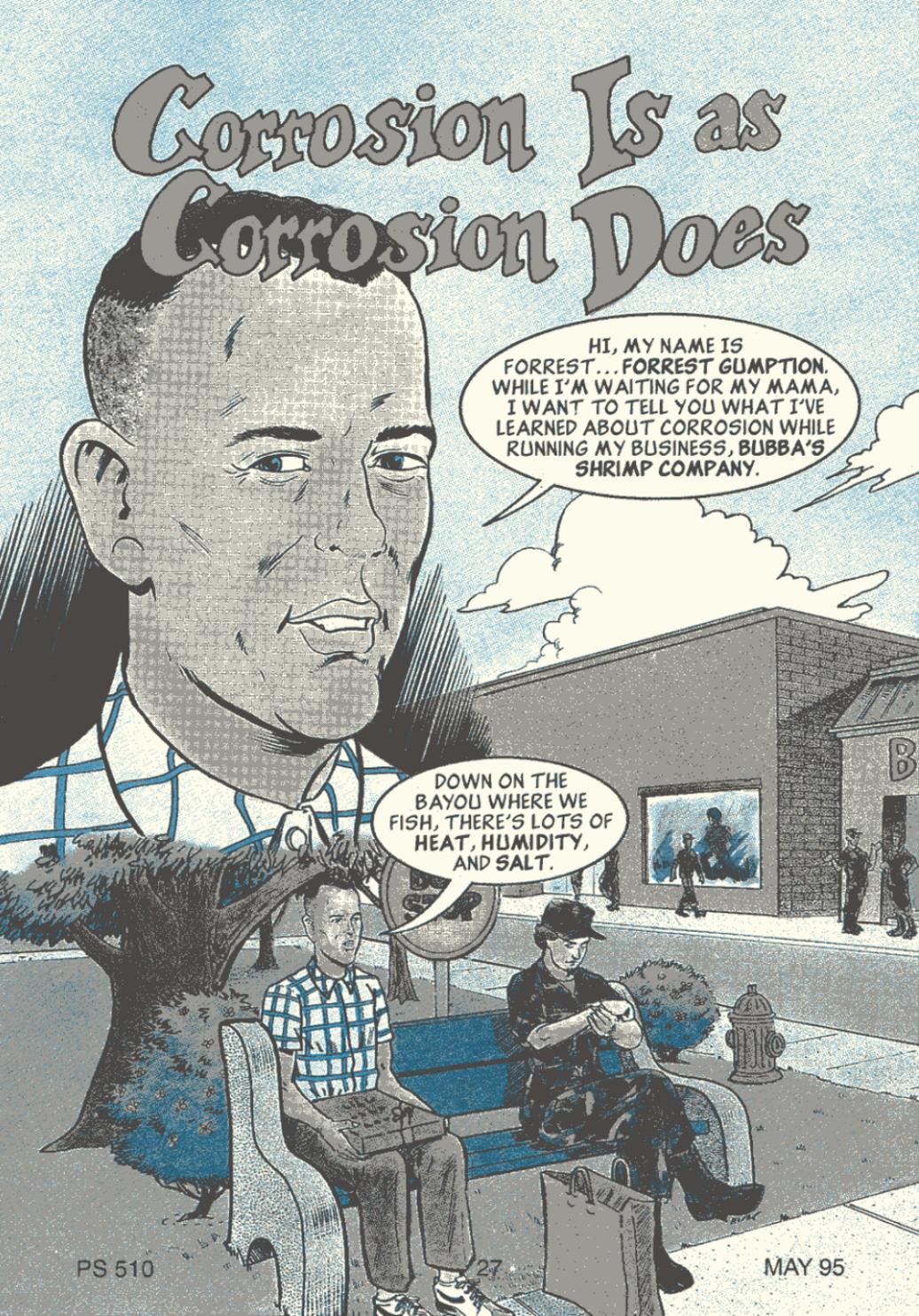


Corrosion Is as Corrosion Does



HI, MY NAME IS
FORREST... FORREST GUMPTON.
WHILE I'M WAITING FOR MY MAMA,
I WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT I'VE
LEARNED ABOUT CORROSION WHILE
RUNNING MY BUSINESS, BUBBA'S
SHRIMP COMPANY.

