



Could Your Fiance Pass the Big-Boy Test?

While trying to get away from it all by relaxing incognito at a seaside hotel, I had occasion to indulge in my favorite sport: observing people without being observed myself.

I was struck by one young couple who didn't have much to say to each other. The second day I discovered they were honeymooners—nearing the end of their honeymoon in more ways than one.

They were in their teens. He obviously couldn't make simple decisions, which is where the trouble lies in so many American marriages. You're forced to take over more and more, even at the very beginning, until eventually you're doing all the bossing and he resents it. It wasn't your fault originally, but that you let it continue is your fault.

Take little things like dining. Their conversation beside the

pool went something like this: He: "Where do you want to eat tonight?" She: "I don't know. Where do you want to eat?"

This little dialogue went on until he suggested she had better make up her mind as it was getting late. "Poor thing," I thought, "she's headed for trouble."

Much later, by the pool, I overheard him remark, without shame, "Well, today's the last day your old man pays our bills here at the hotel. Think we oughta find a cheaper place or go home?" I was perturbed. Why must so many of you American girls rush into marriage before discovering you didn't marry a man but a little boy?

Women mature much faster than the boy. It takes him a bit longer to grow up; and he does, despite the fact that so many American wives claim they're stuck with one who never did grow up.

Before you say "Yes" to any marrying contract, try out the

following rules. These are just for thinking, and don't require a "yes" or "no" answer.

Does he make decisions for you about where you're going, where to dine, what to eat?

Does he know other foods besides hamburgers? Is he fond of unusual dishes? Can you prepare them?

Is his favorite dining spot the local drive-in, or does he make an attempt to dine well at least once a month to impress you? If he doesn't make the effort toward some sort of elegance before marriage, he won't afterward.

Does he have enough money saved to pay for the honeymoon without taking a handout from your father?

It's never too late not to get married, but it is often too late to change your mind after marriage. So weed out your mistakes before they happen, and I do mean him.

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"... An' who's little senator are you?"

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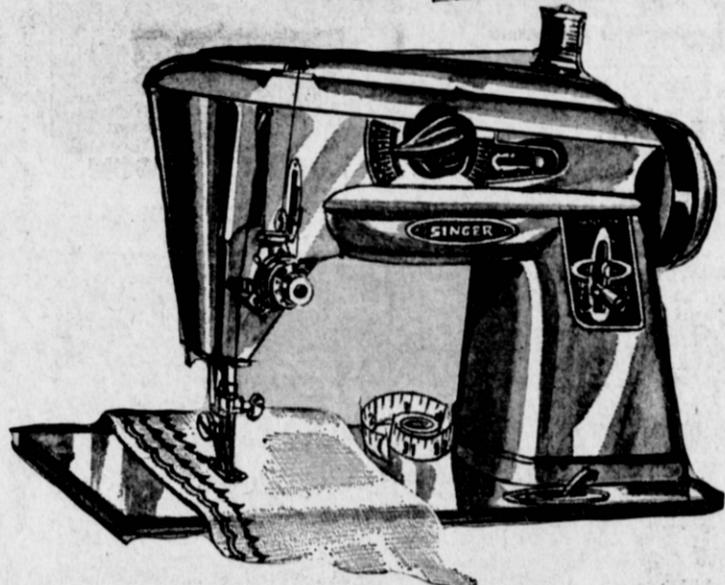
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By CLAY R. POLLAN

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