

ADVICE ON THE PROBLEMS OF LIFE

by **ABBE WALLACE SERVICE**

LET US REASON TOGETHER IN WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING

JEW — I have been reading your column for 3 years and am very interested in it. I have been going with a fellow for a long time and he wanted to marry me this month. He bought me a ring but I would not accept it. I found him to be extremely jealous, gets angry quick and has funny ways. Did I do right not to take him up?

Ans. You used good judgment in not taking him up. Good for you that you used cold, logical reasoning instead of letting your emotions carry you away. Too many young girls are prone to accept offers of marriage without giving a second thought to what chances that marriage might have to succeed. You really weren't in love with this fellow. Had you been, his faults wouldn't have stuck out like a sore thumb.

AM — What makes this man I have hung around his ex-wife so much? He does nice things for her, bought the house where she lives and won't let her pay any rent — yet he claims he doesn't like her. She divorced him but it looks like she means more to him than I do.

Ans. Many women who marry divorced men find themselves playing second fiddle in more ways than one. It is far better for him to furnish her with a place to stay and to be on reasonably friendly terms with her than to have her collecting alimony. She has worked many years to help her ex-husband accumulate what he has, and in all due justice to her, she is due something in a financial way. For you to display your jealousy and repeat these continuous scenes will only drive him right back into her arms.

KL — I placed my application to join the WAACS and I was rejected for the time being. I must take medical treatments before they will accept me. Must I do as they say or give up the idea?

Ans. — It is vitally important that you take these treatments suggested by the doctor who examined you. Altho' this condition isn't serious now, it can very easily develop into something more serious thru' negligence. As for joining the WAACS, when you are physically fit, there is no greater service you could do for your country.

DB — There are many boys who claim to love me but I want to find out about one in particular. Is Ed. trying to make a fool out of me?

Ans. — You guessed it Sister. Give him enough rope, and you'll hang yourself. This little skirt chaser is no different from the rest, and the line of five he is trying to band you is the same old tale the other girls hear. Having had a little more practice, he is just a little more perfect in his approach than the other guys. Better not believe all that some of these boys tell you.

NY — My husband has been selling cookies, drinks and candies to the defense workers in a near-by plant. There is a vacant store place right across the street from this plant and he wants to rent it for us to open up an eating place. Would this go over?

Ans. — It would require very little capital for him to try this experiment. During the months he has served these defense workers on a small scale, it would no doubt have a tendency to bring them into his place of business were he to open up. It would be more convenient for your husband to open up this shop than to continue with his present set-up. The secret to a successful eating place is cleanliness, good food at a reasonable price, and a business atmosphere.

MDS — I am in love with two soldiers, but still I don't know which one to choose. Both claim they were deeply in love with me. But one has disappointed me. Must I make my decision now?

Ans. — By right, you should make your decision and marry the soldier who is the father of your child. Better take him up on the marriage angle while he seems to be in the mood. You are in no position to encourage the attentions of this other soldier.

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS



FORT DIX, N. J.—On the roster of the strong Fort Dix basketball team are Privates First Class Odell Gillon and James Crowe of the 255th Quartermasters and Sergeant Dee Higgins of the 731st Medical Sanitation Company. Gillon, standing at the left in the picture, is from Massillon, Ohio, and played for Massillon High and South Carolina State College; Crowe, kneeling fourth from the left in front, is from Dayton, Ohio, and played for Dayton High, and Alabama State College. At Crowe's right is Sgt. Higgins of New York, who played for Benjamin Franklin High School. The Fort Dix team also includes several ex-college players who starred in previous seasons in the big intercollegiate contests at Madison Square Garden. Fort Dix is playing a stiff schedule of outstanding college and service teams this winter.

