big Spring Symphony.

Applications for mail-in ballots now being accepted

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Applications to receive a ballot by mail for the May 9 municipal and school district elections are now being accepted by the Howard County Election Office.

"Now is the time to request your application for ballot by mail," said Sandra Bloom, Howard County election administrator. "You can request

your application by calling Brooke Wells in the election's office at 432-264-2273."

People who qualify to vote by mail are those who will be out of the county during the early voting period and election day; persons who are age 65 years and older; or are sick and disabled or are confined to jail during the early voting period and on election day. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is 5 p.m., April 30.

"For newcomers to the county or those who have moved since the last election, the deadline to register to vote in this election is April," Bloom said.

Elections will be held to fill spots on both the Big Spring and Coahoma city councils and school districts. Only one seat is contested in the Big Spring City Council election. Incumbent Carmon Harbour drew challenger Thomas Pa-

dilla, for the District 2 seat. As for the other two council seats to fill, Steve Wagoner will step into the District 4 seat replacing Bobby McDonald who opted not to seek a second term. Jim DePauw, a certified public accountant, will succeed Marvin Boyd as the District 6 representative. Boyd also announced he would not run again.

Three people are seeking the job of Coahoma City coun-

cil member as two at-large positions are up this election cycle. Incumbents Ronnie Dodson and Jay Holt are joined by Brandy Manning

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Obituaries

Harold Aberegg



Harold Aberegg, 73, of Sand Springs died Sunday, March 15, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rick Cunningham of 14th & Main Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born May 27, 1941, in Pecos, Texas to Marguerite and Lawrence Aberegg. He grew up at Coahoma and was a lifetime resident of Howard County. During his career, he owned A&N Electric, Comet Cleaners and Highland Lanes. For many years he

was a supervisor for Red Simpson Pole Line Construction.

He married Frances Earnest April 12, 1963. She preceded him in death May 28, 1994. He was a member of the 14th & Main Church of Christ and was an avid motorcyclist.

He is survived by his children, Cassie Lynn Harris and her husband, Rodney of Midland, and Darrell Wayne Aberegg and his wife, Shena of Leander; five grandchildren; and three siblings, Dee Aberegg, Brenda Amonett and Judy Latimer.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Tommy Aberegg.

The family suggests memorials to 14th & Main Church of Christ.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- TIFFANY ANN ELDER, 33, of 1511 Princeton Ave. was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention using a vehicle or watercraft.

- JUAN GABRIAL, 40, of 6210 Sandlin Rd. was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated 2nd offense and escape from custody.

- VANESSA MARIE MUNIZ, 31, of 611 McEwen St. was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

- TROY MICHAEL ALLEN, 55, of 1501 E. Old Colorado City Hwy. was arrested on charges of driving while license was invalid, expired registration, and possession of a controlled substance more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

- MARSATI MACHELLE CLARK, 20, of 1510 E. Old Colorado City Hwy. was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- THEFT was reported in the 700 block of E. I-20 and the 1400 block of Johnson St.

- DISTURBANCE was reported at the intersection of 11th St. and Birdwell Lane.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1100 block of S. Scurry St.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 200 block of Providence Rd.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

- JOHNNIE LEE EZELL, 46, was booked by the HCS on a warrant for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

- EDWARD LYNN ST-JOHN, 52, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for violation of probation/burglary of a habitat.

- ANSELMO HILARIO JR., 29, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for criminal mischief more than \$50 but less than \$500 and assault with physical contact.

- DELILAH LOPEZ, 43, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for two counts of parent contributing to non-attendance.

- CAROLYN CHRISTIAN, 61, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for two counts of aggravated battery against a household member and capias open container in a vehicle.

- ALLEN TRISTAN JACKSON, 30, was booked by the BSPD on charges of violation of bond/protective order.

- MITCHELL WAYNE MCCORMACK, 32, was booked by the BSPD on charges of hindering officers and discharging official duties.

- RYAN KEVIN GRIER, 23, was booked by the BSPD on charges of the use or possession of illegal smoking material.

- KRYSTAL KAY HENDERSON, 29, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for motion to revoke probation for failing to identify fugitive evading arrest

or detention, intent to give false information and charges of theft of property more than \$1,500 but less than \$20k

- SANJUANITA KAYSIE OLIVARES, 20, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.

- FORTUNATO BARRIENTES, 21, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.

- VANESSA MUNIZ, 31, was booked by the HCSO on charges of driving while intoxicated.

- JESSE JOE CUELLAR, 36, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief more than \$500 but less than \$1,500.

- TIFFANY ANN ELDER, 33, was booked by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest with a vehicle.

- JUAN GABRIEL MORAN, 40, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated and escape from custody.

- TROY ALLEN MICHAEL, 55, was booked by the HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams, driving while license invalid, and expired registration.

- MARSATI MACHELLE CLARK, 20, was booked by the HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- JAMES LEE WOODARD, 50, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for running a stop sign and violate promise to appear.

- JOHNNY LEE JUAREZ, 33, was booked by the BSPD on charges of disorderly conduct.

Support Groups

TUESDAY 0942.

