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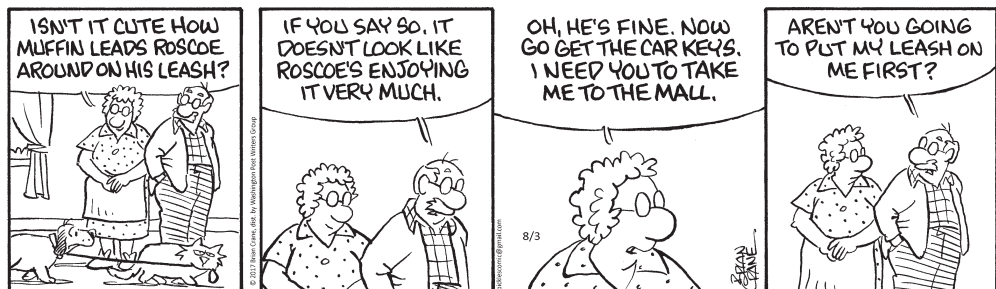
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DEAR ABBY

Man's silence about past therapy distances fiancée



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: My fiancé and I have been together for four years. We live together. Recently, I was talking to him about mental health and the benefits of therapy, which I firmly support. He said he thinks it's a waste of time. When I asked why, he replied that it hadn't worked for him. I asked what he meant by that (I wasn't aware that he had ever even been in therapy), and he said he went when he was 12 or 13.

on the other hand, eats very healthy — almost the opposite of what she does. He rarely eats anything fatty and uses salt sparingly. He also eats fruits and vegetables every day.

My stepmother's weight is an issue. She has several health problems that would improve greatly if she lost weight. I would like to say something to her about her diet, but don't know how without offending her. I know she would take it personally, and it would make our relationship difficult.

After that, he clammed up. He wouldn't discuss why he went or share any details at all. Normally, we can talk about anything. I feel like if it hadn't been important, he wouldn't have reacted that way.

What should I do in this situation? — **It's A Weighty Issue**

Since then, I have been feeling distant from him because of this. I'm not angry, and I don't want to force him to tell me anything, but as his future wife, I'm concerned that he would keep his past from me.

Dear Weighty Issue: I think the best approach would be to talk about this with your father. Tell your dad you are concerned because your stepmother's weight problem is affecting her health and suggest they consult a licensed nutritionist (RD) about "tweaking" her diet to help her to reach her goal. Because the topic is sensitive, it would be better if he broached the subject with his wife rather than you. While he's at it, he could also suggest some light exercise activity to start her moving.

I would like for him to at least open up about the basics. I want us to be close, but I don't want to invade his privacy or make him feel disrespected. Should I try and forget that he said anything at all? — **Torn In Georgia**

Dear Abby: How do you tell a well-dressed, sophisticated woman that she has a booger or a hair hanging out of her nose? I have encountered this problem more than once, and I am embarrassed for them. — **Barb In California**

Dear Torn: No, just wait a few weeks before you ask him why he reacted the way he did. By then he may be better able to articulate it. You should be aware before you marry him of what the issue was, particularly if it involved depression or molestation.

Dear Barb: If you are in a group, take the woman aside and give her the news privately. While she may be embarrassed, I'm sure she would also be grateful that you cared enough to clue her in. (The same goes for someone trailing toilet paper on her shoe, or worse, down the back of her pants.)

Dear Abby: Earlier this year, my stepmother made it a goal to lose weight. So far she has made no changes in her diet to help her accomplish that goal. She eats lots of fatty foods, uses lots of salt and eats almost no fruits or vegetables.

I feel Dad enables her because he does nothing to encourage her to eat healthier. He,

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 3, 1917

The last of the 86 notices for drafted men to report for physical examinations next week were mailed out this morning by Frank Davis, clerk of the board, and there can be no more voluntary enlistments from among those notified. Mr. Davis is now engaged in making up a full list of the Umatilla county numbers, the corresponding names and the order in which they were drawn. It will take over a week to make up this list which will be posted at the court house as soon as completed. In order, however, that every man drawn may know his serial number and the order in which it is drawn, the board will send out to every man whose number was drawn a card bearing the information.

Eastern Oregon College, La Grande, shows she made the scholastic honor roll, earned a scholarship and will do some practice teaching in the Hermiston schools during the next school year. This summer Mrs. Taft is cooking in "Bud" Easton's Grille in Umatilla to supplement the family's budget for another year of college expenses. Val Rae spends the week in La Grande and returns home on the weekends to pick up the loose ends around the house.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 3, 1992

A Milton-Freewater man has been charged with arson in connection with the Mill Creek fire that burned 325 acres last week before being contained at 6 p.m. Friday. Lance E. Davis, 26, of Milton-Freewater was arrested by Oregon State Police after giving a confession Friday to the Walla Walla County Sheriff's Department. Davis was charged with one count of first-degree arson and has been transferred to the Umatilla County Jail. David King, Oregon Department of Forestry, said Davis has a history of arson and has served jail time for those offenses.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 3, 1967

Val Rae Taft, mother of four young sons, and wife of a Umatilla High School music teacher, went back to college last fall after an absence of 15 years. Her "report card" from

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 215th day of 2017. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 3, 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain, on a voyage that took him to the present-day Americas.

On this date: In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr went on trial before a federal court in Richmond, Virginia, charged with treason. (He was acquitted less than a month later.)

In 1916, Irish-born British diplomat Roger Casement, a strong advocate of independence for Ireland, was hanged for treason. In 1921, baseball commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis refused to reinstate the former Chicago White Sox players implicated in the "Black Sox" scandal, despite their acquittals in a jury trial. In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the

first of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he took the 100-meter sprint.

In 1943, U.S. Army Lt. Gen. George S. Patton slapped a private at an army hospital in Sicily, accusing him of cowardice.

In 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed as a merger of the Basketball Association of America and the National Basketball League.

In 1958, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Nautilus became the first vessel to cross the North Pole underwater.

In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Ronald Reagan they would be fired, which they were.

In 1987, the Iran-Contra congressional hearings ended, with none of the 29 witnesses tying President Ronald Reagan directly to the diversion of arms-sales profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

Today's Birthdays:

Football Hall of Fame coach Marv Levy is 92. Singer Tony Bennett is 91. Actor Martin Sheen is 77. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Lance Alworth is 77. Life-style guru Martha Stewart is 76. Singer Beverly Lee (The Shirelles) is 76. Rock musician B.B. Dickerson is 68. Movie director John Landis is 67. Actor Jay North (TV: "Dennis the Menace") is 66. Country musician Randy Scruggs is 64. Rock singer-musician Lee Rocker (The Stray Cats) is 56. Rock singer James Hetfield (Metallica) is 54. Hip-hop artist Spinderella (Salt-N-Pepa) is 46. Country musician Jimmy De Martini (Zac Brown Band) is 41. NFL quarterback Tom Brady is 40. Pop-rock musician Brent Kutzle (OneRepublic) is 32.

Thought for Today: "The man who insists on seeing with perfect clearness before he decides, never decides." — Henri Frederic Amiel, Swiss critic (1821-1881).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

