

Comic Outlook

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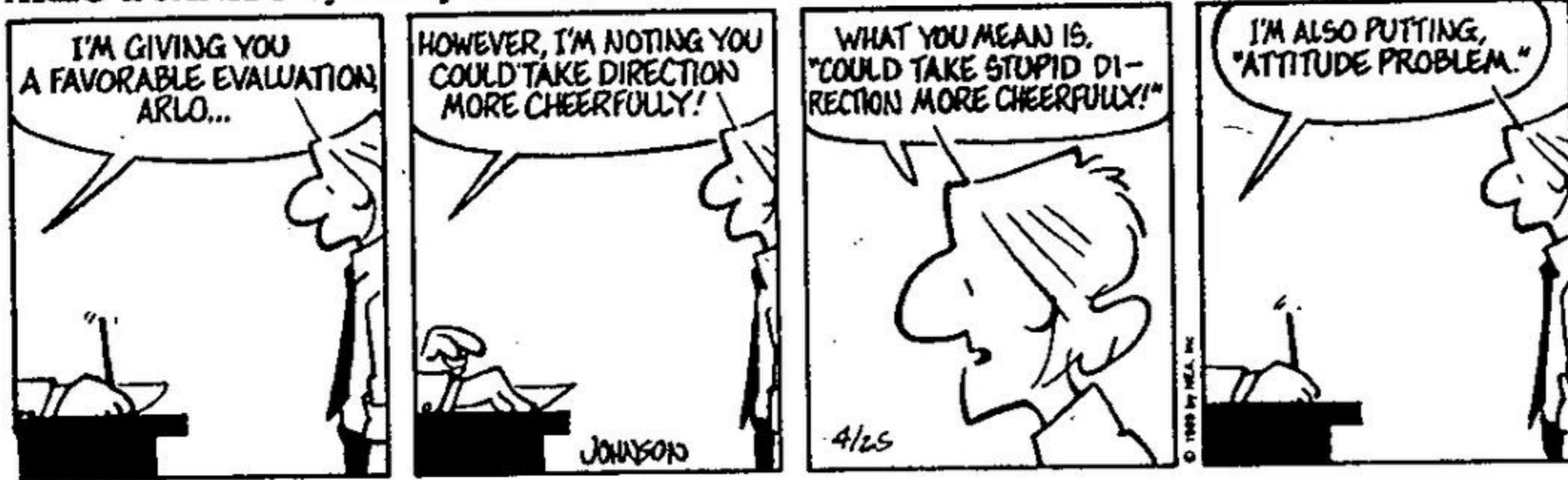
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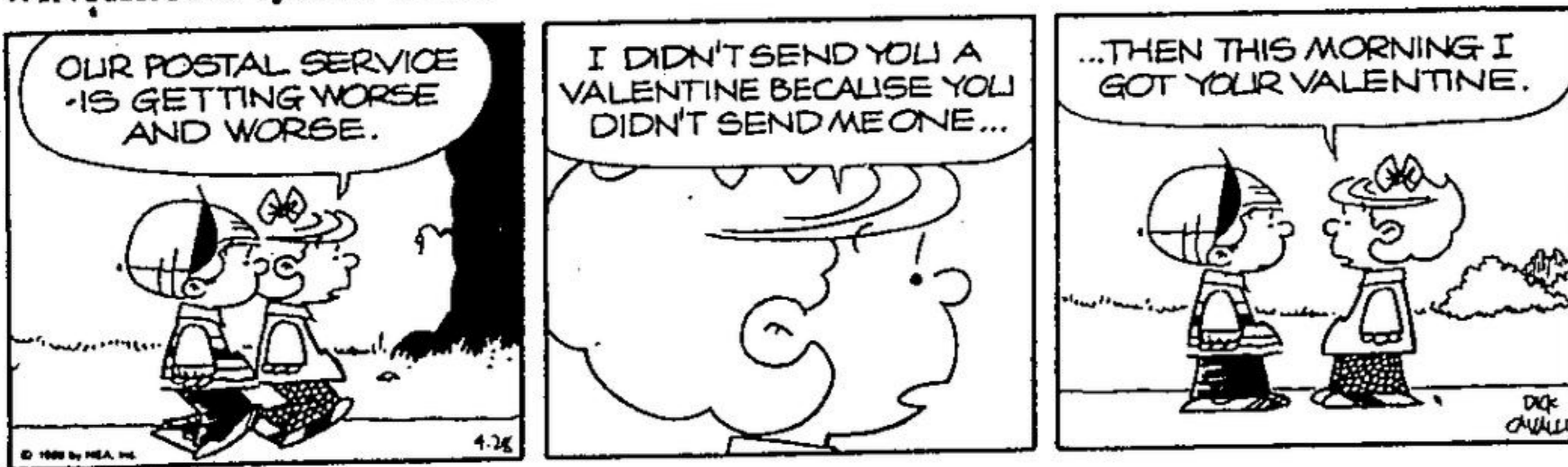
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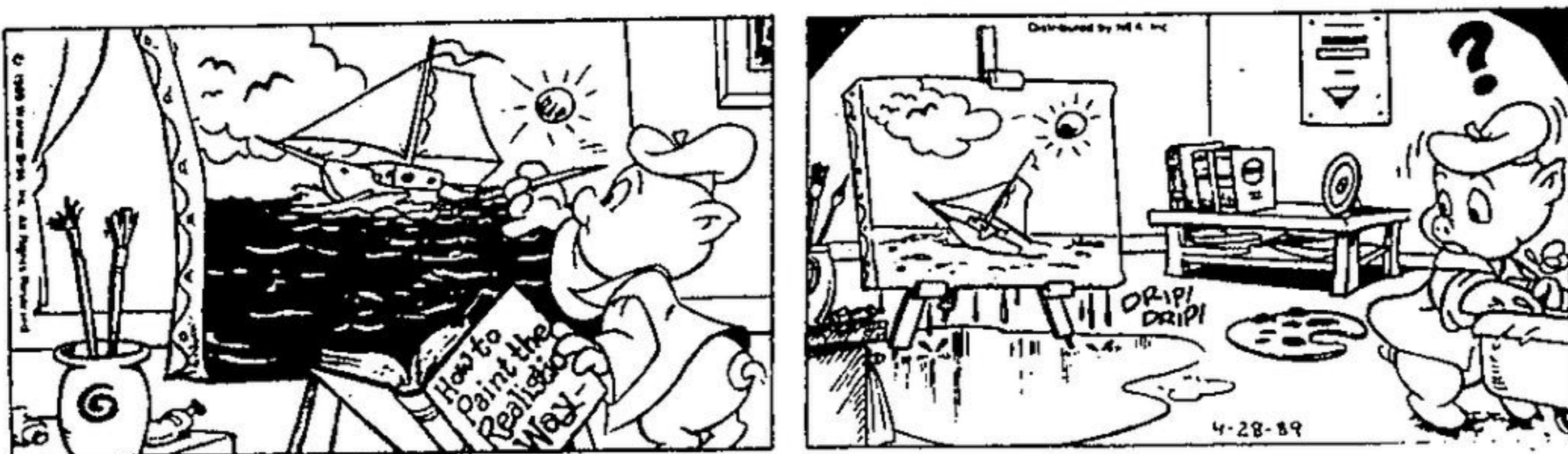
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Your Birthday

