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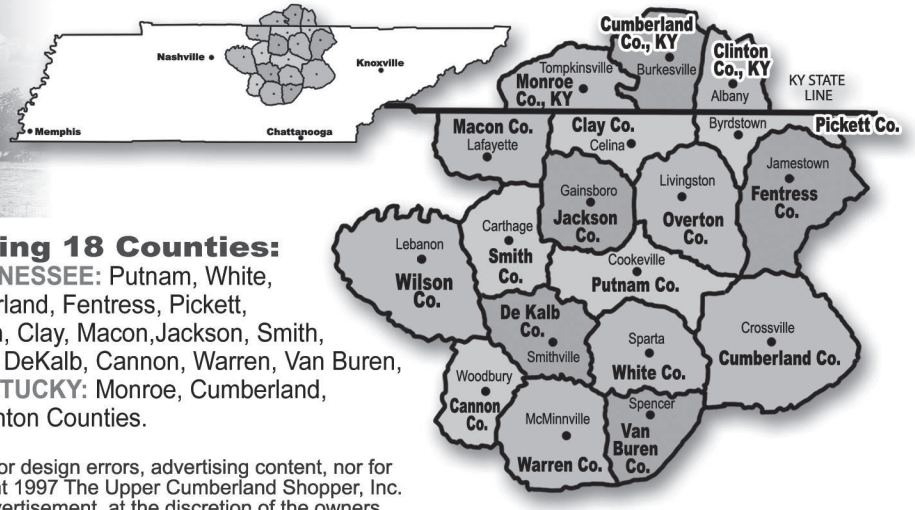


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April 26

Bunco Brunch Fundraiser
Location: The French

Cookie, 125 W. Broad St., Cookeville, TN. Time: 10 am - 12 noon. Fundraiser is to support The Upper Cumberland Foster Closet. There will be a brunch, Bunco games and prizes for \$30. For tickets visit: secure.qgiv.com

May 1

National Day of Prayer Location: Putnam County Courthouse south lawn, Cookeville, TN. Time: 11:30 am - 1 pm. Listen to the live broadcast on the new Contemporary Christian station, 1077 Grace FM. In the event of rain, the service will be held on the 3rd floor of the courthouse.

May 2

2025 Catfish Tournament
Location: Horse Creek Marina, 703 Horse Creek Rd., Celina, TN. Time: 12:01 am, Weigh-in Sat. @ 9 am. Fish Fry Sat @ 5pm. There will be a cornhole tournament, as well as a Live Band. Proceeds benefit East 52VFD.

May 3

4th Annual Mother Son Dance Location: Putnam County Convention Ctr, 6000

Tennessee Ave., Cookeville, TN. Time: 5-9 pm. There will be a photo booth, drinks, finger foods and a live DJ. For tickets visit: uppercumberlandevents.com

May 3

Storyfest in the Park Location: Dogwood Park, 30 E. Broad St., Cookeville, TN. Time: 10 am - 5 pm. All day, family friendly event, features professional storytellers from across the region as well as an amateur storytellers' competition. Join us under the big tent.

May 15, June 19

Third Thursday Live Concerts
Location: Dogwood Park, 30 E. Broad St., Cookeville, TN. Time: 7:30 pm. A different band is featured each month, covering a variety of music genres. This series is sponsored by the Cookeville Arts Council and is FREE to the public.

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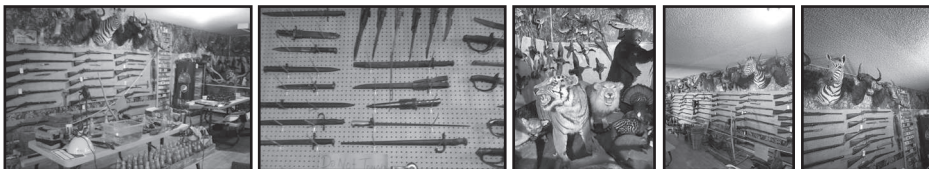


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WTF fun fact #12719

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Get Inspired

Living Your Best Life After 50

(NAPSA)—For many people, navigating life and love as they get older can be challenging. Adjusting to change, seeking a new partner, or simply breaking out of a rut may feel overwhelming. In the hilarious hit comedy "Book Club," four mature women in different circumstances discover that you're never too old to enjoy life or pursue love. That's a message author and newspaper columnist Tom Blake agrees with wholeheartedly. Blake has written more than 4,000 articles and newsletters on the topic and offers this advice, which is reflected in the movie:




In "Book Club," four mature women inspire each other to make their next chapter the best chapter.

