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LINES OF PURE GOLD FROM THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER: "HE PRAYETH WELL WHO LOVETH WELL. BOTH MAN AND BIRD AND BEAST. HE PRAYETH BEST WHO LOVETH BEST. ALL THINGS BOTH GREAT AND SMALL; FOR THE DEAR GOD WHO LOVETH US, HE MADE AND LOVETH ALL."

NOTES AND OBSERVATIONS FROM OUR COARSEGOLD RALLY. APPROXIMATELY THIRTY ULTRA COACHES REGISTERED. PRETTY GOOD, CONSIDERING THE DISTANCE AND THE TIME OF THE YEAR. THE DAYS WERE BRIMMED WITH HEAT AND SUNSHINE. THE NIGHTS COMFORTABLY COOL. OUR CLUB IS MADE UP OF A VARIETY OF VANATICS. SOME THRIVED ON THE INVIGORATING HEAT, OTHERS JUST WITHERED, FOLDED THEIR TENTS, AND QUIETLY STOLE AWAY. SOME WENT UP 8000 FT TO GLACIER POINT, IN YOSEMITE, AND FOUND COOL WEATHER. YOUR REPORTER HAS BEEN CALLED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE CHIEF STOKER FROM HADES SO THE HEAT DID NOT BOTHER HIM AT ALL. IT WAS SUCH A LOVELY SCENE AT COARSEGOLD WITH ALL THOSE BEAUTIFUL VANS NESTED IN THEIR LITTLE SPOTS ON DIFFERENT LEVELS. SOME IN THE SUN, SOME IN THE SHADE. MOST OF US WERE ONLY A FEW MINUTES WALK FROM THE AIR CONDITIONED LODGE, THE SWIMMING POOL AND THE STORE. YOU MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN TO AN ULTRA RALLY, HOT OR COLD, DO MAKE AN EFFORT TO COME TO THE NEXT ONE. WE WON'T PROMISE YOU THE EXCITEMENT OF A VEGAS TRIP, NO CIRCUS - CIRCUS, NO SLOT MACHINES, NO DANCING GIRLS. YOU WOULD NOT WANT THAT. JUST QUIET FELLOWSHIP, RENEWAL OF OLD FRIENDSHIPS, PLENTY OF GOOD FRESH AIR, GOOD FOOD AND LOTS OF SWAPPING OF TALL TALES - THEN THERE'S ALWAYS DAVE PETERSON. THERE IS ONE TALENT THAT YOU MUST HAVE IF YOU WANT TO MAKE OUT IN THIS CLUB. AND THAT IS TO BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE YOUR FRIENDS BY THEIR FEET AND FANNIES AS THEY STICK OUT FROM UNDER THE VARIOUS VANS FROM DAWN TO DUSK. YOUR REPORTER SUGGESTS THAT WE WEAR OUR ULTRA BADGES IN THE VICINITY OF OUR POCKETBOOKS. LESS WEAR AND TEAR ON THE BADGES. BRIEF VANAGRAMS: FRANK XIQUES REPORTS THAT HE ATTENDED THE FMCA RALLY IN WISCONSIN AND FOUND TWENTY OF DAVE PETERSON'S OFFSPRING THERE. SO, THEY HAD THEIR OWN MINI RALLY. EXPLOSION. THE NEWHOUSES GOT SCARED OUT OF TEN YEARS GROWTH WHEN AN AEROSOL CAN CONTAINING FLAT TIRE FIRST AID, STORED IN THE COMPARTMENT BEHIND THE ENGINE, GOT TOO HOT AND LET GO. LOTS OF NOISE, A BIG MESS TO CLEAN UP - BUT FORTUNATELY, NO DAMAGE. WATCH WHERE YOU STORE THOSE AEROSOL CANS. ULTRABOUQUETS FOR EFFORT BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY. TRUDIE SELLARDS FOR THE GOOD JOB AS REGISTRAR AND FOR NUMEROUS OTHER