

RAFFERTY

By Gerard Dummy Drawing by Mel Cronfoot



In the dark attic, Rafferty lay on the floor. Above him a lone lightbulb swung slowly back and forth. He was dead.

Next to him on the floor lay a piece of paper entitled "Last Will and Testament."

Written under the title was this:

"Everybody who's young enough to enjoy the stupid things we talk about in this strip is too young to follow it day after day."

"Those with a long enough attention span to keep reading this strip, week in, week out, could never read it for more than a day without losing interest."

"Since you can't get anything out of this strip without following it week after week, what happens is this: People look at it every day on the comics page. They don't read it because they don't know the story line. They say I'll start next week."

"But they don't. And every day, they feel guilty."

"So, poor guilty readers suffer no more."

"Yours sincerely, Rafferty."

your horoscope



Friday, April 3, 1981

YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY:

You will be noticing some changes over the coming year. Aries people are known for their skills in handling people. And in fact you'll see an increase in this activity. Since your sign is the ram you will find that your attraction to young choir boys will be growing. However be careful about your penchant for small furry animals. There is an SPCA law concerning their sexual use and abuse. Besides the little buggers have a tendency to turn and bite. Towards the middle of the year you'll notice your financial affairs are in serious jeopardy. A word of advice, a few dollars in the right pockets will ensure your illicit activities will remain undercover. Famous people and others born under this sign include: Daffy Duck, Fritz the Cat, Roman Polanski and Errol Flynn.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Arians are noted for their unusual sexual proclivities and today is no exception. The money that you've made from your prostitution ring can now be invested in something worthwhile. P.S. Keep your eyes open for something in the white slave market.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Female Taureans should find this an extraordinary day. Extraordinary in that not a thing of interest will happen to you, no sir, not a way, no how. However, this is in keeping with your general personality. Male Taureans on the other hand, will have a more exciting day, but only if they keep away from the aforementioned female Taureans. P.S. Check out an Arian. See above.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Romance is highlighted today. Being a Gemini you prefer things done in twosomes and your love life is no exception (nudge, nudge, wink, wink) By the way, Geminis have double the risk of contracting serious social diseases.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): I don't like Cancerians. They really don't rate at all in my books. Nothing of consequences ever happens to them anyway. Incidentally most people born under the sign of Cancer are homosexuals and are more prone to crabs.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Leos consider themselves to be a cut above the rest, noble, worthy, self-sacrificing, and dedicated. Unfortunately no one else shares this opinion. The domestic scene will be spoiled by you coming home to find

anyone you've ever cared about has left.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 2): Of course, Virgo the virgin, is a complete misogynist. The only Virgos that are virgins are to quote W.C. Fields "a small girl about six years old and rather ugly." However, most Virgos are prudish and don't like to screw standing up for fear someone might think they are dancing. So my advice to you is to stay out of discos.

LIBRAS (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Concentrate on developing promising ventures: enroll in a Mark Eden bust developing course. Unless you're a woman in which case stick to nailing the postman every morning as you've probably been doing all along.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Scorpios exhibit the same characteristics as most bugs. They are small, slimy and just generally annoying. You should not make long term plans as you are so detested you won't last long anyway. (And look out for the black crotchless panties.)

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Things at work will be a little touchy. In fact your boss of either sex will keep you busy all day trying to cop a feel. Your workmates may be jealous of all this extra attention and consequently your social life will slide back to the swamp it usually inhabits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Keep a low profile today. You may be able to pick up a lot of loose change. Since you'll be on your knees all day, romance will be particularly rewarding. There may be a market for those erotic photographs you're fond of fondling. Check out the men's room for best results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You're fond of doing things underwater and for long periods of time. In fact, you're the type of person that pees in the pool. But apart from that minor shortcoming Aquarians are kind, sympathetic, and wonderful people. Wouldn't you know it, I just happen to be one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Stay home! Keep out of sight as much as possible for your sake and the sakes of others who have to look at you. In fact, you should have stayed in bed. In fact, you shouldn't have got out to get this paper to read this. In fact, as you stand here reading this, a safe is probably on it's way down from a third storey window. All Pisces have B.O. and fart a lot, usually in large crowds.

