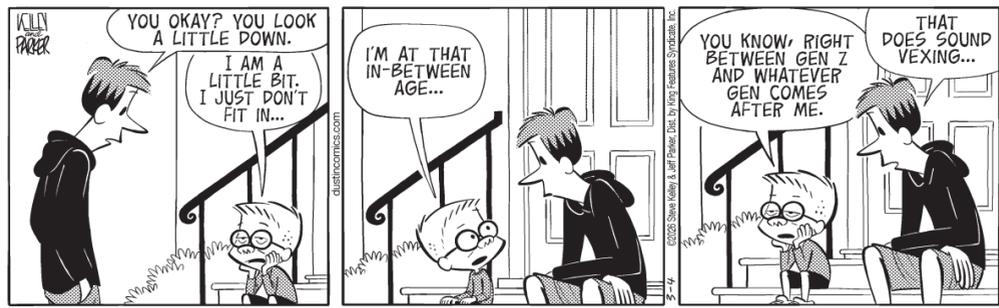


COMICS AND FEATURES

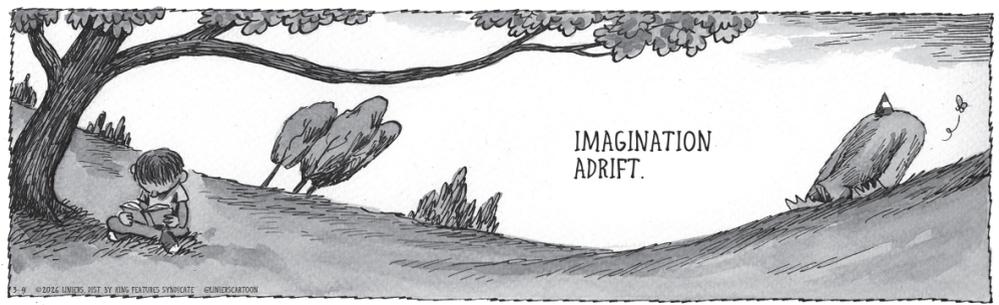
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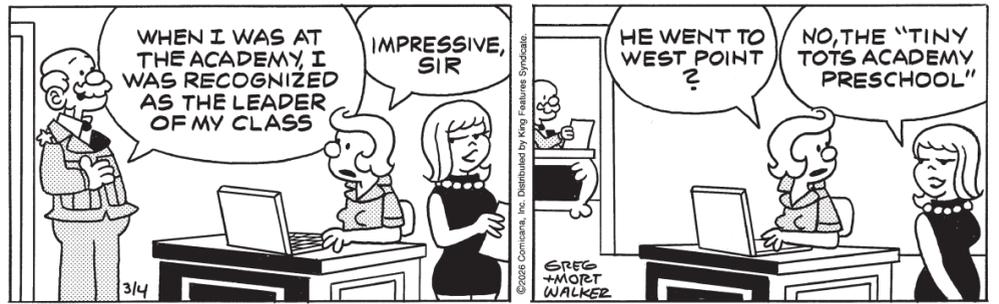
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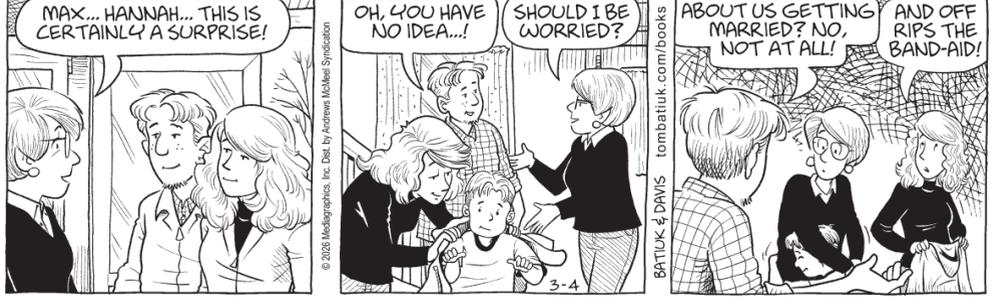
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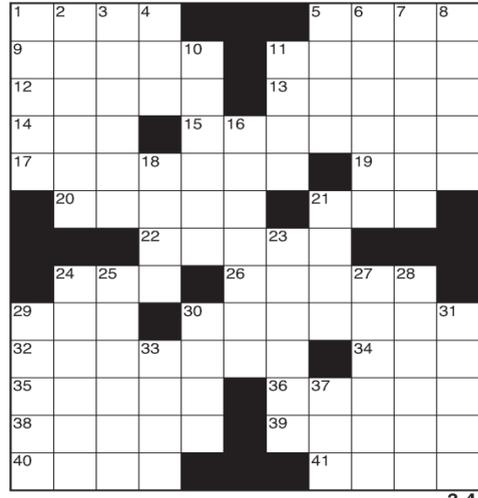
CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tater
 - 5 Coop group
 - 9 Cruise ship
 - 11 Burglar, e.g.
 - 12 Puzzled
 - 13 Slow tempo
 - 14 Bakery buy
 - 15 Church tower sound
 - 17 Kind of wax
 - 19 Simple denials
 - 20 Girder material
 - 21 Promise
 - 22 Filth
 - 24 Bro's sibling
 - 26 Blood lines
 - 29 Immoral act
 - 30 Vegas job
 - 32 Curative
 - 34 "East of Eden" brother
 - 35 Pick from the menu
 - 36 Summon up
 - 38 Make blank
 - 39 Annoys
- DOWN**
- 1 Strikes, in a way
 - 2 Feels sorry for
 - 3 Remove from office
 - 4 Ruby of films
 - 5 Boot part
 - 6 Weather-changing current
 - 7 Later, perhaps
 - 8 Canoodles, in Britain
 - 10 Dueling sword
 - 11 National symbol
 - 16 Pep up
 - 18 Tripod trio
 - 21 Bride's wear
 - 23 Scant
 - 24 Rugged range
 - 25 How Rome wasn't built
 - 27 Kidman of film
 - 28 Medusa's hair
 - 29 Loafers, e.g.
 - 30 Fearful
 - 31 Sharon of "Cagney & Lacey"
 - 33 Not so much
 - 37 Lively spirit