DOWN ON THE
BAYOU WHERE WE
FISH, THERE'S LOTS OF
HEAT, HUMIDITY,
AND SALT.



THOSE ARE CONDITIONS
THAT MAKE CORROSION SIT UP
AND TAKE NOTICE.



OUR FLEET WAS ABOUT TO BE
RUSTED OUT OF THE WATER. SO I DID
WHAT I ALWAYS DO WHEN I'VE GOT
PROBLEMS ... I ASKED MAMA.
SHE SAID, "FORREST ..."



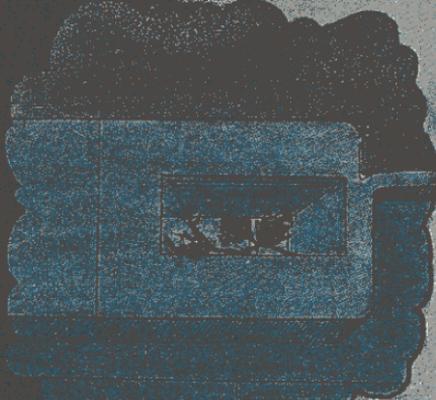
... CORROSION
IS AS
CORROSION
DOES. ANY TIME
WATER GETS
A CHANCE TO
COLLECT, IT'S
GOING TO
CAUSE
CORROSION.
SO YOU'VE
GOT TO STOP
IT FROM
COLLECTING.





MY
MAMA SAID...

"MOST EQUIPMENT HAS DRAIN HOLES THAT LET WATER DRAIN OUT. BUT THOSE DRAIN HOLES GET PLUGGED WITH DIRT AND LEAVES AND SUCH. AND THEN WATER CAN'T DRAIN AND YOU GET THAT COLLECTING PROBLEM."



"SO ONCE A MONTH AT LEAST, YOU NEED TO MAKE SURE THOSE DRAIN HOLES ARE CLEAR. REMOVE LEAVES. THEY REALLY CLOG THINGS, PLUS THEY ABSORB MOISTURE."



"STRAIGHTEN OUT A COAT HANGER AND RUN IT THROUGH THE DRAIN HOLES UNTIL YOU'RE SURE THEY'RE CLEAR."

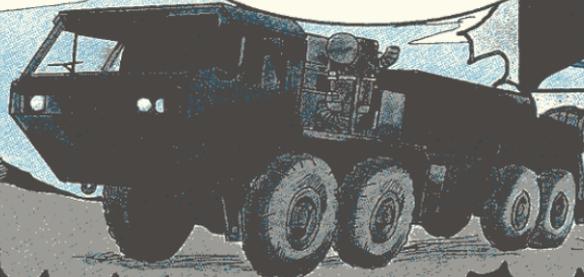


... AND ONE OTHER THING MY MAMA TOLD ME ...

WHAT'S THAT, FORREST?



"TRY TO PARK YOUR TRUCK AND OTHER STUFF ON A SLIGHT INCLINE. THAT HELPS WATER DRAIN BETTER."



YOU KNOW WHAT ELSE MY MAMA SAID? "DIRT AND GREASE CAN CAUSE A WORLD OF PROBLEMS, TOO. THEY ALSO HELP CORROSION GET A FOOTHOLD IN YOUR EQUIPMENT."



"SO YOU'VE GOT TO KEEP YOUR EQUIPMENT CLEAN."



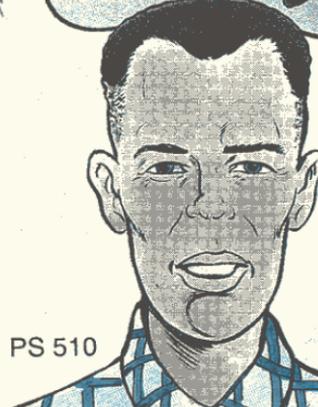
DOWN AT BUBBA'S, WE'VE FOUND A GOOD WATER HOSE AND A MILD DETERGENT WORKS WONDERS ON DIRT AND GREASE.



BUT MY MAMA SAID, "FORREST, ALWAYS STAY AWAY FROM STEAM CLEANERS. THEY TAKE OFF THAT PROTECTIVE COATING THE MANUFACTURER PUTS ON TO PREVENT RUST. IF THAT COATING GOES, SON, CORROSION COMES RIGHT BEHIND."



