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I called my friend Fred Nelson and told him he was right on with his comment of two Fridays ago, concerning marijuana and its effects on the community, both in law enforcement and property damage. I will never agree with the legalization of marijuana just for the sake of the money that it will bring to the county or city budgets. I cannot see all these lawbreakers just turning into "Farmers" as those who favor the legalization say they will. As I've said before, I have no objection to legal marijuana for medical purposes, as I know how much it helped one of my best friends just before he passed away with major urinary tract problems. Of course, then, just like food stamps, or any other tradeable commodity, you have the crooks who abuse the system.//For a "harmless" drug, a lot of harmful stuff comes from the production and sales of marijuana. How many thefts and break-ins are attributed to people stealing marijuana from other people? How many accidents are caused by people driving while puffing on a joint, or just having puffed on one before they got in the car?//There sure are a lot of "bad guys" running around out there. I don't know what the percentage of bad guys to good guys is around here, but as I read the Times-Standard, and listen to the news on KINS in the morning, and listen to Brad Curtis in the afternoon and evening on Channel 3, it sure seems like there ~~are~~^{is} a huge bunch of shaved headed, tattoo necked good for nothings running around. Just drive anywhere in town and you see them everywhere. Not all of them are bad, of course, but how do ya tell? // What about the guy from the Willow Creek/Hoopa area who was a suspect in many breakins and burglaries. He tried to

get into the bank, and when that failed , he went to the casino, ~~was it?~~, and tried to get in through the ventillation. Too bad he didn't get stuck*. At a time when law enforcement, both sworn and civilian, are being let go and cut back, how are they going to keep up with all of these incidents of stolen vehicles, car chases, break-ins, killings, shootings, and other acts of violence? These guys and gals all have guns, it seems like, and that makes life much more treacherous. How does an officer know when he pulls a car over what to expect?*/ My wife and I celebrated our thirty-fifth annivesary this past weekend, as well as my seventy-ninth birthday. We celebrated at church, went to the hardware store (WHOOPEE!!) and had a quiet dinner at a local Chinese Restaurant. A nice way for an old couple to spend this special day!*As much as we need the rain,, I have sure been enjoying these warm days. It's nice to go outside without a jacket and deadhead roses, kill aphids and trim dead fronds from the ferns. We have three cats, plus a couple of neighbor's cats that hang out at our place, So I was surprised to find an un-marked, dead rat in my back yard. He had probably been poisoned somewhere and was looking for a place to die. Good thing the cats didn't try to eat him.

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