LITTLE JOBS DONE SO SMILINGLY. TED SELLARDS TOO, FOR TAGGING ALONG AND HELPING WHEREVER HE COULD. MORY SNYDER OUR WAGONMASTER. LIKE THE U.S. MAIL USED TO BE, NOTHING STOPPED HIM. HE WAS THERE THROUGH HEAT AND COLD, DAY AND NIGHT, WELCOMING THE NEW ARRIVALS. YOU WILL WANT TO KNOW THAT MORY MADE THOSE LITTLE ULTRAMINER SPADES WHICH EVERYONE GOT AS THEY REGISTERED. WE CAUGHT MORY PANNING FOR GOLD IN A NEARBY STREAM. IF HE FOUND ANY NUGGETS HE DIDN'T SHOW THEM TO US. ERNIE NEWHOUSE. FOR HIS SQUAWK BOX ANNOUNCEMENTS WHICH KEPT US INFORMED OF ALL THE ACTIVITIES. FOR THE SWELL JOB HE DID SUBSTITUTING FOR OUR ABSENT

PRESIDENT LEN RYERSON IN CONDUCTING OUR GENERAL MEETING AND PRIZE DRAWING. ANITA TEFFT, KATHY PHILLIPS AND EDNA NEWHOUSE. THREE GREAT GALS WHO SPARED NO EFFORT IN ORGANIZING THE MORNING COFFEE BREAKS, COORDINATING AND PUTTING ON THAT SUPERB BANQUET. THIS FEAST ALONE IS WORTH THE TRIP. HARRY SMITH. FOR CONDUCTING THE NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHURCH SERVICE ON SUNDAY. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST. THE HEIDES "AIR CONDITION" WENT OUT WITH THE TEMPERATURE AROUND 100°. FOUND A BIRD'S NEST IN THE AIR INTAKE. CHASED OUT BIRDS. COOL AIR AGAIN! MIKE HAZELTON WON A SACK FULL OF GOLD DUST AT THE BINGO GAMES. FIRST RALLY FOR PEGGY AND BILL LITTELL, ALSO BRUCE AND VIRGINIA BENSON. HAVE I FORGOTTEN ANYONE? TALK ABOUT LUCK - ORVILLE FOX SURE HAD HIS RABBIT'S FOOT CHARM WORKING FOR HIM. LEAVING THE RALLY, EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, HIS LEFT FRONT UPPER "A" FRAME BROKE (SEE THE JULY 1971 CLUB NEWS ON HOW TO PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING). FORTUNATELY A WELDER WAS AVAILABLE CLOSEBY. IN AN HOUR HE WAS ON HIS WAY. THIS HAPPENED IN THE PARKING LOT RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE STORE. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A DIFFERENT STORY IF IT HAD HAPPENED ON THE HIGHWAY. SO CHECK YOUR "A" FRAMES AND GET THAT REINFORCEMENT WELDED ON IF IT IS NOT ALREADY ON THERE. HELENE AND MECH MECHEM SHOWED UP, PROUD AS PEACOCKS, IN THEIR NEWLY PAINTED, TWO-TONE ULTRA CHARIOT. A BEAUTIFUL JOB AND THEY DID IT ALL BY THEMSELVES. ITS NO WONDER, BECAUSE MECH DOES HAVE AN EYE FOR BEAUTY. JIM AND URLA McNARY WERE THERE, CHIPPER AS EVER, ENJOYING EVERY SECOND OF THEIR STAY AND PLANNING GREAT THINGS FOR THE FUTURE. WE WERE SO GLAD TO SEE KATHY PHILLIPS, RECENTLY RECOVERED FROM HER LONG ILLNESS. SHE LOOKED SO SWEET IN HER SUN BONNET OUTFIT WHICH SHE MADE ALL BY HERSELF. ROMA SMITH HAD THE ONLY ULTRA VAN THERE EQUIPPED WITH AN AIR SPEED INDICATOR. ROMA, DO