DEAR ABBY Distance tests strength of military couple's engagement

Dear Abby: I've been in a long-distance relationship for $2\frac{1}{2}$ years. We are now engaged, but haven't set a date for our wedding.

We are both in the military, and we have maintained this relationship well. But there was a time before we dated that I was dating someone else. I ended that relationship, but haven't healed from it because I see him at work often, and I still have feelings for him.

He lives in my neighborhood, and I enjoy talking to him. I like the attention he gives me, and I'm attracted to him. I blame the geographical distance from my fiance for this. I want someone close, and I would love for it to be the person I am engaged to, but although I try to abstain from this other person, I find myself drawn to him. **Caught Between Two**

Dear Caught: You say you have been together with your absent fiance

for 2¹/₂ years, but are still carrying on an emotional affair with the man you broke up with. When you say you are "trying to abstain" from this person, clearly you can't. What is going on isn't fair to

the man you are engaged to. If he knew, I'm sure he would agree. Do not chalk this up to "when I'm not with the man I love, I love the one I'm with." Be honest about what you really want, follow through,

and you won't be writing me again years from now asking what to do.

Dear Abby: I am a hairstylist with a client who was referred to me by a mutual

friend, "Rita," from high school. Rita is also a client, and we go back 20-plus years.

> The client, who's close friends with Rita, is picky and a terrible

tipper. She box colors her hair at home, but comes to me for her haircuts. I offer her 10% off of her haircut for prebooking, so she gets a \$35 service for \$31.50. She usually tips me \$3.50. She keeps asking me to sell her hair products at a wholesale cost, which I do for my family and for Rita, but no one else.

Cutting her hair is a chore, because she's never completely happy with the service and has asked to come back for free retouching. If she were anyone else, I'd part ways with her, but because of her close relationship with Rita, she sometimes comes to dinner with us on girls' nights and is involved in our group chats.

Is there a discreet way to end this business/client relationship without screwing up my friendship with my high school pal? I'm tired of dealing with her, but I don't know how to get out. — Cutting Her Out

Dear Cutting: Handle this by telling Rita what you have written to me and explaining that the two of them may be friends, but you no longer want the woman as a client. Then sweetly tell the woman the next time she calls that your professional relationship doesn't seem to be a good fit because she has voiced dissatisfaction with your work. Then offer to refer her to someone else. Not every client is a good fit and vice versa. It's a fact of business life.

DAYS GONE BY From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago April 17, 1921

A twelve-year-old school girl was assaulted by an unknown tramp Thursday evening while walking to her home, which is about a mile and a half out of Echo. The girl put up a desperate struggle and succeeded in escaping from him. News of the attack was brought to the Echo flour mills and a searching party was formed immediately. The hills were scoured by the party but no trace of the man could be found.

50 Years Ago April 17, 1971

Lamb-Weston, Portland-based firm which processes more than two billion pounds of potato products a year, has agreed to the principles of a proposed merger with Amfac, a Hawaiian conglomerate that owns Rhodes Department Stores in Portland and 10,000 acres of farm land in the Horse Heaven Hills of Washington. Amfac entered the Inland Empire by acquisition of Prosser Packers last year. Lamb-Weston operates potato processing plants at American Falls, Idaho, and Connell and Quincy, Wash., a vegetable processing plant at Weston, and a freeze-dry coffee plant at Bartow, Fla. The merger announcement said the plan is to retain the present Lamb-Weston top management team.

25 Years Ago April 17, 1996

In some ways, repairing McKay Dam would be like buying life insurance. You don't expect to get run over by a truck, but just in case it happens you're prepared. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation says it wants to be prepared for the 1-in-10,000 chance that McKay Dam could "liquefy" under the right earthquake conditions. It plans to spend \$4 million to reduce that probability. The silt that sits below the 70-year-old dam could change from solid to liquid given the right vibration, explained Larry Wolf, the bureau's safety of dams engineer in Boise. During or just after a strong earthquake, the clay-like silt isn't able to dispel the water pressure buildup, and it breaks down, Wolf explained.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On April 17, 1970, Apollo 13 astronauts James A. Lovell, Fred W. Haise and Jack Swigert splashed down safely in the Pacific Ocean, four days after a ruptured oxygen tank crippled their spacecraft while en route to the moon.

In 1492, a contract was signed by Christopher Columbus and a representative of Spain's King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, giving Columbus a commission to seek a westward ocean passage to Asia.

In 1895, the Treaty of Shimonoseki ended the first Sino-Japanese War.

In 1905, the U.S. Supreme Jourt, in Lochner V. New York, struck down, 5-4, a ations as 14 planes carry-New York State law limiting the number of hours that bakers could be made to work. (This ruling was effectively overturned in 1937 by the

high court's West Coast Hotel Co. v. Parrish decision.)

In 1961, some 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in an attempt to topple Fidel Castro, whose forces crushed the incursion by the third day.

In 1969, a jury in Los Angeles convicted Sirhan Sirhan of assassinating Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

In 1972, the Boston Marathon allowed women to compete for the first time; Nina Kuscsik was the first officially recognized women's champion, with a time of 3:10:26.

In 1973, Federal Express

year war ended as the capital Phnom Penh fell to the Khmer Rouge, which instituted brutal, radical policies that claimed an estimated 1.7 million lives until the regime was overthrown in 1979.

In 1986, at London's Heathrow Airport, a bomb was discovered in the bag of Anne-Marie Murphy, a pregnant Irishwoman about to board an El Al jetliner to Israel; she'd been tricked into carrying the bomb by her Jordanian fiance, Nezar Hindawi. The bodies of kidnapped American Peter Kilburn and Britons Philip Padfield and Leigh Douglas were found near Beirut; they had been slain in apparent retaliation for the U.S. raid on Libya.

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In 1993, a federal jury in Los Angeles convicted two former police officers of violating the civil rights of beaten motorist Rodney King; two other officers were acquitted. Turkish President Turgut Ozal died at age 66.

In 2013, 15 people were killed when a fertilizer plant exploded in West, Texas. Sports returned to Boston two days after the deadly Marathon bombing as the Buffalo Sabres defeated the Bruins in a 3-2 shootout (players on both teams wore "Boston Strong" decals on their helmets).

Today's Birthdays: Composer-musician Jan

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Hammer is 73. Actor Olivia Hussey is 70. Rapper Afrika Bambaataa is 64. Actor Joel Murray is 59. Rock singer Maynard James Keenan is 57. Singer Liz Phair is 54. Actor Rooney Mara is 36.

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