

## WHY I WANT A WIFE

I belong to that classification of people known as wives. I am a wife and not altogether incidentally, I am a mother. Not too long ago a male friend of mine appeared on the scene fresh from a recent divorce. He had one child, who is, of course, with his ex-wife. He is obviously looking for another wife. As I thought about him while I was ironing one evening, it suddenly occurred to me that I, too, would like to have a wife. Why do I want a wife?

### I WANT A WIFE:

#### (Children)

- ~to take care of my children so I can go back to school so that I can become economically independent, support myself, and if need be, support those dependent on me.
- ~to keep track of the children's doctor and dentist appointments - mine, too.
- ~to make sure that my children eat properly and are kept clean.
- ~who will wash the children's clothes and keep them mended.
- ~who is a good nurturing attendant to my children, who arranges for their schooling, makes sure they have adequate social life with their peers, takes them to the park, the zoo, etc.
- ~who takes care of the children when they are sick.
- ~who arranges to be around when they need special care.
- ~must lose time at work and not lose the job. It may mean a small cut in my wife's income from time to time, but I guess I can tolerate that. Needless to say my wife will arrange and pay for the care of the children while she is working.

### I WANT A WIFE:

#### (Husband)

- ~who will take care of my physical needs.
- ~cleans the house and picks up after me.
- ~keeps my clothes clean, ironed, mended, replaced when need be.
- ~see to it that my personal things are kept in their proper place so that I can find what I need the minute I need it.
- ~cooks the meals, good cook, plans the menus, shopping for food, and serves the meals pleasantly, and cleans up after.
- ~care for me when I am sick and sympathize with my pain.
- ~go along when our family takes a vacation so that someone can continue to care for me and my children when I need a rest and change of scene.
- ~who will not bother me with rambling complaints about a wife's duties.
- ~who will listen to me when I feel the need to explain a rather difficult point I have come across in my course of studies, and type my papers for me when I have written them.
- ~who will take care of the details of my social life.
- ~when I entertain, the house should be clean, a special meal served, and not interrupt when I talk about the things that interest me and my friends.
- ~who will have arranged that the children are fed and ready for bed before my guests arrive so that the children do not bother
- ~takes care of the needs of my guests so that they feel comfortable, have an ashtray, serve the Hors d'oeuvres, offered a second helping of food, wine glasses replenished when necessary, their coffee is served to them as they like it.
- ~I want a wife who knows that sometimes I need a night out by myself.
- ~sensitive to my sexual needs, who makes love passionately and eagerly when I feel like it, and makes sure that I am satisfied, and not demand sexual attention when I am not in the mood for it.
- ~assumes the complete responsibility for birth control, because I do not want more children.
- ~remains sexually faithful to me so that I do not have to clutter up my intellectual life with jealousies.
- ~who understands that my sexual needs may entail more than strict adherence to monogamy. I must, after all, be able to relate to people as fully as possible..
- ~if, by chance, I find another person more suitable as a wife than the wife I already have, I want the liberty to replace my present wife with another one. Naturally, I will expect a fresh, new life; my wife will take the children and be solely responsible for them so that I am left free.
- ~when I am through with school and have a job, I want my wife to quit working and remain at home so that my wife can more fully and completely take care of a wife's duties.

## WHO WOULDN'T WANT A WIFE.