

War Vets Urged Apply At Once For Paid Insurance

Promptness Will Mean Better Immediate Protection to Dependent and Will Save Government Large Sum of Money in Expense of Handling Policies

Raleigh, Dec. 8.—Acting upon advice from the Adjutant General of the United States Army, who is the administrator of the Adjusted Compensation Act for the War Department, Colonel James M. Little, U. S. A., executive officer of the 221st Infantry, and Colonel E. F. Johnston, U. S. A., executive officer of the Coast Guard Reserve forces of North Carolina, both with headquarters in this city, have issued statements urging the World War veterans of this State to apply at once for the paid-up insurance allowed them by the Government.

According to the information received by Colonel Little from the Adjutant General, Major General Robert C. Davis, the need of immediate application is based upon two important factors. One is given as the advisability of the veteran protecting his family immediately and thus warding off any danger of his dying and leaving them unprotected. In this case, it was explained that the heirs of the veteran would receive only the amount of his adjusted service credit and that amount in ten quarterly payments; while if the veteran had made application before his death for the insurance, his heirs would receive the full amount of the insurance in one payment. In this case, it was explained that if the veteran was entitled to the full credit of \$625 and did not have his Government paid policy, his family would receive only \$625, but if he did have his policy his family would receive \$1580 cash.

The second reason was stressed as an economy to the Government. The Adjutant General expressed the desire to handle the claims at as small an expense to the Government as possible and hopes to have the claims all recorded long before the allotted time has expired, which is January, 1928. He estimated that with a slight increase of the force of workers that he has now under his direction that the 4,500,000 policies could be handled within a few months after the New Year, if they were all sent in promptly. This, he explains, would save the Government thousands of dollars as only a very small force would be necessary to handle the affairs of the insurance department after all applications have been filed.

To avoid any errors and to prevent the application being returned, both Colonel Little and Colonel Johnston have offered their services to any veteran who desires to make application for his insurance at this time. Colonel Little has been making short visits from the city in the interest of the Reserve Corps and has taken the opportunity on these occasions to stress the need of the veteran applying early for his insurance. One feature that Colonel Little brought out in the appeal for early applications was that the endowment period time started from the time at which the policy was issued and not from the time the bill was passed.

The American Legion, Red Cross, and post offices all have application blanks and the officials of the organizations will aid the veterans in any of the details, it was stated. Recruiting stations for the Navy, Army, and Marine Corps; the National Guard, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans Bureau and the Disabled Veterans of America all have application blanks and are ready to serve the World War veteran in this matter.

Colonel Little called attention to two final reasons for the veterans taking advantage of the paid-up Government insurance immediately. One was that the cash payments provided for by the act became due on March 1, 1925, and that unless the application was received at Washington within ample time to be recorded properly that the payment would be delayed. The other was that the premium on the policy increased as the age of the veteran increased and it would therefore be to the advantage of the veteran to apply now and be credited with a larger amount of insurance.

The Adjutant General has asked that those who do not intend to take advantage of the Adjusted Compensation Act to so inform him that he may make plans accordingly on the basis of the number to be expected as applicants.

ADVOCATES SCRAPPING OF IDLE STEEL SHIPS

Washington, Dec. 8.—Chairman O'Connor of the Shipping Board has announced that he will advocate the scrapping of part of the laid up fleet of 900 steel vessels in an effort to cut the expense of the upkeep of the idle ships.

Mrs. Joseph Burnham and Mrs. Joseph Jr., of Norfolk, are spending several days with Mrs. Burnham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Albertson, 417 Second street.

LOCAL BAPTIST PASTORS ATTENDING STATE MEET

Every Baptist pastor of this immediate section will attend the Baptist State Convention at Raleigh this week. Dr. James H. Thayer, pastor of Blackwell Memorial, left for Raleigh at 11:15 Monday; Dr. S. H. Templeman, pastor of the First Baptist Church left on the same train, while Rev. Ramulus Hall, pastor of Calvary, Corinthian, Berea, left last Friday. Rev. G. P. Harrill of South Mills, Rev. S. F. Hudson of Smith, and Rev. C. A. Vandrommen of Poplar Branch, all left Monday, as did also E. E. Aydt of this city. All these pastors expect to be back in time to fill their regular appointments next Sunday, but will be here for the mid-week prayer services.

ROBBERS GET \$40,000

Milwaukee, Dec. 8.—Five robbers held up the cashier in the Northwestern National Bank here and escaped with ten thousand dollars in cash and bonds estimated at \$40,000.

