

# For And About You

By Harriett Muhammad

**DEAR HARRIETT:** My husband is constantly getting into my body powder and perfumes. Now, he is a perfectly normal man—of this I am not in the least bit of doubt. Nevertheless, I'm embarrassed at the possibility of someone getting wise to the fact that we "smell alike." I cannot and do not want to hide my scents from him, so what do I do?—MRS. J. T. S.—Baltimore, Md.

**DEAR MRS. J. T. S.:** If your husband is attracted to your perfume scents, it could be you have quite a variety and he is limited to one or two. So, get him a variety of his own. Tell him that you had noticed he considers variety to be a spice in life, so you got him a variety of his very own masculine scents.

If he still uses yours, why not stop using yours for a while and use his? I guarantee you, those people who were keen enough to know that you used to "smell alike" will be keen enough to know that you now "smell differently" even though they do deem the difference as "peculiar," shall we say.

**DEAR HARRIETT:** My sister is in the sixth grade now, and I have noticed lately she has picked up the habit of cursing and swearing all the time. We both hear it at school, all the time, but not at home, and I know my mother would have a fit, if she knew the score. One thing about my sister—

she never slips at home because she knows she would get it, but the minute she gets with her buddies, a sailor has nothing on her.

We are pretty "tight" and have always kept our little "dirt" between us, so I am not going to tell on her, but I am concerned.—**THE OLDEST SISTER.**

**DEAR OLDEST:** Since you are not going to tell on her, and you are concerned, it's up to you, now, isn't it? There is probably no need to tell on her anyway; concern this matter, you are in a better position to correct things. Your sister no doubt has a lot of respect for you and you can influence her, so use your influence, big sister.

Many young people go through a stage like this because swearing makes them feel "bigger and badder."

"Hit" on her about her vile mouth and tell her how she offends you. Do not preach to her as her superior, but

as her equal and do it quietly, but continuously.

Something on your mind? Write and tell me about it.

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## Africa Reacts to Selma Fight

**LAGOS, Nigeria** — The reaction of Africa to Selma, Ala., has been one confirming Africa's belief that the United States is not the "lord" of the free democratic society about which it boasts.

The cruelties of the Alabama police upon Negroes seeking voter registration rights have given Africans a feeling of disgust.

However, Africa's largest nation, Nigeria, remains generally patient and listens to explanations of how Negro rights are won gradually.

In a continent where America spends many millions to brighten its public image, those countries prone to assail almost anything and anyone American, have let out a kind of "We told you so."