

# Ask Mrs. Manners—

## 'My Husband Is Kind, But I Don't Love Him'

Dear Mrs. Manners:

I AM A WOMAN 48 years old and want you to solve my problem.

When I was 2 years old my mother died and my father married again. My stepmother made life very hard for me. When I was 13 I started working for a living with a seventh grade education. As 15 I married and for 20 years we lived very happily, raising our five children. Then my husband started seeing another woman and we quarreled constantly.

I got my divorce and left the state with my youngest daughter. I got a job and we lived by ourselves two months. I then met a man who had two sons. We enjoyed each other's company so we married. Well, that didn't work. Our children fought all the time. I didn't love him and we fought. I got my divorce and started to work again.

I married again, to get my daughter a home and education. My husband is very kind to us. We have been with him six years, and my daughter graduates next year. My problem is, should I live with my husband? I do not and could not ever love him. I am grateful to him, though.

He isn't any company when I am with him at home. He sits and sleeps. When we go to town (which is very seldom) I have to suggest places to go. I am thinking of divorcing him and getting a job. That's why I want your advice. I do not intend to marry again.

### A STEADY READER

Your years of being knocked around make your practical views understandable. I compliment you on your adjustments, but I'm disappointed that you haven't developed kindness toward people because of your sufferings.

It's pretty heartless to cast aside a man who helped you when you needed him. I wouldn't think that you could do that to a friend, much less to a husband who looked out for you and your daughter. You didn't love him when you married but you used him—he was good enough when you needed him.

He lets you choose your entertainment—he wants to please you. You probably ignored his sleeping and lack of suggestions when you wanted his support. People usually get more sleep after several years of marriage than they do during courtship—it's quite normal.

Why not work and get your conversation on a job—and keep your husband? If you left him and your salary weren't ample your practical sense probably would send you husband hunting again. As soon as the man "outlived" his usefulness you'd leave again. Your three marriages make me wonder if you're the best of wives.

### Who Selects Hoosier Salon Jurors?

WHO SELECTED the jury for the next Hoosier Salon? What were members' qualifications? Have the artists of this state ever had the chance to help choose that jury?

### CITY READER

Names of jurors for the Salon are submitted by members of the Indiana Artists' Club comprised of Hoosier artists, Salon members report.

### Looking for Companionship

I AM IN the middle-age bracket like "Mrs. M" who wrote. I like children because my "sis" has three. I like to play cards, but you see I have no one to play with. I also like to go to shows, but not alone. I do a lot of bowling which I know the ladies also like. I have a good job. Mrs. Manners, I would like to win that lady's companionship. Can you help me?

### READER

I'd like nothing better than to find you a bowling partner, but you see, my readers trust me—they write me in confidence.

## Midwest, East Lashed by Storm

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Village, Ark., where the tail of the twister struck a high school gymnasium.

Winds destroyed a house in Jefferson County, Ark., and a three-month-old baby was killed there.

### Storm Moves Northeast

Today the storm was moving northeastward in the cold-weather belt. Its center was believed to be between New York and New Jersey.

It knocked out telephone communications to seven towns in southern Michigan. More than 125 line poles were down in the state.

Detroit's transportation system was crippled. Wind-driven ice formed dams across the Detroit River and Silver Creek, threatening to let the water flood Hoosier Island and several river communities.

Ontario, Canada, was reported hard hit.

Bowling Green and Napoleon in Ohio were isolated for several hours. Heavy ice formed on trees, bowing them over onto power lines, trolley and railroad tracks and making it dangerous to walk or drive beneath those left standing.

### Trains Running Late

Trains entering Philadelphia from the West ran an hour to two hours late. The high speed trolley line between Allentown, Pa., and Philadelphia was out of service.

Pittsburgh, however, reported that it had escaped any storm damage although strong winds were sweeping through the city today.

Transportation facilities around the bottom of Lake Michigan were suspended completely from 9 a. m. yesterday until 6 a. m. this morning when power lines snapped along the route of the Chicago, South Shore and South Bend Railroad.

The line runs through the densely populated areas of Gary, Hammond, Michigan City and South Bend. Railroad officials said considerable debris was swept onto the tracks by high winds but had been cleared away this morning.

