

Oregon Veterans Receive \$50 Million in VA Benefits

Veterans' benefits distributed through the Oregon regional office of the Veterans Administration during 1947 totaled a major financial sum involving nearly \$50,000,000 in federal funds covering more than a half-million checks.

Thomas M. Craig, VA contact representative here, made this statement Wednesday in summarizing statewide activities of the federal agency in disability compensation, GI education, rehabilitation of the disabled, outpatient medical and dental care, readjustment allow-

ances, GI loan guaranty and contact and adjustment services.

In Oregon 17 contact units handled 287,604 requests for information and aid, and noted that education and insurance were the most frequent types.

At year's end, 22,512 veterans were on the disability compensation rolls, while nearly 3800 monthly checks were going out from the VA's Northwest office in Seattle to widows and orphans.

Ex-GIs in school or job training totaled 24,022 in December. Among

these, 21,329 were studying under the GI bill and 2893 under Public Law 16 for the disabled.

All-time peaks were reached by Oregon schools in November, when 30,853 veterans were enrolled and for on-the-job training last January when 6724 were getting VA support and subsistence.

The VA's outpatient medical services included 53,513 examinations and 24,419 treatments last year. In addition, 10,572 dental examinations and 8,329 dental treatments were authorized. One hundred one cars were purchased for leg-amputee veterans.

Readjustment allowances, the GI bill's provision for the unemployed, amounted to \$7,487,718 last year in Oregon. This fund was distributed locally through the state unemployment compensation commission to an average of more than 3700 jobless ex-GIs per week and over 1330 self-employed per month.

GI loans were approved for 4750 veterans, involving nearly \$25,000,000 for purchase of homes, farms or businesses. Private firms made the loans and the VA backed them up with guarantees averaging about 48 per cent.

More than 13,000 Oregon veterans reinstated nearly \$9,000,000 worth of National Service Life insurance in 1947. The Northwest insurance office reported.

Veterans' hospitals not counted as regional office operations, listed 11,074 patients during the year in Oregon area. These included Portland, Roseburg and Barnes VA hospitals, the latter located in Vancouver, Wash., but administered from Portland until late October.

Rev. R. Warren Speaks to PTA Meeting Here

By Gertrude E. Pearson

CEDAR MILL—An opening sing-along led by the lyric soprano, Mary Elizabeth "Speakeasy" Leuthold at the piano, lent a friendly atmosphere to the P-T-A meeting Thursday evening at the schoolhouse. After a series of songs, the singers concluded with "Faith of Our Fathers" to tie in with the theme of the speaker of the evening, Rev. Robert L. Warren, pastor of the Methodist church in Hillsboro. His subject "Faith, Hope and Inspiration Through Religion" was chosen to harmonize with the P-T-A objective to study mental hygiene. He pointed out that without religion one is more likely to be subject to mental and social ailments. At the close of his lecture, Mrs. Speakman entertained with three solos including "Sweetheart," "Song of Love" and "Las Altinitas."

Regular business was transacted with a report being given by Mrs. L. S. Uppenberg on the pre-school study club meetings which she said would heretofore be held on the first Monday of each month. Mrs. F. W. Merewether will be hostess for February. Room count was won by the first and second graders.

Pre-School Clinic Planned

Mrs. C. A. Herson announced the county clinic meeting to be held at Bonny Slope school February 10 with a luncheon. She also stated that the date for the pre-school clinic is set for March 2 at the schoolhouse. A free pre-school clinic may be arranged if at least 10 parents will assure regular attendance of their children. This service includes examinations, medical advice, vaccines, etc., with monthly check-ups for babies less than a year and periodical examinations of older pre-school children.

Public Luncheons Announced

Public luncheons open to the public were announced. Four luncheon meetings will be held during February with authoritative out-of-town guest speakers. Mrs. Henson will furnish additional information to those interested. Refreshments were served to the small attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Maxwell Stevens and small son, Michael, motored to Vancouver, B. C., to spend last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sibbett. Mr. Sibbett is an uncle to Mrs. Stevens. They were accompanied by Mrs. N. T. Stevens, who remained at Vancouver to visit her sister Mrs. J. E. Woodell, and family.

Bronchial and influenza ailments have been prevalent in the area. Spending an eight-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Henson, last week was Pfc. Kenneth Henson. He has recently completed an automotive mechanics course at Camp Conely in Atlanta, Georgia. His basic training had been received at Fort Ord, Ores., duty with Okinawa as a most likely destination is now expected by him.

Guests of Mrs. Louis Stark Saturday included Mr. and Mrs. Olson Dix and Mrs. Lucy Lane of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Van Appen of Grays Harbor, Wash. Mrs. Dix is a cousin to Mrs. Stark.

Mrs. Margaret Struove, principal of the Cedar Mill school, has been hospitalized at Portland Sanatorium since last Monday evening.

Hosted at a pink and blue shower Friday evening, January 18, was Mrs. Hubert May with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Howard May, as guest of honor. She was the recipient of many lovely gifts.

Contest to Be Held Again

The clubs decided to sponsor the county-wide safety speech contest again this year. It will be held at the county court house during 4-H club week in March.

Both clubs took part in the exhibit of safety improvements held last Wednesday. Fourteen exhibits were displayed. A demonstration on safety with small tools was given by Bob and Bert Yungen, and making homemade first aid kit was demonstrated by Chuck and Sally Hornecker. Jim Foerster played a trumpet solo and the Safety Songster trio, Darlene Dapp, Sally Hornecker and Barbara Dapp sang. Next meeting will be held February 25 at the George Foerster home.

A party was held for the young people of Helvetia last Friday night at the home of Harold McCuen.

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Two Quartets Enter Contest

The Portland Police quartet is the first to complete entry requirements for the second annual All-Northwest Barber Shop Ballad contest to be held February 13 in Forest Grove.

The foursome, which entered the event a year ago, sings in early uniforms of the department. In the quartet are Paul Boekel, lead, Beryle Shaylor, tenor; Wayne Sullivan, baritone; Floyd Trimble, bass.

Second to complete entry requirements is the Four Flats quartet. Pacific college, Newberg. The Four Flats won first place last spring. The contest is wide open, says Ray Haas, general chairman. Details and entry blanks may be obtained by writing the Forest Grove Gleeman.

Post Office Eligible For Higher Rating

Eligibility of the Sherwood post office for first class rating at the beginning of the next fiscal year was established last week when records showed postal receipts for 1947 reached \$40,000.43.

The new total is an increase of 162 per cent over the 1946 figure of \$13,282.25, according to Acting Postmaster Loyal E. Smith.

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By Mrs. Edna Grant

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Mrs. McMinn of Portland, who has the intermediate Sunday school class at Witch Hazel, apologized for the early hour of 8:30 a. m., instead of the usual 4 p. m., on the mornings of Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at which time she must now give her Bible stories over station KWJJ. The reason for the change is because of the large expansion in this station. The broadcast is now coming from the new station and Mrs. McMinn urges children of pre-school age to listen in on Mondays and Wednesdays and older children on Saturdays.

Gredvigs Have Eastern Visitors

By LaVonne Heimburger

CEDAR MILL—Miss Arlene McFarren and Lorraine Gaylard of Park Rapids, Minn., visited the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Gredvig.

Miss Darlene Kluger and Buddy Sunday spent the week-end in St. Johns at the home of their grandmother.

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Hiteon Club Slates Meeting February 4

By Mrs. Cora Metzger

HITEON—Hiteon club will meet with Zell Strubbers at Claba, February 4. Mrs. Mary Miller is joint hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lyda and daughter of Sweet Home, were guests at the Metzger home Saturday.

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