

VETERANS' GUIDE
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WASHINGTON, Mar. 29—(Special)—To qualify for a monthly guaranty of \$100 as a self-employed veteran, you've got to be able to show you're independently engaged in your own business.

The regulations say you must be a self-employed veteran, you've got to be able to show you're independently engaged in your own business.

What further makes you eligible? Well, you must have been in active service for at least ninety days (part of which was after 16 September 1940). If you were separated because of the disability incurred in line of duty, you don't need the full ninety days service.

The only other requirement is that you "shall have been discharged or released from active service under conditions other than dishonorable."

Similar eligibility rules apply for ex-service people who aren't working for themselves, but who have worked for others and are now out of a job.

I've already mentioned this provision in a previous column. But it's so important that it will bear further notice.

Joe is always a good name to call a fellow without naming real names. So let me tell you about a guy named Joe, a veteran who thought he was smart.

He had work, but he heard about the GI Bill's provisions for unemployment pay. Thinking he'd cut in on the gravy, he laid down on the job. Loafed whenever he pleased, which was constantly, and spent much time in the wash room.

"Joe, you've lost interest," his foreman told him. "What's eating you?"

"Oh, nothing," Joe answered indifferently; then added, "Don't like the work."

"How come you've suddenly changed?"

"Never did like it," Joe said. "Well," the foreman warned, "you better get busy—and like it."

So Joe stayed, but he didn't get busy.

The next Tuesday, he was out. But he sauntered around to the United States Employment office to put in a claim for unemployment pay. Wasn't he an ex-service man? The country owed him twenty bucks a week for a living.

He didn't get the living. There was no gravy. His claim wasn't accepted for that week nor for four following weeks. And he didn't take a job the USES told him about—even failed to go around to the employer to see about it.

Joe woke up after a while. He'd learned that the GI Bill hadn't created a twenty dollar a week hand-out for loafers.

The GI Bill has a disqualifying section which says a veteran can't leave suitable work without good cause. He's also out of luck for unemployment pay if he's discharged for misconduct, or if he fails to apply for or to accept suitable work offered by a public employment agency, or if he is without work and doesn't attend an available free training course.

(From (A) Newsfeatures).

IN THE... Nation's Service

George Boyd Killed on Iwo Jima

MONMOUTH, March 29—PFC George Boyd, 20, U.S. marine corps, was killed in action February 23 on Iwo Jima, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude H. Boyd, have been notified by the navy department.

Born in Arkansas, he had spent most of his life in Tucson, Ariz., and came with the family to Oregon a few years ago. He was graduated from Monmouth high school in 1942 and enlisted in September, 1943. He was a member of the Bazooka unit, fifth battalion, 28th division of marines.

Survivors are the parents; two brothers, Jack Boyd, U.S. navy, whose wife, Judy Boyd, lives in Salem; Lt. Claude H. Boyd, Jr., army air corps instructor at Walker army airfield, Kansas. Mrs. Claude H. Boyd, Jr. is the former Shirley Dickson who lived in West Salem before her marriage.

Clare Jarvis Home From War in Pacific

A Salem marine, Capt. Clare H. Jarvis, Jr., 3615 La Branche st., is home on leave after 49 bombing and strafing missions in the Pacific. He logged 135 combat hours as a pilot with a fourth marine air wing fighter-bomber



Capt. Clare H. Jarvis, Jr.

squadron which holds the single-engine record for carrying a heavy bomb load the greatest distance—a 380 mile hop from Tarawa to Nauru, a Jap base west of the Gilberts.

Operating from Midway and the Marshalls, Captain Jarvis helped to blast ground installations on the bypassed atolls of Wotje, Mili, Maloelap and Jaluit. He is credited with scoring a direct hit on an important communications center on one strike.

The marine flier participated in a raid against the former seat of government in the Marshalls, Jabotown on Jaluit, during which the 22 planes in his squadron—each carrying three bombs—dropped all 66 squarely on the target.