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Symptomatic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

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Debra L. Joyner

Debra L. Joyner, 62, of Odessa died Saturday, March 14, 2015, in an Odessa Hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

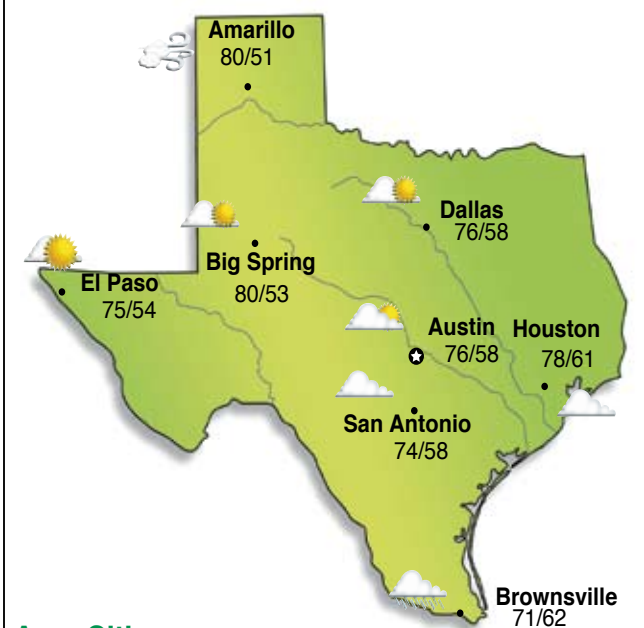
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Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 3/17	Wed 3/18	Thu 3/19	Fri 3/20	Sat 3/21
80/53 Sunshine and clouds mixed. High near 80F. Winds SSW at 10 to 15 mph.	75/50 Showers possible in the afternoon.	71/50 A few morning showers. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.	80/53 A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s.	63/44 A few morning showers. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.
Sunrise: 7:55 AM Sunset: 7:54 PM	Sunrise: 7:53 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:52 AM Sunset: 7:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:51 AM Sunset: 7:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:50 AM Sunset: 7:57 PM

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	78	56	pt sunny	Kingsville	69	61	rain
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Austin	76	58	cloudy	Longview	75	57	pt sunny
Beaumont	78	57	pt sunny	Lubbock	77	50	pt sunny
Brownsville	71	62	rain	Lufkin	80	61	pt sunny
Brownwood	77	55	pt sunny	Midland	77	53	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	69	61	rain	Raymondville	69	63	rain
Corsicana	75	57	pt sunny	Rosenberg	76	60	cloudy
Dallas	76	58	pt sunny	San Antonio	74	58	cloudy
Del Rio	73	59	cloudy	San Marcos	76	58	cloudy
El Paso	75	54	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	74	58	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	74	53	pt sunny	Sweetwater	78	55	pt sunny
Gainesville	76	55	pt sunny	Tyler	75	58	pt sunny
Greenville	74	57	pt sunny	Weatherford	78	57	pt sunny
Houston	78	61	cloudy	Wichita Falls	79	56	pt sunny

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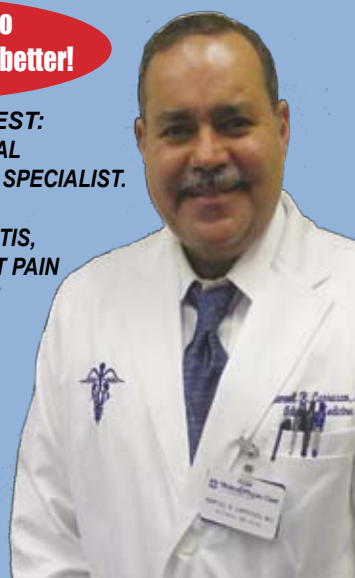
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Take note

- For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a recent sledding accident.
- An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street
- The All-School CHS Re-

- union date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015.
- This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.
- Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.
- Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

- A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Food2Kids
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- Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.
- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.
- The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages

- 8 to 18 who are still attending school.
- The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped-accessible. Cost is \$8 per person.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

BALLOTS

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in the race. Coahoma Mayor Warren Wallace drew no opposition in his bid for another term.

In the Big Spring ISD

school board trustee race, challenger Kyle Carroll and incumbent Tony Kennedy are both seeking the District 4 position. Maria Padilla will join the board as the District 2 representative as the Pat Deanda decided not to run again. The Coahoma ISD race

drew five candidates. Incumbents Jody Reid, Brian Moore and Alan Wright are joined by Melissa Sanchez and Dicky Stone in the race to fill three at-large positions. Early voting will begin on Monday, April 27, and runs through Tues-

day, May 5, at the Elections Office located on the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse during normal business hours. On Thursday, April 30, and Tuesday May 5, the Election Office will hold extended hours for voting. Those hours are from 7 a.m. to

7 p.m. both days. On Election Day, May 9, voting booths for the Big Spring municipal and school district trustee race will open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in the East Room located on the Howard College campus. Coahoma

city and school district constituents can cast their vote at the Coahoma Community Center, also between the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by citydesk@bigspring-herald.com.

CRUZ

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ing to rural voters, here in New Hampshire and in other early nominating states with vast stretches of farms and forests. All candidates make such efforts, and frequent stops at county fairs and farm stands will be a staple of campaign schedules by the time there are declared candidates.