Yesterday's answer



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.

3-4 CRYPTOQUOTE

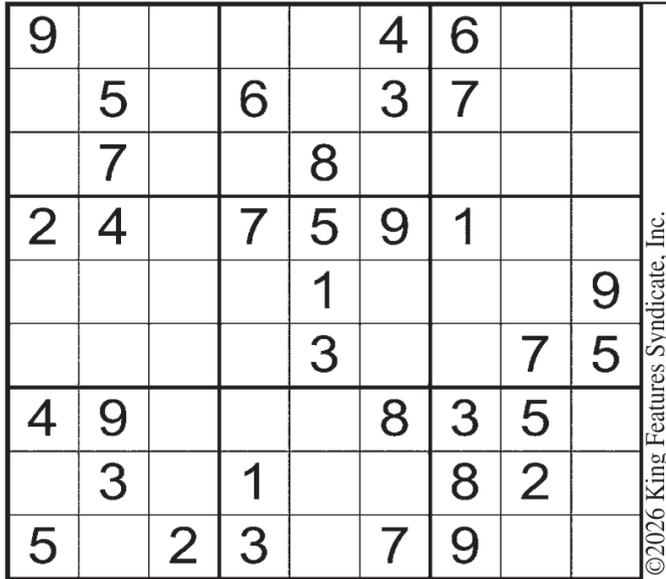
KGSC'N LUU NBUWL LU KGPC

LBC NIQC FIR LJGDC.

— MCEEGSCW KUXCA
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: OFTEN WE LOOK SO LONG AT THE CLOSED DOOR THAT WE DO NOT SEE THE ONE THAT HAS BEEN OPENED FOR US. — HELEN KELLER

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 Concepts Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.



Difficulty: ★★★

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SOLUTION:

