Husband's comment surprises wife

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Herbert" for 27 years, and even though we have had our ups and downs — mostly due to his verbal abuse — I thought we were relatively happy.

I went to visit my parents for a week. When I returned, I was telling Herb about a major and exciting change in my relationship with my father, when out of the blue he said, I have handled what he said without



"You know, a guy can't help but wonder what it would have been like to have married someone knockdown, drop-dead gorgeous."

I was dumbfounded. When I got up and left the room, Herb became angry and said I must not be "mature" enough to hear his innermost thoughts. Abby, where does a question like that come from? How could

taking it personally? Am I missing any hidden red flags here? What would you have said? — FLAB-BERGASTED IN OHIO

DEAR FLABBERGASTED: You're not missing any red flags with your husband. In the first sentence of your letter you labeled him verbally abusive, and your assessment is on target. Considering that you were sucker-punched, I'd say you handled the situation with great restraint and maturity. A lesser woman would have replied, "And what makes you think you have what it takes to attract, or to keep, a woman like that?"

DEAR ABBY: I am 38 and have never married. When I was in my 20s

(and in much better shape) I was looking to settle down and - hopefully—marry someone. The women at the time ignored me. I was flat out told things like, "You're nice, but boring." And, "I'll never date a poor guy again."

I have often felt, and still do, that women look for the "bad boy" or the guy with deep pockets. However, it seems that now they're past their prime and have the two kids the bad boy left them with, I am now good enough — even though I haven't changed. I have had more female "encounters" in my 30s than I ever did in my 20s.

How do you determine the legiti-

mate ones from the ones who just want you to help raise their kids? If I wasn't good enough for them then, why should they be good enough for menow?-NOTTHECONSOLA-TION PRIZE, CHESTERTON, IND

DEAR NOT: If you are still seeing women as shallow as the ones you tried to date in your 20s, you should not involve yourself with any of them. From the tone of your letter, I suspect you will be happier remaining single.

DEARABBY: What is proper etiquette when a person at another table in a restaurant is loudly using profanity?

Last night, my wife and I were enjoying a nice dinner, until a man at a nearby table — well within earshot of small children — began using four-letter words to describe his recent conquests.

Should I have said something? Should I have told the manager? Or should I have kept my mouth shut and let the mother of the small children speak up? - ROB IN DUARTE, CALIF.

DEAR ROB: The diplomatic way to have handled it would have been to ask the manager of the restaurant to move you to another table. Had you attempted to rebuke the offender, he might have become combative.

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Saturday and Sunday Movies

SATURDAY MORNING 0:00 35/31 FMC Movie "The host and Mrs. Muir" (1947, antasy) Rex Harrison, George anders. A widow falls in love ith the ghost of a 19th century ea captain when she moves to a haunted English cottage. irected by Joseph L. lankiewicz. NR 0:30 28/37 TNT Movie "In the ne of Fire" (1993, Suspense) lint Eastwood, John lalkovich, René Russo. A eteran Secret Service agent attles a vicious assassin. irected by Wolfgang Petersen. AFTERNOON 2:00 35/31 FMC Movie "The gony and the Ecstasy" (1965, rama) Charlton Heston, Diane

ilento. Pope Julius II ommissions Michelangelo with is most difficult task — the ainting of the Sistine Chapel. irected by Carol Reed. NR :00 40/38 FX Movie "Set It Off" 1996, Drama) Jada Pinkett, ueen Latifah, Vivica A. Fox. our urban women decide to b banks for kicks and cash. irected by F. Gary Gray. :00 20/34 USA Movie "Frailty" 2002, Suspense) Bill Paxton, latthew McConaughey, owers Boothe. Premiere. A idower claims that God has nosen him to slay demons. irected by Bill Paxton. :30 5/14 HBO Movie ackawanna Blues" (2005, rama) S. Epatha Merkerson, los Def. The proprietor of a poming house takes care of a oy and helps downtrodden acks in upstate New York. irected by George C. Wolfe.

SUNDAY MORNING 10:00 58/52 HIST Movie "Tora! Tora! Tora!" (1970, Drama) Jason Robards, Joseph Cotten, Tatsuya Mihashi. An account of the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. Directed by Richard Fleischer.

11:00 38/83 SCIFI Movie

"Poltergeist" (1982, Horror) JoBeth Williams, Craig T. Nelson, Beatrice Straight. A suburban family's lives are disrupted by vengeful ghosts. Directed by Tobe Hooper. 99/36 WGN Movie "Rocky III" (1982, Drama) Sylvester Stallone, Burgess Meredith, Talia Shire. A merciless contender forces Rocky into a title match. Directed by Sylvester Stallone.

AFTERNOON 12:00 12/3 WB Movie "Witness" (1985, Drama) Harrison Ford, Kelly McGillis, Josef Sommer. A big-city cop protects a young Amish murder witness. Directed by Peter Weir. 35/31 FMC Movie "What a Way to Go!" (1964, Comedy) Shirley MacLaine, Gene Kelly. A widow tells a psychiatrist the story of her four husbands, each of whom died and left her with enormous wealth. Directed by J. Lee Thompson.

12:30 20/34 USA Movie

"Frailty" (2002, Suspense) Bill Paxton, Matthew McConaughey, Powers Boothe. A widower claims that God has chosen him to slay demons. Directed by Bill Paxton.

32/46 FAM Movie "Stuart Little" (1999, Comedy) Geena Davis,

Hugh Laurie, Voices of Michael J. Fox. Human parents adopt a mouse into their family. Directed by Rob Minkoff.

1:00 28/37 TNT Movie "Seven" (1995, Suspense) Brad Pitt, Morgan Freeman, Gwyneth Paltrow. A killer dispatches his victims via the Seven Deadly Sins. Directed by David Fincher.

2:00 12/3 WB Movie "Hoosiers' (1986, Drama) Gene Hackman, Dennis Hopper, Barbara Hershey. The new high-school basketball coach meets with resentment. Directed by David Anspaugh.

2:30 32/46 FAM Movie "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. J.K. Rowling's student wizard has his first adventure. Directed by Chris Columbus. 3:00 28/37 TNT Movie "The Negotiator" (1998, Action) Samuel L. Jackson, Kevin Spacey, David Morse. A top police negotiator is accused of committing murder. Directed by F. Gary Gray.

4:00 25/35 IND Movie "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me" (1999, Comedy) Mike Myers, Heather Graham, Michael York. Dr. Evil plots to eliminate Austin by stealing his mojo.

Directed by Jay Roach.%(DVS) 5:30 20/34 USA Movie "Red Dragon" (2002, Suspense) Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton, Ralph Fiennes. Premiere. An FBI agent asks Hannibal Lecter to help him nail a killer. Directed by Brett Ratner.