

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—it's the cat on his lap being stroked very gently. As for me—ha! "Hurry with supper, I'm hungry," he says.

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

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 lie 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.

I can just see you slyly watching your "Henry" slyly watching the girls. He probably doesn't feel nearly as gay knowing that you're wise and willing that he look. 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 18½. 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 feeling. 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 somehow—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 (UP)—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 you 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 a handy way of deluding ourselves. And highly dangerous.

"Just Like War"
"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 it out, perhaps even the day after New Year's, the cork has popped from the bottle and you have wet your whistle."

Then you must go around feeling guilty," Dr. Lawton said. "To hell with this feeling guilty. Honest and intelligent people realize their own limitations and admit them. Then there's no reason for feeling guilty. You just get drunk and enjoy it."

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 pact.

"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 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.

So if you've already broken yours, remember what Dr. Lawton said. Next year just forget them and enjoy yourself.



FARM GIRL?—Caren Marsh, 22-year-old Hollywood starlet, has never been on a farm in her life. Yet she was named most typically farm-bred by producers and given the movie role of a 4-H girl.

12 Former GI's Re-enlist in Army

Twelve former servicemen have re-enlisted in the Army Air Forces and have been assigned to duty at Stout Field. They include:

Albert L. Bell, 2615 Collier St., overseas 24 months with the infantry; Richard L. Werking, Chesterfield, overseas eight months with a bombardment group; Garland Kelly, 1016½ Virginia Ave., 11 months with an infantry division in Berlin; Donald and Glen Gerrel, brothers, and Robert McKean, brother-in-law, all of Terre Haute; Rommy Barick, Martinsville, 10 months in the South Pacific area; James F. Walker, Washington, five months in the South Pacific area; and Blaine R. Hopp, 1910 S. Belmont St., 41 months service on an aircraft carrier.

John A. Persinger, 3423 W. 38th St., 22 months in Europe with a bombing squadron; Thomas E. Gough, Logansport, 13 months in the Pacific area; and Glenn E. Lairmore, Portland, Ore., also re-enlisted.

Bar Group to Install

Alan W. Boyd will be installed as president of the Indianapolis Bar Association at a dinner-meeting to be held Wednesday in LaRue's Restaurant. Committee chairmen also will make reports.

6 States Send Educators to Meeting Here

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 Emans, 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 Pugett, 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 Corra Mowrey, a teacher in Clarkesburg, W. Va.

Arneson Named Insurance Aid

Patrick E. Arneson has been appointed manager of the casualty, fidelity and surety insurance department of the Travelers Insurance Co. here.

He succeeds Stanley J. Whiteman, who has been appointed manager at the Buffalo, N. Y., office. Mr. Arneson's last assignment before his local appointment was in the home office at Hartford, Conn.

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

Predict Quick Delivery Of New Medium-Priced Automobiles This Year

Demand Still Greater Than Supply, but Buyer's Market Expected by Mid-Summer

By LEO DONOVAN, Times Special Writer
DETROIT, Jan. 5—Immediate delivery on new automobiles in all but the lower-price bracket is one of the cheering prospects for 1948. The manufacturers still report the demand is far ahead of the industry's ability to produce, but dealers in both new and used cars expect the buyer's market to return by mid-summer.

Chevrolet, Ford and Plymouth demand sufficient to maintain waiting lists, as are some Cadillacs, Lincolns and big Buicks.

But cars in the so-called medium-price class are expected to be available without delay. Some dealers anticipate they even may be forced by competitive selling to allow higher prices for trade-ins.

Prices Level Off

The used-car market, experiencing a sharp mid-winter slump, has leveled off price-wise for 1940, 1941 and 1946 models, most used-car lot proprietors here agree. Prices may follow the inflationary spiral in the spring, but there is general apprehension that midsummer will find another drop in used-car prices.

All of the auto makers have greatly increased productive capacity since the war and are hopeful of increased sheet-steel supplies to boost their output in 1948. Production schedules for the first three months of 1948 are expected to reach new records.

Most manufacturers believe output for 1948 will be up at least 10 per cent over the 5,000,000 cars and trucks made in 1947.

Tooling Costs High
C. E. Wilson, president of General Motors Corp., not long ago predicted greater output and a price rise of perhaps .5 per cent. The increase would be necessitated by increased production costs, including new tooling costs which are up as much as 300 per cent above pre-war prices.

Ford is going ahead with its expansion program providing for expenditures of \$100 million in 1948. It spent \$80 million in tooling up for 1948 models in 1947.

Chrysler's new models are not expected to be made public until late summer or early fall. Studebaker, which got the jump on competition in its post-war styling, is expected to retain its lead, although new-model Hudsons may outstrip them, say design engineers.

Nash has not disclosed its plans for 1948 models.

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Reds Concentrate On Eastern Europe

Times Foreign Service

BERLIN, Jan. 5—Soviet diplomacy, which has been centered for a long time on Germany, seems now to have shifted back to eastern Europe.

This does not mean that the Russian program for Berlin has been abandoned, or even greatly altered. It does suggest, however, that times have changed and German policy will move more slowly.

The Russians are apparently taking advantage of the interval meantime, to strengthen their hold on the countries within their eastern European orbit.

They have never had much use for King Michael of Romania for example. His abdication has left the country more firmly in the Soviet grip than ever before.

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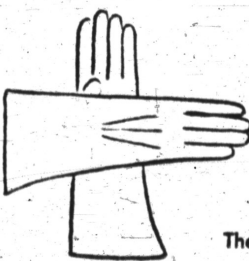
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