1. Give love a chance in later years: Put yourself out there; everyone deserves love.
2. Don't worry about what others think: Do what's right for you.
3. Loosen up: Don't be too set in your ways.
4. Change your routine: Be open to new experiences.
5. Don't let your children make decisions for you: No one knows you better than you.
6. Have fun: Don't stop living before you stop living!

In "Book Club," legendary actresses Diane Keaton, Jane Fonda, Candice Bergen and Mary Steenburgen star respectively as a widow, single, divorcee and long-married woman who hilariously shake up their lives by diving into the infamous book "Fifty Shades of Grey." From discovering new romance to rekindling old flames, the lifelong friends inspire each other to make their next chapter the best chapter.

"'Book Club' has wonderful messages about never giving up on life or love no matter how old you are," said Blake. "Good things can happen when you venture out and meet new people."


To liven up your life, check out "Book Club" on DVD, Blu-ray or iTunes and go to www.FindingLoveAfter50.com for more tips from Blake.



67+/- Acres


Near Wolf Creek Dam

ONLINE ONLY ABSOLUTE AUCTION




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A recreational paradise known for its deer and turkey population, this 67 +/- acres adjoins both Hwy 127 and Wells Bottom Rd. with additional access on a 40 ft. gravel road located on the east side of the property. The property is all wooded with some marketable timber and suitable for hiking, hunting and privacy. Conveniently located only minutes from the Cumberland River, Wolf Creek Dam and Lake Cumberland. Recently surveyed and will be selling as 1 tract.

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Online Only Auction

Carthage Rd Pleasant Shade, TN 37145





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Tract 5



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So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless. Now someone may argue, "Some people have faith; others have good deeds." But I say, "How can you show me your faith if you don't have good deeds? I will show you my faith by my good deeds."

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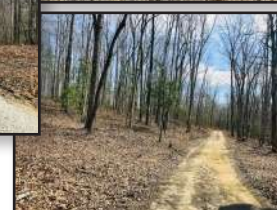
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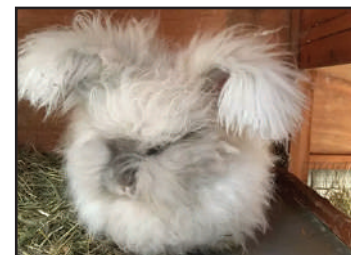
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(NAPSA)—When it comes to higher education, one size does not fit all. Every student is wired differently. For some, a four-year college degree may be ideal, but for others, a technical training program may be the best option.

There is growing recognition that hands-on professionals are increasingly valuable and in demand. Companies of all stripes—including WD-40 Company and 11 other transportation industry partners—are stepping up to the plate to support groups like TechForce Founda-



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Technical schools offer numerous benefits:

A Path to Success: Technical and vocational schools match unique talents with the ways that some students learn and thrive. TechForce Foundation is a nonprofit organization that offers a learning style test to tell if a technical school is right for a particular student.

Access to Jobs: According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the automotive industry alone will need nearly 76,000 additional technicians in the future to make up for those who will soon age out of the workforce, meaning graduates from automotive technical schools will be in demand.

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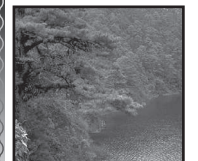
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New-Fashioned Sausage Cassoulet

Yield: 4

- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- ½ pound fully cooked smoked sausage, cut in 2-inch lengths
- ½ pound fresh Italian sausage links, cut in 2-inch lengths
- 2 cups chopped onion
- 3 cloves garlic, peeled and minced
- 1 (28-ounce) can diced tomatoes including liquid
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- ½ teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed
- 2 whole bay leaves
- ¼ teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 (14- to 15-ounce) can white beans (cannellini or great northern), drained and rinsed

1. Heat oil in a large, heavy skillet over medium heat. Add sausages and sauté until brown, about 10 minutes. With a slotted spoon, transfer sausages to drain in a paper towel-lined bowl.

This delicious cassoulet is simple to make and complex in flavor.

- 2. Discard all but 1 teaspoon pan drippings. Add onion to hot pan drippings and cook until tender. Add garlic and sauté only until fragrant, about 30-40 seconds.
- 3. Stir in tomatoes with liquid, thyme, rosemary, bay leaves, cloves and beans.
- 4. Bring mixture to a gentle boil. Return sausage to pan. Cover and gently simmer for 30 to 40 minutes to allow flavors to develop.
- 5. Remove bay leaves. Serve cassoulet in individual shallow soup bowls.

