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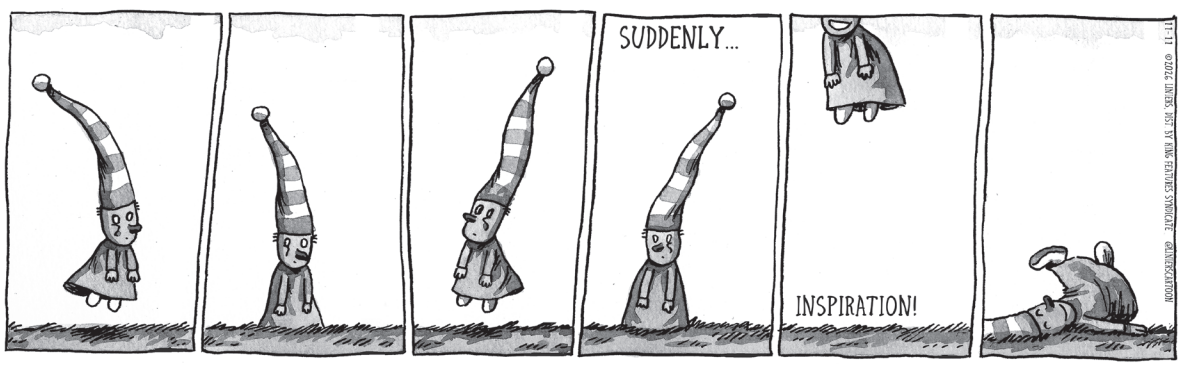
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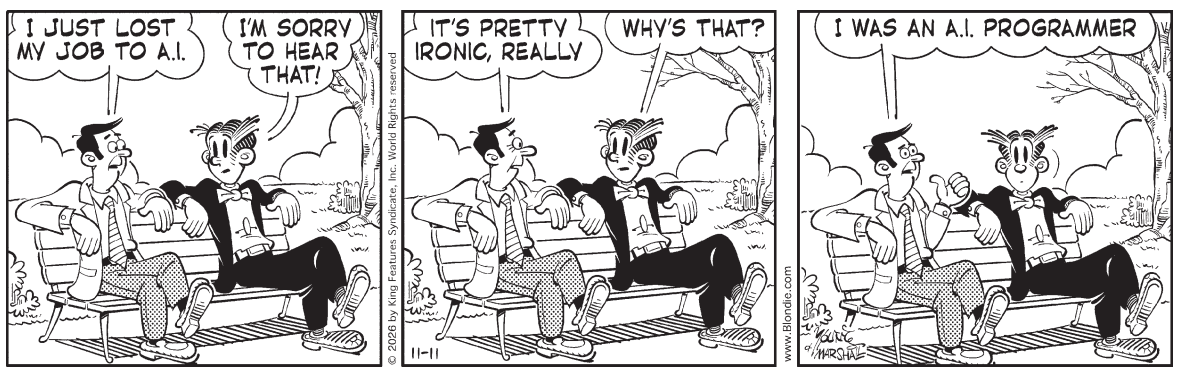
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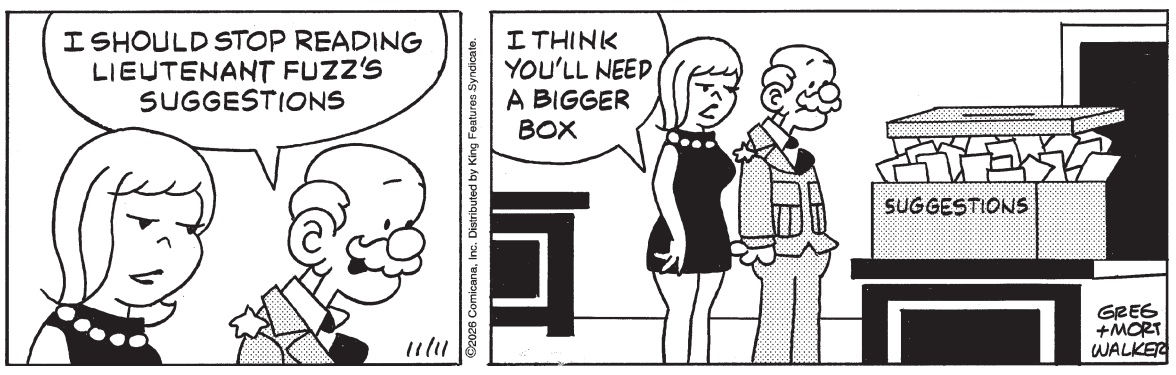
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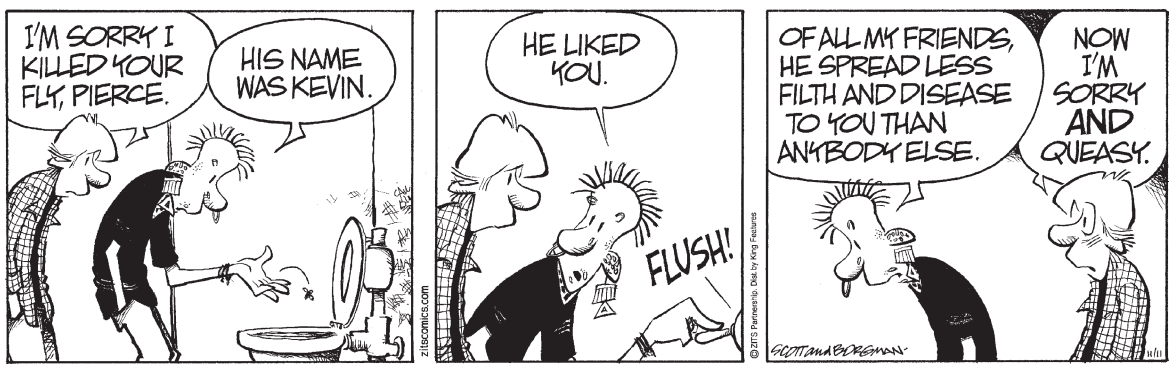
MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Rx info
5 Research settings
9 Some swords
11 Thoroughly disgusted
12 Singed
13 Battery end
14 Purpose
15 Blow up (anagram of 17-Across)
17 Military rank (anagram of 30-Across)
19 Homer's neighbor
20 Witch trial town
21 Braying beast
22 Castle surrounders
24 Argon or xenon
26 Short
29 Team supporter
30 Field worker (anagram of 32-Across)
32 "Let's Stay Together" singer (anagram of 15-Across)
34 Expected
35 Two-dot character
36 Unrefined
38 Put up
39 Engaged
40 Editor's spot
41 Garden areas

DOWN

1 Work on code
2 Masterworks
3 Venus's sister
4 Poet's contraction
5 Musical Horne
6 Decorates
7 Gives a little ground
8 Velocity
10 Sound system
11 Plummet
16 Worthy of mention
18 Shade trees
21 China setting
23 Big ditch
24 In abundance
25 What protractors measure
27 Bear
28 Engaged in a vendetta
29 Stood up to
30 Nice guy
31 Oboe parts
33 Music genre
37 Vault part

1	2	3	4	■	■	■	5	6	7	8
9				10	■	11				
12					■	13				
14			■	15	16					
17			18				■	19		
■	20					■	21			■
■	■	■	22			23		■	■	■
■	24	25		■	26			27	28	■
29			■	30						31
32			33				■	34		
35					■	36	37			
38						39				
40				■	■		41			

Yesterday's answer Saturday's Answer

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

CRYPTOQUOTE

A XYDLBAAXR 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.

11-11 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

P NCFTH XTUHTQ YPLM EBBTPVX ZUH UD DPGBL PE PD UTLC GBUVD DWUD P JCFTH DULDB GQ HBLLBYD. — HUDU, "LDUY DYBM: DWB VBOD XBVBYUDPCV"

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WHEN I'M SINGING THE BLUES, I'M SINGING LIFE. — ETTA JAMES

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★ 11/11

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SOLUTION:

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