Ask Mrs. Manners—

Wife Learns Man of 36 Is Too Old for Girl, 18

DEAR MRS. MANNERS:

"EAST SIDER" ASKED YOU if a man, 35, is too old for her at 18. I want to give her advice for I had the same problem when I was her age.

At 35 men go slow. They have fun with young girls, but after they marry them their ways are set. They want no more running around. You wouldn't like that, now would you? Stay single till you grow up. You're too young to be sure.

I was divorced at 18 and married a man 36. Believe me, it's not like going with a man, "East Sider." You probably feel like I did. I loved this man—worshiped him. I missed him when we were apart.

I had everything I ever wanted from him until we married. Things were different then. You don't want a man, 35, who's set in his ways.

I even had his child. Now he's a gray-haired old man. I'm so young and pretty lots of young boys flirt with me.

Because I have a child I stick with my old man. But not all girls have will power like I do. Although my life is half happy with my son, I stick with it.

I have lots of heartache and sometimes think I can't bear it any longer, but I manage somehow and will continue to do so.

Your column is very good.

EXPERIENCED M. G.,
INDIANA.

His hair started looking pretty gray and his settled ways unexciting when you began taking his good traits for granted and discovered the security you thought was everything wasn't quite enough, didn't they?

Not Her Fault

I'M GOING to divorce my husband after giving him months to make up his mind to do right. He lives with another woman yet doesn't want me to divorce him. I hope he never meets another decent girl. The kind he's with now is OK for him—just his type!

You said I might have lost out to the other woman (whom my husband admits is no good) because I might be smug. I am not smug though I am considered attractive, have a good disposition, am a moderate drinker and smoker, good cook, fair housekeeper, neat, ready to correct faults without sulking, cheerful and affectionate. I'm not extravagant, and I didn't run around. I contributed 99 per cent of my salary to the home. I was told I could have a $20 a month charge account, while he spent his money unaccounted for.

I have faults but none so bad that he had to leave me. He says it was no fault of mine that the break occurred—and his friends don't think it was. He has plenty of faults—and bad ones.

ANOTHER DISILLUSIONED
WIFE.

You can't be honest with your husband unless you're honest with yourself. I don't believe you want a divorce—and you really don't hate your husband. You're good and mad at him, and I don't blame you for exploding. But you want to win, don't you? If you love him, tell him; if you know your faults, change without waiting on him to make the first move.

What happened when he was interested enough to talk things over? Didn't either of you say anything? Start saying something. What if it does bother you to make some confessions? Your pride will suffer more if you lose the man.

Can't Forget Him

I WENT with a fellow three years, not steady, but fell in love with him right away. Because of my parents' wishes I quit seeing him, but then started going with him again. Though he is supposed to be going steady with another girl, I go with him. I'm nearly sure I don't love him anymore. Yet I just can't say no when he calls. Something seems to compel me.

I've tried to find other interests. I go with other boys, I work and I try to keep away from him, but nothing helps. He is 21 and I'm 18. I'm really miserable. Can you suggest something for me to do?

J. K. INDIANA.

You expect to fall in love with another boy just as suddenly and excitedly as you did when you were 15. It won't happen the same way. You'll look over the new men more than you did the first real boy friend you had. Because this boy hasn't been replaced doesn't mean you love him. You're telling yourself you're infatuated because you want to be.

Let Mrs. Manners and readers of the column share your problems. Write in care of The Times, 214 W. Maryland St.

Your Job—

Workers Often Keep 'Secrets'

Employees Don't Want Job Competition

I am a hand trucker in a local manufacturing company. Sometimes I help out on one of the electric trucks. I would like to know more about the care and operation of electric trucks. What would you suggest? None of the operators of these trucks will give me any information.

By JAMES GRAYSON

It appears that the electric truck operators in your company do not want any other operators in your plant. This is natural. They do not want any competition for their jobs.

This is not peculiar to your plant alone. You find it everywhere. Workers of all kinds frequently do the very same thing. They are afraid someone will get their jobs. That's why they do not want to share their knowledge.

If you have a personal job problem, write James Grayson in care of The Times.

"Let him get it the way I did," is the way many express themselves.

If I were you I would find out who makes the electric trucks that are used in your plant. As you know, the name and address of the manufacturer is somewhere on the truck. So is the model number. I would then write the company for information.

Tell them you work with the truck, giving them the model or serial number, and that you would like to have any hand book or specific instructions they have for distribution, which would help you in caring for and operating it.