HALSEY FUNERAL SUNDAY

The funeral of Mrs. Cora Halsey, who died at her home, 1115 Fleetwood street, Saturday morning at 5:10 o'clock was conducted by Rev. E. F. Sawyer, assisted by Rev. H. T. Bowen, at the Olivet Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock and interment made in the family burying ground. Mrs. Halsey had been in failing health for the last few months. She is survived by her niece, Mrs. Anna Wilson, Mrs. E. V. Davenport, and Mrs. Sara J. Parsons, all of this city, Mrs. L. Larson, Alabama; four nephews, M. S. McCabe of Oxford, A. C. McCabe of Greensboro, W. P. McCabe of Creswell, and C. A. McCabe of Columbia.

Strike Makes Anthracite Situation Precarious One

Outlawed by the United Mine Workers this Controversy Threatens the Miners' Union as Well as the Country's Supply of Hard Coal

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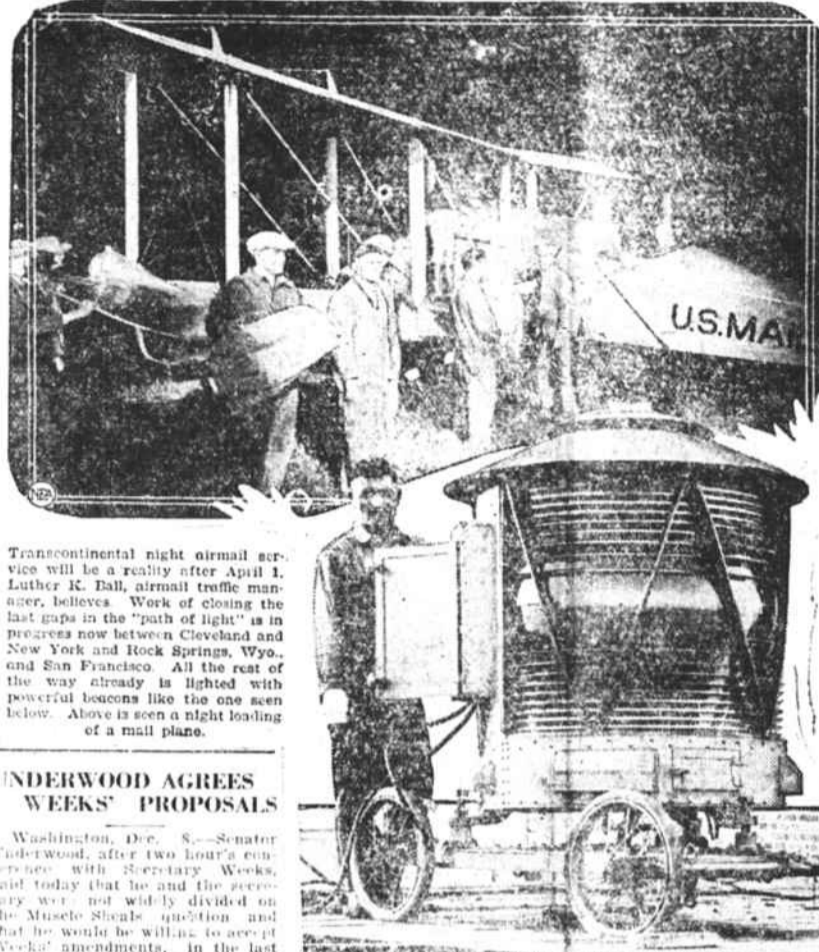
New York, Dec. 8.—Manufacturers and householders in the East are keeping one eye on the thermometer and the other on the anthracite strike situation with no little apprehension, while bituminous coal producers in other sections of the country are preparing to fill any shortage. The situation admittedly is a precarious one in the anthracite fields, for this is a non-union strike and so far has been beyond control of the United Mine Workers.

About 12,000 miners belonging to A. M. L. in the Pittston, Pennsylvania, district, struck at mines of the Pennsylvania Coal Company alleging failure of the company to adjust grievances. Their action was not approved by United Mine Workers' executives and they were ordered by local officers and President John L. Lewis to return to work. This they have refused to do, and the charter of the locals have been revoked. All former members of those unions therefore are now non-union men.

The danger in the situation is that a sympathetic move by miners employed in the Hudson and Lehigh Valley Coal Company's mines may pull many thousands more men out of the pits. While mines in the anthracite field have been working steadily since last autumn, stocks of anthracite are now high. Consumers have put off ordering coal because of the mild weather and supplies in their bins shortly would be exhausted if not replenished.

