

# DEAR SALLY

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DEAR SALLY: I've been kept on the brink of matrimony for over three years, but my fiancé keeps shying away from the final plunge. We've had the marriage license so long the paper has yellowed with age and I'm not even sure it's still good. Also, we have both taken three blood tests, but everytime at the last minute he has come up with an excuse for postponing the nuptials. Now he has suggested that we go for another blood test. Do you think I should do this once more? DANGLING.

DEAR DANGLING: You can't give my blood to the Blood Bank and find myself a fellow with integrity.

DEAR SALLY: I met a beautiful girl at a cocktail party last night. She was seated on a sofa and I sat beside her, we got along famously, and she gave me her phone number. But then later when we both got up from the sofa I was stunned to discover that she is at least two inches taller than my five feet 8 inches! She didn't seem to make anything of this and even said, "I'll be seeing you," when we parted at the end of the party. But I still don't know whether to call her or not... whether she'd be interested in going out with a guy as short as I am. What do you say? DUBIOUS.

DEAR DUBIOUS: She saw your height before you sat down beside her, and still she gave you her phone number, didn't she? And now it could be that she's wondering if YOU would be interested in going out with a girl as TALL as she is. If you are, get on that phone immediately!

DEAR SALLY: Normally my husband is the nicest, kindest, most courteous, most personable man you'd ever want to meet... until he climbs behind the wheel of our car. Then a metamorphosis takes place... he becomes a "Mr. Hyde." He rages over every apparent error on the part of other drivers, he swears at them, fumes and frets, and even embarrasses me sometimes by sticking his head out the window and shouting at them. It's getting so I hate driving anywhere with him. What can I do? SHATTERED NERVES.

DEAR SHATTERED NERVES: Have a little talk with your husband about this, and if he's as nice, courteous, kind, and personable as you say in other things, he'll listen to what you have to say about this bad habit of his and how it's wrecking your nerves. Tell him that, unless he does something about controlling himself, you'll be compelled to stop riding with him... anywhere.

## THE VETERANS' CORNER

EDITOR'S NOTE: Below are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to some of the many current questions from former servicemen and their families. Further information on veterans benefits may be obtained at any VA office.

Q -- I hear that it is no longer necessary for servicemen to have two years of active duty to qualify to study under the GI Bill. Is that true?

A -- Yes, but this applies only to servicemen who have not received secondary school diplomas or who need remedial or refresher courses required for, or preparatory to, enrollment in a program of education or training. These servicemen are eligible for GI Bill benefits after 180 days of active duty. Other servicemen must have had at least two years of active duty, 181 days of which must have been continuous active duty, to qualify for these benefits.

Q -- Can a veteran whose VA benefits have been forfeited apply for reinstatement of those benefits?

A -- Yes, he may apply for a presidential pardon which, if granted, may again entitle him to VA benefits for which he is eligible.

Q -- I have an uncle who is a veteran or World War I who desires domiciliary care. Does the VA have any of these institutions?

A -- Yes, the VA has 16 of these institutions. Any VA office will help your uncle file an application.

Parents have a responsibility to insure that each school-age child has an annual hearing test, according to the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation.

Excessive sound levels can cause permanent hearing impairments to people who are continuously exposed to them for long durations. These excessive sound levels are found even in recreational pursuits and many leisure time activities participants should use protective ear devices, according to the Crusade for Hearing Conservation.

# B&P Women Pledge To Open Doors In Business

NEWARK, N. J.—The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club ended its 35th annual convention in Philadelphia with a pledge to open new doors in business to black women and continue fighting for kids and a future. Mrs. Margaret Belcher, national president, said that the members were committed to inform, assist and inspire young people through leadership training, more scholarships and vocational guidance and guide women in consumer buying, budgeting and better health, and developing more opportunities in business.

The convention, largest in the association's history, attracted 500 delegates and 100 visitors from around the country. The theme: "Development - Equal and Enriching, 1970 Targets" was outlined in a stimulating keynote address by Mrs. Cynthia DeLores Tucker, public relations specialist of Philadelphia, who challenged the women to mobilize their skills to achieve equal opportunities and equal results into one society, equal and enriching for all.

Club reports showed the greatest participation in national programs of the association and volunteer community service. Awards were given for creative programming, extension, outstanding work in good government, new careers, leadership and service.

Other highlights were: special skills presentation commemorating the 35 years of activity of the organization, an impressive crystal ball, honoring officers and founders and a public meeting, where local leaders were on hand to welcome the delegates.

Climaxing the convention was the closing awards banquet, where Atty. Clarence Mitchell, director, Washington Bureau NAACP, was the principal speaker. Mr. Mitchell discussed the role of Washington in meeting problems of our times and challenged responsible citizens to be informed politically and exercise their power to make national government what it ought to be.

Reipients of the 1970 awards were: National Achievement Award to Mrs. Elnora Moorman of Jackson, Michigan, active community worker and first black woman elected to the City Council, National Appreciation Award to Mrs. Dorothy McNeal of Flint, chairman, scholarship committee, Community Service Award to Dr. Ethel D. Allen of Philadelphia, for outstanding community activities, especially in the areas of emergency medical care, drug addiction and recruitment of minority students into the medical professions, and National Youth Award to Miss Sandra Marie Snyder of Boston. Miss Brenda Davis of Palestine, Texas, won the special business scholarship award given by the Seven-up Company. Mrs. Sadye Wil-

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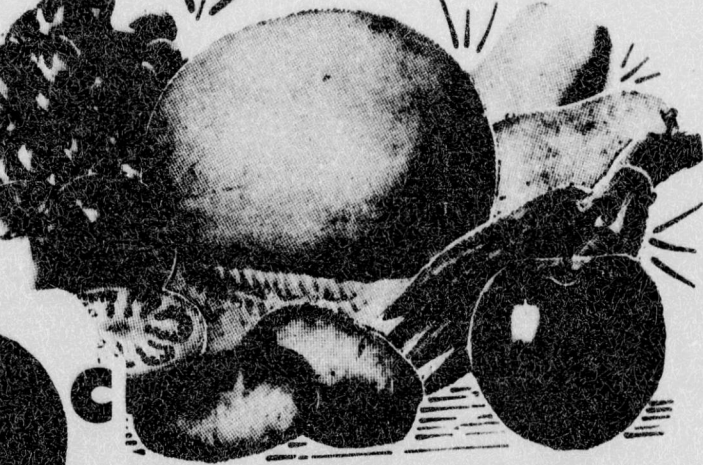
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