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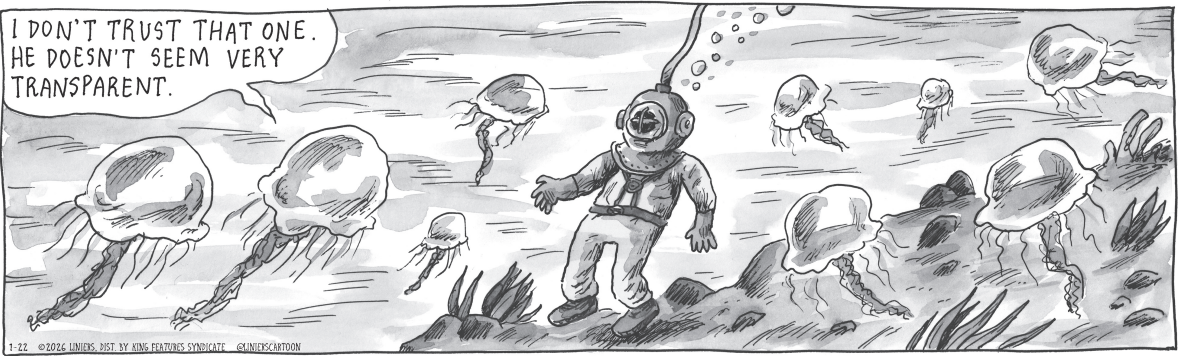
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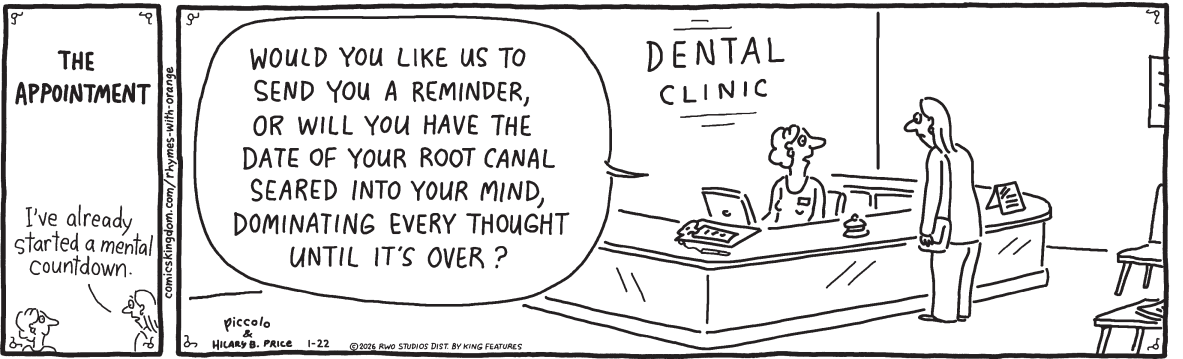
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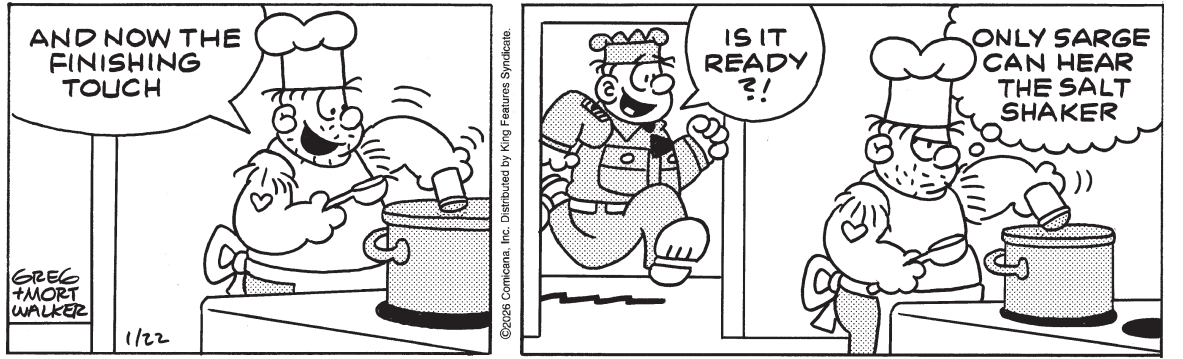
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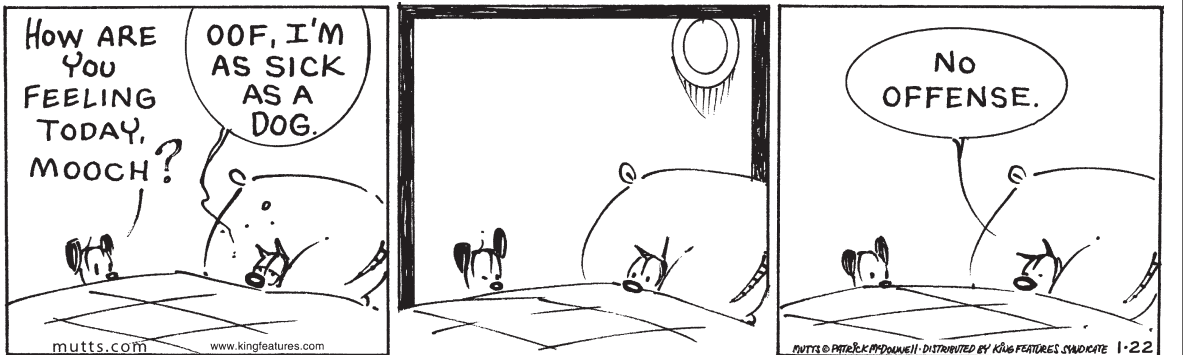
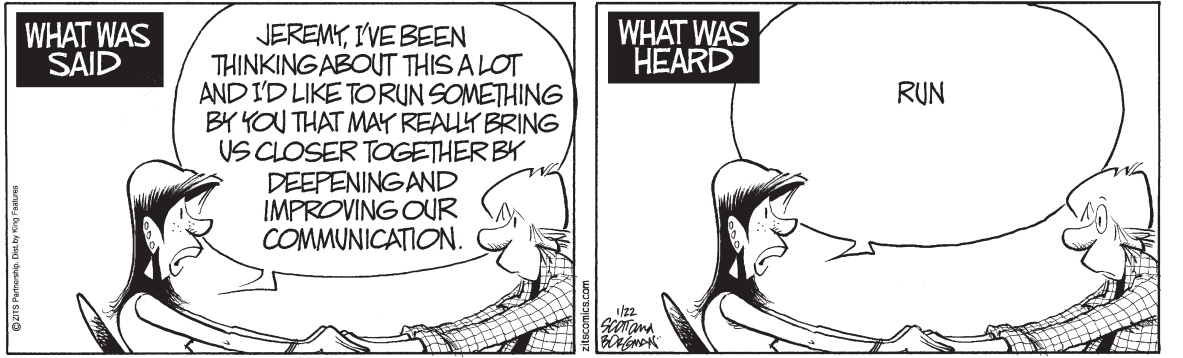## BABY BLUES

