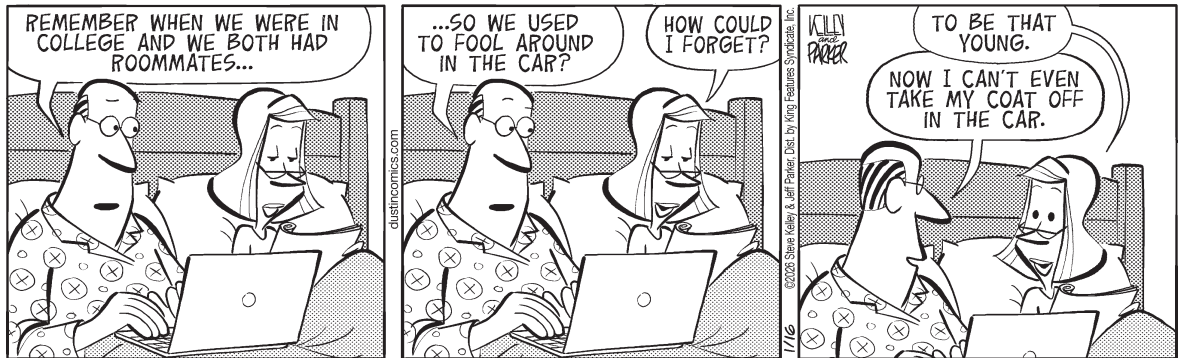


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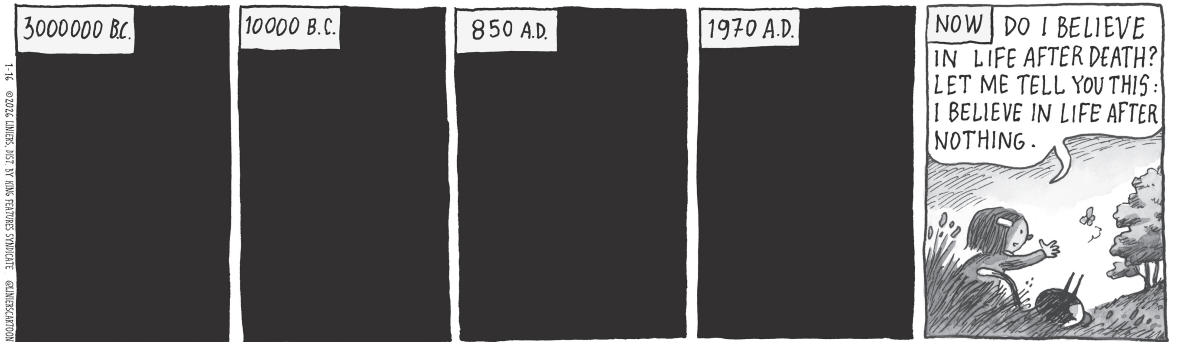
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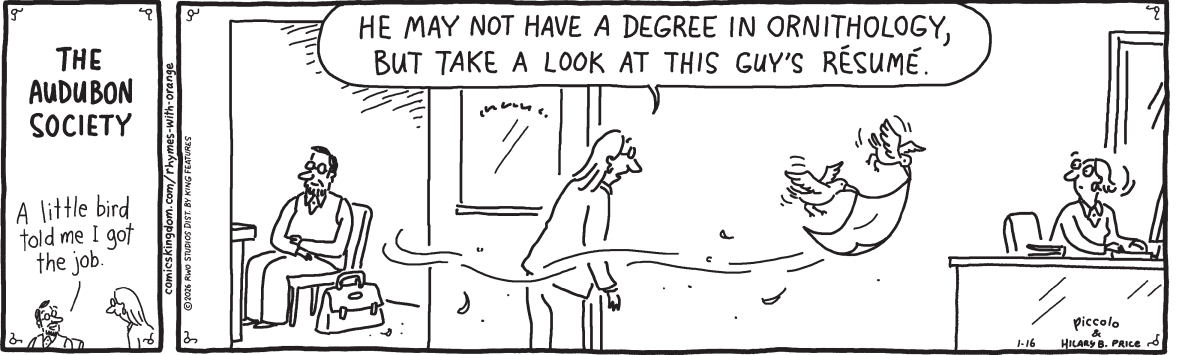
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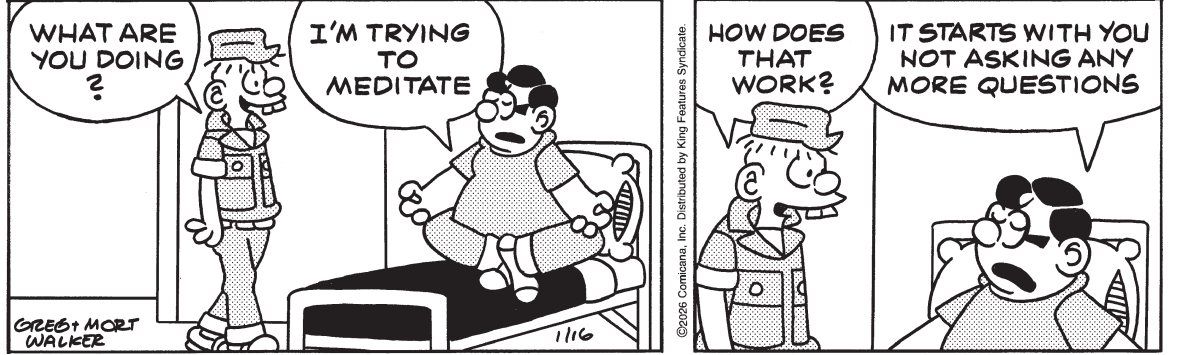
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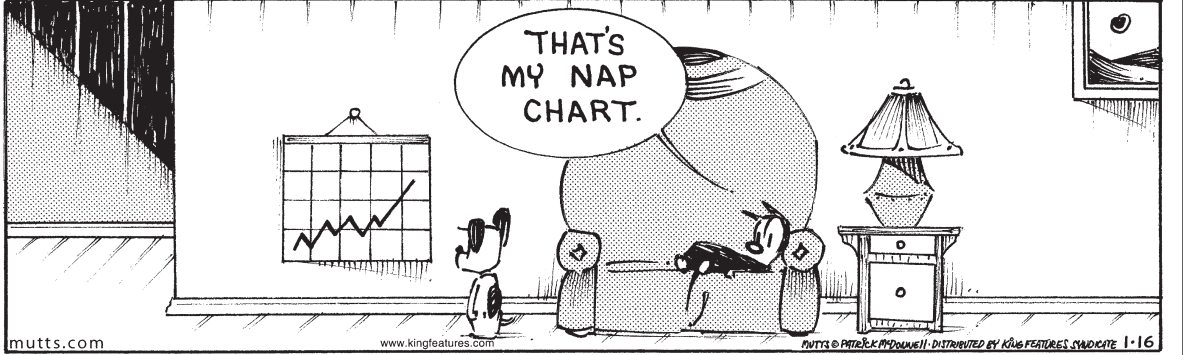
BEETLE BAILEY



