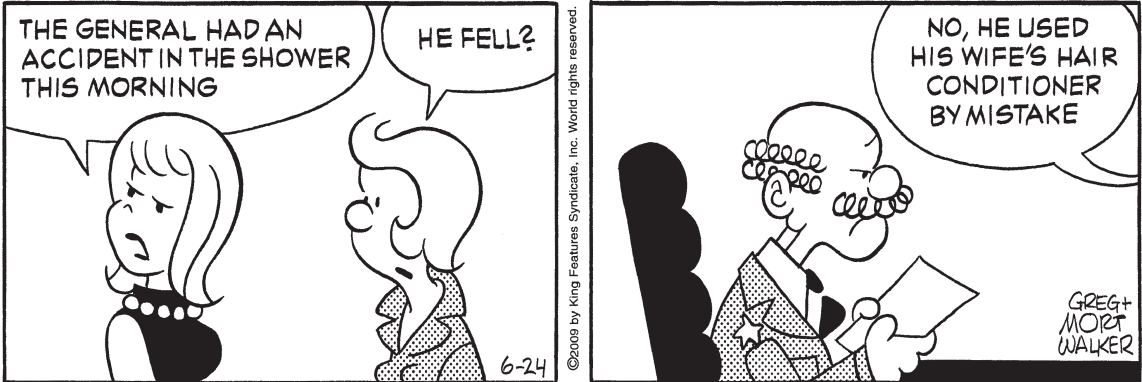


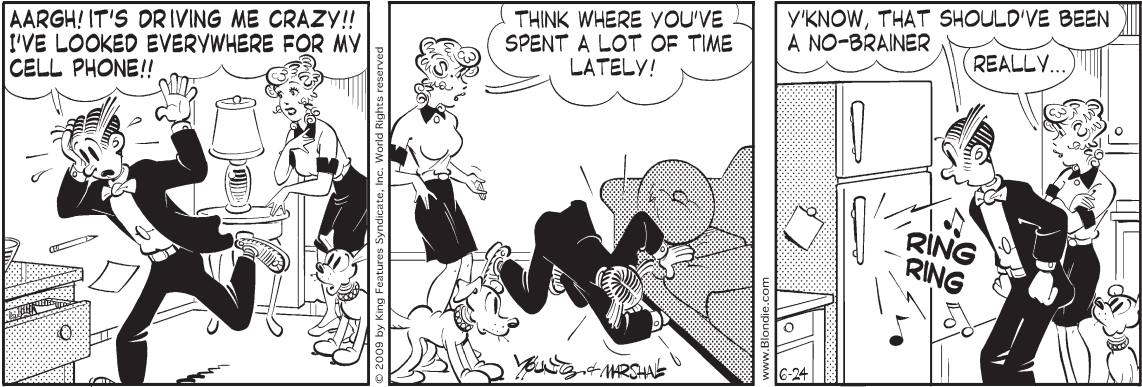
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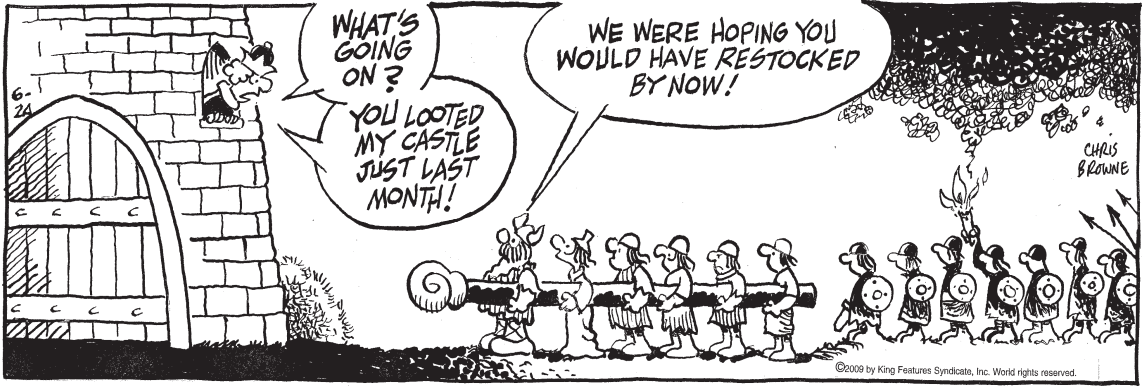
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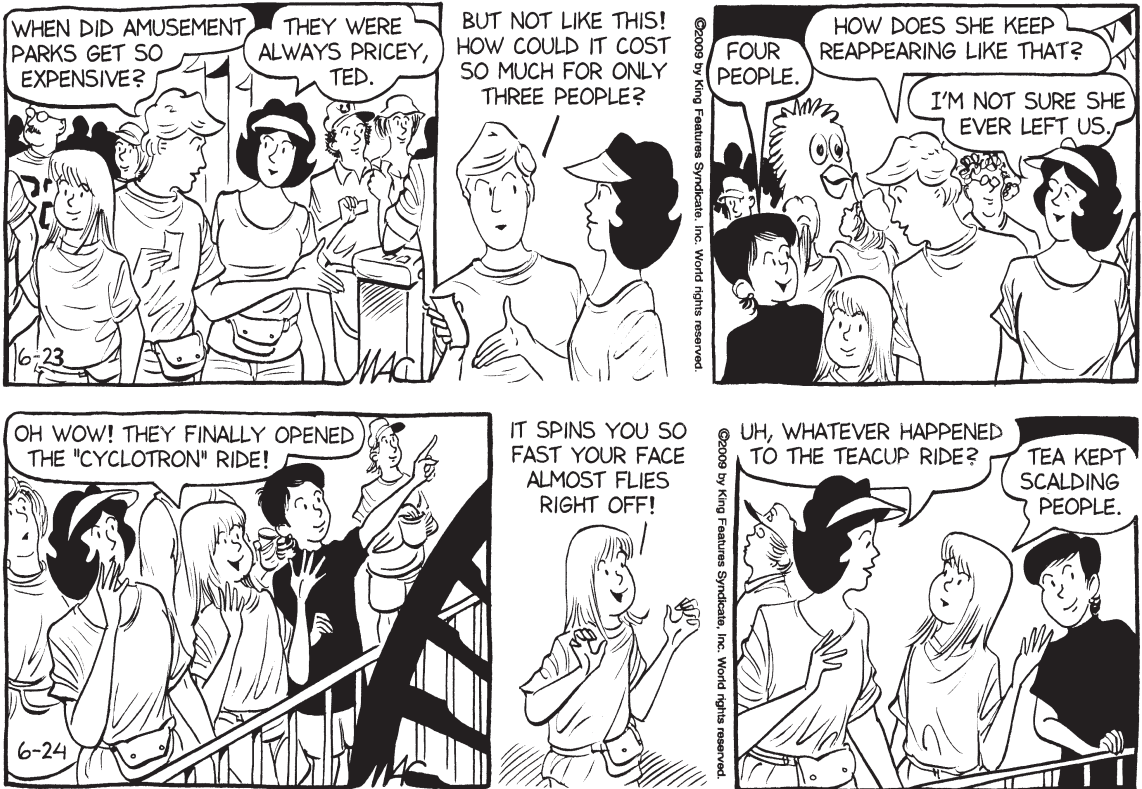
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**Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters**



