

VETERANS TO GET MANY BENEFITS

Liberalizing Features of the Act are Explained by Frank T. Hines of the Veterans' Bureau.

The World War Veterans Act, commonly known as the Reed-Johnson act, signed by the president on the last day of the recent session of Congress provides many liberalizing features, declares Frank T. Hines, director of the United States Veterans' Bureau, in explanation of the act as recently distributed to local representatives of the board:

"We are putting the new provision into effect as rapidly as possible," says director Hines. "When the full effects of the acts are felt, I believe the veterans will receive a full measure of desired aid from the government."

"The world war veterans act 1924 is the result of a desire on the part of the officials of the U. S. veterans bureau, representatives of veterans organizations and of the congress itself, to remove the flaws that have appeared in the previous veteran relief acts, to enlarge upon the relief functions of the bureau and to codify the laws affecting veterans of the late war."

"There is probably no feature of the act more outstanding than the which provides hospitalization in government hospitals and necessary traveling expenses in the case of any veteran of any war or expedition since 1897, who has not been dishonorably discharged from the service, and who is in need of hospitalization, without regard to the nature or origin of his disabilities. Preference however, will be given to those veterans who are financially unable to pay for hospitalization and necessary traveling expenses. This provision is one that will appeal to every world war veteran as an example of the gratitude the nation feels toward its soldiers."

"Those veterans suffering from active tuberculosis will be especially interested in the feature of the act which provides that where this disease develops a ten per cent degree of disability, it shall be conclusively presumed that it is of service connection. Such disabilities as neurosyphilis, developing a 10 per cent psychiatric disease, paralysis agitans, encephalitis lethargica, and amoebic degree of disability before January 1, 1925, have been given a reputable presumption of service connection. It is estimated that these provisions will provide compensation and hospitalization to many veterans who before the passage had been unable to connect their disabilities with service."

"The new act gives to the director the right to delegate to the sub-district offices certain powers which were previously restricted to the central office and regional offices with the object of making awards of vocational training and of compensation and ratings of disability as quickly and conveniently as possible and at the place where the examinations are made."

"For those entitled to vocational training, an important feature of the new act is that providing that the test of rehabilitation is to employability and that the trainee is entitled to maintenance and support allowance for two months after this condition has been reached. No course in vocational training will be commenced after June 30, 1925; nor incomplete training extended after June 30, 1926."

"Several new insurance features have been provided. Under the provision preventing lapsation of insurance where the veteran is entitled to uncollected compensation and becomes permanently and totally disabled or dies, insurance may be paid in the amount that the uncollected compensation would purchase."

"All term insurance shall cease on July 2, 1926, except where death or total permanent disability shall have occurred before July 2, 1926. Where term insurance has matured by reason of total and permanent disability and such total and permanent disability has ceased, the insured, while required to renew payments, on term insurance will have two years from the date he is required

to renew payments of premiums in which to convert the term insurance, ever though this might extend beyond the period in which term insurance would otherwise have to be converted."

"The benefits of the new act are limited to those who suffer from disability or injury that can be connected with service between the declaration of war, April 6, 1917, and the peace resolution of July 2, 1921."

"The former requirement that the disease or injury must have been incurred in line of duty has been stricken out, but the requirement that such disease or injury be not the result of wilful misconduct has been retained."

"Members of the national guard, called into federal service, who became disabled or who died before being accepted and enrolled for active service, are placed in the same status as men inducted by local draft boards."

"Payments to dependants of deceased veterans has been increased as follows:

"If there is a widow but no child from \$25 to \$30 a month.

"If there is a widow and one child from \$35 to \$40 a month, with \$6 a month for each additional child. This is an increase of \$1 a month for child, with no limitation on the number.

"If there is no widow but three children, \$10 a month with \$5 a month for each additional child."

"The payment of compensation to a parent on account of the death of a child is to continue until the death of the parent."

"A provision is included in the act whereby any veteran having tuberculosis of a compensable degree, who has been hospitalized for a year, whose disease has, in the discretion of the director of the veterans bureau, been completely arrested, and who is discharged from further hospitalization, which will be rated temporarily and totally disabled and such rating shall not be decreased within a period of six months."

"Any veteran having tuberculosis of a compensable degree who has been hospitalized for a year whose disease in the judgment of the director of the U. S. veterans bureau can not be arrested by further hospitalization whose discharge from hospitalization will not hurt himself or family, and who in the judgment of the director is not feasible for vocational training, shall upon his request be discharged from hospitalization and rated temporarily and totally disabled for a period of at least three years."

"The loss of the use of limbs is now to be considered equivalent to the loss of the limbs, for the purpose of rating the disability. There is a provision that the loss of the hearing of both ears is a condition of permanent total disability. Compensation for the loss of the use of both eyes is increased to \$150 a month, and for the loss of the use of both eyes and one or more limbs, to \$200 a month."

"Injuries or death resulting from hospitalization or from vocational training, unless due to misconduct on the part of the veteran, are made compensable in the same manner as though occurring during service."

