

Insurance Pay Plans For Vets Hit Large Snag

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Veterans administration has run into some problems in its plans to pay veterans a \$2,800,000,000 insurance dividend in order of their serial numbers.

Some World War II veterans, it develops, never had a serial number. Some had more than one. Of those with more than one serial number, some had more than one insurance policy.

The first two problems have been solved, with only one hitch: The veterans involved can't tell when they will receive their money. Officials are still trying to decide what to do about vets with multiple serial numbers and policies.

For most veterans, the checks will start going out in January, with precedence based on the last three digits of the insured person's serial number. The "000" group will be paid first; the "999" people last.

That won't apply to some 15,000 former Coast Guard officers who got along without serial numbers during the war. They will be assigned numbers arbitrarily from a series never used by any service. But they won't know what the numbers are until they get their checks.

Veterans who had more than one serial number—like enlisted men who later became officers—probably will be paid according to the highest number they had. The complications develop when such veterans had more than one policy. They will be paid according to one of their old serial numbers, but no one yet knows which one.

One other group of veterans may collect its dividends slightly off-schedule. It consists of those whose last names are more than 15 letters long, and wouldn't fit on the special tabulation cards.

Their applications will be processed by hand, and there is a chance they will be paid ahead of schedule.

For the bulk of the applicants, the first checks will start through the mail around the middle of next month, with the final payment coming in April, or possibly later.

GUILTY VERDICT

Albert Theodore Ullman, of Fairhaven, N. J., was found guilty on a charge of hitchhiking by a trial jury in justice court Friday, reported Justice of the Peace A. J. Geddes. He was given a \$10 suspended fine, the judge said.

Ullman was arrested by city police Thursday night, but was released upon posting of \$17 bail. He pleaded innocent.

Eugene Joseph Gallagher Dies At Home in Riddle

Eugene Joseph Gallagher, 63, died at his home at Riddle, Friday, Dec. 9, following a short illness. He was born Aug. 29, 1886, at Crossville, Penn., and was married to Myrtle Dayton at Medford, Jan. 21, 1918. Mr. Gallagher was employed by the Post-Office department as postal inspector for 31 years. He came to Oregon from Pennsylvania five years ago and since that time has made his home near Riddle. He was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic church of Roseburg.

Concert Pianist Hits Sour Note

Concert-Pianist Albert Thomas Ullmann struck a sour note in his recent brief appearance in Roseburg.

Police Chief Calvin H. Baird said today Ullmann had been stopped by city police for routine check when he was observed hitch hiking on Stephens street Thursday. When Ullmann became argumentative, to show identification or answer questions, he was booked in the city jail on a hitch hiking charge, Baird said.

At first, Ullmann claimed to be a lawyer, then later showed identification intended to prove he was a concert pianist representing the Schumann foundation of New York. He stated he had played a concert in Sheridan, Wyo., Nov. 28 before coming to Roseburg. A telephone check with Roseburg Veterans hospital officials verified his statement that he had performed there earlier Thursday night.

A trial before Justice of the Peace A. J. Geddes resulted in a suspended \$10 fine and a suggestion that he be on his way.

Joseph William Rosen Dies At Eugene Friday

Joseph William Rosen, 84, of Roseburg died in Eugene Dec. 9. He was born March 25, 1885, at Detroit, Mich., and married Helen Bowler at Tabor, Alberta, Canada May 11, 1912.

Surviving besides his widow are two sons, Joseph T. Rosen, Salem; and Kenneth W. Rosen, Coos Bay. He is also survived by one brother, three sisters and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Our Lady of the Mountain Catholic church, Ashland, Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 10 a. m., with Father Pius Baur officiating. Interment will follow in the Mountain View cemetery.

Lawmakers Split Over 1950 Budget

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sent from the government, the news that it will cost them a lot more dollars to let the Truman administration govern them.

Reed didn't say where he thinks federal spending should be cut, but a great many lawmakers have pounced on foreign outlays as a suitable item for budget cutting.

ECA impresses Thye

Thye told a reporter he is interested as anybody else in reducing spending. But he added that he is so impressed with the operations of the Economic Recovery Administration in Western Europe that he will hesitate to vote to reduce that fund below the figures to be recommended by ECA Director Paul G. Hoffman.

"I think we are near victory in the fight against Communism here," he said. "The people have a new confidence in the stability of their governments and a new determination to fight off Communism."

Banquet Audience Hears Speech By Show Official

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Introduced by George Routledge, manager of the rotary show, and Griffin, in turn, introduced county and city officials, show officers, and leading exhibitors. He also announced top prize awards.

During the banquet period, music was furnished by Dutch Mill entertainers, and two male quartets from the Roseburg chapter of the SPEBSQA entertaining with competitive and group numbers, and leading the crowd in popular songs.

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Following the brief program, the hall was cleared for a carnival dance, with "Stop The Music" prize features being presented at intervals.

Dick Firman presided over the dance, with music furnished by Jack Foster and his band.

Chinese Nationalists Lose Last Province

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seized for a time by the deserters. Eleven other planes also were seized at Kunming airport, but some later were permitted to leave.