Even before he becomes an official candidate, Cruz is crossing off one item on every contender's to-do list: make a visit to the sparsely

populated northern one-third of the state called the North Country. The rural region is home to less than a tenth of the state's population.

But candidates — like would-be aspirants like Cruz — ignore the region at their peril. While there are fewer voters here than in the populous southern tier of the state, they are vocal. Candidates cannot be perceived as writing off the North Country in favor of the southern region, which is home to newcomers from neighboring Massachusetts.

"We will probably have each and every one come through," Grafton

County GOP chairman Bruce Perlo said.

Former Texas Gov. Rick Perry visited last week, and Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal and businesswoman Carly Fiorina have announced plans to head north, too.

If the trip and its messaging border on pandering, Cruz does not care.

"To value liberty and freedom above all else — live free or die," he said, channeling New Hampshire's state motto. "That sums up what it means to be an American."

For now, as Cruz is moving toward making official his White House

ambitions, he is pitching himself as a Washington outsider and a conservative champion who would scrap federal departments and return control over schools to parents.

"A week ago, I was in Iowa. Yesterday, I was in South Carolina. Today I'm in New Hampshire," Cruz said.

Ahead of an official declaration, he is working to introduce himself to voters as someone who understands their frustrations.

"If you see a candidate who Washington embraces, run and hide," Cruz told party activists at this Grafton County

GOP fundraiser.

Cruz's standard political speech is laced with such messages against government and tailoring it to the local crowds.

"We have seen over the last six years federal regulators descending on businesses like locusts. I was out once in West Texas and I said the only difference is you can't use pesticide on the regulators. And an old Texas farmer said to me: 'Want to bet?'" Cruz said. "I have got to admit: That kind of seems like an attitude that folks in the North Country could understand."

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James Labrew, 81, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

Ester Gomez, 40, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

Curtis Winn, 85, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Harold Aberegg, 73, died Sunday. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

PRICES

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week ahead, motorists in the Great Lakes should be on high alert ... I would expect some volatility in gas prices in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky, and Wisconsin in the next two weeks."

Around the rest of the country, prices in some areas may drift higher with improved gasoline blends showing up as well, but it's important to note that even with increases factored in, motorists are still seeing considerable savings vs. gas prices last year, DeHaan noted.

"Crude oil prices closed last week nearing their January lows on news of plentiful crude

oil inventories, which maybe begin to weigh on gasoline prices, once refineries conclude maintenance and throttle up utilization rates. In the end, it could mean even lower gasoline prices for motorists during the summer than GasBuddy previously expected, barring other refinery issues or unpredictable issues," DeHaan said.

States seeing the largest drop in gas prices vs.

one year ago (per gallon):

- Indiana, \$1.52.
 - Michigan, \$1.47.
 - Ohio, \$1.47.
 - Illinois, \$1.38.
 - Colorado, \$1.37.
- States with the smallest drop in gas prices vs. last year (per gallon):
- California, 57 cents.
 - Nevada, 65 cents.
 - Oregon, 69 cents.
 - Washington, 74 cents.
 - Alaska, 93 cents.



By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

East dealer. North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A Q 10 9 8 7 5
♥ 10 9 8
♦ Q J
♣ 9

WEST
♠ —
♥ A K 6 4
♦ K 8 5 3 2
♣ Q J 10 8

EAST
♠ K J 6 4 3 2
♥ —
♦ 10 9 7
♣ 7 5 3 2

SOUTH
♠ —
♥ Q J 7 5 3 2
♦ A 6 4
♣ A K 6 4

The bidding:
East 2♥ South Pass West 2♣ North Pass
Pass 3♠ Dble Pass
4♠ (!) 4NT Dble Pass
Pass 5♥ Dble
Opening lead queen of clubs.

Probably the wackiest deal of the 1990 world championship was this one, which arose in the match between Canada and Germany and resulted in a huge gain for the Germans.

The bidding shown occurred when Canada held the North-South cards. East's opening bid showed a weak two-bid in one of the majors. When South overcalled in hearts, North realized East's suit was spades, so he cuebid that suit to show interest in game and possibly slam.

South made a return cuebid on his spade void, and at this point, West, also realizing East's suit was

spades, began doubling. However, East interpreted the double as showing spades, so he bid four spades. One can only imagine North's unbridled joy upon hearing the four-spade bid, and then his utter dismay when his partner let East off the hook by bidding four notrump.

Against five hearts doubled, West led the club queen. Declarer won, ruffed a club in dummy and finessed the diamond queen, losing to the king. West cashed the A-K of hearts and led a diamond to dummy's jack. South then discarded his remaining club on the spade ace, but West ruffed. Down two, plus 300 for Germany.

The bidding was equally ram-bunctious at the second table, with a German pair now North-South:

East 2♣ **South** Pass **West** 2♠ **North** Pass
Pass 3♥ Dble Pass
Pass 4NT Dble Pass
Pass 5♥ Dble Redble Pass
5♠ Dble

East's two-spade bid showed a pre-empt in any suit, which explains why North, not realizing East had spades, leaped to four spades.

