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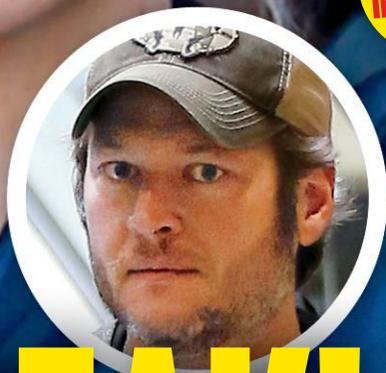
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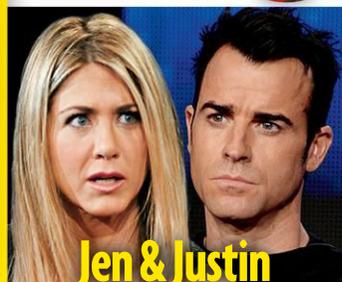
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Under Pressure

The couple's cozy PDAs at the Feb. 15 Grammy Awards belied the tension they've been facing. "Blake and Gwen would love to just relax and have fun together," says a source. "But they know this is their last chance to start a family."

**WILL
THEIR
LOVE
SURVIVE?**

Gwen & Blake

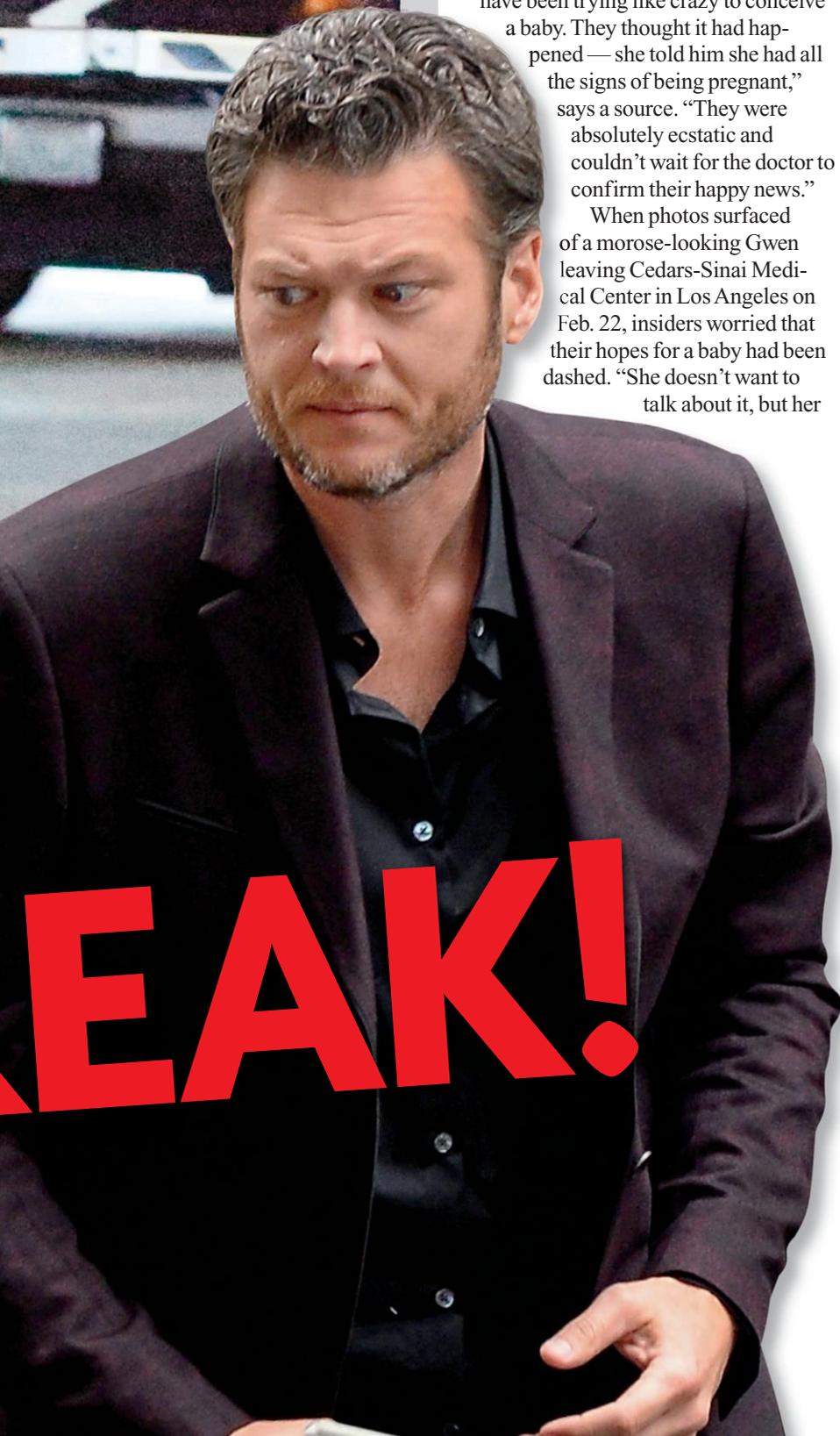
BABY HEARTBR

AFTER TRYING TO CONCEIVE FOR FOUR MONTHS, GWEN STEFANI AND BLAKE SHELTON MAY HAVE TO ABANDON THEIR HOPES FOR A CHILD TOGETHER.