YOU EVER UNFOLD YOUR WINGS AND FLY? ONE OF THE NICE THINGS ABOUT OUR RALLIES ARE THE EVENING COCKTAIL HOURS. THE LASLOS, THE ROMA SMITHS AND THE BENSONS WERE AMONG THOSE WHO HELD OPEN HOUSE. SOME SERVED THE JUICE OF THE GRAPE, SLIGHTLY FERMENTED, OTHERS HAD WHITE MULE ON THE ROCKS AND STILL OTHERS SERVED ICED TEA, PUNCH, LEMONADE AND TEA AND CRUMPETS. WELL, EVERYONE TO HIS OWN TYPE OF POISON. THELMA COOK IS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AND EXPECTS TO BE AT THE BERMUDA PALMS RALLY. WATCH OUT FOR THAT NO SMOKING SIGN WHEN YOU STICK YOUR LITTLE HEAD INTO VAN #302. THAT GUY IS DEAD SET AGAINST THE WEED AND AGAINST POLLUTION IN GENERAL. SO SWALLOW THOSE BUTTS, PUT THAT GUM WRAPPER IN YOUR POCKET AND DONT FORGET TO WIPE YOUR FEET AND BOW, BEFORE YOU ENTER. JIM AND HELEN CHERRY, WHO OWN THE TORONADO VB EQUIPPED VAN #432, HAVE WRITTEN TO SAY THAT THEY HAVE BEEN BUSY ALL SUMMER ON CATALINA ISLAND, WHERE THEY LIVE. THEIR VAN IS STORED IN LONG BEACH AND THEY EXPECT TO USE IT TO GO TO THE BERMUDA PALMS RALLY. THE HEALYS, DR. DOUGLAS AND THE LITTELLS HAVE HAD "NEW" OVERHAULED CORVAIR ENGINES (WITH LARGER PISTONS, ALUMINUM CYLINDERS, LARGER VALVES, SPECIAL CAM ETC) INSTALLED IN THEIR VANS BY GARY BOWMAN OF CORVAIR CITY. OUR HEAVY-FOOTED FRIEND, VERN SANDEL, HAS BLOWN OUT ANOTHER ENGINE IN HIS 27FT VAN WHICH HE CALLS THE "TRAVELIN' HILTON". RUMOR HAS IT THAT VERN IS GOING TO INSTALL A MACK TRUCK ENGINE THIS TIME AROUND. WE KNOW THAT TOM CHRONES HAS BEEN CHOMPING AT THE BIT WAITING FOR HIS SIDE-MOUNTED ENGINE ULTRA COACH WHICH IS BEING BUILT BY DAVE PETERSON UP AT OAKLAND. WE FULLY EXPECTED TO FEAST OUR EYES ON THIS LITTLE GEM UP IN COARSEGOLD, BUT THE MARITIME AND TRUCK STRIKES, PLUS OTHER FACTORS, CAUSED DELAYS. IF ALL GOES WELL THIS UNIT WILL BE THE CONVERSATION PIECE OF OUR BERMUDA PALMS RALLY IN OCTOBER.

THEN THERE IS DAVE PETERSON AND LUCILLE TOO. NO RALLY WOULD BE COMPLETE WITHOUT THEM. ALL OF US, SURELY, LOOK FORWARD TO, AND ENJOY THE TECHNICAL BULL SESSIONS AND THE WEALTH OF PRACTICAL INFORMATION. THE ONE AT COARSEGOLD WAS VERY INFORMATIVE ESPECIALLY WHEN DAVE WENT INTO HIGH GEAR ABOUT THE NEW ULTRA COACH, ITS SIDE-MOUNTED ENGINE, AIR SPRINGS AND OTHER FEATURES. EARLY ONE MORNING YOUR REPORTER CORNERED DAVE FOR A NICE LONG TALK. THE WHOLE CAMP WAS STILL ASLEEP - HE THOUGHT. IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE EVERYONE ZEROED IN ON DAVE'S NASAL RADAR, AND IN FIVE MINUTES THE PLACE WAS AS NOISY AND CROWDED AS A FISH MARKET. OH, WELL, THE NEXT TIME WE WILL TAKE HIM OUT IN THE BOONDOCKS - AND THROW A RADAR SHIELD AROUND HIM.