After two passes, the Canadian West made the disastrous assumption that his partner's length was in one of the minor suits, so he bid four notrump for takeout. When this rolled around to South, he doubled, and West redoubled to force East to bid. The rest, as they say, is history. Poor East finished down six — 1,400 points — and the Germans gained 18 IMPs on the deal.

Tomorrow: A very simple play.
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5	2	7	4	3	1	6	8	9
3	4	2	7	9	8	5	1	6
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Kentucky has tougher path than Indiana did

(AP) Kentucky is yet another team to get tantalizingly close to matching Indiana's perfect season in 1976.

The top-ranked Wildcats (34-0) are the fourth team to enter the NCAA Tournament without a loss since the Hoosiers, under coach Bob Knight, ran the table.

There was Indiana State, led by future Hall of Famer Larry Bird, get-

ting all the way to the 1979 championship game — where the Sycamores lost to Michigan State and fellow future Hall of Famer Magic Johnson. That year Rutgers was also unbeaten entering the tournament and the Scarlet Knights lost to Michigan in the Final Four.

In 1991, UNLV, trying to repeat as national champion, didn't lose

until Duke beat the Runnin' Rebels in the national semifinals.

Last season, Wichita State to the unbeaten only to lose to Kentucky in the third round.

Kentucky coach John Calipari showed some empathy for the Shockers after the game, a 78-76 victory.

"I feel for their team and I feel for their

coach," Calipari said. "I'm happy we won. I'm happy for our guys. And I'm disappointed, because they had a heck of a run."

Now, the Wildcats get the chance to chase perfection and in a real twist of fate, Wichita State is in the same regional.

There are some differences from the run Hoosiers made to the title than what faces Ken-

tucky. First, obviously, is that the field has increased from 32 to 68 and that means it takes six wins for a seeded team to win it all. And there were no seeds in 1976, either. That process didn't start until the 1979 tournament.

But what has to be considered the biggest obstacle to a team getting through the NCAA Tournament is the difference

in the number of at-large teams in the field.

In 1976, there were 21 at-large qualifiers and 11 at-large teams, 34 percent of the field. The at-large teams are usually the better teams from the bigger conferences who didn't win the league tournament.

This year, there are 32 at-large teams, 53 percent of the field.

Ohlendorf is latest Rangers pitcher to be hurt

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Ross Ohlendorf exited after two innings with right groin tightness, Texas' fifth starting pitcher injured in spring training, and the Rangers beat a Milwaukee Brewers split squad 12-5 Sunday.

Ohlendorf joins Yu Darvish, Ross Detwiler and Anthony Ranaudo as departing starts prematurely with injuries. Derek Holland has been limited to one inning in a "B" game after experiencing a sore shoulder early in camp.

"I don't know when I'll be back," Ohlendorf said. "I'll be fine at some point soon. I hurt my groin just a little bit. It was real slight. I just felt like I would irritate it if I stayed in."

Ohlendorf, who spent all of last season on the disabled list, allowed one unearned run and one hit, while striking out four before feeling

a twinge in his groin on his final pitch. He has nine strikeouts in four innings over his first two starts.

"I'm real happy with the way I'm throwing," Ohlendorf said.

The Rangers sent 10 men to the plate in a seven-run first, highlighted Jake Smolinski's two-run triple. Mitch Moreland added a two-run single in the first and drove in another run with a third-inning single.

"I think all around it was a good day," Moreland said. "The first guy had trouble throwing strikes, so a lot of guys had some patience at bats and we were able to scratch a few runs early and it kinda carried over throughout the game."

Brewers starter Taylor Jungmann retired only one of the eight batters he faced and walked four. Carlos Gomez homered for the Brewers.

Burmeister first to reach Bering Sea coast

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A 15-year Iditarod veteran who has never finished higher than fourth was back in the lead Sunday in the 2015 race to Nome, his hometown.

Aaron Burmeister, 39, was the first musher to reach Unalakleet, the first check point on the Bering Sea coast.

He covered the 90 miles of trail from Kaltag in 11 hours. Unalakleet is 269 miles from Nome.

Burmeister left Kaltag in third place with 13 dogs after taking a mandatory eight-hour layover at the last checkpoint on the Yukon River. He left in bitter cold temperatures behind Aliy Zirkle and four-time champion Jeff King.

Mushers will face hard-packed trail and chilling North Pacific winds as they run up the coast from Unalakleet and finish at the historic gold rush city.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Up, up and away ...
Big Spring's Sebastian Loos into the air during the junior varsity Triple Jump competition on Saturday at the Big Spring Invitational Track Meet. Loos finished third in the event. The Big Spring boys' and girls' track and field teams will compete in San Angelo on March 27-28.

Butler to open tourney with Texas

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Butler returns to the NCAA Tournament, earning a No. 6 seed in the Midwest regional and opening play against 11th-seeded Texas on Thursday.

The Bulldogs (22-10) lost in the quarterfinals of the Big East Tournament to Xavier, but they own wins over North Carolina and Georgetown this season.

Kellen Dunham leads Butler, which lost in the NCAA championship game in both 2010 and 2011, with an average of 16.7 points per game.

