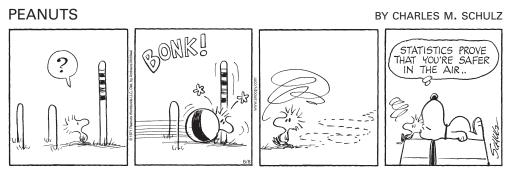
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# **DEAR ABBY** Woman looks for exit ramp out of one-way friendship

Dear Abby: I have a friend who brags nonstop about her boyfriend, her job, her new car, etc. She only comes out of the woodwork every so often to text me things like, "Roy just got a \$13 raise at work!" I respond with wholehearted support and congratulations, then don't hear from her again until days later, when I receive another text saying something like, "My boss said I can work any hours I want from now on!"

I'm not sure why she sends me these messages. Could it be to make me jealous of her "fairytale" lifestyle, which I'm not sure I believe she even truly lives?

We have no other meaningful conversation or time together, and I am growing tired of texts that are solely meant to showcase her wins in life. I have tried to distance myself by responding less and less and not initiating conversations, but then she asks why I'm "mad" at her. I feel like I am nothing more than a wall she posts her accomplishments on. I have no desire to be "friends" with her anymore, but I'm not sure how to get out of it. Thoughts? - Ex-Friend In The East

Dear Ex-Friend: Continue to respond to her texts less and less frequently. If she asks if you are mad at her, tell her you aren't mad, you are busy. If she wants more detail, tell her you have noticed that she has shown no interest in what your life is like, and to you that's not friendship.

Dear Abby: My mother is getting up

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Advice

in years. Because of a multitude of health problems, she will soon have to enter a nursing home. She currently lives in her own home with her dog, "Skippy," and is facing the problem of what to do with Skippy when she has to move.

Skippy has growled at people in the past, including children, and has a brief biting history, which limits Mom's options and makes it impossible for her to bring the dog with her to a group nursing home. We're

unable to take Skippy on because we're at our legal limit, according to the laws of our municipality, and we know of no one we can place a dog with such issues with. Any ideas? — Needs A Home For Nippy Skippy

Dear Needs: Contact the dog rescue groups in your area. Perhaps they can locate a home for an older dog — I assume Skippy is older — in a household where there are no children. It's regrettable that your mother didn't socialize her pet when it was a puppy, because it would have made it easier to keep Skippy with her.

Dear Abby: I have noticed that your letter writers often assign a fictitious name to the person they are writing about. I wonder why they do this. What is the purpose? -John Doe In Tampa

Dear John: I change all the names in the letters I print. I do this to prevent embarrassment for the letter writer as well as the person who's being complained about.

DAYS GONE BY

### **100 Years Ago** From the East Oregonian June 8, 1918

Walter McFalls and Ray McFarron have been taken up by Sheriff T. D. Taylor on request of La Grande authorities. The men are being held charged with murder. The first named was taken up by the sheriff several days ago while the other was arrested by the sheriff last evening and taken to La Grande today. The men are supposed to have killed Wm. Moore at Perry, Union county, November 26, 1917. Moore was an aged recluse and eccentric, supposed to have considerable money, and was murdered for his money. He was strangled. When last seen McFarron and McFalls were with the old man.

## 50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian

June 8, 1968 Debra Ann Grant, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grant, Milton-Freewater, has been named queen of the 17th annual East-West All-Star football game here Aug. 14, with proceeds to go to the Shrine Hospital of Crippled Children in Portland. The 16 previous games have brought about contributions of more than

\$160,000 to the hospital, with A-2 and B allstar athletes competing in the night contest staged under the auspices of the Eastern Oregon Shrine Clubs in the Round-Up stadium in Pendleton. Between now and the day of the game Queen Debbie, who is a patient of the hospital, will make several personal appearances at parades, fairs and other public shows throughout Eastern Oregon.

## 25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian

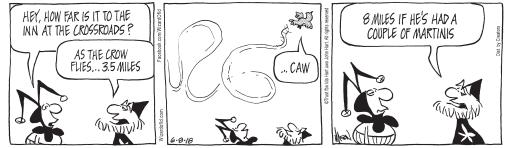
## June 8, 1993

A Tournament of Roses Association official says Hermiston should be proud its school band will be marching in Pasadena next New Year's Day. Hermiston was chosen to represent a five-state area after a careful selection process, Michael Ward, the event's vice president, said Monday in Hermiston. "We have bands that come out and try to be picked for years. You have no idea the job (band director) Mark Lane has done to get Hermiston there," Ward said. "He's well known in the industry for putting together a sharp marching unit." The parade typically has about 22 bands, with 16 of them invited from high schools representing different areas of the U.S. or foreign countries.





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## THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On June 8, 1968, authorities announced the capture in London of James Earl Ray, the suspected assassin of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

In A.D. 632, the prophet Muhammad died in Medina.

In 1845, Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States, died in Nashville, Tennessee.

In 1917, during World War I, Maj. Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the American Expeditionary Force, arrived in Liverpool, England, while en route to France; also, the 1st Expeditionary Division (later the 1st Infantry Division) was organized at Fort Jay in New York.

In 1920, the Republican National Convention opened in Chicago; its delegates ended up nominating Warren G. Harding for president.

In 1948, the "Texaco Star Theater" made its debut

on NBC-TV with Milton Berle guest-hosting the first program. (Berle was later named the show's permanent host.)

In 1953, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously that restaurants in the District of Columbia could not refuse to serve blacks. Eight tornadoes struck Michigan's Lower Peninsula, killing 126 people.

In 1967, during the sixday Middle East war, 34 American servicemen were killed when Israel attacked the USS Liberty, a Navy intelligence-gathering ship in the Mediterranean Sea. (Israel later said the Liberty had been mistaken for an Egyptian vessel.)

In 1978, a jury in Clark County, Nevada, ruled the so-called "Mormon will," purportedly written by the late billionaire Howard Hughes, was a forgery.

In 1998, the National Rifle Association elected

actor Charlton Heston to be its president.

**Today's Birthdays**: Actor-comedian Jerry Stiller is 91. Actress Millicent Martin is 84. Actor James Darren is 82. Singer Nancy Sinatra is 78. Singer Chuck Negron is 76. Musician Boz Scaggs is 74. Actor-director Keenen Ivory Wayans is 60. Musician Nick Rhodes (Duran Duran) is 56. Former U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., is 48. Actor Mark Feuerstein is 47. Contemporary Christian musician Mike Scheuchzer (MercyMe) is 43. TV personality-actress Maria Menounos is 40. Country singer-songwriter Sturgill Simpson is 40. Tennis player Jelena Ostapenko is 21.

Thought for Today: "It is not the man who has too little, but the man who craves more, that is poor." – Seneca the Younger, Roman statesman (circa 5 B.C.-A.D. 65).

## PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN



**BIG NATE** 



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