IN THE LAST CLUB NEWS YOUR REPORTER MENTIONED THAT WE WOULD HAVE A SPECIAL VAN, ON DISPLAY AT COARSEGOLD, EQUIPPED WITH A 4 SPEED MANUAL TRANSMISSION AND A HYDRAULICALLY OPERATED CLUTCH. THIS VAN WAS AT COARSEGOLD, BUT WE HAVE TO REPORT THAT IT WAS NOT A SUCCESS. THE CLUTCH WAS UNABLE TO HANDLE THE STARTING TORQUE WITHOUT A GREAT DEAL OF FUSS AND CHATTER. OTHER IDEAS ARE BEING TRIED AND WE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF THE RESULTS. JUMBLED PAGES AND PARAGRAPHS. IF YOU HAVE READ THIS FAR, HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHY YOUR REPORTER RUNS EVERYTHING TOGETHER? THE MAIN REASON IS TO SAVE ON POSTAGE, BUT YOUR REPORTER PROBABLY RAMBLES AROUND TOO MUCH. LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF IT AND IF IT IS TOO HARD AND BORING TO READ, WE WILL TRY SOMETHING ELSE.

CASSETTE TAPES. YOUR REPORTER HAS MADE A SERIES OF TAPES OF OUR TECHNICAL SESSIONS CONDUCTED BY DAVE PETERSON AT OUR SAFARI LAND, PASO ROBLES AND COARSEGOLD RALLIES. AS A MATTER OF INTEREST AND CAUTION - YOUR REPORTER HAD TAPES OF ALL OUR RALLY TECHNICAL SESSIONS SINCE DEATH VALLEY IN 1968. THESE TAPES, ALONG WITH ALL THE MOVEABLE EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING STEREOS, CAMERAS, GUNS, SLEEPING BAGS, TACKLE, FOOD ETC WERE STOLEN OUT OF THE VAN. THIS IS A SIGN OF OUR TIMES. KEEP A WATCHFUL EYE ON YOUR VAN. ANYWAY, YOU ARE INVITED TO WRITE FOR THE LOAN OF THE TAPES WE HAVE, IF YOU ARE AN OUT-OF-STATE MEMBER OR IF YOU HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ATTEND OUR RALLIES FOR ANY REASON. TAPES MAY BE PLAYED ON ANY CASSETTE TAPE PLAYER AND IF YOU HAVE A RECORDER, YOU CAN BUY A BLANK TAPE AND FIRE AWAY WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS YOU MAY HAVE. OUR DISTINGUISHED AND ILLUSTRIOUS PRESIDENT, MR. LEN RYERSON, WRITES FROM HIS CASTLE IN CANADA THAT HE AND MRS PRESIDENT HAVE HAD A VERY ENJOYABLE SUMMER IN THAT FRESH AIR AND SWEET WATER COUNTRY. THEY HAVE FINALLY CONDESCENDED TO MAKE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE AND HEAD THEIR V-8 POWERED ULTRA VAN, WITH ITS FULL COMPLIMENT OF AIRCRAFT PRECISION INSTRUMENTS, SOUTH TO MINGLE WITH US HERE IN SMOG RIDDEN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE WILL BE GLAD TO SEE THEM AT OUR BERMUDA PALMS RALLY. WE HAVE NO WORD FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT CARL FOSTER. PRESUME THAT HE AND HIS FAMILY ARE STILL ON THEIR TOUR AND WE HOPE TO SEE THEM AT OUR NEXT RALLY. YOUR REPORTER HAS HAD SEVERAL REQUESTS FROM ULTRA