The Longhorns (20-13) despite finishing with an 8-10 record in the Big 12 Conference and having a pair of four-game losing streaks this season.

Texas lost 69-67 to Iowa State in the conference tournament quarterfinals and is led by sophomore Isaiah Taylor's 13 points per game.

In Jacksonville, Baylor better be ready for significant travel if the Bears get through the first weekend of the NCAA Tournament.

The third-seeded Bears will face No. 14 seed Georgia State on Thursday in Jacksonville, Florida.

Baylor could be forced to go from one coast to the other with the West Regional being played in Los Angeles. But the Bears (24-9) will be happy to do so after a lackluster performance in the Big 12 tournament semifinals.

Baylor closed the season winning six of seven before losing to the Jayhawks in the conference tournament.

Scoreboard

Spring Training Standings			
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
W	L	Pct	
Kansas City	10	3	.769
Houston	6	3	.667
Minnesota	6	3	.667
New York	9	5	.643
Oakland	9	5	.643
Boston	7	5	.583
Texas	7	5	.583
Toronto	7	7	.500
Cleveland	6	7	.462
Seattle	6	7	.462
Chicago	5	6	.455
Tampa Bay	5	6	.455
Los Angeles	5	7	.417
Detroit	6	9	.400
Baltimore	3	11	.214

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
W	L	Pct	
Los Angeles	7	2	.778
Miami	8	3	.727
Colorado	7	4	.636
Philadelphia	8	5	.615
Pittsburgh	6	5	.545
Arizona	7	6	.538
San Diego	6	6	.500
St. Louis	5	5	.500
New York	6	7	.462
Cincinnati	5	7	.417
Chicago	5	8	.385
Washington	4	7	.364
Atlanta	4	9	.308
San Francisco	4	10	.286
Milwaukee	3	9	.250

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Sunday's Games			
Miami 4, Detroit 2			
Pittsburgh 4, Baltimore 2			
Philadelphia (ss) 11, Boston 4			
Toronto 10, Atlanta 5			
N.Y. Yankees 3, Philadelphia (ss) 2			

Southeast Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
x-Washington	51	14	.785
Washington	38	28	.576
Charlotte	29	35	.453
Miami	29	36	.446
Oriando	21	47	.309

Central Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	43	25	.632
Chicago	40	28	.588
Milwaukee	34	32	.515
Indiana	30	35	.462
Detroit	23	43	.348

WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Southwest Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	46	20	.697
Houston	44	22	.667
Dallas	42	25	.627
San Antonio	40	24	.625
New Orleans	36	29	.554

Northwest Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	43	20	.683
Oklahoma City	37	29	.561
Utah	29	36	.446
Denver	25	41	.379
Minnesota	14	50	.219

Pacific Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	52	13	.800
L.A. Clippers	42	25	.627
Phoenix	34	33	.507
Sacramento	22	43	.338
L.A. Lakers	17	47	.266

Monday's Games			
Baltimore vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.			
Atlanta vs. Houston (ss) at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.			
Houston (ss) vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 1:05 p.m.			
Detroit vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.			
N.Y. Mets vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.			
San Francisco vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.			
Oakland vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.			
Cleveland vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.			
Chicago Cubs vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.			
Chicago White Sox vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.			
Texas vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.			

National Basketball Association			
EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	39	26	.600
Boston	29	36	.446
Brooklyn	26	38	.406
Philadelphia	15	51	.227
New York	13	52	.200

Monday's Games			
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers, late			
Portland at Washington, 7 p.m.			
Toronto at Indiana, 7 p.m.			
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.			
Denver at Memphis, 8 p.m.			
Brooklyn at Minnesota, 8 p.m.			
Cleveland at Miami, 8 p.m.			
Oklahoma City at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.			
Charlotte at Utah, 9 p.m.			
Atlanta at Sacramento, 10 p.m.			
L.A. Lakers at Golden St., 10:30 p.m.			

National Football League			
March 19 — Trading period for 2015 begins.			
March 22-25 — Annual league meeting, Phoenix.			
April 6 — Teams with new head coach can begin offseason workouts.			
April 20 — Teams with returning head coach can begin offseason workouts.			
April 30-May 2 — NFL draft, Chicago.			

National Hockey League					
Atlantic Division					
W	L	OTPts	GF	GA	
Montreal	43	19	7	93	182
Tampa Bay	42	21	7	91	226
Detroit	38	19	11	87	200
Boston	36	23	10	82	184
Ottawa	33	24	11	77	194
Florida	31	24	14	76	170
Toronto	27	37	6	60	187
Buffalo	19	43	6	44	129

Metropolitan Division					
W	L	OTPts	GF	GA	
N.Y. Rangers	44	17	7	95	207
N.Y. Islanders	43	24	4	90	221
Pittsburgh	39	20	10	88	196
Washington	37	23	10	84	205

WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Central Division					
W	L	OTPts	GF	GA	
St. Louis	44	20	5	93	214
Nashville	43	21	7	93	203
Chicago	41	21	6	88	198
Minnesota	38	24	7	83	196
Winnipeg	34	23	12	80	191
Colorado	32	26	11	75	184
Dallas	32	28	10	74	218

Pacific Division					
W	L	OTPts	GF	GA	
Anaheim	44	20	7	95	208
Vancouver	39	25	4	82	193
Calgary	38	26	5	81	205
Los Angeles	33	22	13	79	185
San Jose	34	27	8	76	193
Arizona	21	40	8	50	145
Edmonton	18	39	12	48	160

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Sunday's Games			
Ottawa 2, Philadelphia 1, SO			
Detroit 5, Pittsburgh 1			
N.Y. Rangers 2, Florida 1			
Carolina 3, Columbus 2			
St. Louis 3, Dallas 0			
Washington 2, Boston 0			
Anaheim 4, Nashville 2			

Monday's Games			
Washington at Buffalo, 7 p.m.			
Montreal at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.			
Toronto at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.			
Arizona at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.			

