

ANY BONDS TODAY?

By Jack Benny

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"If I had a goat to lick these War Stamps, I'd fill up my folder."

Marriage is a Serious Business

Causes Of Divorce

HOW many wives are bitterly jealous when their husbands speak to attractive women, yet often enough, when the marriage breaks up, the husband marries again, he chooses a good companion with not half the sex appeal of the wife he has left. Men cannot live by bread alone. Jealousy and possessiveness are character traits and personality qualities which create more havoc than people are likely to realize. They are usually an outgrowth of poor home training. The chief trouble is that the possessor of these unattractive qualities invariably throws all the blame on others instead of where it belongs—on himself. For both traits are manifestations of egotism and self-love.

Surely there is little faith or trust or peace in a marriage where the man or the woman is constantly tormented for fear the other will meet a more attractive person. These jealous people seem to feel that only by keeping their married partner shut away from all the world can there be any safety. Jealousy, like possessiveness—to which it is a blood brother—is an unattractive quality at best. One cannot sympathize with it. But it brings its own direct punishment in the suffering which it causes. There are few forces as destructive as possessiveness. It turns love into a grim battle for the survival of a personality and, more often than not, it kills the thing it loves.

APPROXIMATELY one marriage out of six ends in divorce. And these are only the failures which reach public attention. Of the others, a vast number are unhappy—but in many cases, unnecessarily so. I am convinced that the number of happy marriages can be greatly increased by the use of intelligence and good will.

One thing seems to be certain. A man and woman who are successful as lovers are able to overcome far more difficulties than a couple who are not nappy in their sex life. And this element of disunion frequently arises from the very beginning of marriage—the wedding night.

Learning to live together, learning to adjust to one another physically and emotionally and intellectually, is a slow and difficult process. It cannot be learned in a night, or a week or a month. Many couples, however, expecting some magical metamorphosis, are disillusioned and disappointed by their honeymoon, and begin their life together with the belief that the whole thing was a hopeless mistake. It may be the man's fault for being brutal or over-nasty; it may be the woman's fault for making the man feel that she is a helpless martyr to his passion, and thus hurting his self-esteem.

Certain it is that the soldier who must go overseas before a satisfactory physical adjustment has taken place in his marriage will go tormented and uncertain, both of himself and of his wife.

"There is no hope for widespread married happiness," wrote Walter Gallican, "till men learn that love is an art of understanding and pleasing women. Wives in revolt are a natural result of men's neglect of the art of courtship in marriage. It is the woman more often than the man who is disappointed in married life. After marriage, it is the husband's part to show his attitude in arousing and maintaining the responsiveness of his wife."

Frigidity in women is usually a result of the husband's blundering. It is almost never a real physical obstacle. On the other hand, of course, we have the problem of those permanently adolescent women—and how many there are of them—who regard romantic passion as the be-all and end-all of marriage, and become discontented and charged with self-pity when they learn that it is not.

Next: Overcoming Difficulties That Lead to Divorce.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