For more recipes from the National Hot Dog & Sausage Council, go to www.hot-dog.org. To receive a free recipe booklet, "Sausage Recipes From Around the World," send a stamped, self-addressed, business-sized envelope to Sausage Recipes, 1150 Connecticut Ave, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20036.

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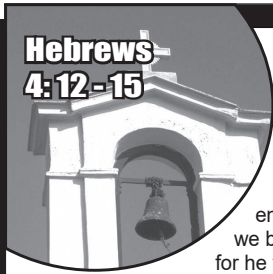
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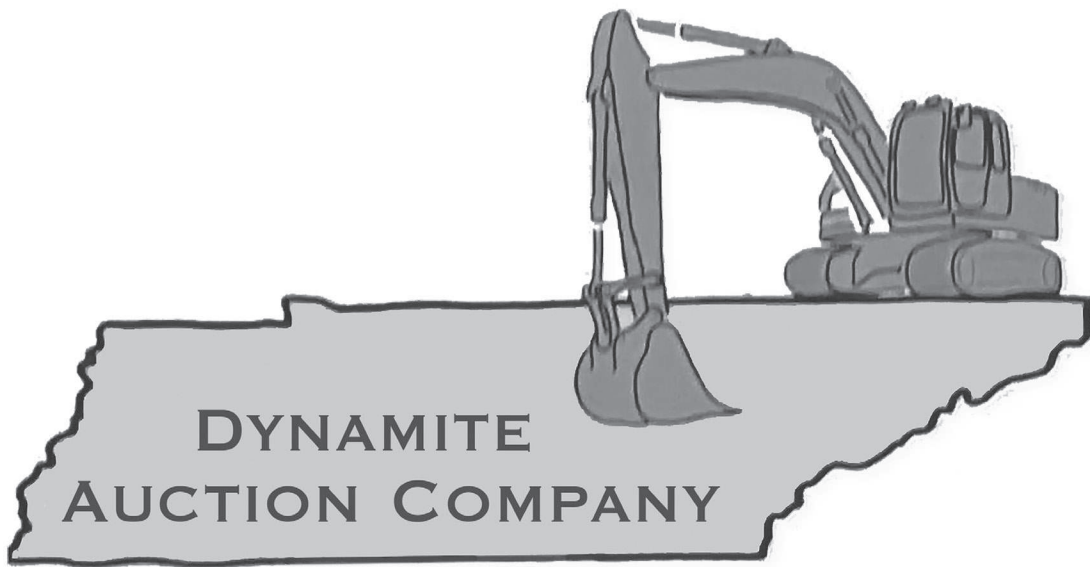
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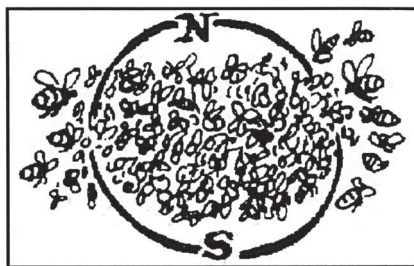
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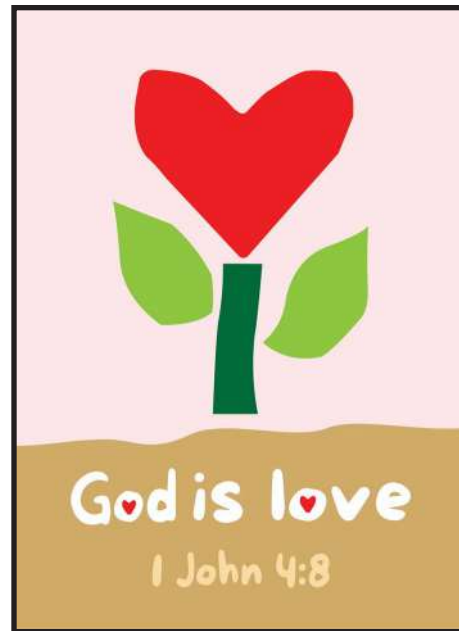
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The majority of these calls are related to credit card fraud, identity theft, medicare/insurance, social security, car warranty and debt collection. Many people are not able to accurately recognize unwanted communication, allowing spammers or scammers to trap their victims.