### Hammond Hard Hit

At Hammond, an area of more than two square miles was left without electricity. Calumet City, Ind., had no lights or telephone service.

The 4300 prisoners at Stateville Prison, Joliet, Ill., were locked in their cells and the guard doubled when cellblock lights flickered and officials feared the electric power would fail.

Five Chicago radio stations were forced off the air for varying lengths of time. Two of them, WAIT and WGES, reported that their transmitting towers buckled and fell under tons of pressure from the ice and strong winds.

Elmhurst, Ill., a suburb of Chicago, was left without telephone, electricity or water service.

The Illinois Bell Telephone Co. said the storm had done at least \$1 million damage to communications facilities in the Chicago and northern Illinois areas.

### Earth Closest to Sun—Only 91,444,000 Miles

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (UP)—The earth is at its closest point to the sun today, according to Gordon A. Atwater, chairman and curator of the Hayden Planetarium here.

The distance is about 91,444,000 miles, compared with 94,451,000 miles last July 3 when the earth was farthest from the sun.



CLANG, CLANG—BANG—WENT THE TROLLEY!—Two of nine passengers were injured today when trolleyman Paul Lemon swerved his W. Michigan St. trolley to avoid a truck pulling out of an alley. The trolley skidded over the curb at 600 W. New York St. and into a utility pole guy wire. Treated at General Hospital were Harold Gleen 19, of 3145 N. Gale St. and Mahlon Pullen, 41, of 538 W. New York St., both with back injuries.

## Economist Sees New Rise in HCL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—A prediction that living costs will climb even higher this year came from one top government economist today while another appealed to business to plan now for "real price competition."

Ewan Clague, commissioner of labor statistics, said 1947 ended with retail prices "creeping up and no indications of a break." But he said there were very few signs of factors that could make 1948 a depression year.

However, Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisers, said in a separate interview that production in many lines is coming up to demand. With the end of the sellers' market approaching, he said, far-seeing business leaders will follow the policy of competitive pricing.

### Rockets Lay Phone Lines

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—The Army Signal Corps has found a way of using rockets to lay field telephone wires across rivers, ravines, and other areas which cannot be reached on foot. The rocket-firing method has been found practical for distances up to 150 yards.

### Preparedness Pays Off

CHESTER, Pa., Jan. 2 (UP)—Two men were killed and three others were injured last night when an ambulance in which they were riding without permission crashed into a tree. The dead were Michael Malish, 22, and Edward V. Marker, 21, both of Chester.

### Hoosier Roads Dangerous In North and West Areas

Hoosier roads except in the extreme south and west portions of the state are dangerous for travel, the State Police and the State Highway Department warned today.

Most hazardous section was in and north of Ft. Wayne.

The highway department had emergency crews working on hazardous spots and announced that conditions were expected to improve by this afternoon.

The police road report showed: Duane Park Area—All roads icy and snow covered. Indianapolis Area—All roads icy and snow covered. Some roads blocked by fallen trees.

St. Wayne Area—All traffic banned except for emergency due to blocked roads in the vicinity.

### Where to See Foreign Movie Films

WHERE COULD I SEE outstanding films of foreign countries other than at the movies?

Indiana University Extension Division displays a series of films on foreign countries at the I. U. Medical Center. Second semester showings will begin Feb. 19, to be held each Thursday at 8:30 p. m.

### Husband Wastes His Money Gambling

I HAVE BEEN MARRIED to a wonderful man for three years. He loves me and my two children by a previous marriage, but right after we married he started stopping for a beer every night. One night he came in a half hour later than the usual time and we had a terrible argument. He agreed not to stop for beer again, which he hasn't, but now it's gambling. Every extra penny we have he wants to take it and gamble in a poker game.

He was never married before and doesn't realize the value of money as I learned to. He talks of having a home some day. We are now in debt "up to our necks" and I worry. I wish I didn't and he says not to worry but how can one help it if you have to put out a payment, and a larger one week after week? He tells me we'll have to save but I never have enough to cover expenses when the debts come due.

I hate to fuss but how can I break him of the habit that's putting us deeper and deeper into trouble?

### —WORRIED

I'd say your husband isn't too bad if he plays poker as moderately as he drank beer. An extra half hour of beer drinking couldn't have made much difference—if he started early or late. You evidently don't drink—so the quantities that he consumed looked monstrous to you.