**Sally Forth • Greg Howard**



**Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts**



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**Heloise**

- Hints from Heloise

**Why are there different flours?**

Dear Heloise: What is the difference between PLAIN and ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR? Both can be purchased at the grocery store, and usually recipes call for one or the other. Is there any difference? – G.B., Russellville, Ala.

This is a good question, and one that many new cooks ask! There are many different types of flours, so it can be confusing! However, plain and all-purpose flours are the same, and may also be referred to as “regular” flour in recipes. This flour is used in most types of baking. It is a blend of hard and soft wheats, and it has a higher gluten content than cake flour or pastry flour. Recipes will usually specify if a different type of flour should be used. – Heloise

**CUTTING CELERY**

Dear Heloise: Here is a great way to save time when cutting celery. Do not separate celery from the stalk. Rinse under cool water, shake off and put a rubber band around the top. Lay it on a cutting board and cut through all the stalks. Cut as much and as thick as you need, and leave the rubber band on afterward. – Glenda Biddix, Kings Mountain, N.C.

Glenda, a timesaving hint indeed. However, please be sure all of the celery is rinsed well, including the inner stalks. – Heloise

**VINEGAR TO THE RESCUE**

Dear Heloise: I bought a small, double-sided tabletop grill and love using it to “grill” foods. The cleaning process is a little time-consuming, so I wanted to make it easier. After the meal, I reheat the grill and then turn it off (and unplug it). I take a double layer of paper toweling and lay it on the grill. I pour vinegar on and saturate the towel, then close the lid. I let it cool, and cleaning is just a breeze. I simply wipe it clean – this takes very little effort, and the grill stays sparkling-clean. – S. Solomon, via e-mail