How many you get may depend on where you are. The top 10 states for unwanted calls are:

1. Mississippi
2. Oklahoma
3. South Carolina
4. Alabama
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9. Wyoming
10. Ohio

The places getting the least number of spam calls are:

1. Puerto Rico
2. Alaska
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4. Massachusetts
5. Vermont

Fortunately, wherever you are, there are ways to avoid them.

What You Can Do

Here are three tips to help you handle such scams:

1. **Hang up.** When you get a robo-call, don't press any numbers to let you



Between regular sales calls, robocalls from legitimate businesses, online surveys, political or donation calls and outright scams—scam calls with malicious intent make up the majority of all unwanted communication.

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3. **Don't trust your caller ID:** Scammers can make any name or number show up on your caller ID. That's called spoofing. Even if it looks like it's a government agency, or like the call is from a local number, it could be a scammer from anywhere in the world.

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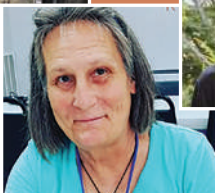
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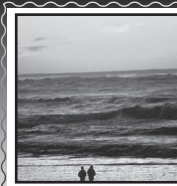
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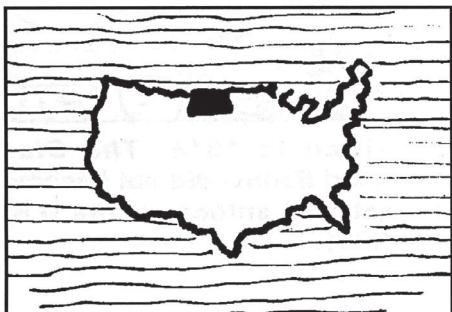
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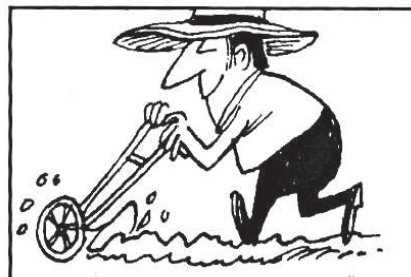
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Making Your Energy Choices Count this Earth Day

(NAPS)—This year is the 55th anniversary of Earth Day—an excellent reason to consider ways you can make a difference, not just for the environment, but for yourself, your home, and your family.

One of the most effective steps you can take to help the environment is to be more energy efficient. Using less energy reduces air pollution associated with energy generation and helps ensure that limited energy resources go further. Smart energy choices also lower your energy bills and improve the health and comfort of your home.

Here are three top ways you can save with energy choices that count for you and the planet.

1. Make Energy Efficient Upgrades to Your Home: For most houses, the upgrades that make the biggest difference on energy use are switching to heat pump HVAC and water heating, adding attic insulation, and getting high-efficiency windows. These high-impact energy-saving improvements are the focus of an ENERGY STAR Home Upgrade (energystar.gov/HomeUpgrade). You can choose the improvements that make the most sense for your home and implement them at your own pace. Designed to work together to deliver significant energy and cost savings, these upgrades will also help make your home more comfortable and could improve indoor air quality.

2. Take Advantage of Rebates and Tax Credits: Generous incentives are currently available that make higher-impact home upgrades more affordable. These include federal income tax credits of 30% of the cost of the project, up to \$3,200 per year. Learn more at energystar.gov/TaxCredits. Utility rebates and income-eligible home energy incentives are rolling out in many states. To find out what is available in your zip code and get access to buying guidance and local retailers and installers, visit energystar.gov/HomeSavings.

3. Choose ENERGY STAR-Certified Products: Anytime you purchase appliances and electronics for your home or



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Truth About Trash

by Lisa Luck



- Every person in Tennessee generates about 2,000 pounds worth of garbage each year. Most of that goes into the trash. Waste can be reduced to 500 pounds per person per year if that person takes the time to recycle (50%) and compost (25%).

Approximately 99% of the materials we buy are discarded within six months. According to the EPA, the total garbage collected in 2018 in the U.S. was 292.4 million tons.

Many of the products we purchase are environmentally toxic and cause a variety of health problems. Products can cause diabetes, heart disease, cancer, hormone disruptions, birth defects and infertility. Read the labels before purchasing products to assure your safety and the safety of your family.

Waste from products pollute our air, water and soil. All waste must be managed properly to avoid unnecessary exposure to all living creatures.

