

Last Marriage Lecture Given by Professor Kirkendall

"The most important single fact about an individual is the sex to which he belongs," Lester Kirkendall emphasized in his fourth "Marriage and the Family" lecture last night.

Titled "Understanding the Other Sex," Kirkendall's talk was the last of a weekly series sponsored by the University YMCA and YWCA.

"All-pervasive" was how Kirkendall referred to the importance of an individual's sex. He said it determined social, family, and vocational roles; choice of associates; and reproductive functions.

Differences between sexes are a

chief cause for problems of marital understanding and adjustment, he said.

"Dominant status of man," Kirkendall called a major factor in sex relationship. Historically, the masculine is the privileged status. Women have felt discriminated against.

Today, however, he said, the situation is changing—man is losing his "master's role." In turn, he is confused and sometimes resentful.

Marriage is an adjustment from a competitive to a cooperative situation between sexes, Kirkendall pointed out, influenced by the "war between the sexes" in home,

school, and business.

"Many cooperative experiences involving men and women are needed to help them work together," he stressed.

Men and women could work together with more understanding if they comprehended the fact that the sexes are taught to play certain social roles, he said.

"The position and objective of men and women vary in courtship and marriage," Kirkendall reflected, enumerating male "aggressiveness," woman's age, woman's position in marriage, and emphasis on feminine beauty.

"Sex cannot be a casual, transi-

tory, episodic experience in the life of a woman in the same way it can with a man," he claimed.

In marriage, while both sexes lose independence and both must adjust in different ways, women usually have the major adjustments to make, Kirkendall said.

Men and women, Kirkendall concluded, must make conscientious efforts to understand each other, have experiences in working and cooperating, and recognize that each sex has some unique contribution.

For all kids, one of the best yard rules is stay in your own.

Yiddish Movie on Bill At Chapman Tonight

"The Vow," a Yiddish movie, will be shown at 7 and 9 tonight in 207 Chapman.

Based on a legend from Yiddish folklore, the film is the story of two fathers who make a vow which influences the lives of their children. Background for "The Vow" is a Yeshiva in ancient Vilna.

English titles supplement the Yiddish dialogue.

Wednesday night movies are open to the University family only. Students must show student body cards for admittance.

Drinks in one cafe are advertised to tickle the taster Or do they mean "pickle."

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