TRANSACTIONS			
BASEBALL			
American League			
MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned LHP Logan Parnell to Rochester (IL) and INF Jorge Polanco to Chattanooga (GA).			

National Hockey League			
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Re-called RW Chris Connor and G Philipp Grubauer from Hershey (AHL). Re-signed C Andre Burakovsky to Hershey (AHL).			
American Hockey League			
HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Assigned Ds David Makowski and Bobby Shea to Wheeling (ECHL).			

COLLEGE			
BIG SKY CONFERENCE — Suspended Northern Arizona basketball coach Jack Murphy for one postseason game because of his conduct following the league's tournament semifinal against Montana.			
ALABAMA — Fired men's basketball coach Anthony Grant.			
ST. JOHN'S — Suspended men's junior basketball C Chris Obekpa for two weeks for violation of team rules.			

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). This age-old business dictum will apply to you today: Sell them what they want; give them what they need. Also, note that it's your attitude and not your skill level that will make a difference in your income.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are capable of being fiendishly clever but will use your powers for good. Mostly you see the value of charming a certain someone, and this person is ready for your best moves.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). With those you love, there is a kind of "logic-free" zone today. You're willing to extend your grace to include the things they say that don't make total sense, as much of it won't.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). What's required is a perspective shift toward the lighter side. It's a game, and you'll go out there and win the game

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

once you've approached it for the game it is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). They might not like your ideas today, and that's nothing to take personally, though it might bug you only because you know how right you really are. Approach again and tell them, "Let's rework it."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What you want to do has been done before and to great effect, and so all you have to do is tell your people how well it went. Describe in detail the wonderful future that awaits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The actions of the day bring both intended and unintended consequences. The less you try to control it the better. Grace will land you in interesting circumstances.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have a tendency to overlook that which you know very well. You need good friends around you who will point out the qualities they admire in you, which are likely the ones you are blind to now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The tendency under this sky will be to stew and obsess on things. There may be an intellectual or comic benefit to doing so, but that doesn't make it healthy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Egyptian pharaohs weren't the only people to bury themselves with their belongings as if it were possible to take it with them. Your realization that it's all borrowed stuff will guide

your choices today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's no use holding a mental seance for something you know is safely, patently gone. For you, this message is a reminder, but for the one who is obsessing about you, it's a directive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). For a while now, you've wanted to create some art. It's not a matter of getting a chance; it's a matter of seeing the chance. Try making quick things out of the sources available to you in any moment.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 16). You set your expectations of this year accordingly and find joy and satisfaction in many experiences. You have a gift for bringing people together to celebrate or make a difference in the world, and you'll earn a role as a go-to social planner. April brings a windfall; June, a romantic surprise. Aquarius and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 24, 31, 29 and 50.

FORGET YOUR TROUBLES, COME ON, GET LUCKY: Tomorrow's St. Patrick's Day celebration will happen under a friendly Aquarius moon, promoting goodwill, good fun and good luck. Shamrocks, the color green and leprechauns aren't the only symbols that bring luck during this celebration of all things Irish. What talisman could your sign carry and keep to inspire greater fortunes? **ARIES:** The seeds of a puffy dandelion say that luck is in the air. Capture them in a glass to remind you

that everything can change with a wish. **TAURUS:** Lentils are lucky, which is why in many cultures they are eaten on the first day of the year. Carry a few dried ones in your pocket for prosperity. **GEMINI:** A \$2 bill in your wallet speaks to your duality and attracts money-doubling. **CANCER:** Driftwood is a beautiful call to your water-sign nature. **LEO:** Because your sign rules the heart, heart-shaped rocks that are naturally carved by wind and water speak to you. Collect as many as you see. **VIRGO:** A symbol of Lady Luck (typically a curvy bombshell swinging from a horseshoe) is another dimension of the maiden your sign is named for. Stay tuned for part two, Libra through Pisces, tomorrow!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: On this day in 1751, the father of the United States Constitution, the author of the Bill of Rights and the fourth American president, James Madison, was born. The sun was in Pisces, a highly intuitive, compassionate and theatrical placement, while Madison's moon was in intensely motivated Scorpio. Mercury, his communication planet, was in Aquarius, which is the sign of the people.

