

Ask Mrs. Manners— Her Boy-Friend Wants To Keep Love Secret

DO YOU THINK a man's love is worth having if he doesn't want people to know it? I went with this man a year and was true and good to him but he didn't appreciate anything. He beat me, saying I deserved it, and I always forgave him.

We've been split up a long time but he says he wants to see me without his friends knowing it. I couldn't go through getting my heart broken again but I know anything he'd do wouldn't hurt me now as I wouldn't let it. I still, however, hold a place in my heart for him. I'm a business lady and can't afford to be upset with him. I'll follow your advice.

DAILY READER.

You can't push your heart around like that. I won't think you're a very good business woman if you let him damage your pride by dating you secretly. What's his reason for secrecy? Is he married? Are you married? Aren't you attractive enough that he wants to show you off?

Do something about being attractive, if you aren't, but attract another man.

Anxious to Marry His 'Dream Girl'

WHILE I was overseas I dreamed about an old schoolmate and was compelled to write her. We corresponded for several months and had a couple of dates when I came home. Later, when I called, she was always busy, I know she cares just a little by the way she writes. Gifts make no impression. I love her and would do anything to marry her. What do you suggest I do?

THE CORPORAL.

Let's do you. Don't call her for awhile. Be indifferent when you do. Find an attractive girl and be seen with her, having a wonderful time.

Writer Cites Her Own Example

TO WRITER "For Justice of Children"—I believe that a man should support his children by a previous marriage but because he doesn't do this properly doesn't mean he should stop living altogether. If there has to be a separation and if the wife takes the children I think she is responsible for them. If she can't support them, the husband should have them. Don't judge all men by a few. Most every honest man is going to support his children if he can.

My husband has children by a former marriage. There have been times when we didn't have enough to eat but he paid regular support.

OUT OF TOWN.

Some very interesting arguments were presented on this problem of support. Thank you all.

Asks About Feather Bed Sale

WHERE COULD I sell two featherbeds? V. R.
Check mattress companies.

Reader Asks Date of Showings

WHEN WAS "Something for the Boys," with Carmen Miranda, at the Drive In Theater on Pendleton Pike? You're doing a swell job helping people with their problems.

READER.

The dates were Aug. 23 and 24, 1948.

'I Have Cracked Ribs, Black Eyes'

I HAVE EVERYTHING from cracked ribs to black eyes from my husband when he's drunk and I'm getting fed up. When he drinks I nearly hate him. He doesn't drink much but three beers make him silly and sick and he comes home "high" about every night. It hurts our little girl who thinks her daddy is "all of it."

I'd think with five nice children like ours, he'd have the will power to drink a little or leave it alone. When he drinks he's cross and ill-talking and nothing suits him. He's swell other ways and drinking is all I ever nag him about. I think about leaving him but I'm not well. I've cried and pleaded but he doesn't quit drinking. He is getting forgetful and some people think he's a "little off" but only when he drinks.

TROUBLED.

You've tried tears and reasoning and probably have "blown up." Why don't you try being indifferent about the beers? He may be asserting his independence. If he thought he had independence he might not want to make himself sick on beers. You confuse me—how can he be silly and cross?

"I Was Falsely Accused," Says Reader

I HAVE A BOY, 7, his father got through court. I was falsely accused and have gone back to court but I always lose. I can never have another child though I am remarried.

I can give my child as much as his father, even more happiness. He tells everyone he wants to live with me. I am afraid of his father, and he has more toys here which his father won't let him have. He begs for music lessons but his father won't let him take them. I know he doesn't get medical care and I seldom get to see him.

I've worried and cried over him day and night for four years. What should I do?

BROKEN-HEARTED MOTHER.

Your lawyer can advise you legally—I can't.

Why not settle for something attainable? Try in a friendly way to persuade your ex-husband to let you see your son often. Don't listen to the boy's complaints about his father. He probably plays you against each other. Maybe adopting a child would be a solution.

Strangers Eager to Meet 2 Girls Here

FOR '24 and not bad looking and haven't got any bad habits I know of. My buddy and I just arrived from New York and would like to meet some nice girls, 18 to 24, about 5½ feet tall. We'd like to have some clean fun.

LONESOME SAILOR AND SOLDIER.

You don't need dates to attend the YMCA-YWCA dances at the YMCA on Saturday nights or to participate in YWCA affairs which include dances and suppers on Sundays. Churches sponsor activities for young people, and the Department of Parks and Recreation could tell you of forthcoming city activities.

