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OUT OF THE VAULT

Hermiston fisherman lands bonus catch

A Hermiston confectionary store owner and sporting goods dealer reeled in a much larger prize than he was expecting on a fishing trip to Cold Springs Reservoir outside Hermiston in August of 1919.

Henry Hitt was relaxing while fishing for bass on a sunny afternoon on Aug. 19, 1919, trailing a hook baited with a tempting-looking minnow across the wind-blown waves and into the weeds at the shore. One particularly long cast sent his lure out of eyesight, and just as it disappeared Hitt felt a tugging on his line.

Hitt set the hook, assuming the battle was on. But Hitt's line did not immediately dash for deeper water, and he began to think he had perhaps caught something not of the fishy persuasion — perhaps a mink, like fellow fisherman Bill Matthews, or a water snake like the one towed in by John Dunning.

As he pulled his line in slowly, Hitt was surprised to see a pelican stroll from behind the bushes, attempting as it walked toward him to eat the minnow without also swallowing the line and the hook.

Hitt captured the bird and removed the hook, then packed his peculiar catch up and took it home. The pelican made itself at home around Hermiston for a time, and Hitt later returned it to its home at the reservoir.

DEAR ABBY

Hard-working college student strives to be more organized

Dear Abby: I am a 20-yearold college student. After attending a local community college for two years, I will be starting classes at a fouryear school. I make excellent grades, but I struggle with organization. My mother has ADD, and I am certain that I also have it because I display all the symptoms. However, I have never been diagnosed.

My mother purposely didn't have me diagnosed as a child because she didn't want me to feel like there was anything holding me back. Now that I'm an adult, I keep wondering if getting a diagnosis along with some mental and emotional support might help me to become more organized and successful in life. Any advice would be appreciated, along with any resources you might know of for people who have ADD or ADHD. — **Anonymous In The South**

Dear Anonymous: Because you feel that receiving a diagnosis would be helpful, it's time to be evaluated by a mental health professional. If



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your college has a student health center, that's the place to start. If not, contact the psychological association in your state about a referral to a therapist who specializes in patients with adult attention deficit disorder. I wish you luck, because there is help for

Dear Abby: My boyfriend and I have been dating casually for about five months.

He is busy and is often terrible about returning texts and phone calls. For his birthday, I bought him a gift that I had put a lot of thought into. We made plans to have dinner on his birthday, but when the time came to pick me up, he didn't show. Three hours after the agreed-upon time, he texted and canceled.

My question is about the gift. It wasn't extravagant, but I no longer have any interest in giving it to him when we do finally see each other (it's been a week since he canceled). Is it acceptable to simply pay for dinner? I'm hurt and frustrated with him, and that doesn't make me want to give him a gift. — Hurt In Texas

Dear Hurt: If he had wanted to spend his birthday with you, he would have shown up. One of the ways people show they care about each other is by returning texts and initiating phone calls. Because your "boyfriend" hasn't done that, assume that he is not as interested in you as you are in him. Return the gift, if possible, and if he shows up again, do not buy the dinner. Shame on him.

Dear Abby: When my wife shops for clothes, she often returns something for exchange or reimbursement. Recently she bought an article of clothing and it shrank after she washed it, so she returned it. To me that was inappropriate. I think after a garment is washed it belongs to the buyer, and a return is wrong. Or am I wrong? — Returned In The East

Dear Returned: Personally, I agree with you - unless the item was supposed to be shrink-resistant. However, because the retailer was willing to exchange it or reimburse your wife, it appears we are mistaken.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14-15, 1918

Today is the last day upon which retail grocers, bakers, hotelmen, restaurant and cafe proprietors can file their sugar statements upon which will be based the amount of sugar they are to receive during the quarter ending September 30. The food administration regulations provide that those failing to file their statements by July 15 will not be able to secure any sugar for the balance of the year. So far very few of the Pendleton dealers have filed their statements with Dr. W.D. McNary, county administrator, but a large number have been received from over the county.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14-15, 1968

First reaction here when the city learned thoroughly native, dyed-in-the-wool Milton-Freewater girl Marjean Langley had been named Miss Oregon was "They couldn't have chosen a finer girl." Then came delight that "Umatilla County's done it again!" referring to Pendleton's Christine Beach being last year's Miss Oregon. Mayor Bill York, plunging at once like everybody else into plans for "giving

Marjean the biggest welcome home ever seen here," said of Marjean, "Most of us have seen her grown up and know what a genuine, outgoing, truly sweet girl Marjean is. ... She's the loveliest representative her city and region and state could ask for, a truly fine, East Oregon type of girl."