Captain Jarvis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clare H. Jarvis of the Salem address. Prior to entering flight training in October, 1941, he was employed in Kodiak, Alaska. He was commissioned in March, 1943. His wife, the former Margaret Tar, is at present living in Beverly Hills, Calif.

S. Sgt. Raymond Yocum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray A. Yocum, is home on a two-weeks furlough from Gore Field at Great Falls, Mont.

Col. Schermacher Quartermaster of Victory Division

WITH THE 24th INFANTRY (Victory) Division in the Philippines—(Special)—Lt. Col. A. W. Schermacher, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Schermacher, Turner, Ore., has joined this crack Victory division as its quartermaster.

Thus under his supervision comes the task of furnishing vital materials and supplies to one of the Pacific's hardest hitting combat outfits, conquerors of Hollandia and the Leyte valley, participant in assaults at Biak, Subic Bay, Corrigedor, Mindoro and many smaller operations.

Colonel Schermacher is a professional soldier, having graduated from West Point in 1928 where he was on the football squad. He served a three-year hitch in the Hawaiian Islands from 1928 until 1931, then at various posts within the continental United States until he came overseas seven months ago to join an army headquarters.

Mrs. Schermacher and their two children live in Crawford, Neb.

Gordon King Is Awarded Air Medal

Lt. Gordon King, pilot on a B-25, has been awarded the Air Medal in recognition of courageous service to his combat organization while participating in aerial flights in the southwest Pacific areas from October 3 to Dec. 25, 1944. These flights included bombing missions against enemy installations.

Lieutenant King is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. King, 1770 South



Lt. Gordon King

Liberty st., and was employed at Ladd and Bush bank before he enlisted in March, 1943. He went overseas in September, 1944. His wife, the former Elvina Kasberg, and their son, Johnnie, live at 340 East Wilson st.

Two other sons of the Kings, Cpl. Thomas King, U. S. marine corps, and Pvt. Robert King with company B of the 41st division, each served 31 months in the southwest Pacific. Robert has recently been home and is now at Fort Scott, Calif. Thomas was on a cruiser just outside of Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941. He went all through the campaign in the south Pacific and returned to the states after Tarawa. An instructor now at Camp Pendleton, he and his wife have been here this week while he was on furlough. They returned today to visit with her family at San Rafael, Calif.

Mrs. Rex Ohmart Joins Husband in San Diego Area

Mrs. Rex Ohmart and 13-month-old son, Douglas Paul, have gone to San Diego to be near Ph. M. 2/c Rex Ohmart who now is stationed at the Marine air corps depot at Miramar after long service overseas.

Ohmart was in Salem last month on leave and saw his son for the first time. The marine entered the service with Vernon Bell, both leaving positions at the Ladd & Bush bank, soon after Pearl Harbor, and the two have been together ever since. Bell, too, now is at Miramar.

The Ohmarts except to reside in the San Diego area for several months.

Wicke on Furlough

Pfc. David J. Wicke, son of Mrs. Mary Bowers, route three, box 714-E, Salem, has arrived in the United States on furlough from the Pacific theatre of operations where he served 36 months with the infantry.

Mid-Valley Men Wounded

Pfc. Ralph F. Dungey, son of Nellie M. Dungey, route one, Gervais, and Lt. Richard A. Howard, whose wife Hazel V. Howard, resides at 2016 Lee st., Salem, have been wounded in action in the European theatre of operations the war department announced this morning.

German Prisoner



Lt. Christenson Gets Respite From Service Overseas

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — (Special)—Lt. Harvey B. Christenson, 26, of route 7, box 139, Salem, Ore., is temporarily at Mar Monte Hotel section of the army ground and service forces redistribution station here, awaiting assignment following his return from 35 months overseas.

The Salem veteran served as a platoon leader in an anti-tank company in Australia, New Guinea, Netherland East Indies and the Philippines.

Prior to entry into the service September 16, 1940, Lieutenant Christenson was employed by the H. L. Stiff Furniture company in Silverton, Ore. He is a graduate of the Silverton high school, class of '39.