You have me worrying about my bad habits. I don't know about.

Wants Address of British Sailor

HOW CAN I GET the address of a British sailor who was stationed in Malta after VE and VJ Day? Where can I obtain names of foreign pen pals?

P. R. R.

Ask about the sailor by writing to the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

Regarding your pal club inquire of Joe Donovan, World Wide Hobby Club, 1217 W. Park Row building, New York City; Biscuit Exchange and Correspondence Club, 434 Manor St., Columbus, Pa.; the local Junior Red Cross, and Scholastic Magazines, 220 E. 43d St., New York City (17).

"Is It Unlady-like to Write?"

I MET A BOY through my girl-friend's boy-friend and we double-dated because my date didn't know this city. When my friends split up naturally my date didn't come up any more. I'm pretty sure he liked me a little and I thought that if he did he would keep coming up, but he didn't.

Would it be too unlady-like for me to write him a letter and tell him exactly that I'd like to see him again? I'm 26, considered attractive and go out with other fellows, but I keep thinking of this boy and think it is him I'm out with.

TROUBLED.

Wasn't that a dirty trick—getting a knowledge of the city and leaving you flat? But these boys have a right to date whenever they please. It isn't natural at all. If he liked you that he stopped coming to see you because his friends split up. Don't dare write him—watch for the good points these other boys have. You'll find yourself sitting home nights if you don't stop acting preoccupied. Be pleasant to the boys who take you out.

Girl Friend Soon to Move

THIS girl I like very much soon will move out of town and promise to write to me. Should I stay on with her and write and hope to be her best or forget her, which would be hard to do? P. W.

Wait, I don't extract or make promises about going steady, or you? Try. Write more frequently, call her and send gifts after the letter, if you want to impress her.

"I Feel... Love With My Boss."

I FEEL deeply in love with my boss and know it's wrong because he's married and has four small children. I went with him almost every night for four months and then didn't see him for six months. I have started coming back.

My mother is a Christian and tries to keep me from going with him. She likes him but knows how she felt when her children were small and daddy stepped out.

I'm 20 and have gone with several boys but since he's come back I love him more than ever. I planned to leave but know I can't run away because I tried before. What must I do? BLUE LOU.

You lived when you didn't see him and you'll live again. Loving this man is an awful load on your mind—you aren't happy. He doesn't want to marry you enough to get a divorce. Even if he did, supporting four children and maybe some of your own would make a big dent in romance.

To Mrs. E. M. S., writing privately—Ask your doctor if curbing your temper and sensitiveness will improve your health. Ask him if moving to the country is a good idea. With better health, you may feel more congenial towards your husband and daughter, and they'll react to your good spirits.

I can't disclose names, Ronnie—Mrs. Manners.

Send me your address, will you Mrs. B. F. Shelbyville? MRS. MANNERS.

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.

Railroad, Auto Strikes Threaten Nation

225,000 May Quit Work In Ten Days

U. S. Economy Would Be Crippled

By United Press

Two strikes involving 225,000 railroad and auto workers today threatened to hit the nation with a one-two punch within the next 10 days.

Some 150,000 railroad engineers, firemen, and switchmen were poised to walk out May 11. Another 75,000 Chrysler Corporation workers were set to strike a day later.

The walkouts, coupled with the nation-wide meat strike, would deal a crippling blow to the nation's economy.

A rail walkout would paralyze transportation and cut the lifelines of commerce and industry. Auto production, already severely curtailed, would be reduced even more sharply by a strike at Chrysler.

If the rail and auto walkouts should be added to current strikes, the number of idle workers in the country would total more than 330,000.

Urge New Farley

Meanwhile, John L. Lewis requested that negotiations for a new United Mine Workers' contract be opened May 18. If a settlement is not reached by the time the present contract expires June 30, a soft coal strike would be allowed under the Taft-Hartley law.

In Pittsburgh, the CIO United Steelworkers demanded a 25-cent hourly wage increase for 20,000 workers in eight plants of the Aluminum Co. of America.

Several thousand unionists were expected to march in a May Day parade in Chicago to raise money and food for striking packinghouse workers in the meat strike.

Government mediators, trying desperately to head off the threatened rail strike, scheduled meetings with the three operating brotherhoods and the railroads today in a bid to reach a settlement.