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Sudoku Answer On Page 3

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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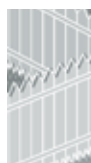
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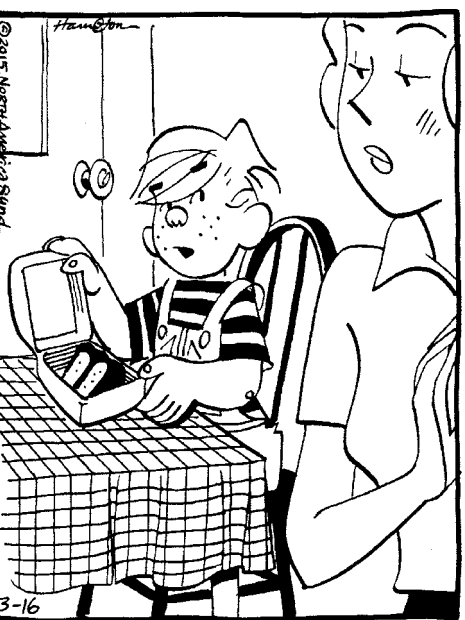
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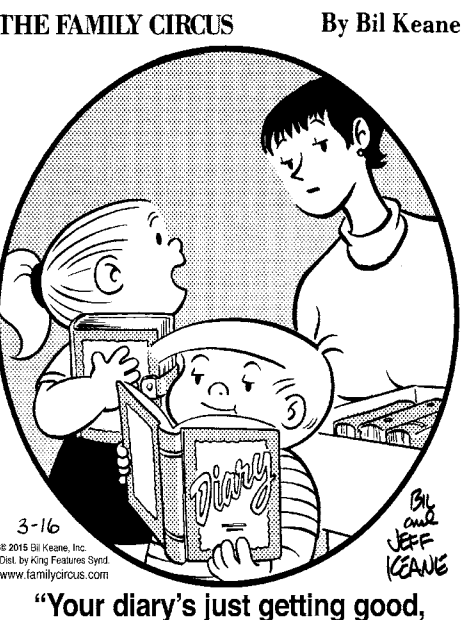
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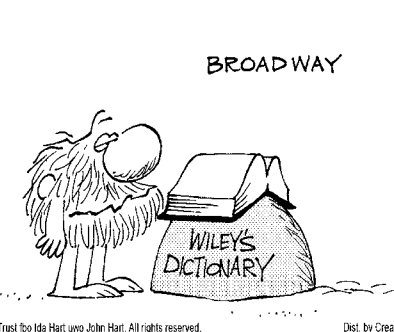
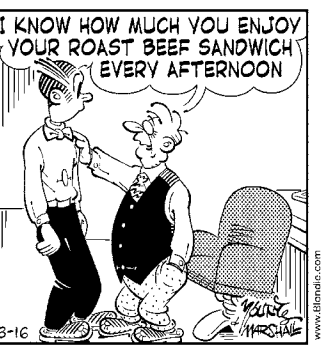
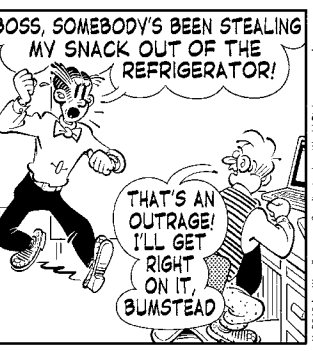


"Your diary's just getting good, Mommy. You're about to meet Daddy."

