

Heart and Beauty Problems

By Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a married woman with three little children, and my home is anything but happy. My husband is a good provider, but he is a perfect grouch. The children are all afraid of him and he is very unpleasant as a companion.

He never wants me to go outside of the house, while he goes when he gets ready and stays as long as he wants to.

He wants me to be a slave and never gives me an encouraging word. I am getting disgusted with all. I love my babies more than my own life, and I have sacrificed a lot for their benefit, but I simply can't stand it much longer. I loved him once but he has called me vile names without reason until my patience is about lost. Please advise me.

HEART BROKEN.

Your husband deserves to lose you since he brings nothing but unhappiness into the home. It is doubtful, however, if you could do as well if you left. It is unfortunate that the children must grow up in such an atmosphere, but it is better than to have them want for food and clothing.

Try a silence cure. Do not argue, be serious in "making dates" is bold with your husband or answer back and should be avoided.

She Married an Average Man

BY ZOE BECKLEY

I stared miserably at the fragments of the letter I could not send. It was too revealing, far too abject. It is never well for a woman to pour her soul into a letter, unless she posts it in the fireplace. To be entirely self-revealing, even to one's husband, is like putting on all one's jewelry at once. It is both a vulgarity and a temptation to others. The wise woman always keeps something of herself in reserve.

At last I took up my pen and began a self-contained epistle that would, I told myself, have the effect of reuniting us, yet would not leave me a sense of being so abject in my self-blame.

"My dear Jim," I commenced, repressing the impulse of "writing with my heart," for my husband is not the man to be appealed to with unrestraint.

"You have given me a chance to think and realize. We have had many problems in our married life. Every couple must have, since marriage, first of all, means a readjustment of one's whole point of view. From the moment of marriage, one must cease to be an individual; one must view things from a social standpoint. That is, neither can act for self alone. Each must do what will bring the best results to BOTH.

"Well, we have made our mistakes. The last one, however, is entirely mine. I see it clearly now. And I intend to repair it. Jim, I have been selfish. I want to atone."

When I reached this point, I seemed unable to go further. I sat chewing the pen and racking my tired brain for further terms of expression. The letter was as much an extreme of cold analysis as the other was of warmth and impulse. Both were all wrong.

I worked myself into a mental deadlock. My brain seemed to fail me. A stupid, stony feeling crept over me. I laid my head upon my outstretched arms, discouraged, lonely, tired and cold. I felt as if I had turned to ice.

Suddenly the telephone rang. The sharpness of it in the silent room sent my heart pounding. I was too miserable to talk to any one. It rang again, persistently. I reached slowly for the little instrument—and heard Athena's voice:

"All alone, Ann? Fine! Hoped you would be. Listen, child, I've a friend here I want you to meet. Have you a clear wire? Do you hear me distinctly? Good, N-O-W!"

I expected to hear some man's voice say laughingly, "Delighted to meet you, Mrs. Salsbury." Athena Haste is always up to such doings, telephone introductions and that sort of foolishness!

What I did hear was Fritz Kreisler's violin bow drawn across his magic strings in one long, flexible tone of heart-melting melody.

I closed my eyes. It was as delicate, clear and sure as if he were standing in the room with me. As I listened the receiver tightly to my ear, fearing to lose a note, a woman's voice began the indescribably tender opening bars of "One Fine Day" from "Madame Butterfly."

My brain, my body, my heart and

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Of course you should try to find out the things that irritate him most and avoid stirring his anger. He should not be spoiled with attentions or given a chance to think you are afraid of him. Whatever you do, do fearlessly. He will respect you more if you are independent. When you want to go places you should go and remain silent and let him scold until he is tired of hearing himself.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: What do you think of a girl who would call you up for a date just because it is leap year? Although I am only sixteen, I would be mistaken for nineteen. I have gone out with a good many girls and see no harm in it. I think I have passed the "puppy love" stage and know the value of a pure girl. Do you think I am fickle minded? Would you advise me to forget girls for a few years yet?

BUD.

By all means forget girls for a few years. For the sake of your education, your later prospects and your start in business, keep your mind and time free until you are older. A girl who takes advantage of leap year to entitle or induction, or the child or children of such persons; parent, grand-parent, step-parent, or parents through adoption of the insured's wife.

War risk insurance may be converted into United States government insurance, now or at any time within five years after the end of the war.

"Converted insurance may be paid in a lump sum at the death, if such method of payment is designated by the insured."

ant liberalization of war risk insurance since the passage of the Sweet bill, and is designed for the special benefit of service men who failed to reinstate their insurance prior to the new law, and who have been discharged more than 18 months. Men who have been discharged less than 18 months may still reinstate their lapses term insurance at any time within 18 months following the month of discharge by complying with the same conditions."

In announcing the new ruling, Director Cholmley-Jones desires to emphasize the fact that war risk term insurance may be now made payable to any of the following new and enlarged group of beneficiaries:

"Parent, grand-parent, step-parent, wife (or husband), child, step-child, adopted child, grand-child, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, step-sister, parent through adoption, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, persons who have stood in the realm of a parent to the insured for a period of one year or more prior to enlistment or induction, or the child or children of such persons; parent, grand-parent, step-parent, or parents through adoption of the insured's wife."

The painting receiving the highest number of votes wins the prize and becomes the property of the art association. The one receiving the next highest number wins first honorable mention, and the one receiving the third highest wins second honorable mention.

The result of the voting will be announced at 4 p. m., Sunday, Feb. 8, in the gallery.

REPAKAHS WILL GIVE ENTERTAINMENT AT WEBSTER

Members of the Rebekah lodge will give an entertainment in the I.O. O. F. hall at Webster, Saturday, at 8 p. m. A playlet is being prepared as well as several vaudeville features. All the members of Rebekah lodge and their families and all members of the Odd Fellows and their families are invited.

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ASTHMA WOULD'NT LET HIM LIE DOWN

Hasn't had a sign of trouble now for over 9 months.

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