

Mrs. Manners—

'He Wants Some Freedom,' Wife Writes

I TOLD MY HUSBAND the next time he stayed out late drinking I'd leave but I didn't get the courage until recently. I left, taking our daughter, age 13 months, with me. My husband took us to my sister's. Seeing her and her husband together made the lonesome for my husband so I had them bring me home the same night. My husband just arrived home from the show with his folks.

He says he wants me to leave but take the baby to his mother's. He says there is no other woman—and I believe him. He says he doesn't want a divorce—just some time for freedom. I can't leave my baby, and I want so much to make my husband happy for I love him very much.

I'm 20 and my husband is 21. We both love our daughter. My husband has been home from overseas eight months and works at nights. Since he's had this job he doesn't come home till late hours in the morning and he says he's been drinking with fellow workers.

If you two aren't being crazy. You're trying to outdo each other being stubborn—and you're both miserable. Giving your husband orders was a mistake, and leaving was another mistake. Nasty remarks probably trailed all over the place.

He isn't stepping out. A man wanting freedom wouldn't go to a movie with his parents the first night his wife was away. He'd kick up his heels. He huddled with the people who love him. Urge him to take some nights out. Your generosity probably will keep him at your side. Take some nights out yourself but above all, be a good "date" on your nights out together.

You left your husband because you were lonely for him—you pouted because he had to work at nights. You really trust him, respect him and love him. You wanted to be bossy and humored, and he told you you couldn't get away with being bossy. He wanted to be humored himself. He doesn't enjoy working nights.

Mother Drinks, Runs Around With Men

MY MAIN TROUBLE is my mother. I realize now why my father left her before her youngest of 15 children was born. She drinks and runs around with men half her age.

My brother lied about his age to join the Army and my sister left home because of my mother. I'm weak or silly and stuck around because of money and house shortages.

Recently I met a boy I liked and we talked of marriage. He seemed sincere but I found I was pregnant and though he acted happy he didn't come back. People are beginning to suspect.

I'm afraid to go to the welfare agencies because they might take my daughter, age 4, by my ex-husband. I've got to leave. I'd kill myself before I'd bring another child into this environment. I could ask my daughter's father for money but I'm afraid he'd try to take her. Thanks for being someone I can tell my troubles to.

DEPRESSED.

It isn't the policy of social agencies to place pressure on unmarried mothers for the placement of their children. Visit the Family Service Association.

Your mother's mistakes haven't bothered you enough to send you house-hunting. Stay with her until the baby is born. Being kind to her, in her home, won't hurt you and you might help her. Start planning a new life.

Wants to Find Long Lost Half-Brother

WHERE COULD I WRITE in East St. Louis, Ill., to find out about my half-brother whom I haven't seen for years?

READER. Write the Chamber of Commerce in East St. Louis about your brother and ask for addresses of his friends. Direct a letter to him marking it "forward" and write East St. Louis police.

Is One of Andrews Sisters the Mother?

IS ONE of the Andrews "Sisters" the mother of the other two? I. F. I.

They write me that they're really sisters—Patty, Maxene and La Verne, daughters of Mrs. Ollie Andrews, who isn't in their act.

Writer Wants Information on Strawberries

WE READ YOUR COLUMN with enthusiasm. Your answers are priceless. Where can one get information on raising strawberries and raspberries? Does anyone know how to keep wasps from taking over a log cabin? A NEW FARMER.

Send 5 cents to the superintendent of documents, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., asking for Farmers Bulletin No. 1045 on "Strawberry Varieties in the United States." The Purdue University Agriculture Extension Department at La-

fayette has strawberry and raspberry bulletins. Among books available at the Indiana State Library is Wilkinson's "Fruit, Nuts and Berries and How to Grow Them."

Wasps return to the same places year after year. That's comforting—if you can kill them all. The State Conservation Department suggests fumigation with DDT bombs after making the cabin as airtight as possible. Re-daubing spaces between the logs with mortar is suggested if your cabin is made of logs, round on the inside and out, notched at the corners and originally put together with mortar. It's difficult to make the cabin airtight if you have the kind with round logs on the outside and flat on the inside.

Quits Boy, but Is Still in Love With Him

I'M 16 and in love with a boy, 18, who was in the Navy and wrote to me but when he came home he didn't have anything to say. There's another girl in town who thinks a lot of him and I'm afraid he is falling for her. He has never asked me for a date and he has been home six days.

We split up a year ago but I can't forget him. I quit him for another boy I didn't love but had a certain desire to go with. I have found out what a small mistake can do to a person's life.

My girl-friend and I are in the same predicament. She still thinks of her old boy-friend often. We had dates and ran into our old boy-friends and we wanted to turn and run. Should I go to the prom with someone else? I've been told I wouldn't enjoy the prom if my heart was set on him.

Think how brave you'll be in your grief, hiding your broken heart while you dance with the boy who has asked you to the prom. You don't dare refuse—you're too much in demand. I'd think your self-consciousness scared the other boy away—if he just weren't a sailor.

It takes a few years to realize that you weren't in love with an old boy-friend—that you actually wanted him because the girl down the street offered competition.

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.

Purdue Alumni Plan Gala Week

Times State Service LAFAYETTE, Apr. 19—Purdue alumni will be offered a wide variety of entertainment when they convene for class reunions during the annual Gala Week Apr. 30-May 2.

Included will be the Harlequin Show, featuring "The Desert Song," which will be presented Apr. 30 and May 1 in the Hall of Music.

Registration will open at 2 p. m. Apr. 30. Athletic contests, board meetings, banquets and reunions will follow.

Receptions will be held at 11 a. m. May 1 in the various schools. Annual class breakfasts will be held May 2. The Purdue Symphonic Band later will perform in Great Hall of the Memorial Union.

Marks to Talk Here

Roy Marks, Univis Optical Co., Dayton, O., will address the Central Indiana Optometric Society at 8 p. m. Tuesday at Hotel Severn. He will be introduced by Dr. James P. Leeds. The women's auxiliary will meet and a dinner will precede the meeting.

Fathers Sponsor 'Joe, Jane' Dance

Free Ripple Party Friday in Gym

The annual "Joe and Jane" dance, free all-school party, will be sponsored by the Fathers' Association of Broad Ripple High School Friday in the school gymnasium.

"Joe" and "Jane" will be elected by students attending the dance. Eight candidates have been nominated by the four classes. The two winners will be announced and crowned during intermission and will be presented with small table-model radios by the Fathers' Association.

Directs Square Dance

Finalists for the honor are: Bill Bastian and Betty Lou Houseman, seniors; David Rouse and Rose Ann Tracy, juniors; Dick Campbell and Barbara Knotts, sophomores, and Barry Bartie and Sallie Hathaway, freshmen.

Walter Jackson's orchestra will play and Norma Koster, city recreation department, will direct the square dancing. Special intermission acts will be given by students.

Damien Lyman is activities committee chairman of the Fathers' Association and M. Carlton Smith is president of the association.

TODAY'S WEATHER FOTOCAST



TONIGHT AND TOMORROW—Moisture-laden winds from the Gulf of Mexico will bring milder weather to the eastern states and the Ohio Valley tonight and early tomorrow. The weatherman says thermometers will be in the 50's all the way from Atlanta to Philadelphia, in the Ohio Valley and Iowa near daybreak. Skies will be cloudy tonight from Maine through the Ohio Valley, and rain is expected within the next 24 hours.

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