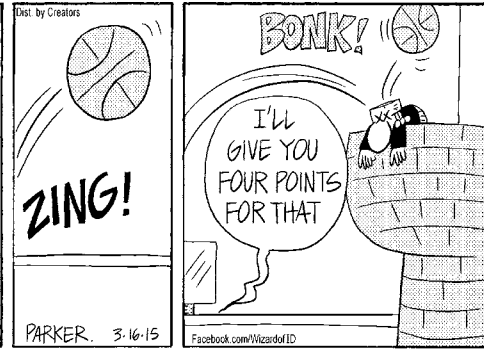
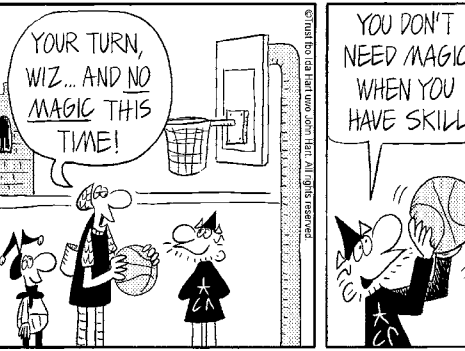
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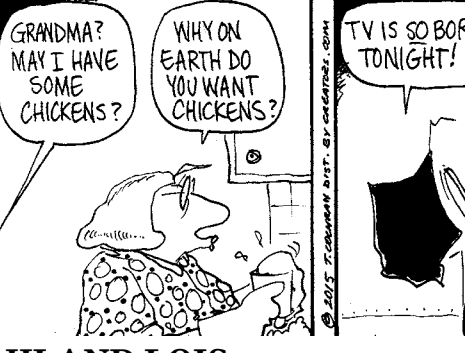
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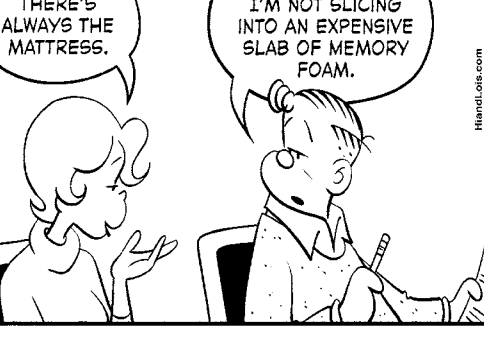
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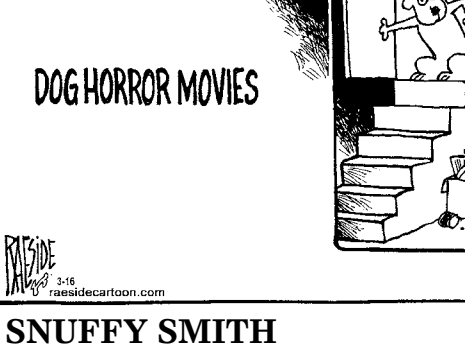
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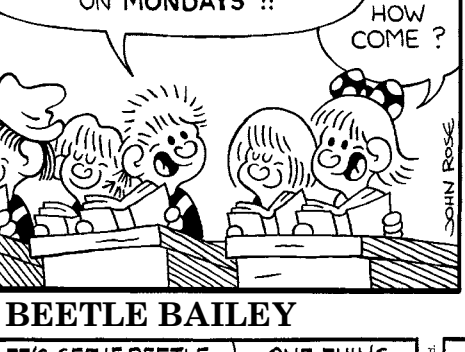
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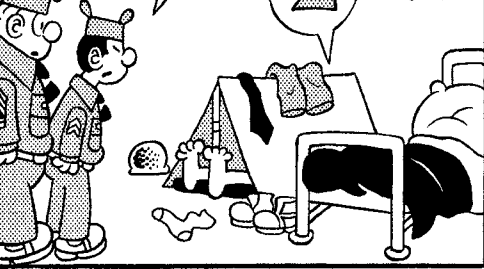
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, March 16, the 75th day of 2015. There are 290 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 16, 1915, the Federal Trade Commission, created in 1914, began operations. On this date: In 1521, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan reached the Philippines, where he was killed by natives the following month. In 1751, James Madison, fourth president of the United States, was born in Port Conway,

Virginia. In 1802, President Thomas Jefferson signed a measure authorizing the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. In 1926, rocket science pioneer Robert H. Goddard successfully tested the first liquid-fueled rocket in Auburn, Massachusetts. In 1935, Adolf Hitler decided to break the military terms set by the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY') by ordering the rearming of Germany. In 1945, during World War II, American forces declared they had secured Iwo Jima, although pockets of

Japanese resistance remained. In 1965, peace activist Alice Herz, 82, set herself ablaze on a Detroit street corner to protest the Vietnam War; she died 10 days later. In 1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai (mee ly) Massacre of Vietnamese civilians was carried out by U.S. Army troops; estimates of the death toll vary between 347 and 504.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Grade-school basics
 - 5 Volcanic rock
 - 9 Huck Finn's transport
 - 13 Ripped
 - 14 Important happening
 - 16 Sailor's "Hello!"
 - 17 Mahogany or elm
 - 18 Lone Ranger's sidekick
 - 19 Criminal, to a cop
 - 20 Business-expansion job opening
 - 23 Top playing card
 - 24 Marries
 - 25 With caraway, as breads
 - 27 River in a Stephen Foster song
 - 31 Architect's drawing
 - 32 Send payment
 - 33 Italian farewell
 - 35 Word of warning
 - 39 Seasonal employee
 - 42 Each, informally
 - 43 Historical periods
 - 44 Make haste
 - 45 Ill at (nervous)
 - 47 Toronto's country
 - 48 French salsa, for instance
 - 51 Scorch
 - 53 Gorilla or chimp
 - 54 Job created due to a promotion
 - 60 Flexed

- DOWN**
- 1 Mail-routing letters
 - 2 Tiresome person
 - 3 Ship's staff
 - 4 Ooze
 - 5 Allow to look at
 - 6 Shy away from
 - 7 Clothes dryers' outlets
 - 8 Prefix meaning "against"
 - 9 Sharp knock
 - 10 In the lead
 - 11 Compel
 - 12 Used a keyboard
 - 15 Not fast enough
 - 21 Have a loan
 - 22 Teachers' org.
 - 26 Evasive football maneuver
 - 27 Spanish miss: Abbr.
 - 28 Shed tears
 - 29 Bullets, for short
 - 30 Narrowly defeated
 - 31 Picks up the tab
 - 33 Show concern
 - 34 Nest egg at an S&L
 - 36 Gumbo veggie
 - 37 Geek
 - 38 ___ sample of (taste)
 - 40 Look up to
 - 41 Chicago airport
 - 46 Balloon filler
 - 47 Hidden stockpiles
 - 48 Nun's garb
 - 49 Musical drama
 - 50 Voice above bass
 - 51 Inclined surface
 - 52 Gone from one's plate
 - 55 Said "not guilty," perhaps
 - 56 Atlas pages
 - 57 One of the Great Lakes
 - 58 Three hours before noon
 - 59 Chore
 - 61 Explosive initials

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