Gen. Lung Yun, a former Yunnan governor and once friend—but now bitter foe—of Chiang was credited with the Yunnan coup. He is expected to reassume the governorship.

U. S. consul Larue Lutkins of Port Chester, N. Y., is in Kunming. He is trying to get to Hong Kong. (Presumably the message about the Nationalist defection came from him.)

The U. S. consulate here said it did not know the number of Americans in Kunming now.

International Rule Is Decreed For Jerusalem

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members stuck together to beat down attempts by opponents of U. N. rule to delay a decision until next year by calling for further study of the Jerusalem problem. The final vote for internationalization was 38 to 14, with seven countries abstaining.

The United States and Britain, supporting Israel throughout, were beaten on every project. Jordan had a voice in committee debate but no vote in the decision since Abdullah's application for U. N. membership has been vetoed by Russia.

The Soviet union and the Slav bloc voted down the line for international control. Yugoslavia voted against.



TOP GRIDMEN HONORED—Special achievement certificates went to five outstanding Roseburg Indian football players at the annual Lions club grid banquet held in the Umpqua hotel Thursday evening. The players in the top picture, left to right, were cited for the following achievements: Bill Van Horn, outstanding offensive back; Barry Kenny, outstanding defensive back; Chester Rows, outstanding defensive lineman; George Packard, most inspiring player; Don Parr, outstanding offensive lineman. In the lower picture, Bill Van Horn receives the outstanding player trophy from Dr. Bruce Hetrick, on behalf of the Lions. The trophy will be placed on display in the Roseburg high school trophy case. The achievement certificates have been an annual affair since 1945, and are awarded by Abe and I. J. Bean, Roseburg sports enthusiasts. (Staff photos)

Australians Oust Labor Government In Election

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hearing the New Zealand results last week:

"The socialists were brought to power in New Zealand, Australia and Great Britain in that order. This dramatic result seems a happy omen that they will go out in the same order."

Great Britain must hold general elections before next July. Labor had been in the saddle 14 years in New Zealand, eight years in Australia. It has been in power in Britain since 1945.

The best-informed political observers expressed belief that Australians are tired of controls and the trend toward more socialization, tired of rising prices—which may or may not have been the fault of the government.

A record number voted—5,000,000 men and women.

Menzies Takes Post

Now Menzies will succeed labor's leader, Prime Minister J. B. Chifley. Chifley made no personal concession of defeat, but issued this statement:

"On behalf of the Australian labor party, I thank all those electors who voted for our candidates for the senate and the house of representatives. I congratulate my colleagues on their splendid efforts. To hundreds of thousands

Farmer Credited With Preventing Train Crash

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 10—(AP)—A farmer, W. C. Peters of Istachatta, is credited with preventing a serious wreck by flagging down the Atlantic coast line's crack passenger train, the Southland, just short of a huge log atwart the track.

A member of the train crew said "it would have scattered the Southland all over the woods" if it had struck the log.

Peters saw the log roll from a timber train on an adjoining track. He said he knew the Southland was due shortly, and ran several hundred yards to warn it in time.

Istachatta is about 40 miles north of Tampa.

Mailing Room Employees End Day Wildcat Strike

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 10—(AP)—Mailing room employees of the Courier-Journal and Louisville Times ended a one-day wildcat strike last night and returned to their jobs today.

The newspapers said they accepted a request for settlement from the Independent International Malters union and signed a contract calling for management.

A \$2.50 weekly wage increase was included, giving the malters \$74.50. They had asked for \$11.65 more money for day workers and slightly more for night workers.

Army Sergeant Trapped In Fireworks Explosion

TURRELL, Ark., Dec. 10—(AP)—A 26-year-old army sergeant, trapped in a small service station, was killed yesterday when stacks of Christmas fireworks ignited and blasted the room with flaming explosions.

Maurice E. Mims of Clanton, Ala., died as he crouched in a corner in an effort to shield himself from the fury of exploding rockets, firecrackers and roman candles.

His cousin, William E. Clackley, 23, also of Clanton, escaped by plunging through a glass door. The operator of the service station, Ed Haskett, followed Clackley to safety.

Daughter Born—Mr. and Mrs. William Brownfield of Drain, are parents of a daughter, Teresa Ann, born Dec. 2 at the Booher Maternity home near Drain. The baby weighed seven pounds four ounces and a half ounces.

Parents of Son—A son, Larry Wayne, was born Dec. 5 at the Booher Maternity home near Drain to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bean, Jr., of Yoncalla. The baby weighed nine pounds four ounces.

Go To Game—Among Roseburg residents attending the Roseburg-Cottage Grove basketball game Friday night were Verne Tozer, his daughter, Donna Tozer, Peggy Knight, Noreen Allen, Janet Foster, Dorothy Casey and Willa Wilshire.

Claim Made Russia Got Heavy Water

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basis of Mr. Mitchell's remarks, but I can say that at no time during his service in the department did he have access to atomic energy information."

As for the shipments to Russia, Lt. Gen. Leslie Groves, who headed the wartime A-bomb project and who testified before the House committee this week, said last night that the House group should press its probe, because "we must know why and who was responsible" for any leakage of secret data.