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 14-15, 1993

A freak thunderstorm dumped more than two inches of rain and as much as three inches of hail as it marched through the region between Pendleton and the Columbia River Tuesday evening. The isolated storm cut a swath that left many areas virtually dry, but soaked an area from just south of Pendleton to Juniper Canyon about 15 miles to the north. More than two inches of rain and an inch of hail were recorded in southwest neighborhoods, creating muddy rivers that washed through yards and flooded some homes. The Umatilla River was measured at 105 cubic feet per second at Pendleton this morning, but the same river at Yoakum — about 10 miles downstream — was measured at 424 cfs this morning and hit a high of 732 cfs Tuesday night, according to Ron Morris, the Bureau of Reclamation's river manager.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 195th day of 2018. There are 170 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in **History**:

On July 14, 1933, all German political parties, except the Nazi Party, were outlawed.

On this date:

In 1789, in an event symbolizing the start of the French Revolution, citizens of Paris stormed the Bastille prison and released the seven prisoners inside. In 1798, Congress passed

the Sedition Act, making it a federal crime to publish false, scandalous or malicious writing about the United States government.

In 1881, outlaw William H. Bonney Jr., alias "Billy the Kid," was shot and killed by Sheriff Pat Garrett in Fort Sumner in present-day New Mexico.

In 1913, Gerald Rudolph Ford Jr., the 38th president of the United States, was born Leslie Lynch King Jr. in Omaha, Nebraska.

In 1914, scientist Robert H. Goddard received a U.S. patent for a liquid-fueled rocket apparatus.

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Soldiers of the French Foreign Legion parade on the Champs Elysees avenue during a rehearsal for Bastille Day, early Wednesday.

In 1921, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were convicted in Dedham, Massachusetts, of murdering a shoe company paymaster and his guard. (Sacco and Vanzetti were executed six years later.)

In 1964, in a speech to the Republican national convention in San Francisco, New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller was booed by supporters of Barry Goldwater as he called on the GOP to denounce political

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In 1966, the city of Chicago awoke to the shocking news that eight student nurses had been brutally slain during the night in a South Side dormitory. Drifter Richard Speck was convicted of the mass killing and condemned to death, but had his sentence reduced to life in prison, where he died in 1991

In 1976, Jimmy Carter

won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in New York.

In 1980, the Republican national convention opened in Detroit, where nominee-apparent Ronald Reagan told a welcoming rally he and his supporters were determined to "make America great again."

In 2004, the Senate scuttled a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage. (Forty-eight senators voted to advance the measure -12 short of the 60 needed and 50 voted to block it).

Today's Birthdays: Actress Nancy Olson is 90. Former football player and actor Rosey Grier is 86. Music company executive Tommy Mottola is 70. Actress Jane Lynch is 58. Actor Matthew Fox is 52.

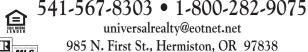
Thought for Today: "A man must be both stupid and uncharitable who believes there is no virtue or truth but on his own side." — Joseph Addison, English essayist and poet (1672-1719).



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ODD NEWS

Daily dose of national anthem in hospitals stuns Egyptians

CAIRO (AP) — A decision by Egypt's new health minister to have intercoms in state hospitals play the national anthem every morning, followed by a recitation of the Hippocratic oath, has set off a storm on social media across the country.

The minister, Hala Zayed, insisted Tuesday's decision will help promote "patriotism and loyalty" of all hospital staff members as well patients in the state-owned facilities. She also stressed the recitation of the Hippocratic oath — generally taken by all new physicians receiving a medical degree and attributed to Hippocrates of ancient Greece would remind doctors of their "professional ethical code and humanitarian role.'

Ministry spokesman Khaled Megahed defended the decision, saying it's "in the interest of doctors" and would be enforced in all state hospitals in Egypt.

However, many Egyptians took to networking sites, ridiculing the move. Some suggested Zayed should instead focus on improving conditions in derelict and overcrowded state hospitals, which often lack basic supplies.

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City gives away budget surplus in \$68 checks

LANGHORNE, (AP) — A Pennsylvania township with more money than it anticipated from increased property tax collection has decided to give the dividends to residents.

Middletown Township in Langhorne sent 14,361 checks for \$68 each to all owners of properties with structures on tnem.

Efforts to keep town expenses down while increasing delinquent-tax collection led to more money than anticipated in the general fund. The township board of supervisors decided to divide a \$1 million portion of the surplus evenly among property owners in the city of 1,622 people.

