

POLITICAL CARTOON: HOW TO GRADUATE IN 2020 BY ALEXANDRA FERNHOLZ



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 is going on around the world on a daily basis. Without journalists risking their lives each day to inform us, we would not know half of what we see now as common knowledge. If not for the press, we would not have known about the secrets written in the Pentagon Papers, the shocking Watergate Scandal, or the harsh reality of the Vietnam War. If not for the press, we all would not know as much about the new coronavirus as we do now.

Together, we can stand up against these false reports and attempts to spread panic. By spreading awareness and a bit of positivity, we can get through this pandemic. •

-Emily Hormann

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 Post published a story titled, "Another grave milestone: More than 10,600 cases in D.C., Maryland and Virginia." Which indeed sounds like a grave milestone, until you consider the fact that only makes up 0.0007% of that specific population.

Framing the case numbers in that light leads to more fear and ultimately more panic, as is seen with the panic buying that ensues at grocery stores across the country. Which especially isn't good as grocery stores are one of the most likely places to contract COVID-19, as it is one of few places where gatherings of 10 plus people still take place. If the media reacts to the pandemic by instilling even more

fear into the public, the problem will only become worse.

The purpose of journalism is to cover the news and to convey the reality of facts. However, journalists and media outlets today seem more concerned with pushing their agendas by painting a false narrative of Trump being the sole scapegoat to blame for the pandemic in America.

What the media should be covering more is the vaccine. That is what really matters and what will ultimately end the pandemic. As much as left winged media may want it to, demonizing Donald Trump will not solve all of the world's problems. •

-Brayden Barger