"A veteran so helpless as to need a nurse or attendant is allowed \$50 a month for that purpose."

"After June 30, 1927, veterans not totally and permanently disabled and who are being maintained by the bureau in a hospital and who are without wife, child, or dependent parent, will not receive more than \$10 a month while remaining in hospital. Where a disabled person, having neither wife, child, nor dependant, parent shall have been maintained after July 1 1924 in a hospital for

mental diseases and shall be deemed by the director of the veterans bureau to be permanently insane compensation for such person shall be \$20 a month thereafter as long as he shall be in such hospital. During this period the compensation may be paid to the chief officer of the hospital for the benefit of the patient. If the patient shall recover and be discharged as cured an additional \$50 a month shall be paid for the period his compensation was previously reduced."

"If a veteran is found who is retarding his recovery by gross dissipation, the bureau may deposit up to three fourths of his compensation with the treasurer of the United States to be given to the patient upon his discharge from the hospital."

"The director is given power to suspend payments to guardians who fail to render accounts showing that they have made proper application of payments for the benefit of their wards."

"Unless it can be shown that the beneficiary practiced good, no reduction or discontinuance of compensation will go into effect until three months after it is determined upon, nor shall such reduction be made retroactive."

MISSISSIPPI'S DOGS TO LEAD DOGS' LIVES

Must Be Chained Five Months of the Year.

Jackson, Miss.—Unless law enforcement officers close their eyes or look the other way, a dog's life in Mississippi hereafter will be a dog's life, for a new law enacted by the last legislature was signed unwittingly by Governor Whitfield.

For five months each year, from March 1 to August 1, all dogs must be muzzled and in addition must be chained to their kennels. The "purp" which heretofore has boasted that he wore no man's collar must wear one now for the law requires it and provides that the collar must carry a metal plate bearing the name and address of the owner. Another provision, effective January 1, 1925, is a tax of \$1 per year on male and \$2 on female canines.

The measure caused a rumpus in both the senate and house when it was under discussion and the atmosphere was highly charged as a result of the debate. The owners of 'coon dogs especially kicked against putting collars on their hunting companions while every dog lover joined vehemently in the protest against chaining them up for five months in the year and putting "bird cages" on their faces, as one member described the muzzle proposition. The bill, however, managed to slip through each house by a hair's breadth.

Governor Whitfield, sympathizing with the canine population had a veto ready, but in the jam at the conclusion of the session when he had to sign scores of new laws in batches, and sign them quickly, the dog law became mixed with those to be signed and he affixed his signature before he realized what it was.

ENTRY NOTICE NO. 2571

State of North Carolina, Watauga County office of entry taker for said county.

N. H. Earp locates and enters 20 acres of land in Watauga township on the waters of Watauga river, beginning on the northeast corner of the W. E. Shipley tract and runs with said line to Mast's line, then with Mast's line and various courses and distances to the beginning so as to include all the vacant land in the said boundary.

Entered this 8th day of July 1924
H. J. HARDIN, Entry taker

LITTLE HOP-SKIPPER come in through the gate,
Up through the garden and over the lawn;

Little Hop-Skipper is fearfully late—
Over an hour of the morning is gone—
There is so much for Hop-Skipper to do—

Roses to smell of, and berries to find,
All of the orchard for wandering through,
Acres of daisies a garden to wind,

Little Hop-Skipper goes skipping all day;
Watching the swallows or wading the grass,

Helping the fluffy, wee kitten to play—
Little Hop-Skipper's the busiest lass.

But, when the shadows grow long by the wall,
When the gray twilight brings childish alarms,

Then comes the happiest moment of all—
Little Hop-Skipper creeps into my arms.

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Plan to Salvage Ship Sunk 300 Years Ago

London.—A second attempt is to be made to salvage the Spanish warship *Almirante de Florenza*, which has been buried in the sand and clay of Tobermory bay, Argyllshire, for over three centuries. All the latest devices for submarine salvaging will be used, and it is hoped to recover millions of cash, gold and silver plate, candelabra, crucifixes and the crown of gold and jewels which was to be placed on the head of a Spanish king of England.

Sun Splitting in Two, Eastern Educator Says

West Chester, Pa.—A crack is becoming visible in the sun and the great orb will split in two, according to Dr. David Todd, Dr. Todd is professor emeritus of Amherst college and has been making observations of the sun from a big telescope at Graystone near here.

A great mass of spots on the eastern edge of the sun was discovered by Dr. Todd.

The effect of this on the earth and other planets cannot be even estimated. It would be years, probably, before any effect would be noted on the earth.

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ENTRY NOTICE NO. 2570

State of North Carolina, Watauga County office of entry taker for said county.

N. H. Earp locates and enters 50 acres of land in Watauga township on the waters of Watauga river and Baird's Creek. Beginning on a stake the 4th corner of grant no. 2153 and runs with said grant line north to a chestnut, 3rd corner of said grant, then with N. H. Earp's and other's lines various courses to the beginning, so as to include all the vacant land in said boundary.

Entered this 8th day of July 1924
H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker.