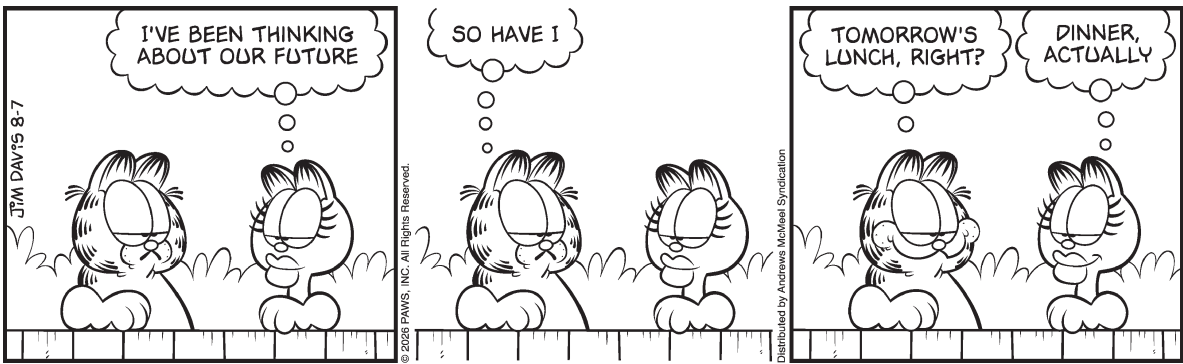


COMICS AND FEATURES

GARFIELD



DUSTIN



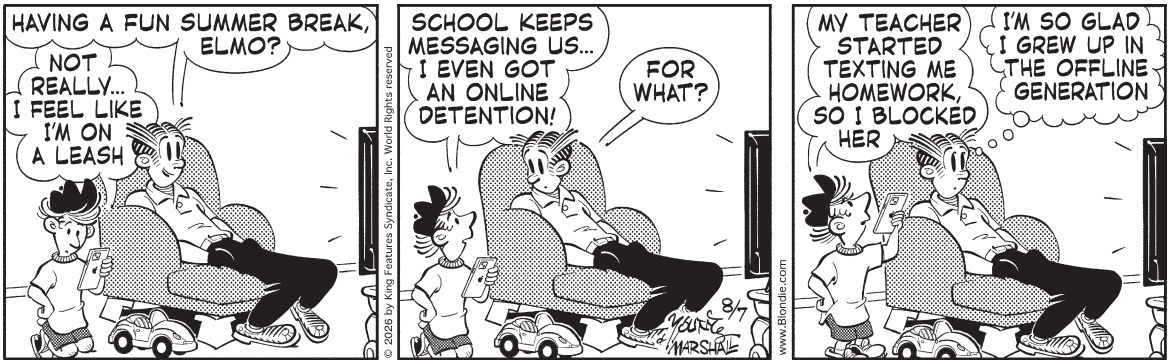
MACANUDO



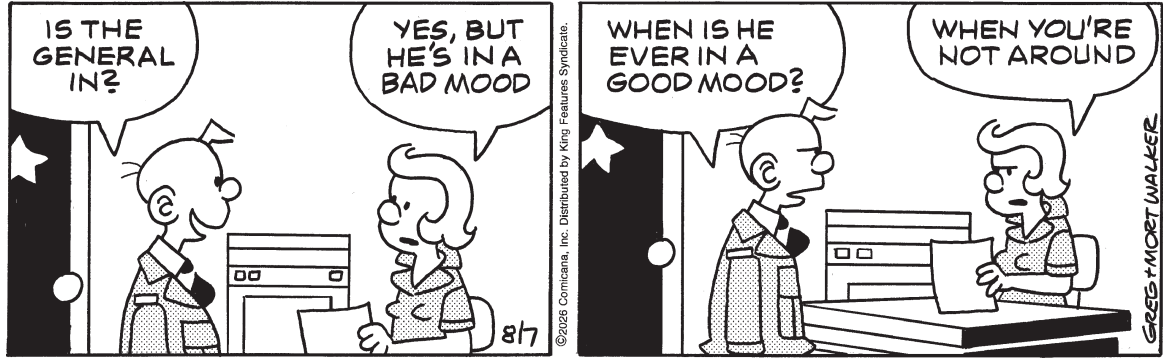
RHYMES WITH ORANGE



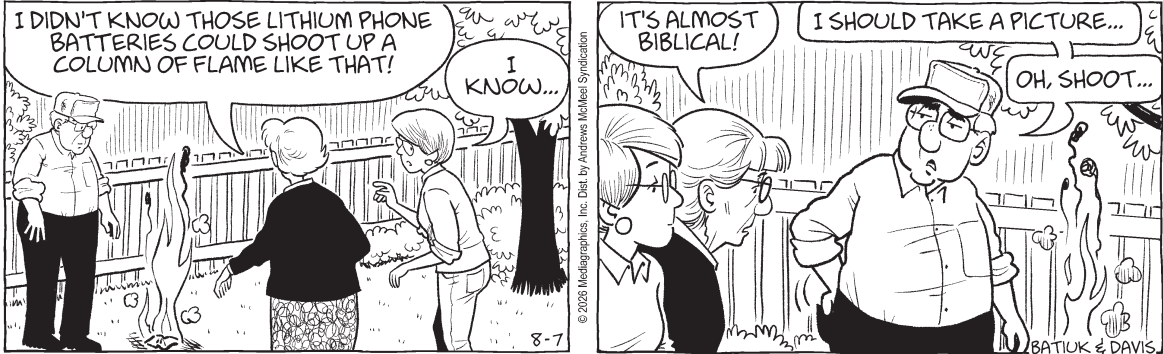
BLONDIE



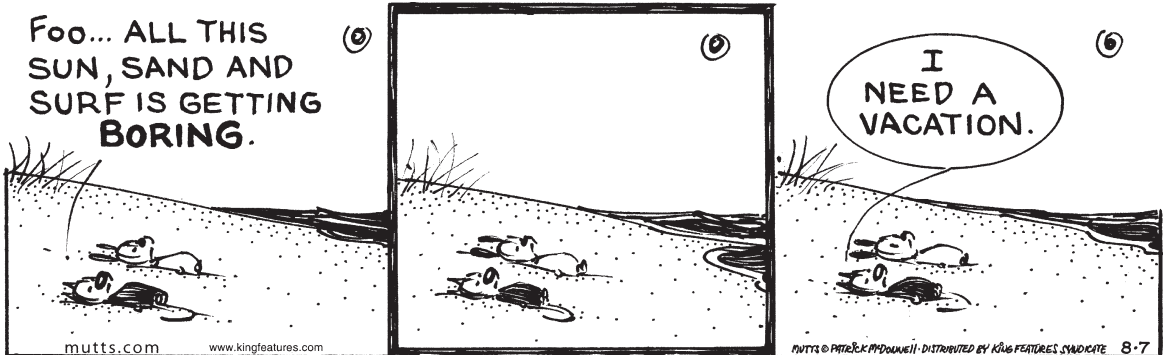
BEETLE BAILEY



CRANKSHAFT



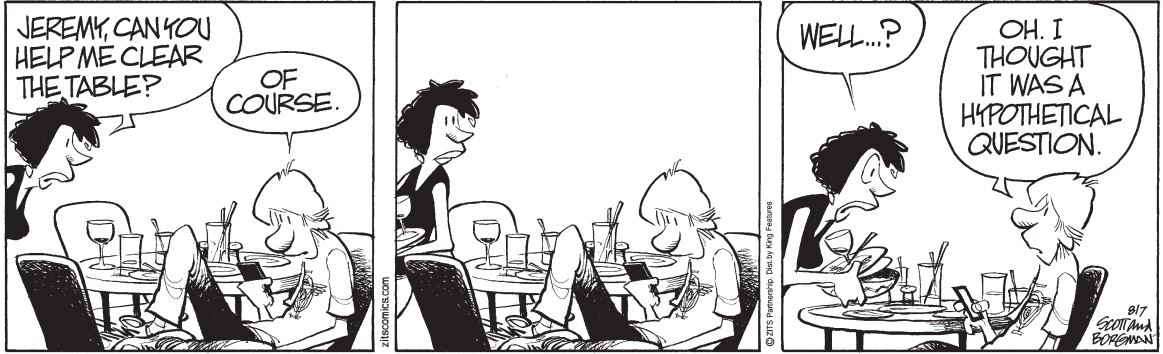
MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 RPM
 - 6 Caravan creature
 - 11 To date
 - 12 Like tumblers
 - 13 Small-scale
 - 14 Israel's Meir
 - 15 Bud
 - 16 Poem of praise
 - 18 "— Misérables"
 - 19 Sense of self
 - 20 Argon or ethane
 - 21 Hot blood
 - 22 Farm beast
 - 24 Office leader
 - 25 Kodak founder
 - 27 Suggestive
 - 29 Kidnap price
 - 32 Vein contents
 - 33 Stashed
 - 34 Pitcher's stat
 - 35 Drill target
 - 36 Clumsy one
 - 37 Pot part
 - 38 Kuala Lumpur native

DOWN

- 1 Packed down
- 2 Crumbly Italian cheese
- 3 Refuge from a twister
- 4 That woman
- 5 Patsies
- 6 Pet store buys
- 7 Previously
- 8 Platinum record
- 9 Church leaders
- 10 Rent agreements
- 17 Brief vacation
- 23 Arthur's step-brother
- 24 Outlaw
- 26 Ticked off
- 27 Dorm partner
- 28 Singer Grande
- 30 Set straight
- 31 Coarse-spun cotton
- 33 19th president
- 39 Cobbler's tool
- 41 S&L offering

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		
42						43			
44						45			

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.

8-7 CRYPTOQUOTE

XSLCRARG EOIDZ BFO HRLC FT

B FOG QGOE CSRGR DI

IFERHFQB XSF ZLT QLTZR CF

DC. — ZSDTOL LZSRHR
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF YOU WANT A PLACE IN THE SUN, YOU'VE GOT TO PUT UP WITH A FEW BLISTERS. — ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★★★

©2026 King Features Syndicate, Inc.

SOLUTION:

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