But Frank P. Douglass, chairman of the National Railway Mediation Board, said both sides were deadlocked at the end of a long series of talks yesterday.

The brotherhoods have demanded flat 30 per cent pay hike while the carriers have offered the 15½-cent hourly boost recommended by a Presidential Fact-Finding Board.

May Hit Indiana Plants

In Detroit, the giant CIO United Auto Workers Union announced that it would strike at Chrysler May 12 if the firm refused to grant a third-round wage increase.

A automobile owned by Felix M. Nichter, 18, of 1832 N. Alabama St., was badly damaged last night by vandals who stoned it in the 1100 block of W. 21st St.

Erbecker Files Suit on 'Slate'

Seeks to Enjoin McDuff, Party Chiefs

A suit to enjoin Democratic County Chairman Paul McDuff and other "so-called big shots and self-proclaimed" party leaders from distributing an election slate was filed today.

The legal action was brought in Superior Court 2 by William C. Erbecker, secretary of the Democratic County Committee and candidate for county prosecutor.

Defendants are Chairman McDuff, Paul Cave and Mary Shaddock, vice chairman.

Restraining order and injunction were asked to prevent the defendants from:

ONE: Distributing a slate of candidates representing the choice of the defendants to "any Democratic precinct committee... or any other worker."

TWO: Threatening any committee with loss of his job if the slate is not passed out in the various county voting precincts.

THREE: Furthering in any way the candidacy of George S. Daily, Mr. Erbecker's opponent.

Mr. Erbecker charged in his petition that Mr. McDuff is not the "authorized" county chairman. He was elected by "undue influence—coercion, intimidation, threats of loss of jobs at City Hall, trickery, artifice and other political skullduggery," he continued.

Industry can't be certain work can move that fast. There are problems of tooling manpower, scarce materials. Trade journals say they don't know where aluminum is coming from. And more aluminum can't be made without more electrical power. Where new generators have to be installed, new power capacity won't be ready before 1950.

A helicopter will land on the War Memorial Plaza at 2:15 p. m. to pick up the membership cards of Marion County posts.

At 2:45 p. m. it will take off for Weir Cook Airport, where planes from many sections of the country will fly in with membership cards from their areas.

Capehart Backs New Evansville Post Office

Sen. Homer Capehart (R. Ind.) said here today he planned to introduce a bill in the Senate next week authorizing construction of a new post office at Evansville.

Capehart said his announcement followed a survey by post office department officials which showed the need of the new building. It will include court and custom-house facilities in addition to the post office.

The senior Hoosier Senator said that Rep. Edward A. Mitchell (R. Evansville) would introduce a companion measure in the House. The bills will call for an expenditure of \$3,910,000.

Gas Victim Reported In Fair Condition

Apparently overcome by exterminating gas in her home, Mrs. Margaret Price, 28, of 1320 Dearborn St., was reported in fair condition in General Hospital today.

Police were told that exterminators had been working for two days in the home and some of the gas may have remained after workmen left.

Announces New Plane

NEW YORK, May 1 (UPI)—The Strategic Air Command will put four improved planes into operation this year—two huge bombers and two new fighters according to Gen. George C. Kenney, commanding general.

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RUNNERS-UP—Bill Frazer, 1946 Spelling Bee Champion pins the second place medal on Emilie Gray while the other runners-up (in the order named) look on with their prizes—Mary Lorton, Barbara Walker, Helen Baker. Emilie was the 1947 champion.

Our Fair City—

Butler Campus Gets Support As Civic Auditorium Site

(Continued From Page One) tributions from druggists and firms employing graduate pharmacists.

Despite repeated urging, university officials have moved at a small pace to the irritation of some businessmen.

This rose to a crest when plans were announced recently for erection of a student recreation building.

Construction costs are so high that it would require three times the amount of the present fund to complete the structure, directors point out.

Orchestras are easier to get and at surprisingly small contract prices, in some instances.

The hard body blow taken by the liquor industry is well known.

Political Derby

Words, Words . . .

THOSE WHO like to twit colorful Fabien Sevitzky have likened him to Sam Goldwyn, the Hollywood movie magnate whose twisted phrases are an industry legend.

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra baton-waver was talking to Mrs. Howard Harrington, prominent animal welfare worker and wife of the orchestra's business manager.

Take the case of Leo Kinnan, U. S. Senator William Jenner's publicity agent.