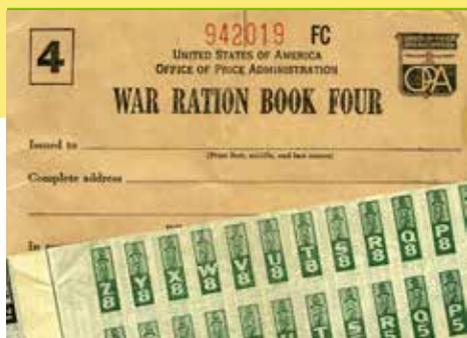


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A look back at other crises

Dick Belair

Going through the COVID-19 crisis brought to mind the first crisis that I experienced. I was only 8 years old when our country went to war. Even though I was young, I remember the impact of war time and the young men being drafted to go off to war. My dad was a WWI vet and too old, but my brother-in-law was drafted into the US Army and my sister joined the WAVES (Navy) to do her part.

The home front reflected war time atmosphere. My mother, like many women, went to work to replace the men who had gone to war. Many had to step up to do 'men's work'. Rosie the Riveter symbolized them.

Ration books were needed to obtain items in short supply like certain foods. Fuel was diverted to support our troops and there were long lines to get items that were not rationed but still in short supply. Volunteers ran scrap metal drives, air raid warning drills and blood drives. They monitored blackouts and did whatever was necessary to support the war effort and keep the civilians safe until the war ended and our boys came home again. In September of 1945, our prayers were answered. The war ended as did the first crisis of many that I have experienced in my 86 years.

LATEST NEWS



Auto Insurers Offering discounts in Coronavirus Relief Effort

Many of Greylock Insurance Agency's carriers offer discounts, refunds or credits to help in these challenging financial times. Most discounts averaged 15% off of your April and May premium. As the crisis continues, many are considering extending further benefits this summer. They are able to do this due to reduced mileage and the receipt of fewer claims amid the COVID-19 crisis. Arbella, Liberty Mutual, Mapfre, Nationwide, Plymouth Rock, Progressive and Safety are just a few of the companies extending a refund or discount. Please check with your insurance agent to find out what discount you should have received recently or can expect in the near future. And if your insurance agency is not Greylock Insurance Agency, please give us a call. We are here to help you find the best coverage at the best price!



Side-splitting or eye-rolling? You Decide.

What's the best thing about Switzerland? I don't know, but the flag is a huge plus.

I submitted 10 puns to a joke-writing competition to see if any of them made the finals. Sadly, no pun in ten did.

What's the difference between a hippo and a Zippo? One is really heavy, and the other is a little lighter.

Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building? Of course! The Empire State Building can't jump.

If you ever get cold, stand in the corner of a room. They're usually 90 degrees.

If you have 10 apples in one hand and 14 oranges in the other, what do you have? Really, really big hands.

I took part in the suntanning Olympics, but I only got bronze.

What do Alexander the Great and Winnie-the-Pooh have in common? Same middle name.

Murphy's Law says that anything that can go wrong will go wrong. Cole's Law is thinly sliced cabbage.

A thesaurus walks into a bar, pub, inn, tavern, bistro, watering hole.

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Cutting in line

A group of senior citizens, socially distanced, stood in a long line at 7:45 a.m. at a grocery store that opened at 8 a.m. for seniors only.

A young man ran from the parking lot and tried to cut in at the front of the line, but a customer waved him back with her cane.

When he tried to cut in again, another customer blocked him with his cart.

As he approached the line for the third time, he said, "Listen, if you don't let me unlock the door you'll never get in there."



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