For What It's Worth

By Clifford P. Rowe

A famous saying of the past year which without doubt will go down in history as an indication of the high literary level of our century goes "You wonder where the yellow went when you brush your teeth with (brand of toothpaste)".

It is in all humility that I dare be so rash as to paraphrase those priceless words in order to get on the way with this week's theme. My version is, "you never know the friends you've got until a hospital bed has been your lot". However, this does not necessarily mean that you are going to be forced to read a recital of all the goings on during my last month sojourn in the hospital with ticker trouble.

I have always felt that the biggest conversational pest is he who goes on forever, day in and day out, about his operation. Any hospital experience, as far as I'm concerned, is not an accomplishment about which to boast, but rather a mistake one has made which is just as well forgotten.

I read somewhere not too long ago an article wherein life was compare to a game of chess being played by man with nature as his opponent. According to the writer, as long as man watched his moves always using good judgement as the basis of any action, Nature played him a fair game. But let man make just one mistake, over-estimate his abilities or responsibilities, and Nature, showing no pity would call "checkmate". I made a bad move and was fortunate in being let off so easily.

Whereas my good wife has been telling me for years that I was no longer sweet sixteen, no man in his natural conceitedness is going to accept such drivel as being the truth. She need not repeat the warning any longer. As far as I'm concerned, I've "growed up".

VFW AUX FIELD DAY IS PLANNED

VFW Post and Auxiliary members are reminded that Sunday,

The work required will be finishing the shaking of the outside attending to the roof, the ceilings in the main hall, cutting the grass and removing weeds, filling in the sewer trench, so all the men are asked to bring tools with them. Stepladders will also be needed.

It has been some years since work parties have been held at the site and, according to post commander Ferdie Stienmetz, it is past time.

Due to the burdensome charges against the veterans for street and sewer assessments amounting to over $1,000 immediately payable, there is very little money available though the owners remain solvent.

Ladies of the Auxiliary have had installed a new, double well, stainless steel sink and beautiful counter-space, which post members will complete. The old sink-locker combination will be removed.

Post and Auxiliary members are especially urged to attend the May 15th meeting to line out the field day program.

ROGUE RIVER MEETING

Representatives of over 1,500 VFW and Auxiliary members comprising Dist. 7, met at Rogue River last Sunday.

Twenty-two deligates showed up from Brookings, the second largest post and Auxiliary in the district. Nearly two hundred enjoyed a potluck dinner at noontime, and adjourned to business sessions of interest to all veterans and their families.

At the meeting of the Ladies Auxiliaries, Mrs. Clara Bowlin was chosen as district president for the ensuing year and Mrs. Dollie Brainard the new district treasurer.

RETURN HOME

Mrs. Lyle Redfield and her mother, Mrs. Flora Weffer returned home the past week from a three weeks trip which took them as far south as San Diego where they visited with friends. They also spent some time in San Francisco.

John Seimier had his appendix removed recently at the Seaside hospital in Crescent City. Dr. David Brown operated.

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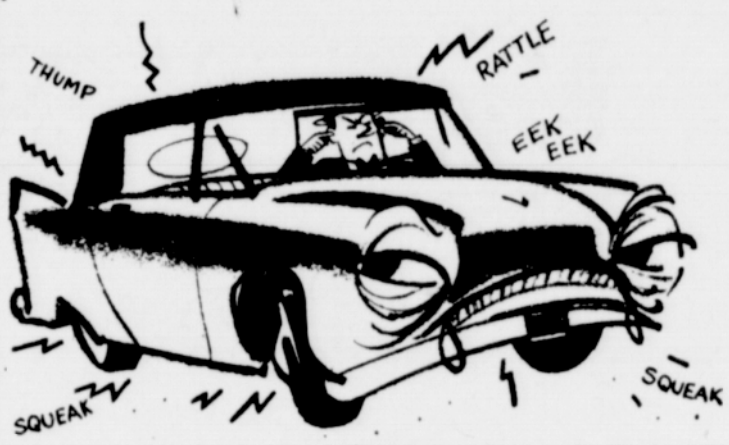

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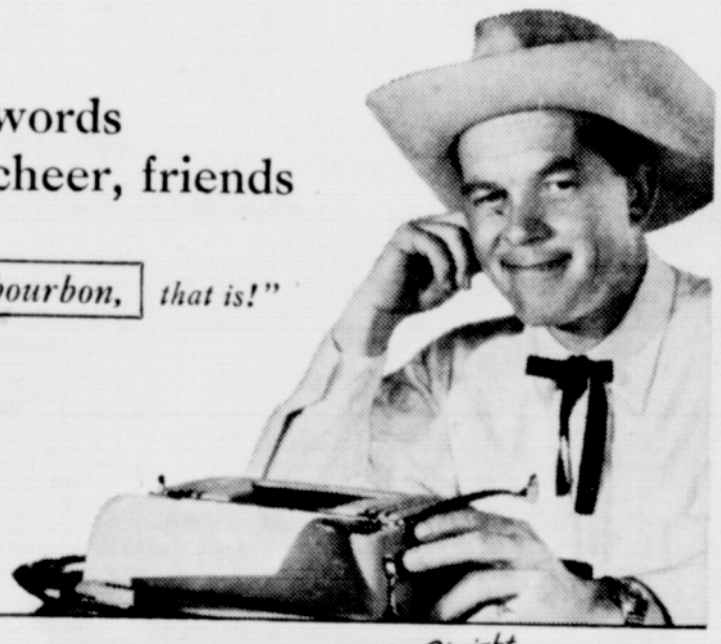

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