CRANKSHAFT



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Influence  
5 Remove  
9 Wheel connectors  
11 Little hooter  
13 Was bright  
14 Sleeper's sound  
15 Road rescue  
16 Speculate  
18 Built  
20 Hightailed it  
21 Had a go at  
22 Court worker: Abbr.  
23 Lynx or lion  
24 Uncle, in Acapulco  
25 Casual shirt  
27 Like stuffed animals  
29 Outback bird  
30 Witty fellow  
32 Move down  
34 — de France  
35 Church fixture  
36 Small brooks

- 38 Vichyssoise veggies  
39 Portion out  
40 Grove growth  
41 House creations

DOWN

- 1 Dispatch  
2 Urge strongly  
3 Catkin, e.g.  
4 Toe count  
5 Gave medicine to  
6 Possesses  
7 Wheat version of a Mexican flatbread  
8 Mathematician  
10 Big singing group  
12 Minute  
17 Warning color  
19 Italian farewell  
22 Haughtiness

A	B	L	E			D	O	T	E	R
D	R	I	V	E		A	D	E	L	E
L	A	T	E	R		T	O	N	A	L
I	C	E		O	P	E	R	A	T	E
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O	R	N	O	T		S	I	Z	E	R
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Yesterday's answer

- 24 Frozen expanse  
25 Piano part  
26 Brunch dish  
27 Merri-ment  
28 Cowardly  
30 In itself  
31 Kicks back  
33 Bakery buy  
37 Suffering

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	
9				10		11			12
13						14			
15				16	17				
18			19				20		
	21					22			
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AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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CRYPTOQUOTE

A O H P P K D W U I W K D J H R F K A

Q N U P E R X K D V G

NFDLNVDUNRV. — DFB UDV  
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WHEN THE SUN IS SHINING I CAN DO ANYTHING; NO MOUNTAIN IS TOO HIGH, NO TROUBLE TOO DIFFICULT TO OVERCOME. — WILMA RUDOLPH

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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

Difficulty: ★★★★★

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SOLUTION:

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