Ask André

Andre sends a pair of soiled underwear and a prophylactic to Gertrude Culvert, age 3, of Ditch City, N.W., for her question:

WHY DO PUBLIC MENS ROOMS HAVE THOSE WHITE THINGS ON THE WALL?

Only a moron would ask such a question. These white things are called urinals and just as their name implies men use them to urinate in.

The reason why urinals are installed is that they are more efficient than toilets and they waste much less water. People urinate much more often than they discharge feces from the bowels and since men usually urinate while standing, the urinals are placed as they are.

There are several common models of urinals all of which can be found in Fredstown if one looks hard enough. The most common of these is the three footer, situated about two feet off the ground. This one has a cup-like protrusion centered on the bottom edge to catch drippings from those who stand just a little too far away in fear of splashing themselves. The next most frequently encountered urinal is the full length sucker which is about four and a half feet tall and goes all the way to the floor. This is the model preferred by fathers because they do not have to hold their child up if he is too short and the toilets are all occupied.

Andre sends a collection of Mic Bore-bet's poetry and a lighter to Sean Mullin, age 7, of Oralmouthton, N.E. for his question:

WHAT ARE TITS?

Now this is a delicate issue and should be handled with extreme care and tenderness, har, har.

Being a mere child of seven I can see why you might now know what the word means. Tits is a slang word for breasts, which are the mammary glands found on a woman. These glands produce milk which is used to feed babies.

Let me put it this way. Have you ever seen your mother naked? Well, those two mounds of soft, curvacious flesh are her tits. These are the things that men like to fondle and caress and to lie on after tiring activity in bed.

Tits are also very sensitive sexually for women. They are one of the most sensitive parts of the female body and when properly caressed can greatly arouse a woman's sexual desire. Believe me, I should know because I've been around.

There is nothing I like better than a pair of nice big tits to lay my head on after a hard day answering stupid questions like this one and all the others I get. I am beginning to think that the average intelligence of human beings is on a steady decline. It is time that something be done about ineptitude in this country.

SHINEMOLD ON TIDDLYWINKS

Going for Broke or new shoes for the baby

By Allbread Shinemold

Today we'll discuss the championship techniques I used at the World Tiddlywink Championship held last month in Boise, Idaho. See if you can follow me on this one while I outline the strategy and game-plan.

Meanwhile the East-West team can usually be persuaded to either cheat, thus throwing the match, or to step outside for a quick one (achieving the same result).

In these championships the real contest is between North and South. Recent amendments to the No-Think Rule have created many difficulties in championships. For example, under no circumstances are players allowed to think.

To win this match I told my opponent his sister was a dike which so upset him I was able to clinch the victory with several underhanded plays and a carefully placed chip.

DAILY QUESTION

The bases are loaded. Coming in to the home stretch, three yards to go for a touchdown and the bus has just left for Minneapolis. What do you do?

ANSWER: Bid three no trump, chip in the last shot with a three wood call bingo and head for Minneapolis.

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Taking the South position, you aim towards the West's full back to trump in his forward. Now this leaves East vulnerable.

At this point I used one of my favorite tricks (usually kept in reserve). I spilled my Flaming Volcano cocktail into my opponent's lap. This kept him busy for several minutes. In the ensuing pandemonium I was able to slip several key tiddlywinks into position (Clever me.)

Strategy of this nature, while not completely ethical, does keep the referee's beady eyes away from the game board for several tense moments.

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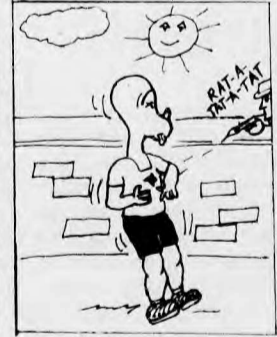


By CHARLES M. SHUCKS

RONDIE



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by JACK TIPSYP

Mutt and Jeff Arrived Perfectly Sound And On Time But We Think It Is Such An Asinine, Unfunny, Repetitive, Boring, And Totally Moronic Strip We Decided Not To Run It.

DOOMSBURY

by Very Truedough

