

Ask Mrs. Manners:

He Pets the Cat—And Snarls at His Wife

Dear Mrs. Manners:

MY HUSBAND is not very considerate. We come in from work naturally tired. We have a very smart cat—she does tricks. My husband will pick her up, pat her and chat with her. He says, "Have you been lonesome today all by yourself?"

Here I am, dragging tired, preparing supper. He doesn't say "Are you tired, Honey? Let me help with supper." No indeed—the cat on his lap being stroked very gently. As for me—hurry with supper. I'm hungry," he says.

How can I make him more considerate or does he realize how ungrateful he is?

MRS. S. J.

I wouldn't worry much about the cat—you can't replace her nor can she replace you. She can't even cook. Your husband's fondness for her is evidence that he has an affectionate nature. He probably feels that in some manner you're unaffectionate and pats the cat as a result. She purrs—do you make similar appreciative noises? You won't win fondling by grumbling in the kitchen—grumbles show, though unspoken.

Keep your home cozy and pleasant—your husband will keep staying home. His being there in his big chair with the cat on his lap is proof that he's comfortable and happy. The scene may not be very exciting, but you're better off than you'd be if his chair were empty several evenings a week.

Your husband sounds like good father material. If you don't have children, can you adopt a child? I believe that he needs one—

and so do you.

'They Always Look—And Always Will'

IN ANSWER to "Steady Reader" who wrote about her husband looking at other women, and lying. Well, they all look—always have and always will. That is the nature of the "brute." If she wants a husband who doesn't look and lies she had better look for a blind one without a tongue to talk with. If she married a dozen they would all do the same.

If she would take notice, men look at her. There can't be anything done to them for looking—so quiet your nerves and quit worrying, or he'll do more than just look.

ANOTHER STEADY READER.

I can just see you silly watching your "Henry" silly watching the girls. He probably doesn't feel nearly as gay knowing that you're wise and willing that he looks. How very sensible you are to skip tantrums and tearful, sleepless nights that would drive him to looking at a clear-eyed woman.

I'll bet that you have a pleasant home and lots of laughs whatever you do. Your husband probably tries to please you because you please him by letting him breathe.

Where to Purchase a Calendar

DO YOU KNOW of any place where I may purchase calendars for personal use?

S. M.

Visit calendar shops, department and book stores, and printing concerns.

Personal Problem of a High School Sophomore

I AM A GIRL of 15. My boy friend is 16%. I have been going with him for a short while. My parents disapprove of him even though they haven't met him. Their reason is, I'll be a sophomore this month and he'll only be a freshman. Right now he is a 6-B because he went to Florida and missed school. Because of his age they're going to skip him to high school.

He doesn't act young and I'm not ashamed of him. Mother says I should have more pride. He likes me too. Should I let him go or tell him he is just not the right person? Please let me know.

A READER.

Bring the boy to your home—you owe your parents a view of him and they owe you fair-mindedness. Don't stop with him—bring other dates home. You're too young to settle for one boy.

If you give him up, don't tell him that he is the wrong person.

He probably has a slight complex over having been in the 6-B grade without being daunted in "love." Tell him that you want to have other dates—you aren't engaged, you know.

A Second Chance for a Husband?

TO MRS. R. C.—I think that you'd show bad taste and bad judgment in arranging a meeting with your husband and the girl whom he sees. He has compared you and the girl many times with such a session unnecessary—he knows how he thinks that he feels. It's up to you to change that. He isn't completely certain that he wants her, or he wouldn't seek another chance with you. Give him a second chance because you love him.

You've probably neglected him somewhat—maybe you haven't been attentive, or haven't kept attractive. Don't slip again. If he discovers that he prefers the other girl, it will be comforting to feel that you actually did your best in the second attempt. Your best isn't nagging at him or letting yourself become dull, red-eyed and unattractive.

All Names Are Confidential

TO MISS "R."—I couldn't send your card to "another lonely person" because names are confidential. I'm sorry—it was a nice thought.

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

Warning Comes Too Late

Breaking 'Em Even Worse Than Making Resolutions

Psychologist Says Guilty Feeling After New Year Can Be Dangerous

By ROBERT RICHARDS, United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 (UPI)—Dr. George Lawton isn't at all surprised that you did not keep that New Year's resolution. The Doc, a forthright psychologist, would have wagered 10 to 1 that you would break it.

"Such resolutions are the worst possible thing for people," Dr. Lawton said. "You know what they do? They make it possible for us to write off some bad habit—on paper—and then turn around and continue doing it."

Dr. Lawton claims the whole idea is one of our largest myths. Just their own limitations and admit them. Then there's no reason for feeling guilty. You just get drunk and enjoy it.

Doubts Sincerity

Dr. Lawton claims that anyone who goes to the trouble of writing down a resolve not to do something isn't sincere anyhow. Never had the slightest intention of keeping his

"Now take me for example," he said. "I've smoked for years and five months ago I decided to quit. But I didn't write out anything. I just said: 'George, this is your last cigarette.' And I haven't touched once since."

New Year's resolutions are also had in another way. They get a man into the habit of making a pledge that he clearly doesn't intend to keep.

"Then you must go around feeling guilty," Dr. Lawton said. "To remember what Dr. Lawton said, be held Wednesday in LaRue's Restaurant, the Pacific area, and Glenn E. Lairmore, Portland, Ore., also listed.

So if you've already broken yours, you have your parents a view of him and they owe you fair-mindedness. Don't stop with him—bring other dates home. You're too young to settle for one boy.

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It takes it most dangerous form with war," he said. "You hate war. I hate war, everyone hates war. That's what we say. But we still have them. You know why? Because we're kidding ourselves, just as we do on the New Year's resolutions. We like war if it's necessary to get something we want."

"So it's the same with drinking. You tell yourself: 'This year I am as dry as a camel. I won't drink. Not even good scotch."

But before the week is out, perhaps even the day after New Year's, the cork has popped from the bottle and you've wet your whistle.

Keep.

Mr. Arneson was a counterman-assistant cashier for nine years in Duluth and Kansas City branch offices before being appointed a field assistant in Oklahoma City, Okla., in 1940.



6 States Send Predict Quick Delivery Of New Medium-Priced Automobiles This Year

Speakers Announced For 2-Day Session

Educators from six states are meeting in Indianapolis today and tomorrow for a regional conference on teacher education, certification and professional standards.

The conference is sponsored by the National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional standards of the National Education Association of the United States.

Paul V. Sangren, president of Western Michigan College, will serve as conference chairman during the two-day meeting.

List of Speakers

Addresses will be given by Ben H. Watt, state superintendent of public instruction; Gertrude E. McComb, president of the Indiana State Teacher Association; John Emanus, president of Ball State Teachers College; H. B. Allman, director of summer sessions, Indiana University.

Ralph McDonald, executive secretary of the Commission of the National Education Association; Robert G. Buzzard, president of the State Teachers College at Charleston, Ill.; Jessie Fuggett, a teacher in Lexington, Ky.; J. B. Edmonson, dean of the school of education, University of Michigan; Harold J. Bowers, state department of education, Columbus, O.; I. R. Amerine, a teacher in Columbus, O.; and Corma Mowrey, a teacher in Clarkesburg, W. Va.

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Prices Level Off

The used-car market, experiencing a sharp mid-winter slump, has leveled off price-wise for 1948. 1941 and 1948 models, most used-car lot proprietors here agree. Prices may follow the inflationary spiral in the spring, but there is general apprehension that mid-summer will find another drop in used-car prices.

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Reds Concentrate On Eastern Europe

Times Foreign Service

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