

# Single Prefers To Live At Home

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I'm a single 24-year-old woman who lives at home with her family. I love my family and they love me. They have plenty of room and I feel that I belong here. When some of my friends hear that I don't have my own

pad, they ask what's wrong with me. Abby, why do so many young people leave perfectly wonderful homes to move into a cramped, crummy apartment just to "get away" from home?

I have a good job and insist on contributing financially to

our home, so it's not as if I'm freeloading. I can move out any time I want to, but I like it here.

Is there something wrong with me? I know others my age who also live at home, but they seem embarrassed by

LOVE MY HOME

DEAR LOVE: There is nothing wrong with you. And there is nothing wrong with people who prefer their own pads. Different strokes for different folks.

DEAR ABBY: I hope that you will print this letter to warn other working wives. My husband and I lived in a comfortable house in the suburbs. We have two young

For a long time I had asked my husband to hire a live-in housekeeper, but he was never very fond of the idea. Then out of the blue he suggested hiring this girl. (I'll call her Amy.) I thought she was too young, but my husband said she would be good for the kids. Good as she was for the kids, she was better for him.

We are now divorced. I hope you get the message.

CLEANING ALONE

DEAR CLEANING: So what's the message? That no man can be trusted with a female domestic under 70? Sorry, I don't buy it. The message I get from your letter is that YOUR husband can't be trusted, period.

DEAR ABBY: I have a neighbor who constantly complains about her health. She never feels "up to" doing anything, except when something comes along that she really wants to do.

She is constantly talking about her symptoms, medication and visits to the doctor. Her case is always the "rarest," or the most complicated the doctor has ever seen,

I have listened to her for years and have had enough. I used to try to pick up her spirits, but it takes too much time and energy, and I just can't handle it. Believe me, I've tried. Others feel the same way about her.

How can I tell her without hurting her feelings that people are avoiding her because of her constant whining? Or do you think she's beyond help?

HER NEIGHBOR

DEAR NEIGHBOR: Nobody is beyond help. At least make the effort. Tell her in the spirit of love and generosity. And give her this priceless poem by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, which I recently published in this column:

Talk health. The dreary, never ending tale of mortal maladies are worn and stale.

You cannot charm or interest or please by harping on that minor chord-disease. So, say that you are well, and all is well with you. And God will hear your words and make them true.

Everyone has a problem. What's yours? For a personal reply, write to ABBY: Box No. 69700, L.A., Calif. 90069. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope, please.

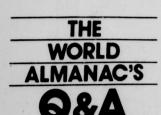


## **Newsword Adventure**

The recent consumer action to attempt to lower steeply rising coffee prices has brought the term "boycott" into the news. The term derives from the name of Captain Charles Boycott, who lived from 1832 to 1897. Boycott was an English land agent who dealt harshly with some Irish tenants of the land he managed. In the 1880's, Irish neighbors organized a policy of withholding goods and services from Boycott. The term now applies to any organized effort to apply political or economic pressure by withdrawing one's business. In recent years, boycotts have been used in the areas of labor disputes, consumer action, oil, and civil rights.

DO YOU KNOW - What international conflict prompted the Arab oil boycott of 1973?

TUESDAY'S ANSWER - Carbon monoxide is a highly poisonous gas which is produced by fires.



1. The African republic founded by black freedmen from the United States is:

2. The first tie in the Academy Awards presentations was: 3. A candy in Bombay, India, is (a) a specific sweet (b) equal to 560 lbs. (c) a rajah's wife. ANSWERS:

for Best Actor 3. b 1. Liberia 2. 1931-32: Frederic March & Wallace Beery tied

## Conference Set On Entertainment

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (UPI) - The 17th annual National Entertainment Conference will be held here Feb.

The conference is a marketplace for college and university booking personnel to see commercial and classical performing arts, showcases, films and exhibitions.



For Thursday, Jan. 27, 1977

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be very careful when shopping today not to spend your hardearned cash on something that's more novel than necessary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Even allies of long-standing can't be relied upon to back you up today. This holds doubly true for persons you've recently met.

GENINI (May 21-June 20) If you find yourself in a problem area today, don't try to wriggle around and make matters even worse. Out of the frying pan . . .