The revocation of the charters of the rebellion locals made little impression on the strikers. In answer to pleas by local officers, they said: "Charters cannot dig coal. Go back and tell Lewis that." In fact the move had a more disorganizing effect on the union ranks than on those expelled. Rinaldo Cappellini, president of A. M. L. and Eve Coming Here on Thursday

Coast to Coast Night Flying April 1



Transcontinental night airmail service will be a reality after April 1, Luther K. Ball, airmail traffic manager, believes. Work of closing the last gaps in the "path of light" is in progress now between Cleveland and New York and Rock Springs, Wyo., and San Francisco. All the rest of the way already is lighted with powerful beacons like the one seen below. Above is seen a night landing of a mail plane.

UNDERWOOD AGREES WEEKS' PROPOSALS

Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Underwood, after two hours' conference with Secretary Weeks, said today that he and the secretary were not widely divided on the Muscle Shoals question and that he would be willing to accept Weeks' amendments, in the last analysis.

LARSON WINS HUGE SUM FROM WRIGLEY

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Federal Judge Wilkerson awarded the L. Larson, Jr., Company judgment of \$1,741,000 against the William Wrigley, Jr., Company in a trademark suit long being pending between the two chewing gum manufacturing concerns.

LIQUOR FORGOTTEN IN ALL SAVE ONE CASE MONDAY

Drunks featured Monday morning's session of superior court, which did not adjourn until nearly noon. David Leitch, colored, for possession of liquor, was sentenced to four months in jail or a fine of \$200 and costs. The court allowed the fine on account of the defendant's case. Police officers found in David's possession about four gallons of liquor. J. Thomas Glover, colored, for possession and transporting of liquor paid a fine of \$20 and costs. Ed Ridd, colored, for possession of intoxicating liquid was fined \$10 and costs. Pearl Morris, colored, was found guilty of an assault on Nicholas Swindell, also colored, and was fined \$5 and costs. Louise Hollowell, colored, was relieved of a fine of \$5 and costs for being drunk. Russell Hill, for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and for driving with his bright lights on, was fined \$50 and costs. Louis Baber, simple drunk, was fined \$5 and costs.

THEME "HOPES VISION"

Colonel George C. Cabell, of Norfolk, addressed an audience of about 600 at the Alhambra Theater here Sunday afternoon at the Elks Memorial service. Colonel Cabell spoke from the theme, "Hopes Vision."

Severed Head Cries Warning



There's a human head in this box. The box was paraded through the streets of Peking. The head is that of a soldier of the "Christian General" Feng Yu-hsiang. The soldier was thought looting. No more cases of looting were reported.

AUTO KILLS EDENTON BOY

Youngster on Bicycle Meets Death When He Tries to Cut in Ahead of Motor Car.

Edenton, N. C., Dec. 8.—A most distressing accident happened out on Broad street when John Garrett, a local man, accidentally ran down and killed George Miller, a young white boy of this section Friday night at Hicks and Broad streets about 10 o'clock.

John Garrett, when on the stand Friday night in the coroner's jury, made up of Justice of the Peace W. S. Sumner, R. C. Holland, Herbert Leary, Sheriff Goodwin, George Goodwin and Lloyd Griffin, told the following story: "I was going out Broad street and was going to get my sister, as our mother wasn't expected to live through the night. As I was going out, at a speed of between 12 and 15 miles an hour, I noticed that some boy was riding on his bicycle on my right, next to the fair grounds. The boy was a little in advance of me, and as we neared Hicks street I was gradually overtaking him. As we came to the street, I was going to keep right on out Broad street, but the boy evidently decided to turn up the street to his left and my left. To do this he had to cut to the left, right in front of my car. As he cut, I saw that I was going to hit him unless I cut to the left, too. So I kept on cutting to the left until I was nearing the left hand side of the street, and then the boy was right in my way, and there was no way out of it."

Phillip McMullan, the only other eyewitness, corroborated Garrett's story in all essential details. Mr. Garrett's car was overturned by the accident but Garrett himself was not hurt. Dr. Wieland says that when he arrived at the body of the boy the pulse was beating feebly, and that he gathered him in his arms and rushed him to his car and then to his office, but that the boy was dead before he could get there. The body was not torn or cut in any way, death resulting from a fracture of the skull, and no cuts or bruises were noticed.

EXPLORATION WRECKS NEWSPAPER PLANT

Coffeyville, Kan., Dec. 8.—An explosion early today wrecked the plant of the Coffeyville Daily Dawn, morning newspaper, and two adjoining buildings here. No one was injured. The police hold one theory, one that the explosion resulted from gas accumulation and the other that the plant was bombed by persons antagonistic to its policy of support of the Ku Klux Klan. Damage was estimated at \$75,000.