I can just see him flicking off the foam with one wary eye on the clock and one wary foot out the door, his mind churning out response to that bouncing he knew he'd get. Didn't he like beer and cards before you married him? Have you stopped those irritating habits that may annoy him?

A thrifty wife is an asset in any home—but stacking hoarded pennies gets monotonous. Your husband wants to be more successful financially—you've probably reminded him often enough that he should be. Are you as saving as you could be—do you under-take too much financially? Could you have skipped buying those new dresses?

I'm not promoting gambling and drinking, but I do propose a degree of freedom for your husband before he goes "all out" for it—and maybe a different woman.

He didn't want a mother when he married you—he wanted a wife—a companion. Even good men leave their wives—and they don't decide over night. Give him the surprise of his life. Urge him to invite his friends home. You don't have to sit and drink beer, but don't sit and glare. They don't want you around—they wouldn't come to your parties.

Did your first husband appreciate your watching the pennies?

### Wants Name of Woman Doctor

COULD YOU PLEASE give me the name and address of some good woman doctor?

### —A STEADY READER

Call the Doctors' Private Telephone Exchange, MA. 2031.

Let Mrs. Manners and readers of the column share your problems and answer your questions. Write in care of The Times, 214 W. Maryland St.

## Time Study Men Held Under T-H Act

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—The National Labor Relations Board, in its sharpest split since the Taft-Hartley Law went into effect, ruled today that time-study men are professional employees and as such entitled to protection under the law.

The board voted unanimously to order the Worthington Pump Co., Holbrook, Mass., to bargain collectively with its time-study men.

Board Chairman Paul M. Herzog and members John M. Houston and Ave Murdock said time-study men are essentially "fact-finders" with no "substantial" voice in management. They held them to meet the "professional employee" test set up by the Taft-Hartley Act.

Members James J. Reynolds and J. Copeland Gray voted with the board majority because they said it was the apparent intent of Congress to give such employees bargaining rights.

But each felt that time-study men were basically part of management. Mr. Reynolds said he would support the majority decision only as long as the union remained independent. The board gave the union 30 days to file non-Communist and financial affidavits required by the law.

### WANT WARTIME PAY—PLUS

MANILA, Jan. 2 (UP)—Union employees at two large refineries struck at 8 a. m. today, demanding wartime back pay at a 50 per cent general increase.

## Blind Suspect Ends Life in Slaying

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2 (UP)—A 37-year-old blind man, who failed to end his life two weeks ago when he fatally shot his housekeeper, hanged himself in a Moyamensing prison cell yesterday.

William Neithamer was awaiting Grand Jury action in the slaying of Mrs. Anna Austin, 67, who has cared for him since the death of his wife several months ago.

Police said that early yesterday Neithamer removed a sheet from his cell cot, tied one end to a cell door and looped the other end around his neck and jumped off his bed.

Neithamer groped his way into a police station Dec. 19 and announced that he had killed Mrs. Austin. He said he feared she would become a burden to him as his invalid wife was before her death.

## Pere Noel! Wife Finds New Santa

PARIS, Jan. 2 (UP)—The newspaper France Soir reported today that a "Madame S." of Normandy was granted a divorce from her 39-year-old husband after telling the court that he "still believed in Santa Claus."

"Madame S." reportedly told a judge in Bernay that she never received Christmas presents from her husband because he always waited for Santa Claus to bring the gifts.

France Soir said "Madame S." attributed her husband's beliefs to a sheltered childhood. She told the court that she had become disgusted and had taken a lover who did not believe in Santa Claus.

### Names Research Head

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—The newly-established Armed Forces Research and development Board has appointed a committee to study basic physical science for answers to baffling military problems. The group is headed by Dr. W. V. Houston, president of Rice Institute in Texas.

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WHOOOPS . . . SORRY . . . CORRECTION!!!

In yesterday's issue of The Indianapolis Times, we advertised these two items as part of our January Clearance:

1,000 prs. Better Dark Shoes, originally 18.95 to 28.95, now

1.59 each

Special Purchase! 75 doz. Chambray Crawlors and Overalls, now

12.85

These prices were obviously in error. They are switched. The items should have read as follows:

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We sincerely regret this error and hope it will not cause our customers inconvenience.

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