The retired general told the National Association of Manufacturers in New York that Americans should assume Russia has the atomic bomb—and should consider the possible consequences. That for the first time in history, we may be threatened with "complete annihilation."

The House committee started looking into atomic shipments to Russia more than a year ago. Its information indicates that:

The first shipment was 420 pounds of compounds the Russians got from an American company, under official U. S. government permission.

The second was the 1,000 pounds about which the committee wants to ask Boris Pregel, head of the supplying company, the Canadian Radium and Uranium corporation of New York City.

The third was some two pounds of impure uranium metal.

All these were in 1943. Evidence of a shipment of heavy water turned up in old lend-lease records supplied the committee by the state department.

43-Pound Turkey Wins Grand Champion Honors

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Roseburg show each year. Champions and special prize winners follow.

Live Division

Champion young bronze hen—Lyons Triple B, Portland, 19 1/2 lbs.; champion young bronze tom—Guy Lovelace Turkey farm, Dinuba, Calif., 24 1/2 lbs.; champion old bronze hen—Guy Lovelace; champion old bronze tom—Lyons Triple B.

Champion young tom, other than bronze—McWowell Turkey farm, Sherwood, 18 lbs.; champion young hen, other than bronze—Mr. and Mrs. George Arnett, Shedd, 17 1/2 lbs.; champion adult hen, other than bronze—Mr. and Mrs. George Arnett, 22 lbs.; champion adult tom, other than bronze—Mary Makinson, Roseburg, 18 1/2 lbs.

All breeds champion old tom—Lyons Triple B; all breeds champion old hen—Guy Lovelace.

Breeders display—Guy Lovelace, 1st; Lyons Triple B, 2nd.

Dressed Division

Sweepstakes display—Wheeler-Pearson hatchery, 637 points; Lyons Triple B, 580 points; Loren Johnson, Aumsville, 252 points.

Champion young bronze hen—Wheeler-Pearson, 21 1/2 lbs.; champion young bronze tom—Wheeler-Pearson, 33 lbs. Champion young hen, other than bronze—Mr. and Mrs. George Arnett, 15 1/2 lbs.; champion young tom, other than bronze—McDowell Turkey farm, 18 lbs.

All breeds, champion young hen—Wheeler-Pearson, 21 1/2 lbs.; champion old hen—Lyons Triple B, 25 1/2 lbs.; all breeds, champion old tom—Loren A. Johnson, 43 1/2 lbs.

Specials

Distance prize—Guy Lovelace Turkey farm, Dinuba, Calif.

Heaviest bird in show—Loren Johnson, 48 1/2 lbs., broad breast tom.

BODY RECOVERED

COOS BAY, Ore., Dec. 10—(AP)—The body of Carl Lane, 33, who was tossed from his tug into the bay two weeks ago, was recovered late yesterday.

The body was found floating in Upper Coos river about 700 feet from where the tug skipper disappeared into the water.

The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon

Partly cloudy with scattered showers today, clearing tonight, increasing cloudiness Sunday.

Highest temp. for any Dec. ... 70
Lowest temp. for any Dec. ... 5
Highest temp. yesterday ... 43
Lowest temp. last 24 hrs. ... 33
Precipitation last 24 hrs. ... 36
Precipitation from Dec. 1 ... 1.42
Precipitation from Sept. 1 ... 9.06
Deficiency from Dec. 118

Christmas Comes Early To Burned Out Family

WASHINGTON, C.H., O., Dec. 10—(AP)—The Bob Riley family had a Christmas after all—and a couple weeks early at that.

Sunday night, their small home eight miles southeast of here was burned to the ground. With it went all their personal possessions.

The holiday season looked pretty bleak for Mr. and Mrs. Riley and their 16-year-old son, Robert, Jr. But that was before their neighbors got on the telephone.

One phone call led to another. Almost before they knew it, the rural church in which the neighbors planned to hold a "shower" for the family was too small. So, yesterday, an estimated 200 persons gathered in the nearby Good Hope town hall.

They all came bearing gifts—canned foods, kitchenware, linens, a set of silver. There was some much-needed cash, too.

The Rileys had nothing to say; they were much too happy.

Said Riley's brother, Maily, with whom the family has stayed since the fire:

"You just can't realize what this means to Bob."

Gollum Held On Charge Of Interstate Auto Theft

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 10—(AP)—George "Bud" Gollum is being held on a charge of interstate auto theft, the Federal Bureau of Investigation announced last night.

Gollum identified himself to U. S. Commissioner Harry H. Hinson in Greenville, S. C., as co-defendant with Beulah Overell in a sensational California trial following the death of her parents.

The Overells died in an explosion aboard their yacht near Santa Ana, Calif., March 15, 1947. The young heiress and Gollum, her fiancé, were charged with murder but were subsequently acquitted. Their engagement was broken shortly after.

Ed Mason, special agent in charge of the Savannah FBI office, said Gollum was arrested Thursday in Greenville, S. C., on the auto theft charge.

The 23-year-old Gollum is being held in the Greenville jail, Mason said.

The University of Chicago Roundtable has been on the air since February, 1931.

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