QUEENS, WHO HAVE TO FLY SOLO AND DO MOST OF THEIR OWN MAINTENANCE, FOR A GENERAL CHECK LIST TO HELP THEM KEEP THEIR VANS RUNNING AND IN TIP-TOP CONDITION. THIS LIST MAY BE READ BY ULTRA KINGS AND COURT JOKERS TOO. WE HAVE OFTEN BEEN ASKED WHY CERTAIN COMPONENTS BREAK DOWN OR FAIL AFTER THE VEHICLE HAS BEEN IDLE FOR A LONG TIME AND THEN TAKEN OUT ON THE ROAD. IT MUST BE REMEMBERED THAT THERE ARE GREMLINS AT WORK ON THE VAN ALL THE TIME AND YOU SEE THE RESULTS OF THEIR MISCHIEF WHEN SOMETHING GOES HAYWIRE. THESE GREMLINS MAY BE GIVEN THE FOLLOWING NAMES: CONTRACTION & EXPANSION, DUE TO EXTREMES IN TEMPERATURE. CORROSION

AND RUSTING, GOING ON ALL THE TIME. DAMPNESS & CONDENSATION. SMOG, DUST, GRIT. HARDENING OR SOFTENING OF RUBBER & PLASTIC PARTS. VIBRATION, METAL FATIGUE, WHICH CAUSE PARTS TO SHAKE LOOSE OR FAIL. LOTS OF THESE GREMLINS MAY INTERACT WITH EACH OTHER AND ARE CONSTANTLY AT WORK. YOU MAY PARK YOUR VAN ONE DAY. EVERYTHING MAY BE IN PERFECT RUNNING CONDITION. A WEEK LATER YOU START IT UP AND HEAD FOR THE HILLS. SOMETHING BREAKS OR MALFUNCTIONS. THE GREMLINS HAVE BEEN AT WORK. THIS GENERAL CHECK LIST, ALTHOUGH NECESSARILY BRIEF, DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT YOUR TRAVELING HOME WILL REMAIN COMPLETELY GREMLIN PROOF, BUT IT WILL HELP. OCCASIONALLY, WHEN YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME, EQUIP YOURSELF WITH A SCREW DRIVER, PLIERS AND SOME WRENCHES - AND A CAN OF WD-40. GO THROUGH THE WHOLE VAN CAREFULLY, INSIDE AND OUT, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. LOOK AT EVERYTHING WITH A CRITICAL EYE. HERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES. YOU CAN PROBABLY FIND A LOT MORE. START WITH YOUR OUTSIDE MIRRORS. CHECK FASTENINGS AND ALIGNMENT. CHECK ALL YOUR LAMPS FOR PROPER OPERATION AND ALIGNMENT. IF YOU HAVE TIME, REMOVE LENSES, CLEAN REFLECTORS AND LAMP BULBS, SCRAPE CONTACTS. GET HEADLAMPS CHECKED FOR PROPER ALIGNMENT AT ANY GARAGE. SPRAY INSIDE OF HEADLAMP HOUSING WITH WD-40. WINDSHIELD WIPERS. CHECK FOR PROPER OPERATION AND TRAVEL. SPRAY WD-40 INTO AND AROUND PIVOTS. SPRAY RUBBER BLADES AND WIPE OFF. THIS WILL PRESERVE THEM. LOOK AROUND THE WHOLE VAN FOR SIGNS OF LEAKS, ESPECIALLY AROUND WINDOWS AND JOINTS. SCRAPE ANY SUSPICIOUS LOOKING PLACES AND APPLY DAP "33" GLAZING COMPOUND - OBTAINABLE AT ANY HARDWARE STORE - THEN WIPE SMOOTH WITH A RAG DAMPENED WITH TURPENTINE OR PAINT THINNER. GET UNDER THE VAN, IF YOU CAN, AND GO OVER ALL THE SHEET METAL SCREWS HOLDING THE PANS. LOOK AT THE CONTROL CABLES. SPRAY WITH