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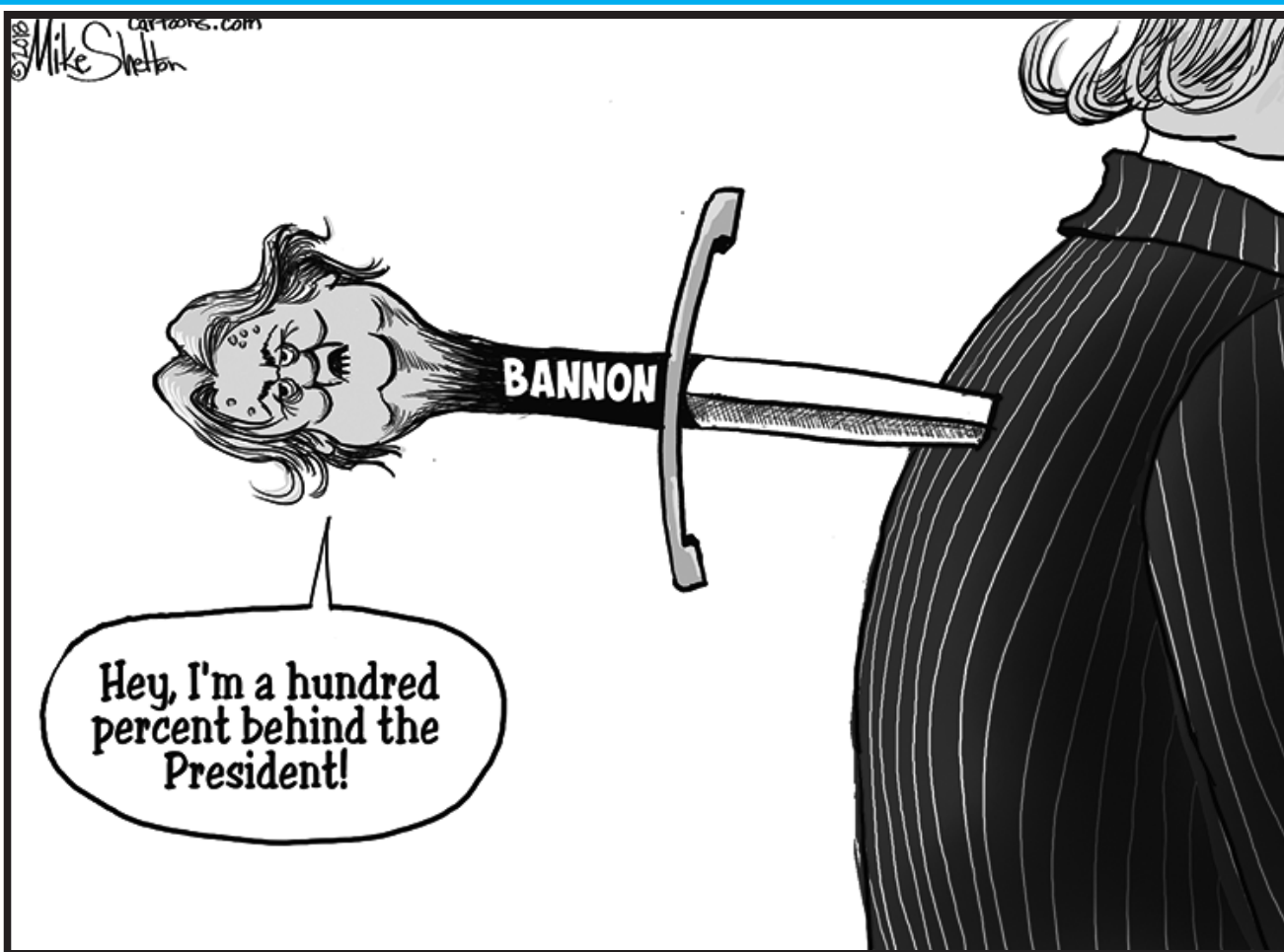
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Maudie's Naughties



Lost in a Snow Storm

Trixie is driving her car and becomes lost in a snowstorm. She doesn't panic however, because she remembers what Pa had once told her. "If you ever get stuck in a snowstorm, just wait for a snow plow to come by and follow it." Sure enough, pretty soon a snow plow comes by, and she starts to follow it. She follows the plow for about forty-five minutes. Finally the driver of the truck gets out and asks her what she is doing. And she explains that Pa had told her if she ever got stuck in a snow storm, to follow a plow. The driver nods and says, "Well, I'm done with the Wal-Mart parking lot, do you want to follow me over to Best Buy now?"

Forgot to Lock the Safe

The two partners in a law firm are having lunch when suddenly one of them jumps up and says, "I have to go back to the office - I forgot to lock the safe!"

The other partner replies, "What are you worried about? We're both here."

Criminal Lawyers

'Excuse me,' a young fellow says to an older man, 'I've just moved here and I wonder if this town has any criminal lawyers?'

'Well,' replies the older man, 'I have lived here all my life and all I can tell you is we are pretty sure we do, but no one has been able to prove it yet.'

