

DEAR SALLY

DEAR SALLY: How can we get rid of a certain couple who never seem to know when the party in our home is over? Even though everyone else has long gone, these people stick around and keep helping themselves to our beverages. "One for the road" often adds up to "three" and even "four for the road," and often we're so tired that it's all we can do to keep ourselves from falling asleep right in front of them. Is there any tactful manner in which we can handle this annoyance? H.J.B.

DEAR H.J.B.: Tactful or gentle methods probably would not work on unmannerly people like these. The next time they persist in remaining after the others have gone, use the direct approach: Tell them outright that the party is over, that you're tired and are headed for bed. Incidentally, I wonder just why you keep inviting these people.

DEAR SALLY: My husband and I are in a real quandary Last weekend we had dinner in a nice place about 25 miles from town, and we saw the husband of one of my dearest friends sitting at a corner table across the room from us with another woman. He didn't see us, but we were able to watch him throughout the entire time we were there, and everything seemed very chummy between him and this other woman.

Needless to say, we were very much shocked over this, and now I'm wondering whether I should go to my friend and tell her we saw her husband stepping out on her. P.C.V.

DEAR P.C.V.: Stay out of this! It's none of your business. Moreover, there is always the possibility that this was a perfectly innocent and legitimate dinner engagement about which his wife already knows. And furthermore, real friends never deliver this kind of news... the kind of news that might produce a big hurt.

DEAR SALLY: I'm a widow of 35, with two little daughters ages 6 and 8. For about a year I've been going with a fine man of 36 who has given every indication that he loves my little girls, and that he has always seemed to be fond of him, too—until last week. I told them that we are planning to be married next June, and this set them off on a big crying and screaming spell. They told me they just wanted him for a friend and not a daddy, and I have not been able to reason with them at all. Now I don't know what to do, whether I should sacrifice my happiness in marriage with this man for the happiness of my girls. Will you please advise me? T.W.D.

DEAR T.W.D.: You should NOT be sacrificing the happiness you are entitled to, just

because your two little girls are now raising such a big storm. This is not a new problem, and the best way to handle it is with a firm hand. They'll get used to the idea in time, I'm sure, and will learn to love their new daddy.

DEAR SALLY: I'm a high school senior of 17, and have been dating our basketball captain for about five months. Although he's told me many times that he likes me better than any other girl, he's never suggested going steady. He's always claimed we're both "much too young to tie ourselves down," and that we should both enjoy life and have lots of dates with lots of other people. This is all right with me, and it sounds like good sense, too—except that he's so terribly inconsistent about the whole thing. All I have to do is even mention another boy's name, or stand in the corridor at school talking with another boy, or walk home from school with another boy—and my big athlete throws a temper tantrum and even threatens to stop dating me any more. What do you think about all this? FEFLEKED.

DEAR FEFLEKED: You'd better have a serious discussion with this boy, reminding him of the philosophy he's preached to you, and pointing out how unreasonable he's being. Then if he persists in his "little boy" attitude, check him off your list.

THE VETERANS CORNER

THE VETS CORNER... Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families:

Q—I have just had a son and as a Korean Conflict veteran with a 50 percent service-connected disability, I believe I'm now entitled to additional compensation. I have not yet reported the birth to the VA. Will the date of my son's birth be the effective date of the increased payment?

A—The effective date will be the date the VA received the evidence you will submit to establish your entitlement to the additional money.

Q—My son, determined by the VA to be helpless, is being furnished training under the War Orphans program. This is the first month he has attended school and we have received checks both for the schooling and the regular \$77 month compensation. Shouldn't one of these checks be returned to the VA?

A—No. In the case of a helpless child both the Dependency Indemnity Compensation and the War Orphans Act benefits are paid simultaneously.

Q—My husband is quite in debt. I am afraid that in the event of his death his creditors may seize his GI insurance policy which I am depending on. Can they do this?

A—No. Proceeds of a GI insurance policy are exempted by law from the claims of creditors. The proceeds may not be seized or attached to pay your husband's debts.

Q—I have read that the terminal date for the GI loan program is July 25, 1967. Does that apply to all veterans?

A—No, only veterans of World War II, Korean Conflict veterans should add ten years to the date of their first discharge from active wartime service and then add one year for each three months of such service. The date reached by this formula is their personal deadline date for all Korean Conflict eligibility. World War II veterans have a similar formula but their terminal date is the earlier July 25, 1967.

Q—My term insurance is getting too expensive and will be worse as time goes on. At this time I cannot afford to convert all of it to a permanent insurance plan. Can I convert part now and the rest later?

A—Yes. You may convert as little as \$1,000 or more in multiples of \$500 after the first thousand.

Q—Is any Korean veteran with a service-connected disability eligi-

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ble for vocational rehabilitation training?

A—No. The veteran must be found in need of vocational training to overcome the handicap of his disability in order to receive the training.

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Electric Impact On Economy Cited Here

The impact of the electric industry upon the economy of the Raleigh region and the nation was outlined last week in a report by Raymond A. Snow, district manager for Carolina Power & Light Company.

Snow said CP&L contributed \$4,465,000 in payrolls to the Raleigh District's economy in 1963. In addition, it paid into the coffers of counties and municipalities of the district \$312,899 in real and personal property taxes — part of a total tax bill exceeding \$23 million.

Snow said the use of electricity in the American home last year reached a new high, and

noted that CP&L customers use more electricity and pay less for it than the national average. CP&L's residential use last year averaged 3,964 kilowatt-hours, at an average of 1.84 cents per kilowatt-hour.

This tops the national average of 4,465 kilowatt-hours, but the average price to the CP&L customer is 22 per cent less than the national average.

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On The Home Front
(Items this week from Wilson, Johnston and Union Counties.)
READING PROGRAM STARTED
Plans have been made in Wilson County to encourage more people to take advantage of the bookmobile. Miss Marian Sutton, home economics agent, says tentative plans include having a library leader in each Home Demonstration Club.
Miss Sutton hopes the library leader will meet the bookmobile and check out books for members of the club who find it inconvenient to contact the mobile unit. They want to have a stronger reading program this year.
HOUSING IMPROVEMENTS
How do I select building materials to go into a new home? This question was often heard by Mrs. Lucy O. Toole, home economics agent in Johnston County. So she worked with local building supply dealers and had a cross section of a miniature house constructed so she could show materials necessary for a well built house.
"We hope that this demonstration will help cut down on the number of poorly constructed houses in the county," added Mrs. Toole.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AWARDS MADE
A couple of years ago, the community development council in Union County decided to award a plaque to the "man and woman of the year" in community development.
Mrs. Jeanette Sherrod, home economics agent, says this year they awarded the plaques to Miss Bettie Robinson and James Rushing, both of the Mineral Springs Community. They were recognized for their contributions to the growth and development of their community.
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