V. Hart Home From Service in Iceland

GERVAIS — T. Sgt. Vincent Hart is at the home of his mother, Mrs. Grace Hart, after more than a year in service in Iceland. He says there was plenty to do there in servicing bombers and fighting aircraft.

Merchant Mariner Home From South Pacific Theatre

GERVAIS — Richard James Wickizer, S 1/c, of the merchant marine is at the home of his parents where he arrived last week from the south Pacific theatre of war. He has made three trips over there and says it is no picnic the boys are having in the conflict with the Japs. His ship carried supplies to Saipan and other outposts of occupation.

CAMP ROBERTS, Calif.—Promotion of Louis L. Osborn, Jr., of Salem to technical sergeant has been announced at this infantry replacement training center.

Sergeant Osborn is assigned to Company C, 81st battalion where

he is serving as platoon sergeant and instructor.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Osborn, and his sisters, Ellene and Betty, reside at 682 North 14th st., Salem.

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PFC Paul A. Pettit, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. David F. Furlough, 2090 South Church st., was killed in action March 9 on Iwo Jima. Private First Class Pettit was a member of Marine post 661, Veterans of Foreign Wars. A native of Salem, he had attended Salem public schools, leaving Salem high school Nov. 16, 1943, during his junior year to join the marines.

POLK STATION — Cpl. Emerson Reiber of the U. S. marines spent five hours with his home folks, the F. M. Reibers and the Fred Reibers, on Thursday. Corporal Reiber is an airplane mechanic stationed at San Diego. He flew up to Klamath Falls on official business that day, and finding himself with a few hours unexpected liberty he hitch-hiked here, arriving around 6 o'clock that evening. By taking the 11:21 bus from Salem that evening he was able to get to the plane for the early takeoff Friday morning.

Private G. R. Reiber of a glider infantry unit, another son of the F. M. Reibers, who was wounded in battle in Belgium, is recovering nicely from a broken jaw and wounded arm. He is in a U. S. hospital in England, where he was flown soon after the injury. Private Reiber has been awarded the Purple Heart.

Private Melvin LeRoy Hilliker, son of Mrs. L. M. Hilliker of route four, Salem, has been assigned to active duty. He left Thursday for the marine base at San Diego, Calif., to start his eight weeks of basic training.

Private Hilliker enlisted in the leathernecks in November, 1944, and was assigned to inactive duty. Since enlistment he has continued his studies at Salem high school until he received his orders this week.

Eugene F. Walters, baker 3/c, and wife, Virginia Beach, Va., who have been visiting in Salem during Walter's 15-day leave, have returned to a naval base. While in Salem they were the guests of Mrs. Walters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hall of 1511 North Church st.

PORTLAND—(Special)—George W. Croisan, Jr., 17, of 255 North 14th st., Salem, has been placed on inactive duty status following enlistment in the coastguard and will be called shortly to report for basic training at Alameda, Calif. He was active in basketball and baseball at Sacred Heart high school and also attended Salem high. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. George W. Croisan.



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Capt. Benjamin Frank Arrives in Europe

MONMOUTH — Word has been received by Mrs. Benjamin Frank of the safe arrival of her husband Capt. Benjamin H. Frank in Europe. Captain Frank is with the quartermaster corps. He was stationed at Camp Adair from June 1942, until January of this year. He was made port quartermaster within the past year at camp. He has just finished his twenty-fourth year in the service. His previous stations have been in Kansas, Iowa, Pennsylvania and Hawaii. Mrs. Frank and family are remaining in Monmouth until his return to the states.

First Bath Enjoyed

GERVAIS — Andrew Jensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jensen, is with the first army in Germany. He writes he had a break the other day in that he had his first real bath in nine months; and then to make his day complete he got hold of some eggs, milk and parsnips and had a really good meal.

Robert Burke, RT 2/c, who spent a brief leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burke, following completion of training at Chicago, left Wednesday for California where he expects to receive a new assignment.

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