Urban League Will To Feature Negro Women In War Work

NEW YORK, N. Y. (Special to the TIMES) — "Womanpower is vital to victory." This is the theme of the eleventh Vocational Opportunity Campaign of the National Urban League, its forty-six branches and affiliated organizations located in key cities throughout the country. When the Campaign gets under way during the week of March 1942 the role of Brown American Womanpower in helping to win the war will spearhead a drive to consolidate the employment gains made by colored women in war industries and to open up more job opportunities. The Campaign will also stress more vocational training, better vocational guidance, increased employment of colored youth, and their significance to post-war plans.

In addition to the National Urban League and its affiliates, community groups in localities where there are no Urban League branches, and schools and colleges will join the Campaign. A national radio program, similar to the impressive one presented during the Ninth Vocational Opportunity Campaign, is being planned by the League's national headquarters. Meanwhile, branches will carry the March 14-21 Campaign message over the air locally. Another feature will be the special "Brown American Womanpower" issue of Opportunity Magazine, Journal of Negro Life, and official organ of the National Urban League. Timely editorials, feature articles, photo-series, and important messages from leading authorities will be published in the Magazine.

"Victory for democracy presents a stirring challenge to every American," says Miss Ann Tannehill, secretary, Bureau of Guidance and Placement of the National Urban League, who is directing the Vocational Opportunity Campaign. "This particular Campaign is directed toward increasing the contribution of Negroes toward that victory. The present place of Negro womanpower in American war industry is symbolic of past struggles and future problems of all Negro labor in America. Brown American Womanpower is vital to victory just as Negro man and womanpower are vital to a true and enduring peace-time reconstruction. A minority of thirteen million cannot be overlooked in winning the war, nor in building the social security of the nation after the war."

The Vocational Opportunity Campaign aims to strengthen the role of Brown American Womanpower in helping to win the war. The Campaign is also one of the League's programs to secure for Negro workers a permanent and worthy place in American when peace comes.

"Production for victory is the watchword today. Yet as we produce for victory we must keep before us the needs and ideals of tomorrow's world. We cannot forget that we are fighting to maintain a democratic way

of life. This means equality of opportunity and freedom from fear and want for all races, creeds and colors of mankind."

Death Of Airplane Victims Great Loss To New Yorkers

NEW YORK, N. Y. (Special to the TIMES) — With the deaths of New York's welfare commissioner, William Hobson, and novelist Eric Knight, both killed January 16th in an airplane crash enroute from North Africa, Negro Americans lost two of their staunchest friends, Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People declared this week.

Hobson, long interested in the welfare of all children, in assailing recently the city supported charitable institutions which barred orphaned Negro children, explained:

"We are fighting this war to prove today there is no master race and that all races are entitled to equal opportunity." Eric Knight author of the best seller "This Above All," and at the time of his death an Army captain was interested in the motion picture medium. Knight was present at the Hollywood meeting last July when most of the west coast motion picture producers in answer to Walter White's protest against the movies vicious practice maligning Negroes as sub human clowns, pledged themselves to seeing to it that Negroes receive a fairer and more accurate treatment in movie portrayal.

Discussing the motion picture problem, Knight a few weeks ago in a letter to the NAACP, concluded "perhaps we shall never reach a world without ignorance and prejudice for they are comparative. But we are to be blamed only if we don't try for it. The effort, and not the goal, is what counts. Keep on working in your most vital cause knowing that you have good will of millions of white citizens who, in their daily conduct and their own manners, are contributing toward better relations between citizens of all colors."

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Smith Bulls Show Power In Season's First Four Games

BY GENE HOUSTON

CHARLOTTE, (ANP) — In their first four games this season of the hardwood the Golden Bulls of Johnson C. Smith university have shown up well, although one half of the opposition was not up to par. After taking these first four games the Bulls had a lay off of about two weeks immediately after the mid term examinations.

