

Ask Mrs. Manners—

'I Trust My Husband, Why Can't He Trust Me?'

MY HUSBAND sits around like he's guarding me and suggests going places only when I'm ill. I try talking to him when we're out but he answers with quick grunts. When we get home, he says every man was staring at me, though, following your advice, I'm careful not to "over-dress."

He never approves of anything I do except cook and keep house. I want to get in church work and join a YWCA sewing club, but he gets angry. He belongs to the YMCA but never goes. He doesn't have many friends and I have only a few lady friends. He helps me entertain until the husbands come along. Then he takes his special seat and is quiet, or starts reading — they don't come back. I ask him to take me places I think he'd like to go, but that doesn't work.

I trust him. Why can't he trust me? We've been married two years.

Treat him pleasantly but ignore his sulking. Be natural to him when people are around, but don't give up your friends. Let him choose his own friends. He may not be much of a talker — to men or women — and that's no crime.

Reserve special attentions for him. Don't act impressed by the men in your crowd or compare them with your husband, to your husband. Keep each other up-to-date with full share of thinking, activities and hopes.

Send all details possible to the Springfield police department.

Happy Young Bride Gives Advice

PLEASE, BRIDES-TO-BE and "hope-to-be-brides," don't place too much importance on sex life in marriage. I probably am too young and newly married to be paid too much attention to, but my husband and I list the important factors of marriage in this order: financial stability, common interests, even temperaments, equal intelligence, same backgrounds and satisfactory sexual relationships. Married couples should indulge in the privilege of marital relations, accepting them as a gift of God. With this one high purpose in mind, I'm sure the happiest day of their lives will be when they learn they are to become parents. I'm experienced in this matter because we're to be parents in September. I'm only 19 and have been married only seven months, but I'd like to help girls my age and older who contemplate matrimony.

JENNY D. Marital relations don't compensate for serious incompatibilities, do they, Jenny?

Wives Must Fight for Their Rights

IF MORE WIVES would fight for what is rightfully theirs — their husbands — there wouldn't be so many broken homes. If I were "Destitute," wondering if her husband should divorce her to marry another woman and mother of his child, I wouldn't step aside. This woman knew the man was married. Let her take the consequences. He may have to support the child, of course.

DISGUSTED Fighting with wisdom and charm, not with words and demands, often saves a marriage.

What Is Test of Boy's Love?

HOW CAN I TELL if my boy-friend is in love with me? I'm 19 and he is 24. Everyone says he loves me and he says he does, but he doesn't act like it. WORRIED GIRL He may love you now but I doubt if he will continue to love you if you force him to tell you constantly. Men like freedom, you know. You may expect too much attention. If his attentions are unsatisfactory now and you're wounded, you'd better not marry him. Romance may fade somewhat after marriage.

Career of Children Poses Question

I'M 25 AND have been married over four years. I've always worked and have built up a wonderful business. My friends all tell me I should quit work and raise a family, but my boss tells me I'll be sorry if I leave the business world. In my type of work, it would be almost impossible to do both as my hours are irregular. My husband is a wonderful man but isn't too fond of children. However, he leaves the decision up to me. We're both happy and satisfied and feel if we never have children we won't miss them when we're older. Should I listen to my friends or to my boss?

L. E. S. Don't listen to anyone except your husband — and your honest self. However, I hope the readers will write some opinions. Full living usually shows, and you can become self-centered without it, as a couple and as an individual. Your marriage is comparatively new and so is that business you've built. The excitement of both may wear off and you'll feel a need of "refueling." A family might do it.

An able businesswoman like you probably could work in raising children with some heavy planning. You'll want something to replace that career in your old age. I doubt if caring for a house would suffice, after years of activity. Interest in an active family might serve as the replacement.

Many couples who can't afford families have them. You can afford to educate and train children the way they should be educated and trained for the kind of nation we all want.

Two Girls, One Boy. What to Do?

MY BOY-FRIEND likes me and my girl-friend and I like him. What should I do? My girl-friend knew him before I did and he liked her but when he met me he changed his mind and now says he likes me. She said she didn't care and that she'd get someone else, but she says now she can't forget him and tries to get him back. He said he didn't care about her but she blames me.

A WORRY WART You may lose him, too, if you girls don't stop discussing him. She'll get over him when another interesting boy comes along. Give her full swing over the new one.

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.

Three Local Students Honored at Oberlin

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