ZITS

CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
1 Puzzle book puzzles
6 Young pigeon
11 TV ad
12 Fencing move
13 Jazz dance
14 Lent a hand
15 Autocrat
17 German article
19 PC key
20 Relaxing resort
23 Scaly pet
25 Trade
26 Outfits for Donald Duck or Popeye
28 Refer to
29 "— Dearest"
30 Switch settings
31 Hair goo
32 Urgent call
33 Number puzzle
35 Madison or Monroe
38 "Down East"
41 Precise
42 Weasel's cousin
43 Some messages
44 High homes

DOWN
1 AWOL chasers
2 Museum focus
3 Outfits for 1940 hipsters
4 TV award
5 Choir member
6 Incline
7 Throw in the towel
8 German conjunction
9 Wisdom bringer
10 Garden area
16 Worried
17 Dance music
18 Once more
20 Outfits for beach-goers
21 Cookout site
22 Church areas
24 Saloon order
25 Total
27 Wise king
31 Strong winds
33 Church group
34 Writer Chopin
35 Airport sight
36 Cut drastically
37 Upper limit
39 Catch
40 Hosp. parts

Yesterday's answer

A	P	P	L	E			S	W	A	P
T	H	A	I	S		P	H	O	N	O
T	A	L	E	S		H	O	O	K	S
A	R	E	S		D	A	W	D	L	E
C	A	T		S	U	N			Y	E	S
H	O	T	S	P	O	T	S				
		H	E	A	L		A	C	T	S
			P	O	T	S	H	O	T	S
R	I	O			T	O	M		R	A	T
I	N	F	A	C	T			B	O	N	E
P	A	T	C	H		W	I	N	C	E
E	N	E	M	Y		A	L	T	E	R
R	E	N	E			G	L	O	S	S

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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.

1-22   CRYPTOQUOTE

P C O C Q P F Q J W P J R J T N V C N

J R J K N L C W W S J R J T S N V P K F

B Z O J H Q C B I N Z S Z L . S Z L F J N

Q C B I D V C N S Z L F P R J Z L N .

— K C K B S T J C F C K

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: TO KEEP A WARM HEART IN WINTER IS A TRUE VICTORY. — MARTY RUBIN

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★   1/22

SOLUTION:

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