WD-40. SEE THAT BRACKETS ARE IN PLACE AND TIGHT. CHECK THROTTLE CABLE AT REAR END WHERE IT FASTENS TO A BRACKET ON THE SIDE OF THE TRANSMISSION. SOME HAVE COME LOOSE. WHILE YOU ARE DOWN THERE LOOK AT YOUR BRAKE LINES. CHECK FOR LEAKS AND FOR SIGNS OF ABRASION. LOOK AT YOUR ENGINE AND TRANSMISSION PANS. TIGHTEN BOLTS IF NECESSARY - BUT DONOT OVERTIGHTEN. CHECK ALL SHOCK ABSORBERS FOR SIGNS OF LEAKS AND BE SURE THAT ALL FASTENINGS ARE SECURE. ALL SHOCKS SHOULD HAVE THAT BIG RUBBER SNUBBER AT THE TOP. LOOK AT YOUR STEERING SYSTEM VERY CAREFULLY. CHECK ALL PIVOT POINTS. SEE THAT ALL BOLTS ARE TIGHT AND THAT ALL NUTS ARE SECURED AND HAVE LOCK WASHERS OR COTTER PINS. WIPE OFF EXCESS GREASE FROM ALL PIVOT POINTS AND BALL JOINTS AND APPLY GREASE TO ALL ZERK FITTINGS. YOU CAN DO THIS WITH A SMALL, HAND GREASE GUN. LOOK AT THE CLIP WHICH HOLDS YOUR SPEEDMETER CABLE TO THE INSIDE OF THE LEFT FRONT WHEEL. MAKE SURE THAT THIS CLIP IS TIGHT AND THAT THERE ARE NO SHARP BENDS IN THE CABLE. LOOK AT THE MUFFLER BRACKETS AND CLAMPS FOR SIGNS OF LOOSENESS. THERE ARE DOZENS OF PLACES UNDER THE VAN WHERE OUR LITTLE GREMLINS LIKE TO WORK. LACK OF SPACE PREVENTS YOUR REPORTER FROM LISTING EVERYTHING IN DETAIL. THE IDEA IS TO LOOK EVERYWHERE, INSIDE AND OUT, FOR SIGNS OF CORROSION, LOOSE SCREWS & BOLTS, LEAKS, ETC. DONT SKIMP ON THE WD-40. IT SURE KEEPS THOSE GREMLINS IN LINE. THOSE FOAM BUMPERS HAVE BEEN A SORE SPOT FOR MANY VAN OWNERS. ONCE THEY START TO CRUMBLE THERE IS NOT MUCH YOU CAN DO. A COAT OF GOOD FLEXIBLE PAINT, SUCH AS SINCLAIR'S No. 250 WHITE, PUT ON WHEN THE BUMPERS ARE NEW, OR BEFORE THEY HAVE GONE TOO FAR WILL MAKE THEM LAST A LOT LONGER. FUTURE ISSUES OF CLUB NEWS WILL CONTAIN INFORMATION ON WHEELS, BRAKES, WATER SYSTEMS & TANKS, BATTERIES AND DETAILED INFO ON HOW TO KEEP THAT THRONE GRINDER GOING. WOMEN'S LIB SAYS THAT ANY OF THE ABOVE JOBS SHOULD BE DUCK SOUP FOR ULTRA QUEENS.

ELECTRICAL THIEF. MANY REQUESTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR THIS GADGET. INFORMATION ON HOW TO MAKE IT WAS OBTAINED FROM MR. CLYDE S. WILKE, OF THE LEISURE WHEELERS CLUB. IT HAS BEEN USED, FOR MANY YEARS, BY RV OWNERS TO OBTAIN ELECTRICAL POWER FROM THE VARIETY OF ELECTRICAL OUTLETS FOUND AT VARIOUS TRAILER PARKS AND CAMPS. YOUR REPORTER DOES NOT KNOW WHY IT IS CALLED AN "ELECTRICAL THIEF" BECAUSE IT DOES NOT GIVE YOU FREE ELECTRICITY. BUT IT DOES ENABLE YOU TO GET, AND PAY FOR, ELECTRICAL POWER FOR YOUR VEHICLE WITHOUT HAVING TO CARRY HALF A DOZEN DIFFERENT TYPES AND SIZES OF CONNECTORS AROUND.