HEY, YOU CAN'T USE THAT!



WELL, WE DID WHAT MAMA TOLD US AND IT MADE A BIG DIFFERENCE AT BUBBA'S. YOU KNOW WHAT ELSE MY MAMA SAID?



I CAN'T IMAGINE, FORREST.



FORREST, CORROSION'S LIKE A COLD. NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY TO PREVENT IT, YOU'RE GOING TO GET ONE ONCE IN A WHILE.



SO AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH, WE GO OVER ALL OF OUR EQUIPMENT AND LOOK FOR RUST SPOTS. IF YOU CATCH CORROSION EARLY, YOU CAN KNOCK IT OUT 1-2-3.



ALL YOU GOTTA DO IS USE A WIRE BRUSH OR SANDPAPER TO RUB AND RUB UNTIL ALL THE CORROSION IS GONE.



ONCE YOU'RE DOWN TO CLEAN, BARE METAL, YOU CAN PAINT THE SPOT SO CORROSION WON'T COME BACK.



WHEN I WAS A SOLDIER, THE -20 MANUAL WAS A GOOD PLACE TO FIND INFO ON PAINTING.



DOWN AT BUBBA'S, WE'VE FOUND YOU SOMETIMES GOTTA LOOK WHERE YOU CAN'T SEE.

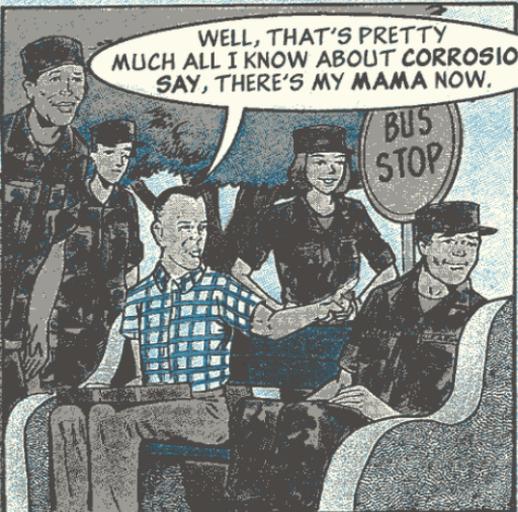
LIKE WHERE?

LIKE UNDER
BATTERIES IN
BATTERY BOXES.
BATTERY ACID
BOILS OUT AND
EATS AWAY
PAINT.

PRETTY SOON CORROSION'S
KICKED THE HECK OUT OF THE BATTERY BOX AND
STARTED WORK ON WHATEVER'S UNDERNEATH.
FIRST THING YOU KNOW, IT LOOKS LIKE A COTTON
FIELD AFTER BOLL WEEVILS HIT IT. SO EVERY THREE
MONTHS, WE PULL THE BATTERIES, CLEAN OUT ANY
RUST, AND PAINT THE BOXES. MY OLD LIEUTENANT—
HE WORKS WITH ME AT BUBBA'S— GIVES THE
BOXES A COATING OF RUST PROOFING,
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HE SAYS
THAT STUFF WORKS
WONDERS.

AND ON TRUCKS, WE
DROP THE SIDES ALONG THE
TRUCK BED EVERY FEW MONTHS.
THAT'S A FAVORITE PLACE FOR
CORROSION TO HIDE. YOU JUST
HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHERE
CORROSION COULD BE HIDING
— AND GO AFTER IT!



WELL, THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALL I KNOW ABOUT CORROSION. SAY, THERE'S MY MAMA NOW.



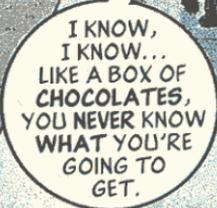
C'MON, FORREST. I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE OFFICE. I'M TEACHING A CORROSION CLASS TONIGHT.



WHY DO YOU SPEND SO MUCH TIME SITTING ON BENCHES TALKING TO PEOPLE? I JUST DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, FORREST.



WELL, LIFE'S LIKE A...



I KNOW, I KNOW... LIKE A BOX OF CHOCOLATES, YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET.