

Vets' Mail Bag

As a service to veterans in the community, this newspaper will publish a weekly column of questions most frequently asked contact men of the Veterans Administration in this area. For more detailed information, veterans should contact or write to the nearest VA contact unit at 1019 SW 10th Ave., Portland, Oregon

LUMP SUM SETTLEMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSURANCE

Veterans who objected to National Service life insurance because their beneficiaries could not obtain lump-sum settlements may now choose from several types of payments, the Veterans Administration explained today.

The new insurance law provides for optional settlements including lump-sum payment. Under the original law, the only settlements authorized were monthly income or annuity payments.

Any veteran who wishes to change the type of settlement on his policy should contact the VA immediately. If no change is requested payment will be in 36 equal installments.

VETERAN'S BUSINESS HUMMING

When most business men get stung on a business deal, they don't brag about it, but Morris W. McKnight, former Navy yeoman, gets stung sometimes 10 or 15 times a day, and to him it's just part of the job.

McKnight who lives in Seattle, Washington, made use of his GI loan privilege and bought a part interest in the bee business—a honey of a business.

He has 240 colonies in his apiary, and each colony includes some hundreds of thousands of bees. McKnight has never gotten around to taking inventory—too bee-zy.

While the main crop is honey, McKnight's bees do double duty. In the spring, he will rent his bees out to orchardists to pollinate fruit blossoms.

EARNING REPORTS OVERDUE
No subsistence check in December is the bad news for veterans in training under the G.I. Bill who neglected to mail in their "Trainee Report of Earnings" slip by November 5, the VA warned today.

Many veterans, however, who will receive their first subsistence checks from the VA this month have not had the opportunity to report so will not be penalized if they immediately return the reporting slip which will be enclosed with their first check.

The VA emphasized that these reports are due only from veterans who are drawing subsistence under the G.I. Bill.

Disabled veterans receiving vocational rehabilitation under Public Law 16 are not affected by the regulation and are not required to report their earnings.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Q. I am a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy. At present I am living in Canada. Am I entitled to readjustment allowance?

A. No. Residence in the United States, its territories or possessions is a definite eligibility requirement for readjustment allowances.

Q. Are monthly payments on my G. I. loan applied first to the guaranteed portion or to the unguaranteed portion of my loan?

A. The amount of guaranty decreases pro rata with any decrease in the unpaid balance of the loan. In other words, as periodical payments are received and credited so as to reduce the loan balance a proportionate reduction takes place in the amount guaranteed.

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Events in Oregon

GROWING VOLUME ADDS POSTAL RATE

Forest Grove—A growing volume of business at the Forest Grove post office has necessitated addition of another city route, bringing the number to four.

The new route covers the business section of town and A street S. This route man also handles city parcel post deliveries. Other routes have been adjusted for the addition.

PUD LOSES IN DECISIVE TEST HERE

Seaside—The proposed people's utility district lost by a vote of more than four to one in the Seaside district according to a tabulation made last Wednesday. The total vote was, for 322, to 1426 against.

The proposal failed to carry in a single ward or precinct. At the last PUD election the proposal was defeated in all Seaside wards except No. 4. That ward returned a heavy majority against the measure at the election Tuesday.

BUILDING TOTAL HITS \$642,974 FOR HILLSBORO

Hillsboro—City of Hillsboro building, on the rebound after a third quarter slump, has reached \$642,974 on estimated construction for 1946 with the addition of \$69,100 on 21 building permits during October, according to figures released by City Recorder Ed M. Bowman.

The building totals, already at a record high, were augmented by 12 new residences during the past month to reach 76 for the year. Only April with 13 new homes has been higher. April was also record single month on building for Hillsboro with \$137,220 on 29 permits.

October permits were close to the figure for the entire third quarter—July, August, September—which was \$87,181 and 16 new homes.

SKI THRONGS INVADE MT. HOOD

GRESHAM—The vanguard—5,000 strong—of the thousands of skiers who will flock to the Mt. Hood winter playland during the winter months passed through here over the weekend.

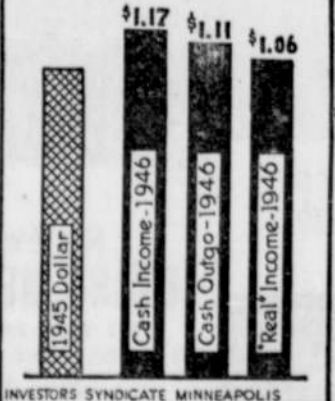
Heavy snows blanketed Mount Hood and the lower reaches to provide excellent skiing for the Saturday and Sunday throngs.

Ski traffic on the mountain last year was heavy, but it is expected to surpass all previous records this year. Many new facilities have been added.

New York City's subway trains are scheduled to average 25 miles an hour as expresses and 15 miles an hour as locals. Actual running speed is from 45 to 50 miles an hour.

