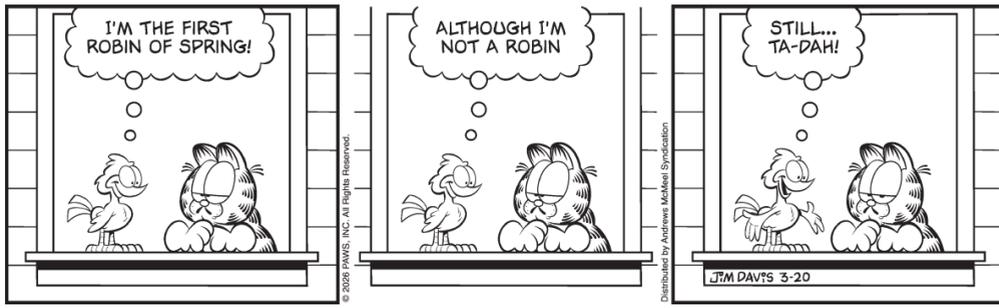
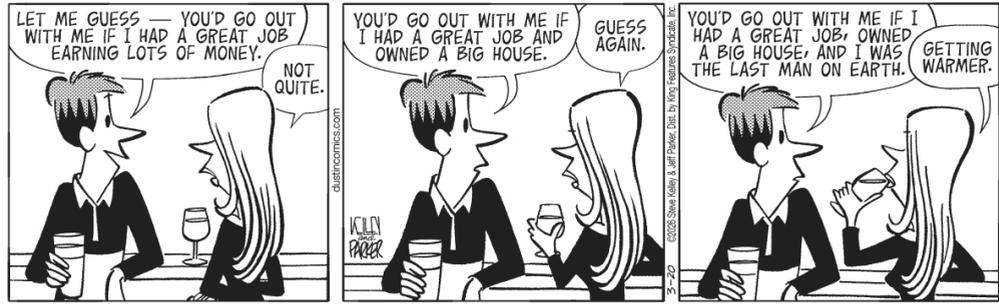


COMICS AND FEATURES

GARFIELD



DUSTIN



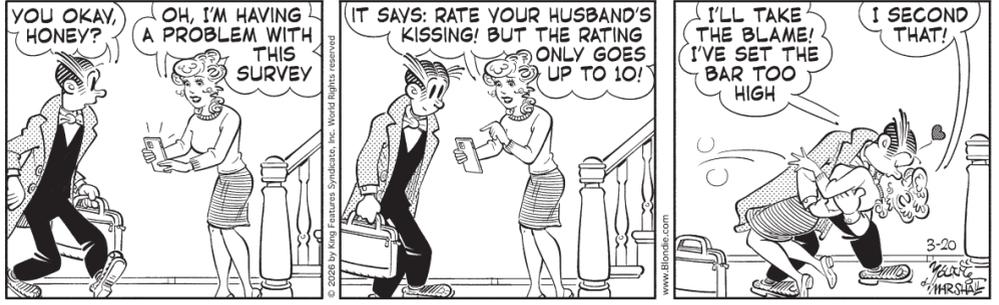
MACANUDO



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



BLONDIE



BEETLE BAILEY



CRANKSHAFT



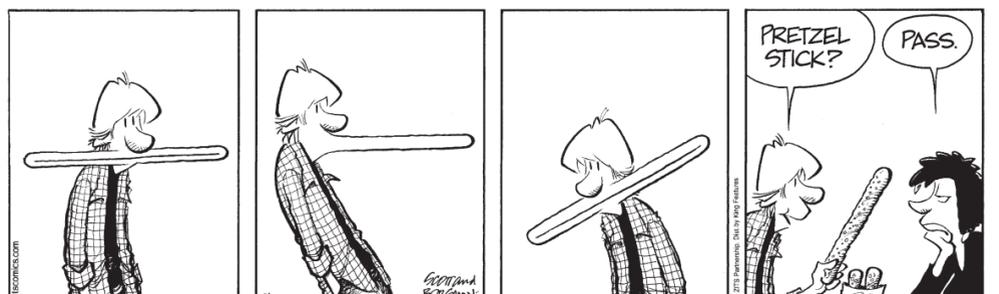
MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Pass along
 - 6 Floats on the breeze
 - 11 Love, in Lombardy
 - 12 Folder's phrase
 - 13 Flies and gnats
 - 14 Rob Petrie's wife
 - 15 NYC subway line
 - 16 June honoree
 - 18 Pay stub line
 - 19 Sense of self
 - 20 Golfer Ernie
 - 21 Scottish river
 - 22 Airport car
 - 24 M's top agent
 - 25 Made of clay
 - 27 Sylvester's trademark
 - 29 On the up and up
 - 32 Tourist stop
 - 33 Holds
 - 34 Hotel amenity
 - 35 That girl
 - 36 "The Addams Family" cousin

- DOWN**
- 1 Dueling sword
 - 2 Come into view
 - 3 Succumbed to second thoughts
 - 4 Museum focus
 - 5 Spouse's agreement
 - 37 Dietary concern
 - 38 Bakery buys
 - 40 Like good sentries
 - 42 Santa's crew
 - 43 Gaggles group
 - 44 Destitute
 - 45 Door sign

M	E	T	R	O	S	O	P	P	Y
A	V	A	I	L	A	W	A	R	E
D	E	I	T	Y	X	E	N	O	N
		L	E	M	M	O	N		
G	A	S	P	I	N	N	E	T	
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			R	O	T	I	N	I	
L	A	P	A	Z	M	I	T	E	R
A	L	A	M	O	E	L	E	N	A
W	A	R	P	S	N	E	R	D	Y

Yesterday's answer

- 6 Desolate areas
- 7 "I — Rock"
- 8 Became capable in a new job
- 9 Deep dish
- 10 Declared
- 17 Great, in slang
- 23 Keg need
- 24 Dramatist Jonson
- 26 Kidnap victim
- 27 Pay heed
- 28 Take a breath
- 30 Meager
- 31 Shred
- 33 Angry outburst
- 39 Poet Hughes
- 41 Cariou of "Blue Bloods"

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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13						14			
15				16	17			18	
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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.

CRYPTOQUOTE

CX ULIUWL OCO HIF WITL IHL
VHIFMLD, C DLVWWZ OIH'F
ALL NMVF BAL FMLDL NIBWO
RL CH MVTCHE VHZ AUDCHE.
— TCJFID MBEI
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: I WEAR BLACK FOR THE POOR AND THE BEATEN DOWN, LIVIN' IN THE HOPELESS, HUNGRY SIDE OF TOWN.
— JOHNNY CASH

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★

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SOLUTION:

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