The Bulls have won two hard fought victories from a group of tall eagles from Winston Salem Teacher's college, one by a seven point margin there, and a ten point margin here. It was extraordinary how the Bulls fought the tall men, and against the odds of being in control of the ball very little off the backboards, the Bulls made good on their shots where-in lay the tale. Against a decidedly outclassed team from Fayetteville, the Golden Bulls played 15 men and scored 72 points to swamp the Teachers.

Several men have been outstanding in the four Bull triumphs among them "Bucky" Walker, senior from Asbury Park, N. J., and captain, Walker, candidate for all conference honors at guard, has so far led the team in scoring, and has been the steady influence from the floor. A good backboard man as well as a floor manipulator, he is mainly responsible for the good showing of the Golden Bulls up to date. Another high scorer so far has been "Nat" Jenkins, flashy forward from North Phillip; in each of the tough games it was he who came through with some very important points. Up to date he has a near perfect average for

four shots, having missed only one. Definitely outstanding on the floor thus far has been Johnny Turner, 18 year old Dunn, N. C. forward who has up to date compiled the largest one game score, 15 points. But it has been his passing that has kept the crowds on edge. It is uncanny the way his brilliant, thrilling passes are so accurate. Ed Turner, younger brother of John, has stepped up from no previous college playing experience to a position on the team as second team center. He has shown up exceptionally well under the boards, as well as pivot man for the fast break. "Seaport" Fields veteran center from Charleston, S. C., continues to be an ace in the pivot and has developed a one hand shot from either hand that is definitely super. Consequently he has been a constant runner up for top scoring honors and continues to play his fine defensive game and excellent backboard work against much taller opposition, for he stands only 5 feet 11 inches.

All in all it shapes up as a pretty fair season for the Golden Bulls, and should they acquire a few breaks will in all probability end the season in a prominent position in the conference standings.

High Goal Is Set For Food Produce During New Year

Secretary of Agriculture Wickard has set the goal high for 1943 food production. In the face of labor and machinery shortages and transportation difficulties, American farmers have been asked to raise their quotas over the 1942 yields. Yet United States 1942 crop yields were the largest in history.

The number of beef cattle demanded has been raised from 27,000,000 to 30,400,000; the goal for hogs, has been increased from 105,500,000 to 121,000,000 this year. The Government has guaranteed a subsidy meat price of \$3.25 per 100 pounds, Chicago basis, until September 30, 1944.

Farmers have been asked to increase their dairy herds from 25,000,000 cows to 25,700,000. Uncle Sam is asking for a milk production of 122,000,000,000 pounds — a few more pounds of milk than a dollar in the budget. A 28 per cent increase in market poultry, 15 per cent more turkeys, and 8 per cent more eggs are requested. Corn acreage is upped from 91,098,000 to 95,000,000; rye, oats, and barley are cut slightly; soy beans is dropped from 10,000,000 acres to 9,000,000; peanut growers are asked to increase from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000. The goal for wheat is 651,000,000 bushels but the acreage is reduced only 5 per cent from 1942 in event of a bad season.

American Army Is Composed Mostly Of Young Men

Most of America's fighting men are young. They range from ex-truck drivers to ex-lawyers. Some have three college degrees while others never finished grammar school. But most of them like to read in their leisure hours and their present reading preferences are just what they were in civilian life.

Special Services officers of Army and Navy say that, on the whole, their men are avid for "best sellers," fiction or non-fiction. Others find distraction in westerns, detective yarns and adventure tales. Many, anxious

to learn new crafts while in the war, want recent published technical books on chemistry, mathematics, mechanical drawing, photograph, shop mechanics and kindred subjects. (None want Victorian novels or cookbooks of 1895-vintage.)

Books in the preferred listings without dog-eared, that readers donate from their shelves to the Victory Book Campaign will be treasured when they appear in camp libraries. "Give the book you'd prefer to keep." The 1943 campaign, running until March 5 under auspices of the USO, American Red Cross and American Library Association is a real opportunity to share with America's soldiers, sailors, marines and coast guardsmen the pleasures of one's own library and fireside.

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