American 'Real Income' In August Up 6 Cents On \$1 From Year Ago

PURCHASING POWER AUG 1945 vs AUG 1946



THE above chart, showing how the average American fared in national income changes in the last twelve months, is based on the monthly consumers' study of Investors Syndicate of Minneapolis. The American public in August had a "real income" of \$1.06, or 6 cents on the dollar more than in August, 1945. This "real income" is not a subtraction of cash income and expenditures but an average relative of these figures designed to show how living costs affect adjusted income dollars.

Cash income of the American public in August was \$1.17 for every \$1 a year earlier. The following changes per dollar were: wages up 5 cents, salaries up 3 cents on the \$1.00; investment income at \$1.19 was up 19 cents and other income at \$1.14 was up 14 cents. Rents in August were unchanged compared with a year ago. Food was up 22 cents, clothing up 9 cents and miscellaneous items up 11 cents.

THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

OUT OF THE WOODS BY JIM STEVENS

The Decay of Lying . . .
Rain was drumming hard on the windows of the Polewater Fire hall. Thoughtful Bill Haggerty, dean of fire wardens, had his worries about hunters in the woods, put on the shelf for the day. He was at his ease, with a fire popping in the stove, his pipe fogging, and something readable under his nose.

"What I have here is an item printed a hundred years ago," said Thoughtful Bill. "Yes, sir, an 1846 number of Davy Crockett's Almanac. I could guess it was brought over the Oregon Trail by wagon train. Come to hand with a trunk of other stuff not as old that I bid in at an auction sale on a pioneer place down the valley. I brought it to the fire hall to show you. You maybe know that the tall tales of Davy Crockett were told through the woods long before any were told about Paul Bunyan."

I said, yes; as far as I knew, Davy Crockett was the granddaddy of all the ring-tailed roarsers, stem-winders, and rip-shorters; the first of the mighty liars, American style, excepting perhaps Jim Bridger.

"Anyhow, Crockett's were the tales that were told in the tall timber here before the Civil war," Haggerty said. "Reading them, I grow sad, realizing something fine and mendacious has gone out of the world. Yes, sir, among all the other ruins of life we see now, there is also the decay of lying, American style. Hearken to this."

Crockett's Big Battle
Thoughtful Bill read, with powerful relish, as follows:
"He grit his teeth at me, and poked out his tongue about six inches. With that I told him he was a pickax and would dig him out of his stumps. He said he was a flint image cut out of a big rock. I told him my gizzard was a wasp's nest and I breathed rifle balls. He said he could double up a streak of lightning and threaten me with one end of it."
"Then I was pecky oneasy and spit at him so hard that if he hadn't dodged it, he'd have had his nose knocked flat. He came to me feet foremost and I caught the great toe in my mouth, but the nail came off, very lucky for him, and he got his toe back again. But while he was bringing his foot to the ground, I caught the slack of his breeches in my teeth and lifted him up in the air, swinging like a scale beam, as if he didn't know which end it was best to light on. But his trousers tore through it in a minute, and he came down sprawling."
"He jumped up speechless, and looked around as amazed as if he were born into a new world. He turned as pale as a scalded nigger, and told the people that was looking on how they had better interfere as he was afraid he should be the death of me, if we come to the scratch again. I told the lying sarpint to own he war chawed up, or I would make fiddle strings of his tripe. So he squat low and felt mean. He sneaked off like an Injun in a clearing."

Washington SNAPSHOTS

Paul in a Sweater . . .
Warden Haggerty paused for a pleased look out at the rain which was such prime insurance against hunting-season forest fires.

"That simple bit was read at random from among the many Crockett examples of tall lying as it went in the old days," he said. "The other day I read in a big magazine a story on Paul Bunyan of the kind that the professors tell since they begin to pretty up the mighty logger. It told that Paul got mad at Babe the Blue Ox one day and threw him all the way to the northwest corner of the country. When Babe lit one of his hind legs made Hood Canal and a foreleg made the Strait of Juan de Fuca. No more to the story than a senseless blowing up of size and strength. No story, actually. No character. No color or feeling of the life of the woods and its humor. Yet a big magazine had evidently paid big money for the stuff."

"Just one more item of the old American life that has gone to ruin," sighed Thoughtful Bill. "Lying, American style, is done for. All the truly powerful lying of our time is done in Washington, D.C. Loggers long ago stopped trying to compete with the bureaucrats."

Publishing the annual list of top salaries always makes interesting reading. It bears evidence that opportunity still exists in America.
Few people realize that the top income earner, a movie director, worked ten times as hard for the government as he did for himself; that out of \$1,113,035 paid for his services in 1944 he paid into the U. S. Treasury approximately \$1,000,000.

The take home pay of this man and other high income earners—in and out of Hollywood—represents only a small fraction of what their employers thought they were worth on a box office or management basis.

The Generous Scale
For from such incomes come large sums of what it takes to keep the government going on the generous scale that has become its pattern.

Rates on the upper tax brackets are admittedly out of line. If a married man's income was \$50,000, he paid 55 per cent during the war, and in 1946 would pay almost 50 per cent compared with 18 per cent before the war.