Only 9% of all plastics that have been manufactured are recycled. Degrading plastics now cover the entire earth. Plastic bits, called microplastics or nanoplastics depending on size, can be found in every ecosystem and are distributed throughout the earth via air and water. All living beings are affected by plastic waste.

Keep America Beautiful estimates that there are approximately 50 billion pieces of litter discarded along roadways and waterways in the United States.

Cigarette butts are litter, too, and can take up to 18 years to decompose. According to Keep America Beautiful, cigarette butts make up about 38% of litter found in the U.S.

According to the Environmental Working Group (EWG), women are exposed to 168 chemicals every day through cosmetics and personal care products while men are exposed to 85 chemicals per day. EWG states, "... personal care products contain carcinogens, pesticides, reproductive toxins, endocrine disruptors, plasticizers, degreasers and surfactants."

Reading labels to find a natural and nontoxic product can be difficult. Many manufacturers say they are "all natural" but still contain toxins.

Pesticides pollute soil, air and water. Approximately one billion pounds of pesticides are used annually in the United States.

Indoor air can be more toxic than outside air due to the number of chemicals used in the home. Cleaning supplies release the most chemicals and can cause respiratory and other issues.

Fireworks pollute the air, soil and water. They impact both humans and animals through noise, smoke and debris strewn across land and water. The dust contains particles of heavy metals including cadmium, lithium, barium, dioxins, strontium, aluminum, rubidium and perchlorates and lead that settle in the environment.

Human activity affects our environment and the health of all living beings. Managing waste properly is essential to reversing the impact we have on the earth. Conserving our natural resources is the most pressing issue we all currently face because our resources will determine the quality of our futures. Remember the words of Dr. Seuss in The Lorax, "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

Lisa Luck is a writer living in Cookeville, TN





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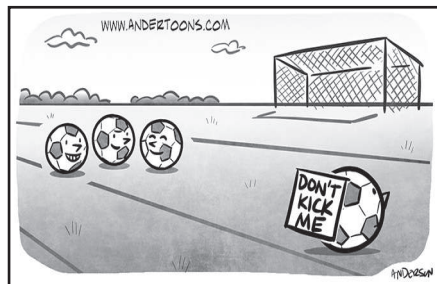
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Our lives are filled with stuff. "What do you mean by stuff?", you ask. Just that - STUFF. I'm not talking about going to work, spending quality time with our families, or doing all those routine tasks that we have to perform to keep our lives in some type of order. Webster's Dictionary defines STUFF as: "the material out of which something is made; substance; household or personal articles; unspecified material; worthless material." So there you have it. Just about everything that we have which doesn't fit in any particular category is "Stuff" - or Worthless Material!

So what? Well, it's the Stuff in our lives that gets in the way. What's NOT important is- the size of the engine in your new SUV; the dollar value of your bank account; the number of times you can afford to go out to eat during the week. Now we need to really focus on what IS important. The Bible says, "He must manage his own family well, having children who respect and obey him. For if a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's church?"

- 1 Timothy 3:4-5.

Standing Firm

I've discovered that God places tremendous value on the family structure. It's this very structure that has been allowed to disintegrate in our society. Little by little, piece by piece, we have allowed the minority to direct and dictate

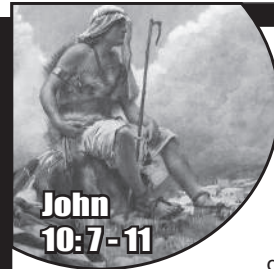
what should be of value. It's those very groups that have managed to deceive us into believing that we have selfish desires that must be met. When in reality - it's those very "apples"; those forbidden fruits- that have caused us to fail our families and allow our children to flounder.

We shouldn't need to preach to the choir. It's time to stop being so consumed with what we DON'T have, start looking at what we DO have, and at what we COULD lose. We are the majority. America was founded as a Christian nation. And the last time I looked- a democracy rules! So - Stand Firm! Stop working yourself to death for that fancy car or home that's too big anyway.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Our children and our families need our attention -

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John
10:7-11

Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.



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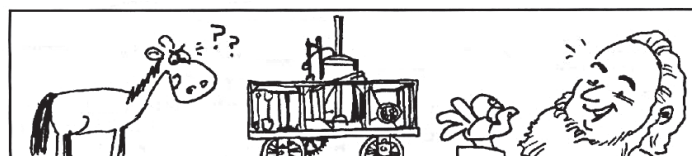
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