

### Vets Problems

Q.—Is it advisable for a veteran to seek the assistance of an attorney in filling out his claim for disability pension?

A.—Engaging an attorney for such purpose is of little value. Veterans Administration representatives will assist the veteran in filling claims and are more familiar with the procedure than the average lawyer. Both VA personnel and accredited representatives of various service organizations provide all necessary service free of charge.

Q.—Would it be possible to convert \$2,000 of my National Service Life Insurance to 20-year endowment and the other \$8,000 to ordinary life?

A.—Yes—if your insurance is not in a premium-waiver status. You are permitted to convert to one or more of the permanent NSLI plans whether you are paying premiums or the premiums are waived for total disability, but endowment plans cannot be included as one of the choices if premiums are being waived.

Q.—I am a disabled veteran in training under the vocational rehabilitation act, and I receive more than \$200 from wages, plus my pension and subsistence allowance. Does the new law limiting married veterans in training to \$200 a month mean that my allowance will be cut?

A.—No. The new ceiling on trainees' income applies only to veterans enrolled under public law 346, commonly called the G.I. bill. Disabled veterans enrolled under the vocational rehabilitation act are not affected.

Q.—I am frequently away from home for several weeks or even months at a time. Is it possible for me to arrange to have another person pay my premiums for me?

A. Yes. If you wish the other person to receive premium notices, you must submit a written authorization to that effect to the Veterans administration.

Q.—Is a lending agency permitted to limit the length of time which a veteran has to pay back a home loan guaranteed under the G.I. bill?

A. Yes. The Veterans administration will guarantee a home loan up to 25 years, but if the lender feels that individual circumstances makes a 25-year loan financially unwise, he may refuse to make the loan except for a shorter term.

Q.—If a disability exists prior to enlistment, is a compensation payable for increase in severity occurring during such enlistment?

A.—Existing legislation provides for compensation on account of disabilities either incurred or aggravated during service.

Q.—What benefit does a veteran get from having the Veterans administration guarantee a loan?

A.—A guarantee by the Veterans administration means that the credit of the U. S. Government stands behind the guaranteed part of the loan. The security a veteran can offer a lender is increased by the amount of the guarantee.

### PHILLIPS REUNION TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 15

The annual Phillips reunion will be held Sunday, September 15, at the home of R. D. Phillips at Cullowhee. Music and speakers have been arranged for the day's program.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend and bring a basket lunch, which will be served picnic style.

Onslow County farmers had 400 head of workstock vaccinated against blind staggers. The loss of one mule was recently reported by a farmer who did not have his animals treated.

### STATE COLLEGE ANSWERS TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

QUESTION: How close should corn be left in the drill?

ANSWER: Well, that all depends on the weather. For example, and how much plant food has been applied, and the moisture holding capacity of the soil. The other day Frank and Dwight Bryan of Garner in Wake county were plowing 14 acres of highland corn to some visitors. The crop had received 1,000 pounds of fertilizer per acre and was making about 100 bushels in the best spots. "Gee, I'm glad we were so busy we couldn't get in here with a hoe," Dwight said. "Here are two stalks in the same hill and both stalks have two ears. If I had come in here with a hoe, I would have cut out one of those stalks. And here's two more ears I would have lost over here, and two more over there. Lack of hoe help made us money."

QUESTION: What is a good grazing crop for poultry?

ANSWER: Prof. Roy Dearstyne at State College suggests the seeding of rye grass and crimson clover as early as possible for late fall and early spring grazing. He says that this grazing will cut the feed bill by 10 to 15 per cent. While the feed situation is easing up a bit, still it's good practice to put in a grazing crop for poultry, according to Prof. Dearstyne. He points out that a good, thick sod on clean land is also a good safety factor from a health standpoint.

### Deceased Veterans' Dependents Are Eligible For Benefits

Thousands of survivors of World War II veterans not otherwise covered by the law will be eligible for old-age and survivors insurance benefits under an amendment to the Social Security Act, it was announced today by D. W. Lambert, manager of the Asheville office of the Social Security Administration.

The veteran must have been in active military or naval service on or after September 16, 1940. He must have had at least 90 days of service, or, if less, such service must have been terminated as a result of service-incurred or service-aggravated disability. The law applies only to veterans who die or have died within three years after their discharge and who were discharged within four years and one day after the termination of the war as determined by Presidential proclamation or resolution of Congress.

The law does not apply to veterans who died while in service. Nor does it apply to those who were dishonorably discharged. If survivors have been awarded or are receiving compensation or pension (compensation or pension does not include National Service Life Insurance) by the Veterans Administration, they are not eligible for benefits under this provision of the Social Security Act.