Doctor Drama

Gwen appeared shellshocked as she left Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Feb. 22. Sources believe she may have just received bad news about her and Blake's baby dream.



SINCE their whirlwind romance began just four months ago, **Gwen Stefani and Blake Shelton** have barely been able to wipe the smiles from their faces. But sadly, their seemingly blissful relationship recently suffered a serious setback.

“Gwen and Blake are so in love and have been trying like crazy to conceive a baby. They thought it had happened — she told him she had all the signs of being pregnant,” says a source. “They were absolutely ecstatic and couldn’t wait for the doctor to confirm their happy news.”

When photos surfaced of a morose-looking Gwen leaving Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles on Feb. 22, insiders worried that their hopes for a baby had been dashed. “She doesn’t want to talk about it, but her

friends are afraid she might have had a miscarriage or was told that she can’t have any more kids,” says the source. “Gwen must be devastated. I think she’s scared that Blake will leave her if she can’t have his baby.”

FAMILY MATTERS

At 46 years old, Gwen is already a mom to three boys, Kingston, 9, Zuma, 7, and Apollo, 1 — and she’s well aware that time isn’t on her side. “She thought she was done on the pregnancy front, and she was totally fine with that,” says the source. “Apollo was already enough of a surprise.”

Having another baby was the last thing on Gwen’s mind last summer, when “my life basically blew up in my face,” as she put it, after her husband of 13 years, **Gavin Rossdale**, allegedly cheated on her with their children’s nanny. But within months she fell for her *Voice* costar Blake, 39, and discovered his desire to have a child of his own.

“Gwen is scared that Blake will leave her.”

— a friend tells *Star*

“He’s always wanted to be a dad — and Gwen wants to be the woman to make that dream of his come true,” the insider reveals. “She knew it would be a struggle for her, because her biological clock is ticking, so they started trying almost as soon as they got together.”

Of course, most couples don’t have to take such drastic steps at the beginning of their relationships, but sources say Gwen jumped into the baby-making plan because she didn’t want to lose Blake. His ex-wife, **Miranda Lambert**, was reportedly too focused on her career to consider motherhood, and her reluctance to start a family was said to be a contributing factor in the couple’s 2015 divorce.

Gwen, on the other hand, has already established herself in both the music >

and fashion industries, and therefore has less to prove than Miranda career-wise. But between her three sons, her numerous work commitments and her blossoming new relationship with Blake, Gwen may have too much on her plate right now to focus on another pregnancy. “Stress doesn’t make conceiving any easier, that’s for sure,” the source adds.

ON EDGE

The pressure to have a baby isn’t the only thing straining Gwen and Blake’s relationship. Sources close to the duo say they had their first explosive fight in late January — and, unsurprisingly, Miranda sparked it. The “Smokin’ & Drinkin’” singer reportedly struck up a texting war with Gwen, going so far as to call her a “homewrecking b***h.” After a series of mean and angry messages, Gwen approached Blake about the feud. “She knows it’s not his fault,” the source says. “But she was sick of being harassed by Miranda, and she begged Blake to help make it stop.”



Mother Load

“I don’t think anybody’s more covered up than Gwen,” Blake has said. “From just raising three boys [including Zuma and Apollo, pictured] and balancing a TV show, and a solo record or a No Doubt record, and touring, and her clothing line.... It’s crazy.”

Instead of sticking up for Gwen, however, Blake told her it was just Miranda’s “rebel country gal” personality shining through, according to the source — and that’s when things turned ugly. “Blake defending Miranda is a big point of contention for Gwen. She says he should take his girlfriend’s side, and not his crazy ex’s,” the insider says. “They had a massive fight about it.”

Things got so nasty, in fact, that the source says Blake even suggested they “split up” for a while so they could calm down and work out what they wanted from their relationship.

The rough patch didn’t last long, of course, and the couple have since made up. Still, the lingering pain from that incident must have only exacerbated the bad news Gwen apparently got at the hospital. “Despite their big fight, they are so in love with one another, so this is incredibly tough for them,” says the source. “Gwen seems so sad right now. She’s in a complete panic that having a child is more important to Blake than having a partner. That isn’t the case, because Blake isn’t the type to cut and run.” ★

HAVE THEIR EXES MOVED ON TOO?



Miranda Lambert

Miranda, 32, has spent the past two months posting romantic shout-outs to her new boyfriend, singer Anderson East, 27, on Instagram — but sources say she’s only doing it to make Blake jealous. “Even though she’s got a boyfriend now, she still loves Blake,” a source says.

Gavin Rossdale

On Feb. 24 — months after Gwen reportedly caught him cheating with their kids’ nanny, Mindy Mann — Gavin, 50, took the much-younger Mindy out to a North Hollywood restaurant.



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