In the prewar period, 1936-1939, a married man paid the Federal government six per cent of a \$15,000 income. During the war he paid 31 per cent, and under 1946 rates he would still pay out 27 per cent—or four and one-half times the prewar amount.

On high incomes, Uncle Sam's take-home represents the larger share.

Writer Mentions Sick List Names

Sunday visitors at the W.D. Steele home were Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Hollowell, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Ploub, and their son Wilfred Hollowell, and his wife all of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Farnstrom and daughter, Joyce of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frost and daughter, Nadine, of Portland spent Sunday at the Jim Bond home.

A telegram to Mr. and Mrs. P.L. Welter from Folsom, Calif. Monday informed them that Frank Marvin of Folsom had passed away following a stroke suffered a few days previous. Mr. Marvin was the husband of Mrs. Welter's sister. The Welters have the sympathy of their friends in their bereavement.

Our sick list this week reads thusly: Mrs. Herman Wood, suffering with sinus trouble; Mrs. Otto Schwab and children, Hildgard and Bobbie, colds and sore throats; Sharron Lee, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McKee who lost a week of school due to a bad cold; little Virginia Carl who was brought home from the Forest Grove general hospital Monday evening of last week and does not respond readily to home treatment. She has been in a steam tent most of the week; Ruby Wells and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Armstrong.

Sunday evening guest at the John Wildman home in Portland were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Steele of Riverview.

Due to slow locomotion, approaching winter weather, failing eyes and plenty of home work this will be my last contribution of Riverview news. Thanks to everyone who helped make the news more newsy and I will fade out by doubly quoting James Abbe, "Anyway it was fun while it lasted" and "That will be all for now".

Full Practice Payment Assured

At a meeting Wednesday of last week of the Columbia county agricultural conservation Association in St. Helens, N.C. Donaldson, executive assistant from the state P&MA office at Portland, conferred with the committee in regard to conservation work for the coming year. Mr. Donaldson reported that Columbia county is above the average counties in the state for percentage of farmers complying with the conservation program.

A discussion of some of the practices for the coming year was held. Mr. Donaldson pointed out that payment would be made for the use of 2-4-D weed control next year. It was the feeling of the committee that some commercial outfit should be employed through the AAA office to apply this weed killer.

Mr. Donaldson also stressed the fact that Columbia county will have 10 per cent of next year's allocation for payment on a special practice which will be selected by the farmers at their community and county election meeting which will be held this month.

Another point of interest which Mr. Donaldson brought up, was that all farmers could rest assured that they would receive 100 per cent payment on all practices which they signed up for on their farm plan and completed and that payment would probably be made also on any other practices performed which they had not included on their farm plan.

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At the Churches

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
—Rev. H. Gail McIlroy, Pastor
9:45—Sunday school with classes for all ages.
11:00—Morning worship.
7:30—Evangelistic service.
8:00—Wednesday, prayer meeting.
7:30—Friday, People's Night.

EVANGELICAL
—Rev. Allen H. Backer, Minister
9:45 — Sunday school

11:00 — Morning worship. Rev. Norman Riggins, guest speaker.
6:30 p.m.—Young People's service.
7:30 p.m. — Evangelistic service.
Rev. Norman Riggins, speaker.
A gospel team from Cascade college, Portland, will furnish special music.
Wed. Eve., 7:30—Bible study and prayer meeting.

FIRST CHRISTIAN
—Ernest P. Baker, Minister
9:45—Bible school led by M. L. Herrin.
11:00—Morning worship and Junior church.
7:30—Sunday evening service.
7:30 Wednesday—Prayer meeting.

NAZARENE CHAPEL
The church that cares.
—H. L. Russell, Pastor
1208 Bridge St.
9:45 a.m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship.
7:45 p.m.—Evangelistic services.
7:30 p.m. Wednesday—Praise and prayer.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
Rev. Anthony V. Gerace
Rev. J. H. Goodrich
Mass: 9:30 a.m. except first Sunday in month—Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
Confessions from 7:45 a.m. on.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Services on Saturday:
10:00 a.m.—Sabbath school.
11:00 a.m.—Gospel service.
A cordial invitation is extended to visitors.

Calling All Lovers

You send her candy and flowers and at last she names the day that is to make you a happy man. Now for the oldest love story of all. A father had two sons and the younger pled for his share of the family wealth. At last the father divided it and the young fellow packed off into a far country and there wasted his all in a wild life. When he was down and out there came a famine in the land and son found work feeding hogs and was hungry for the very pods they ate.

Then he came to himself and faced about to travel back to the hills of home. His father saw him afar off and ran to him and fell on his neck and kissed him and told the servants to kill the fatter calf and said he, "Let us eat, drink, and be merry, for this my son was dead and he is alive again." He was lost and is found.—Bible. Luke 15th.

Jesus told this parable to teach that God yearns to see us turn home. We are to believe the Bible that he gave Christ, his only born Son, to die for us. Believing, God gives us new birth and becomes our eternal Father. As born of God, born again, we are to press ahead and prove the new life, looking utterly to Christ for victory over old ways and worries.

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