FIRE BUSINESS BRISK

The fire alarm Monday at 11:07 a. m., was from Box 41 because of a short circuit in the Dodge car of F. W. M. Butler, colored, on Main street. There was no damage. Sunday at 3 p. m., an alarm from Box 22 called the fire company to the home of John Sprull where they found the roof of his woodhouse ablaze. The damage was about \$20. Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock a fire in a pile of saw-dust at the mill of Chesson Mfg. Company was extinguished with water and caused no damage.

MANY INJURED WHEN WATER TAXI BURNS

San Pedro, Dec. 8.—One Navy sailor died and 17 sailors and two civilians were seriously burned in the burning and sinking of the private water taxi LaMoine in the harbor here early today. Forty-five men were aboard the craft when it caught fire in mid-channel.

LEAGUE COUNCIL IS READY PUBLIC MEET

Rome, Dec. 8. Presided over by Afranio Mello Franco of Brazil the Council of the League of Nations meeting behind closed doors in the historic Doric Palace today arranged the agenda of the thirty-second session of the Council in preparation for the first public meeting at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

MYSTERY SHROUDS DEATH OF DAYTON

Washington, Dec. 8.—The death of Henry Dayton, vice consul at Belgrade, was reported today to the State Department. Dayton was first reported to have been shot by a young woman who afterwards committed suicide; but later press advices have tended to throw a veil of mystery over the exact manner in which Dayton was shot as well as over the death of the young woman.

REYNOLDS BROTHER-IN-LAW SUCCEDES TO HEART ATTACK

Winston-Salem, Dec. 8.—Robert Cray, 69, former secretary of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, died suddenly in a local hospital following a heart attack. He was a brother-in-law of the late R. J. Reynolds.

COTTON REPORT

New York, Dec. 8.—Spot cotton closed quiet, middling 23.55, an advance of 25 points. Futures closing bid, Dec. 23.05, Jan. 23.20, March 23.55, May 23.93, July 24.05.

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Baptist State Convention To Begin Session Tuesday

Attendance of 400 Expected at Convention Headquarters at Raleigh With Many Matters of Importance to the Denomination to be Acted Upon

JUNKERS ARE WANING PARTY

Sunday's Election Returns So Far Seem to Indicate the Ascendancy of Fulfillment Policy in Germany.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Election returns compiled at 5 o'clock this morning show the Socialists-Democrats leading with 62 deputies in the Reichstag, followed by the Nationalists, with 37; the Centerists, Catholic, with 24; the German People's Party, with 22; the Communists, with 21; the Bavarian People's Party, with 8; the German Democratic party, with 7; the Extreme Nationalists, with 2; and the Economic party with 2.

The Socialists-Democrats represent the "fulfillment policy," which would have Germany accept defeat and live up to the obligations of a defeated nation. Junkers and militarists, who constituted the strongest faction in the last Reichstag, are represented by the Nationalists, who seem to have lost strength as a result of Sunday's election.

The outcome of yesterday's general elections, however, leaves the parliamentary situation wholly unclarified as the new party lineup in the Reichstag precludes the formation of a three party coalition composed of Socialists, Clericals and Democrats, in the opinion of political leaders here.

STATIC BAD ON RADIO PHOTOS

Empty Voids on Faces in Radiophotography Due to Same Static that Mares Hearing of Listener In.

By EDNA MARSHALL (Copyright, 1924, by The Advance) New York, Dec. 8.—What to do about static? That is the question troubling officials of the Radio Corporation of America who succeeded in transmitting photographs across the sea between London and New York Sunday.

With the success of the demonstration unchallenged, one to transmit, the other to receive, each dot and dash at exactly the same rate of speed, after the fashion in which a half tone reproduction is made. While the small pen by minute dots and short lines traces with fair accuracy the pictures held in London, each fraction of a second in which static was experienced caused an empty void to appear at that part of the face of the photographed person which the instruments were then reproducing.

A continued spell of static would make impossible the sending of any photograph at all. In sending messages and programs by radio attend the sending of photographs. Fading, when signals become indistinct, due to ether conditions, spells failure to the receiving instrument which cannot pick up the dots and dashes which make the photograph on the air.

STRESSES NEED OF AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY

Washington, Dec. 8.—Lack of an adequate aircraft industry is a matter of grave concern to the Government in the judgment of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics as expressed in its annual report transmitted to Congress today by President Coolidge. "An aircraft industry is absolutely essential to national defense," the report declared. "Omission of war that will not be forgotten is that it takes a great deal of money to develop hastily an aircraft industry almost from nothing. The American people can ill afford to pay that price."

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