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Maudie's Naughties



Lifesaver

Aunt Hilda tells Ma how she got a broken arm and four broken ribs when she was trapped by a fire on the second floor a few years ago while living in Norwood, Ohio.

"I was hanging on the ledge with the fire raging below me," says Hilda. "The fire trucks hadn't arrived yet, and there was no escape. Suddenly, from out of the crowd gathered below, a huge professional football player pushes his way to the front and yells for me to jump and he'll catch me."

"I was a little reluctant," continues Hilda. "But he tells me that as a receiver for the football team, he does it all the time with the football and he won't have any trouble catching me. . . . So, I jump and he catches me safely in his arms."

"I thought you told me you got a broken arm and four broken ribs?!?!" says Ma.

"Oh," replies Hilda. "That came from when he spiked me to the ground and yelled, 'TOUCH . . . DOWN!'"

Cycle Accident

Two guys are riding up the road on a motorcycle. The driver wears a leather jacket turned around backwards to block the air. They enter into a sharp curve where the driver loses control and wrecks.

An old farmer who lives nearby calls in the accident. "Are either of them showing any signs of life?" asks the emergency operator.

"Well, the driver was," answers the farmer, "Until I turned his head around the right way."

Fire School

Farmer Green's wife calls up Ma one day to ask about their cousin Trudy who has enrolled in fire fighting school. "How's she doing," asks Mrs. Green. "I haven't heard from her."

"Well, she was doing pretty good," replies Ma. "Until the class on fire extinguishers. Trudy has a problem pulling the pin. So, the instructor tells her, 'It's just like a hand grenade.' Trudy jerks out the pin and throws the extinguisher at the fire."

Trapped on the Second Floor

Trixie and Mitzie are living on the second floor downtown when a fire breaks out in the business below. Mitzie is at work, but Trixie is at home and is trapped by the fire below. Firemen rush to the scene where they coax Trixie onto the window ledge and tell her to jump into a blanket they are holding.

"No way!" says Trixie. "You guys pulled that trick on me last summer at the beach. . . . Just lay the blanket on the ground and I'll jump into it!"

Seduction

A frail, little old lady walks into the police station and says, "Help, I was taken advantage of by a tall, dark, handsome man!"

The cop says, "When?"

She says, "Twenty-three years ago."

The cop says, "What are you telling me now for?"

The little old lady says, "I just like to talk about it once in a while."

Ride Home

Cowboy Joe gets paid every Friday and immediately rides into town to a bar where he gets plastered, then stumbles out to his horse and rides home.

A couple of his fellow cowhands decide to play a trick on him. While he's in the bar, they turn his horse around; then they sneak back into the bar for a couple more rounds.

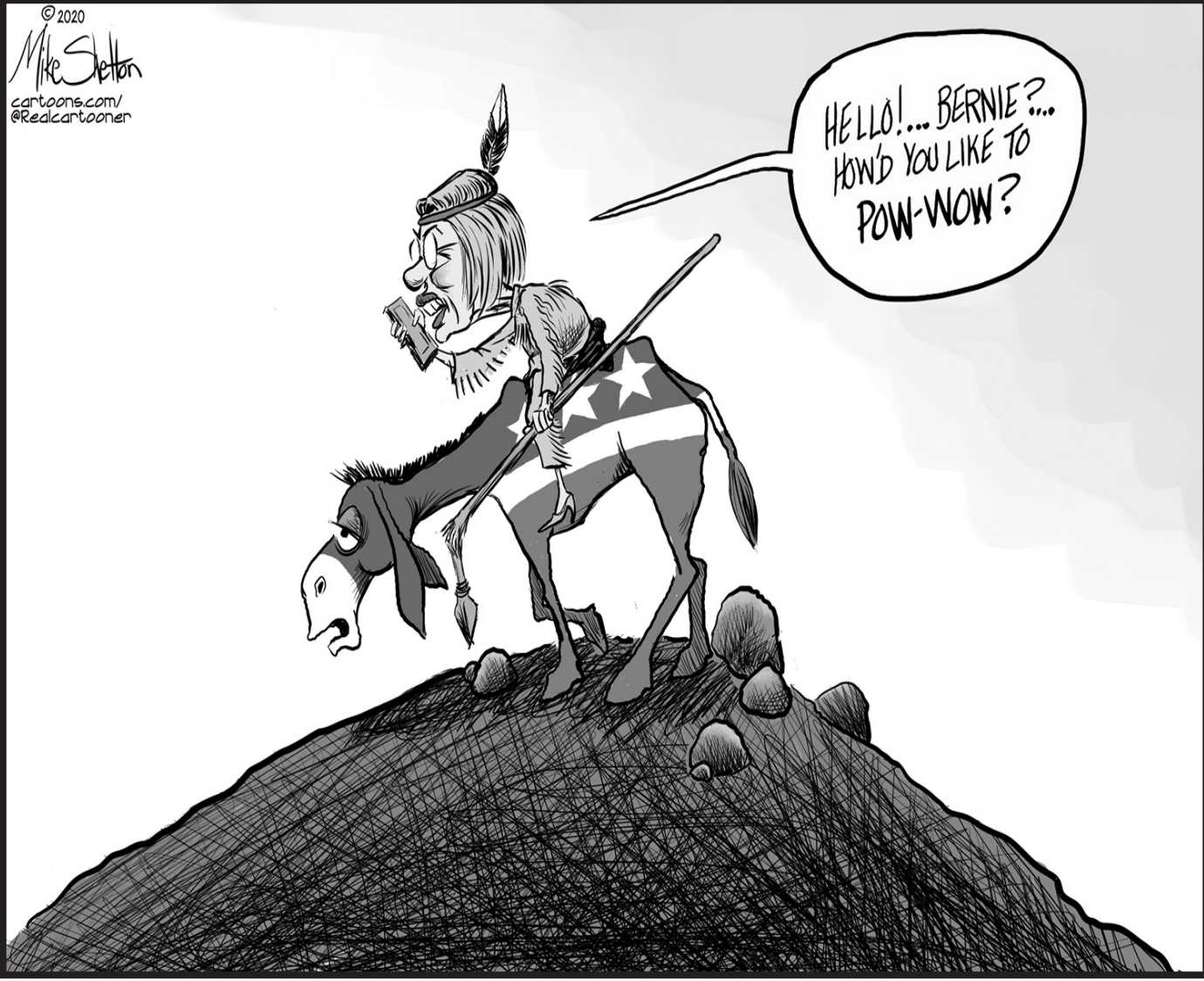
The next morning, a bucket of cold water thrown on Joe brings him around and he gets up ready to go back to work.

