

On The Main Street

Truism — remember the frequency regarding the use of old sayings such as: “a stitch in time saves nine”, “you never miss the water until the well runs dry”, and many a well used to run dry. Then the one “you can take a horse to water but you can’t make him drink”, “it never rains but it pours”, “there is no use locking the stable doors after the horse is gone”, “don’t count your chickens before they are hatched” and “what’s the use of crying over spilt milk”, “stop, look and listen and you will not be sorry”, “there is many a slip between the cup and the lip”, “stop dilly-dallying”, “don’t cross your bridges before you come to them”, “when undertaking a difficult task never say no”, “fly away shoe fly, come back some other day”, “two heads are better than one”, and “it’s because I hate you that I beat you”. “When you can see enough blue in the sky to make a pair of jeans, it’s not going to rain”, “a rainbow at night is a sailor’s delight”, “a penny earned is a penny saved”, “as fast as greased lightning” and “it pays to be polite”, and “stick to it like a puppy to a root”.

Then there were the good old songs. For example: “We will never let the old flag fall for we love it the best of all”, “Wait till the sun shines Nellie”, “In the gold old summer time”, “In the evening by the moonlight”, “Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag”, “Sweet Adeline”, “Tipperary”, “You tell me your dream and I’ll tell you mine”, “When you and I were young Maggie”, “Daisy, Daisy give me your answer true”, “My old

Kentucky home”, “Sweet Rosey O’Grady”, “Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue”, “When you wore a tulip”, “Little grey home in the west”, “Put on your old grey bonnet”, “Home sweet home”, “Sussex by the sea”, “Roses of Picardy”, “Kitty, Kitty, Kitty”, “Tenting to-night in the old camp ground”, “Mother McCree”, “Bells of St. Mary’s”, “Shanty in old shanty town”, “The bell in the lighthouse”, “In Flanders field”, “The Prisoner’s song”, “Home sweet home” and dozens more — remember?