CANCER (June 21-July 11) Strive to be as attentive to old friends as you are to new ones. If you show partiality, someone's nose is going to be bent out of

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Success is likely to elude you today. You tend to change course once the goal is in sight. Stick to the original plan.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Uncharted shortcuts could prove to be the long way around today. You'll do a lot better by staying on the beaten path.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) One who has perennial financial problems could try to put the bite on you today. If you let your guard down, you could give in

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Problems will result if you become too closely tied in with a person whose aims are not in accord with yours. Take care who you team up with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The workload you'll have today will be a heavy one because others will be trying to shift their burdens onto your capable

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A well-intentioned friend may come up with a business tip for you today. Listen politely, but probe thoroughly before using.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Bar negative outside influences and individuals from your doorstep today. Don't let others palm off their troubles on your household.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Seeing only the dark side means you're getting half the picture today. Look for the bright side as



Jan. 27, 1977

You will have some very unusual opportunities presented to you this year. The real skill comes in your ability to separate the wheat from the chaff.

(Are you an Aquarius? Ber-nice Osol has written a special Astro-Graph Letter for you. For your copy send 50 cents and a long self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to ask for Aquarius Volume 1.)

# 'Beauties' Is Tough To Cast

Don't rush to the phone to call him and ask for a job application form because, by the time you read this, Garry Marshall, executive producer of "Mrs. Blansky's Beauties," will have finished casting the show.

At least he'd better have finished casting it, because air date for the debut segment is Feb. 12.

But, Marshall confesses, he's had one heck of a time casting a clutch of Vegas show girl types to appear with Nancy Walker in the new ABC-TV series.

"If we find a girl who can read four lines in a row, we write her name down," he

It's not that beauties are automatically dumb, Marshall hastens to add. The ones he's auditioned just haven't had any experience, not in the arena of his con-

"One had done four lines on a Red Skelton show," he says. "One had worked with a magician, and one had made an announcement at the Dunes."

Approximately a month before its initial air date, "Mrs. Blansky's Beauties" not only didn't have a cast, it didn't have a script. But it did have Nancy Walker committed to the title role.

So Marshall said he wasn't worried.

Pressure eliminates a lot of long discussion," says Marshall, adding that some of his greatest successes have been spur-of-the-moment inspirations.

Citing an example, he tells how at midnight one night after a long day on the "Laverne and Shirley" set, he was instructed to shoot titles for the show which to that point the public hadn't seen.



Beatles. Ali is trying to reunite the Fab Four for a benefit

# **Beatles Again?**

By Stan Mieses

Muhammad Ali is trying to get the Beatles together again for a multi-million dollar benefit package, with the object of "feeding and clothing the poor children of the world."

Ali, in a recent interview, said he was trying to put together a \$200 million plan that would help establish a permanent international 'I hope to impress them

with the idea that this is money to help people all over the world, said the heavyweight champ. "All races love the Beatles - I love the music. I used to train to their music.

Ali's attorney, Spiros Anthony, of the Muhammad Ali World Headquarters in Washington D.C., said the Beatles' initial response was 'not very positive." He added, "Ali is the only person in the world who can pull it off." Lawyers for Ali and the four Beatles - John Lennon, Paul

McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr — are scheduled to meet this week in Chicago with Herbert Muhammad, Ali's manager,

"We want to make sure that our purpose is clear, said Anthony. "People should understand that commercial interests will not be served," he

We're not interested in a Madison Square Garden-type situation where we get a percentage of the gate. And we're not going to give a percentage to somebody to set it up. We don't want to make anyone around Ali or the Beatles rich," said Anthony. "I don't need the money,

and neither do the Beatles, said Ali. "The idea is to create this fund, and to help people to develop a quality of the heart," Ali said a reunion of the Beatles "would make a lot of people happy.

'It would be a personal joy to see them together again. The man who helps unite the Beatles makes a better contribution to human happiness than an astronomer who discovers a new star," said the

Nothing concrete has happened yet. All four Beatles are personally aware of Ali's proposal, but they have, through their lawyers, refused comment. There have been hundreds of offers to reunite them; one prominent promoter offered \$50 million and yet another, in a public newspaper ad, proposed an entire package that would in-

volve a \$282 million gross. The notion of a Beatles reunion under Ali's sponsorship came from Alan Amron and Joel Sacher, two Long Island, New York businessmen who formed the International Committee to Reunite the Beatles last year. "They were the catalysts," said Spiros Anthony. Amron and Sacher are attempting to raise the proposed \$50 million needed to stage the reunion by appealing for donations from fans around the world, and are helping to unite their committee with the Ali plan.