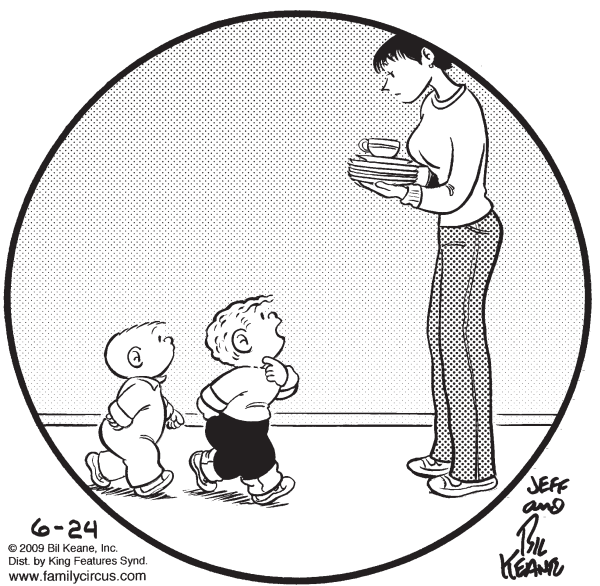
Thanks for sharing your hint with my readers. Vinegar has so many safe uses around the house, you just might be surprised! If you would like to learn easy, money-saving, simple cleaning and cooking hints using vinegar, order my Heloise’s Fantabulous Vinegar Hints and More. To receive this six-page pamphlet crammed full of helpful hints, just send \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (61 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Vinegar also does a great job on discolored aluminum pots. Just add 1 cup of water and 1 cup of vinegar to the pot and boil the stains away. – Heloise

**GREEN HINT**

Dear Heloise: To save money these days, re-use plastic zipper-top bags (except those that are greasy or were used for raw meat, fish or poultry). Just wash them thoroughly, rinse and dry with a dish towel. They come out clean and fresh-smelling without any odors of what had been previously stored inside them. – Dorothy, San Antonio

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**Family Circus • Bil Keane**



**Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green**

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

*This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.*

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

**Cryptoquip**

IBHP IQWAW RQW FHAA SAHRY,  
SHTGPTGZY HGU ATPVOHPWOV  
PBHP'Y TGPVOVYPTGZ PQ  
UHUY? SQS FWAPWOV.

**Yesterday’s Cryptoquip:** WILL THIS BROKEN AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE HANDLE YOUR CASH PROPERLY? I WOULDN’T BANK ON IT!

Today’s Cryptoquip Clue: U equals D

**Crossword • Eugene Sheffer**

- ACROSS**

1 Catchall abbr.

5 Felon’s flight

8 Basilica section

12 Initial chip

13 Actress Larter

14 Converse

15 Rogue

17 Undecided

18 Piercing

19 Anatomical

21 Copper head?

22 Genealogy chart

23 Relative of a peke

26 Bonfire residue

28 TV’s Gomez Addams

31 Use a rotary phone

33 Round Table address

35 Benefit

36 Extraterrestrial
- 38 Encountered**

**40 Obtain**

**41 Manicure site**

**43 23-Across’ place, often**

**45 Pamper**

**47 See**

**34-Down**

**51 Shrek is one**

**52 Potpourri**

**54 Winged**

**55 Rhyming honor**

**56 Addition-ally**

**57 Stamina (SI.)**

**58 Head movement**
- 59 Not so much**

**DOWN**

**1 Church service**

**2 Part of the foot?**

**3 Celebrity**

**4 “As You Like It” role**

**5 Anarchic**

**6 Chicken-king link**

**7 Has potential**

**8 Ingenue, e.g.**

**9 Repeated attempts to contact**

**10 Ganges garment**

**11 Sicilian volcano**
- 16 Goya’s “Duchess of —”**

**20 Historic time**

**23 Palm Pilot, e.g.**

**24 Lubricate**

**25 Principal street**

**27 That guy**

**29 Mamie’s man**

**30 Trawler need**

**32 Guides**

**34 Calm**

**37 Zero**

**39 London gallery**

**42 Lousy car**

**44 Bicycle part**

**45 Brat’s stocking stuffer**

**46 Look lasciviously**

**48 Competent**

**49 Back talk**

**50 Ids’ counterparts**

**53 Altar affirmative**

Solution time: 21 mins.

BBC	REX	TREE
ALIT	ATE	AULD
RATE	GAB	MEMO
THYME	LEAP	
PEA	CLASPS	
GAZELLE	IFNOT	
KEA	AWE	LOKI
NITRO	EMPOWER	
SNAILS	UAR	
ZEAL	LISTS	
SHOO	LIB	DAHL
PAWN	VEE	ASEA
ANNA	ODD	HOW

Yesterday’s answer 6-24

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12					13				14			
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