"How was your ride home last night," asks one of the pranksters?"

"Not so good," replies Joe. "Somebody sneaked and cut my horse's head off last night, and I had to pull him all the way home with my finger in his windpipe!"

Science Question

If H2O is on the inside of a fire hydrant, what is on the outside? K9P



This Week at the State Capitol - March 9-13, 2020

COVID-19 virus causes disruptions across the state

FRANKFORT – The COVID-19 virus that is causing disruptions across the state – and in countries throughout the world – prompted a postponement of General Assembly action at the end of this week as Senate and House leaders announced that legislative activity would take a break until March 17.

Bringing people together is in many ways the heart of the legislative process. Citizens from across the state come to the Capitol Campus and crowd into meeting rooms to view proceedings and offer their input. Lawmakers sit nearly elbow-to-elbow in committee rooms and legislative chambers as they deliberate and debate the issues. And, of course, the Capitol must lead the state in most handshakes per square foot. It's the close-knit nature of the legislative process that helps find solutions to the challenges confronting our state. And yet, it's that very closeness that could also allow the possible spread of a viral outbreak that has been classified as a pandemic. Legislative leaders say the break in the session, which was called for out of an abundance of caution, will provide a chance to evaluate safety procedures for the remainder of the session.

As of the afternoon of March 13, 11 Kentuckians had tested positive for coronavirus. Health officials say the threat to Kentuckians is currently low and that the rate of exposure can be greatly reduced by taking precautions and avoiding exposure. That's why events and activities across the country that draw crowds are being temporarily suspended and many schools are taking a break from in-person classes.

One measure that took a step forward in the legislative process this week could help school districts deal with school closings caused by COVID-19 concerns. House Bill 461 would allow schools to use additional nontraditional instructional days, up to a total of 20 such days, when schools are closed due to a health-related state of emergency declared by the governor. Nontraditional instructional days, which are offered by some but not all school districts, give students opportunities to complete assignments and continue learning from home even when schools are closed. The use of nontraditional instructional days also keeps schools from having to schedule make-up days to meet the state's school year requirements.

The legislation would allow a school district without a nontraditional instructional plan to submit such a plan for the state's approval for the remainder of this school year. It would also allow the commissioner of education to waive the requirement that a school provide 1,062 instructional hours during the school year if the school can't complete the hours but has maximized instructional time.

House Bill 461 was approved by the House Education Committee and now awaits consideration from the full House.

In other business this week, lawmakers approved measures on numerous other topics, including:

Abortion. House Bill 67 proposes an amendment to the Kentucky constitution dealing with abortion. The bill proposes that the following words be added to the constitution: "To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion." The bill passed the House 71-21 and has been delivered to the Senate. If the bill is approved there, Kentuckians would vote on the constitutional amendment this November.

Human trafficking. House Bill 2 would require a national anti-human trafficking hotline number to be advertised in airports, truck stops, train stations and bus stations. Posters with the hotline number are currently required in rest areas. The bill would also close a loophole in the state sex offender registry by adding specific human trafficking offenses to the definition of a sex crime. Those convicted of human trafficking offenses would face a minimum \$10,000 fine to be paid to the state human trafficking victims' fund, which would be moved to the Office of the Attorney General. House bill 2 was approved by the House on Tuesday on an 87-0 vote and has been delivered to the Senate.

Legal advertisements. Senate Bill 178 would require plaintiff lawyer advertisements that target consumers of prescription drugs and medical devices to warn viewers that it is dangerous to stop taking a prescribed medication without first consulting a doctor. It would prohibit use of a government agency logo in a manner that suggests an affiliation and would prohibit ads that solicit legal business from being labeled a "medical alert" or "health alert." The measure would also protect personal health information from being sold for soliciting legal services without the written authorization of the patient. The legislation was approved by the Senate 21-13 on Monday and awaits consideration from the House.

Virginia laws. Senate Bill 106 contains a proposed constitutional amendment to repeal Section 233 of the state constitution, which states that certain laws in effect in Virginia before June 1792 are in effect in Kentucky. Supporters of the measure say that part of the constitution is an antiquated section from the time when Kentucky split from Virginia and became the 15th state. The bill passed the Senate by a 32-2 vote. If approved by the House, Kentucky voters would decide on the proposed constitutional amendment in November.

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