ASTRO-GRAPH



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A rise in status is a strong possibility in the year ahead, as well as a pronounced improvement in matters that relate to your financial security. Successes will be predicated upon diligence and luck. **TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Be alert today because both small and significant opportunities could develop for you where your financial interests are concerned. Make every effort to capitalize on this fortunate trend. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. **GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You may gifted with remarkable resiliency today. With this ability to bounce back, you could enjoy exceptional success in situations that you personally direct. **CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You should be able to achieve the results you are hoping for today, because it looks like you'll have the right people backing you when the chips are down. Their support is a critical factor. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Be optimistic regarding new enterprises or ventures you launch today. Conditions in general are more promising than usual, giving you just cause for your enthusiasm. **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Goals you were unable to achieve earlier in the week could be attainable today. Re-examine your objectives and focus on the two which are most meaningful. **LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You'll learn something of value from all of your important encounters today. At later dates you'll find useful applications for the knowledge you acquire. **SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Don't interfere today with one who is presently managing a matter successfully for you. As long as this person is serving your best interests, it's best to remain on the sidelines. **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Good things could be in the offing for you today, but they are apt to be due in large part to the efforts of people with whom you'll be associated. Their luck rubs off on you. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Situations might take a surprising turn for you today where your career is concerned. Where you were previously stymied, opportunities could now suddenly develop. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Social involvements could be more significant than usual today. There is a possibility something beneficial may result through people with whom you'll exchange pleasantries. **PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Don't anticipate negative results today in a situation for which you have adequately prepared. Things look good and the end results should please you. Be positive. **ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You'll be happiest today if you can stay on the go and move about unrestricted. In fact, even mundane errands could turn into some type of pleasant adventure.

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NORTH 5-6-89			
♦ K J 10 7			
♥ K 10 5			
♦ 3			
♦ K 9 6 4 3			
WEST			
♦ A 9 3			
♥ J 8 4			
♦ Q 6			
♦ Q J 10 7 5			
EAST			
♦ 6 4 2			
♥ 9 7 6 3 2			
♦ 9 5 4 2			
♦ 2			
SOUTH			
♦ Q 8 5			
♥ A Q			
♦ A K J 10 8 7			
♦ A 8			
Vulnerable: East-West Dealer: South			
West	North	East	South
Pass	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	4 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	6 NT
Opening lead: ♦ Q			

BRIDGE



JAMES JACOBY

Using common sense

By James Jacoby

After South had opened one diamond, his jump to three no-trump over partner's one-level response showed an unusual hand — a solid six or seven cards in his minor suit, and scattered stoppers. Careful Charlie had fudged a little (his suit was not solid), but he had plenty of extra high-card points. When North invited with four no-trump, Charlie went right to six no-trump. That turned out to be a much better choice than six diamonds.

Declarer won the ace of clubs and led the queen of spades. West took the ace and continued with the 10 of clubs. Charlie won the king in dummy as East discarded a spade. Charlie now cashed the A-Q of hearts and continued spades. West followed to the second and third spade while East, who had discarded a spade on the king of clubs, let go a heart on the third spade. When declarer played the king of hearts, West followed with the jack. On the fourth spade East threw another heart and West discarded a club.

Charlie now had a complete count. West had started with three spades, three hearts, five clubs and therefore only two diamonds. East originally held three spades, five hearts, one club and therefore four diamonds, and he was holding on to all four of them. Even if East held the diamond queen, finessing would not help declarer, since the queen was not going to fall. His only chance was that the queen would be doubleton with West. So Careful Charlie played out the A-K of diamonds, dropping West's queen and making his slam.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books. © 1989, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: D equals K.

M Z A F B K X B E O
B K B P R A S S Z J Z R
R A K P V J X
F Z Z D V K L V J
I Z O Q K J X B E O J Z
T O Q O N V Z A Q
V C B X B C
B K M P B M U A S V B
F X V S I

SOLUTION: "You can have an awful lot of fun with cooking. It doesn't have to be serious... I'm a ham anyway." — Julia Child.