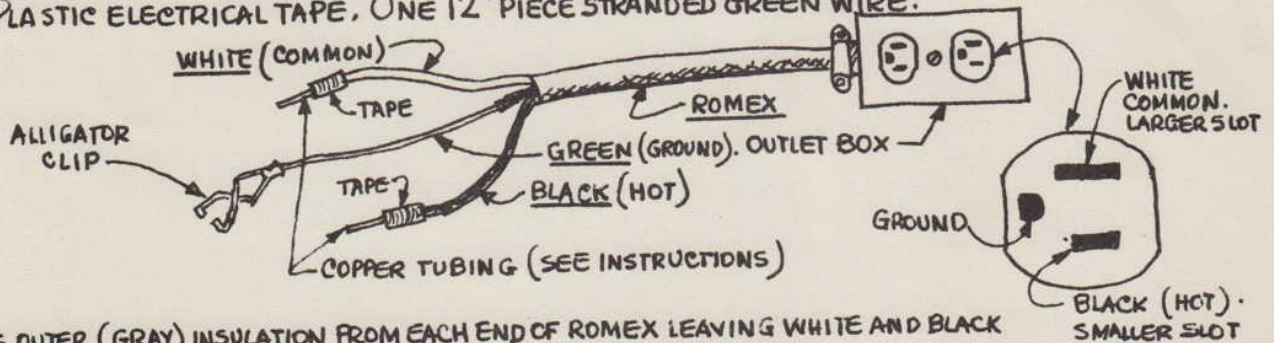
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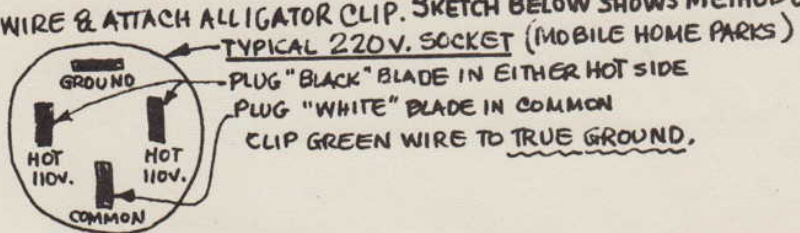
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PLEASE HEED THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS. USE EXTREME CAUTION. THIS ELECTRICAL THIEF IS STRICTLY AN EXPEDIENT. IT IS NOT U/L APPROVED. YOUR REPORTER DISCLAIMS ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURY OR ACCIDENT RESULTING FROM ITS USE OR MISUSE. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND ELECTRICITY, OR ARE NOT ABSOLUTELY SURE OF WHAT YOU ARE DOING, OR HAVE ANY DOUBTS ABOUT IT, WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU LEAVE IT ALONE. CAUTION: DO NOT INSTALL DURING DAMP OR RAINY WEATHER. DO NOT USE WHERE LITTLE KIDS WITH INQUISITIVE FINGERS MAY BE AROUND. BETTER TO SIT IN THE DARK OR LIGHT A CANDLE THAN TO TAKE A CHANCE. IF YOU DECIDE TO MAKE, HERE ARE THE MATERIALS AND INSTRUCTIONS:

2½ FT. OF 600V. ROMEX TYPE UF, 12/2, WITH GROUND WIRE. ONE DUPLEX 3-WIRE OUTLET BOX, (WEATHERPROOF PREFERRED). TWO PIECES OF ⅛" I. D. COPPER TUBING, 3" LONG EACH. ONE ALLIGATOR CLIP. PLASTIC ELECTRICAL TAPE. ONE 12" PIECE STRANDED GREEN WIRE.



REMOVE OUTER (GRAY) INSULATION FROM EACH END OF ROMEX LEAVING WHITE AND BLACK INSULATED WIRES UNDISTURBED. THE GROUND WIRE IS BARE. REMOVE 5" FOR BOX END AND 10" AT OPPOSITE END. CONNECT ROMEX TO BOX MAKING CERTAIN THAT <sup>THE WHITE</sup> WIRE GOES TO THE POST WITH LONGER OF TWO SLOTS. (ALL MODERN BOXES HAVE SOCKETS WITH TWO SIZES OF SLOTS). AT OTHER END OF ROMEX, REMOVE APPROXIMATELY ONE INCH OF INSULATION FROM BLACK & WHITE WIRES. SLIP A PIECE OF COPPER TUBING OVER EACH OF THE EXPOSED WIRES, AS FAR AS WIRES ARE BARED, AND FLATTEN THE WHOLE LENGTH OF THE TUBING WITH A HAMMER OR IN A VISE. THIS HOLDS FIRMLY AND MAKES THE TWO BLADES FOR PLUGGING THE THIEF INTO THE OUTLETS. DRESS THESE BLADES WITH A FILE UNTIL THEY FIT SNUGLY INTO THE SHORTER OF THE TWO SLOTS IN THE OUTLET. THE BLADES WILL THEN FIT INTO MOST OUTLETS YOU WILL ENCOUNTER. TAPE THE JUNCTION OF THE WIRES AND TUBING HEAVILY LEAVING APPROX ¼" OF EXPOSED BLADE. FASTEN GREEN WIRE TO GROUND WIRE & ATTACH ALLIGATOR CLIP. SKETCH BELOW SHOWS METHOD OF INSTALLING THE THIEF. BEST REGARDS,



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