Fifty Years From Now . . .

Three elderly people are talking about what their grandchildren would be saying about them fifty years from now.

"I would like my grandchildren to say, 'He was successful in business,'" declares the first man.

"Fifty years from now," says the second, "I want them to say, 'He was a loyal family man.'"

Turning to the third one, a lady, he asks, "So what do you want them to say about you in fifty years?"

"Me?" the third one replies. "I want them to say, 'She certainly looks good for her age.'"

Answer My Question

A big shot Yankee comes driving up the hollow and spots Junior and Howard Green sitting beside the bridge. He pulls alongside and says, "Hey, you two red-necks. I've got a game for you. Every question I ask you that you don't know the answer, you have to give me \$5. And if you ask me a question and I can't answer yours, I will give you \$5,000."

The boys agree, "Okay."

The big shot then asks, "How many continents are there in the world?" The boys each give the man \$5.

Then Junior says, "Now let me ask, 'What animal stands with two legs but sleeps with three?'"

The genius tries and searches very hard for the answer but gives up and hands over the \$5,000. "Dang it, I lost," he says. "By the way, what was the answer to your question?"

The boys hand him over \$5. apiece.

Ten Commandments of Marriage

1. Marriages are made in heaven. But so again, are thunder and lightning.

2. If you want your spouse to listen and pay strict attention to every word you say, talk in your sleep.

3. Marriage is grand — and divorce is at least 100 grand!

4. Married life is very frustrating. In the first year of marriage, the man speaks and the woman listens. In the second year, the woman speaks and the man listens. In the third year, they both speak and the neighbors listen.

5. When a man opens the door of his car for his wife, you can be sure of one thing: Either the car is new or the wife is.

6. Marriage is when a man and woman become as one; the trouble starts when they try to decide which one.

7. Before marriage, a man will lie awake all night thinking about something you said. After marriage, he will fall asleep before you finish talking.

8. Every man wants a wife who is beautiful, understanding, economical, and a good cook. But the law allows only one wife.

9. Every woman wants a man who is handsome, understanding, economical and a considerate lover, but again, the law allows only one husband.

10. Man is incomplete until he marries. After that, he is finished.

Joke About Fishing

"There was a joke about fishing I was going to tell you. But, I forgot the line!"

January 8-11, 2018

This Week at the State Capitol

The General Assembly's 2018 session passed one of its early milestones this week as the first bill to clear a chamber this year was approved by the Kentucky Senate on Wednesday.

The legislation, known as Senate Bill 3, brought back an issue lawmakers have considered before: adding language to the state constitution that specifies certain rights that should be afforded to crime victims. These rights would include notice of all criminal court proceedings involving the accused, reasonable protection from the accused, timely notice of the release or escape of the accused and the right to full restitution to be paid by the convicted.

If Senate Bill 3 is approved by lawmakers, then Kentucky voters would get to decide whether this change is made to the state constitution.

The legislation is part of a national movement to establish Marsy's Laws, named in memory of Marsy Nicholas, who was killed in the 1980s by her ex-boyfriend in California.

Another top issue this week focused on the possibility of moving the election of Kentucky's governor and other statewide officers to even-numbered years. Supporters say this would save the state money on election costs and increase voter turnout. A House Committee has approved House Bill 23 on this matter, while the full Senate has approved similar legislation, Senate Bill 4.

If either bill is approved by both chambers, a proposed constitutional amendment on the matter would be decided on by Kentucky voters.

Other bills that took steps forward this week include:

- Senate Bill 7, which would establish the Kentucky Rare Disease Advisory Council and Trust Fund to promote research, treatment and education on rare diseases. The bill

was approved by the Senate on Thursday and sent to the House for consideration.

- House Bill 88, approved by the House State Government Committee on Thursday, would allow unclaimed state property to be the only source of funding for operation of the Office of the State Treasurer. The measure is aimed at giving some relief to the state budget. The bill now goes to the full House for consideration.

- HB 84 would improve efforts to accommodate the wishes of people who want to be organ and tissue donors. The bill would require coroners and medical examiners to contact the Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates if a deceased person's body is suitable for organ or tissue donation. The bill was approved Wednesday by the House Licensing, Occupations & Administrative Regulations Committee and now goes to the House for consideration.

- Senate Bill 8 would provide civil immunity for damaging a vehicle if a person enters the vehicle with the reasonable, good-faith belief that a dog or cat is in immediate danger of death if not removed. The legislation passed out of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday and now heads to the full senate for consideration.

The Senate and House will not convene on Monday, January 15th in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Lawmakers will return to the Capitol on Tuesday, January 16. That same day the governor will give his State of the Commonwealth address in which he is expected to lay out details on his proposed budget. The biennial budget is a top priority this session and once the governor hands over his proposal, the House and Senate will begin making changes so that the final budget proposal reflects their priorities.

If you'd like to share feedback on issues under consideration with state lawmakers, please call the General Assembly's toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone for their many acts of kindness during the loss of our precious loved one, Chester Cole Jr.

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May God bless you all,
Barbara and the Cole family

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