You should learn as much as you can about the batteries used. Find out which make and model and write the manufacturer for information. You might find out more about lifting mechanism, too.

Some time visit the sales rooms handling the truck and batteries, if there are such in the city. Talk to the men who sell and service them. If there are no sales rooms, find out who represents these companies in this territory. They will be glad to answer your questions.

If you think your employer would like for you to know some of these things, ask him to help you get the information you want. Don't be content with just a smattering of information

Maybe you should not tell anybody unless it be the boss what you're doing. Then as you learn apply your knowledge to your job.

Laborites Get Posters Mixed

EASTBOURNE, England, Sept. 12 (UP)—Conservatives who are bitterly opposed to the Labor government's nationalization program congratulated the Laborites today on their latest posters.

The posters, prominently displayed throughout Eastbourne, said:

"Today Britain has the highest production, the lowest unemployment and the best health record in history."

Immediately below, printed in large type, was:

"Nationalization will stop this!"

A Socialist spokesman explained:

"The poster came in sections, and unfortunately they have been put up in the wrong order. The nationalization slogan should have been placed after another section. We're putting up new ones."

Your Marriage: By Samuel G. and Esther B. Kling—

Most Men Prefer Wives Who Aren't Too Attractive

Q—Do most men want to marry a glamour girl?

A—No. As a matter of fact, the average man is uncomfortable with such a girl and shies away from marrying her.

It's true that a man wants the girl he takes out and marries to be attractive and admired by others. This feeds his ego through reflected glory. But when the girl is so glamorous that her appearance completely dominates the scene, the male ego is apt to suffer. The man feels inferior and self-conscious. He feels, too, that the girl's ego dominates the relationship and this makes him avoid her.

Again, even when a man likes to date a glamour girl, he thinks twice before marrying her because he's fearful he may not be able to hold her. Knowing her great attraction for men, he's afraid that he'd have to contend with rivals even after marriage—and the average man wants emotional security after he weds.

Another objection many men have is that glamour girls are often vain and conceited. They believe this will make them hard to live with. The men are further convinced that marrying a glamour girl is financial suicide, since such a girl places great stock on her appearance and demands luxuries that the more average girl would be willing to forego.

Q—Do most women want to marry unusually handsome men?

A—No. Women, too, are apt to feel inferior and self-conscious with very good-looking men. They're more at ease with an average-looking person who doesn't provide a sharp contrast to themselves

A woman, moreover, doesn't want a man who will always be the center of attention and attract other females. She doesn't relish a life of warding off other women. She wants to relax after marriage instead of being under constant tension.

The fact is that women and men alike are hesitant about marrying someone whose good looks are so outstanding as to dominate their relationship.

Local Store Opens Appliance Section

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8 Rye fungus
13 Venda again
14 This country is in —— America
15 Mimic
16 Requires
18 Falsehood
19 Slight bow
20 Eagle's nest
21 Card game
22 Abraham's home (Bib.)
23 Senior (ab.)
24 Stalk
27 Comply
29 Pronoun
30 Note of scale
31 It —— a republic
32 That thing
33 One of its products is ——
35 Rip
38 Ruthenium (symbol)
39 Missouri (ab.)
40 Peak
42 Indian province
47 Ready
48 Large cask
49 Small carnivore
50 Permit
51 Compound ether
53 Liken
55 Rock
56 Lanced

VERTICAL

1 Planet
2 Account
3 Employed
4 Goddess of the earth
5 Arm bone
6 On the sheltered side
7 Belgian river
8 Essential being
9 Artificial language
10 Sea bird
11 Indolent
12 Hypothesis
17 Two (prefix)
25 Give forth
26 Disorder
27 Leave out
28 Nip
33 Declaims
34 Month
36 Electrical unit
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41 Atop
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45 On
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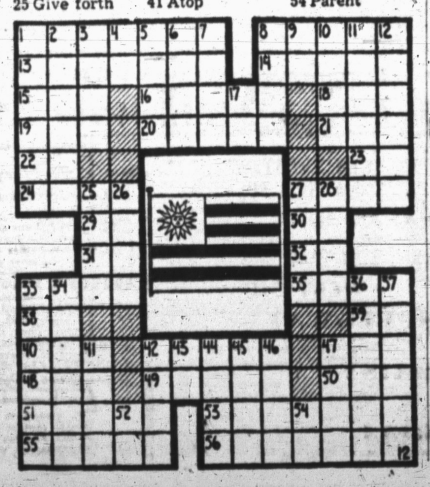

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