The Sounds column will provide updates on this exciting possibility.

The International Committee to Reunite The Beatles has released a single record called "Get Back Beatles," by New York-based singer Gerard Kenney. . . . There's been so much ado about the forthcoming "Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" movie, starring Peter Frampton as Billy Shears, that the producers have asked that a publicity lid be placed on it. So far, the script is in its

## WIN AT BRIDGE Wednesday, January 26

WEST

• 10

♣ J 7 6

By Oswald & James Jacoby

Charles Gabriel of Dallas.

Charles' double of the two-

heart overcall was for takeout

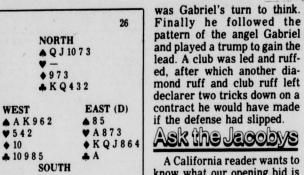
in line with modern expert

practice which differs from

Charles opened the king of

a very good score.

# Inspired defense sets hand



A California reader wants to know what our opening bid is

with: A Q 10 ♥ J 65 ♦ A J 109 ♣ K 104.

We open one notrump. Although the hand only has 15 Both vulnerable high-card points the three 10s and the one nine are worth an West North East South extra point. Pass Pass Pass (Do you have a question Opening lead — K ♠

the Jacobys" care of this newspaper. The Jacobys will answer individual questions One of the best defenses of if stamped, self-addressed the recent tournament was envelopes are enclosed. The put up by Dr. John Fisher and most interesting questions will be used in this column

JACOBY MODERN.)

and will receive copies of

standard bidding in this respect. John decided to con-**New Airport** 

In Colombia vert the double to business PEREIRA, Colombia since he could not bid either (UPI) - A new airport capablack suit and felt that even a ble of handling jet traffic and one-trick penalty would mean night takeoffs and landings is being opened at Pereira, spades and shifted to the 10 of a fastgrowing city in Colomfourth rewrite, and with ex-diamonds. John played the bia's west-central coffee reecutive producer Robert jack. South took his ace and gion. Stigwood with so many promptly led a trump to fingers in the pie (in the sky), John's ace.

The airport, less than 30 minutes from Bogota by air, who knows when they'll start. Dr. Fisher proceeded to Meantime, Stigwood was in analyze the possibilities of the also serves other cities in the area, located on Andes mountain slopes so steep no airport construction is possiairport construction is possi-

(UPI) - Dr. Gerald Phillips said since many people are unable to answer or phrase questions clearly, they fall silent when asked to engage in a problem-solving discussion or can't withstand the pressures of an interview.

'There is no way to escape it; there are communication responsibilities on virtually every job," he said.

Communication

**Problems Common** 

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.

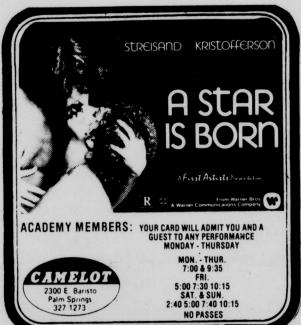
Phillips said the problem is primarily poor communication skills, fostered by a lack of emphasis in schools.

He suggests people interested in improving their communication skills enroll appropriate college for the experts? Write "Ask courses, such as one he teaches at Penn State, or practice speaking with friends.

2nd and Palm Drive DESERT HOT SPRINGS 329-9030 DOORS OPEN 7:15-SHOW 7:30 NOW

SHOWING "RETURN OF A MAN CALLED HORSE" **Richard Harris** 

LOW PRICE

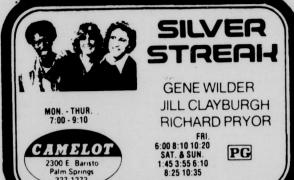


town this week to check on the hand thoroughly and finally

forthcoming film "Saturday cashed his ace of clubs. Then

Night'' (starring John he led the queen of diamonds.

Travolta as a disco-toughie). South followed and now it



PG

CAMELOT