Payment of benefits is not automatic. A claim must be filed at the nearest Social Security Administration field office. Survivors of veterans of World War II who have died since being discharged should call or write the Social Security field office in Asheville, and furnish a copy of discharge papers immediately.

According to census reports, North Carolina farmers purchased \$7,782,000 worth of feeds in 1939 and \$35,753,000 in 1944. Director I. O. Schaub of State College says that this is dangerous business.

### In the Spotlight



PANDIT JAWAHARLAL NEHRU



MAXIM LITVINOFF

EDITORS: Here are the latest pictures of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, India Congress Party president, who was named to head India's first popular Executive Council, and Maxim Litvinoff, who was "released" from his post as Vice Commissar of Foreign Affairs for the Soviets. CENTRAL PRESS

### Miss Martin Writes Of Life In Alaska

Miss Martin, former Home Demonstration agent in Jackson county, but now doing the same type of work at Anchorage, Alaska, writes most interestingly of her work and life there. Here are a few excerpts from her latest letter to the folks back here.

"Today we boarded the Government's Alaska railroad train and started on our way to Fairbanks to attend the 4-H University week which is open to 4-H leaders, club members and all the extension staff. Joining the group from Anchorage were two members from Homer, 27 from Seward and 17 from Palmer. With two carloads of GI re-enlistees on their way to Ladd Field at Fairbanks, the conductor had quite a problem on his hands finding room for all of us and making us comfortable.

The hotel keeper at Curry where we spent the night, also had trouble. His usual train crowd is 35 and this time he had 195. The 4-Hers were put downstairs in the "Dormitory," nice rooms with 4 double decker beds in each room. The guests were fed in shifts, our group had to get up and eat at 5:45 and be on our way again at 8 o'clock.

It was a long slow trip but the scenery and the wild flowers were so pretty we didn't mind going slow. We crossed mountains, rivers, some lakes, and even flat marshy country. The noon stop for dinner was at McKinley Park, where the railroad owns a lovely hotel.

It is now almost mid-night and I am writing this in my room without a light and outside my window I can hear a robin singing and also a golden-crown sparrow.

Here at the university we live in one of the dormitories, with the boys in the basement. It is a little hot with the heat on, but we can't open our windows as the mosquitoes are terrific.

We have an interesting group here at this meeting. It really surprises me the effort and expense some of them make to be able to attend.

The ones from Homer paid about \$100, and the ones from Skagway had to go up into Canada and back down to Fairbanks, and spent two nights on the way. They were far enough north to see the midnight sun. I envy them that. We also have a group of little Indian 4-H club members who came from Fort Youkon by plane.

The sun is just now going down in the north, there's a beautiful sunset, and up above the sky is streaked with lights that look like the Northern lights. We will not get to see the midnight sun as we

are only 450 miles from Anchorage and not near enough to the Arctic circle. But this I am watching is enough—it is so beautiful and weird that it makes you feel like you are in another world or sitting on top of this one. The glow is now shifting from north-west to north-east, from sunset to sunrise, without a break. The two days are really joining hands across the northern sky.

After church Sunday morning we went to Ladd Field, near Fairbanks, where we had dinner in one of the GI mess halls, and then a trip over the entire base. The children, who are in the 4-H camp, performed for us.

My job this week is putting on a daily newspaper for the camp. It is making a hit with everyone. The children named it the "4H Cache, because a cache is typical of the northern country. It is the old time way of storing food up here.

We made one trip to the famous Gold Creek mine and saw a gold dredge at work. This mine has yielded millions in gold and is still going strong.

Now after two weeks at 4-H camps I am about all in but the hardest part of the year's work is over, for in the winter with its long nights, very little can be done. The summer is now at its peak, so fall and winter are not far away. The weather is ideal now, rarely gets up to 80, and it has been unusual with so little rain.

### Building Fund Report Made By American Legion

Finance officer, Dexter Hooper, of the William E. Dillard Post 104 of the American Legion has announced that net proceeds from the Tuesday night square dances held at the community house now total \$1133.10.

The money will be applied to the fund for construction of the proposed memorial building which will be headquarters for the Legion post and will also provide recreational facilities for veterans and others in Sylva and Jackson county. This total was taken in during July and August and now brings the amount to over \$12,000 in pledges and cash on hand.

The cost of the building, which will be situated adjacent to the

### Revival Services At East Sylva Church

Beginning Sunday morning, September 15, a series of revival services will continue throughout the week. Rev. J. H. Hadaway, pastor of the Glenville church will assist the pastor, Rev. Edgar Wilcox. The public is cordially invited to attend all of these services.

community house, is estimated at \$35,000. It is a proposed native stone structure and will be 80x130 feet.

the construction, as soon as building materials are available.

### Eyes Examined GLASSES FITTED

Dr. Alden C. Downs will examine eyes and fit glasses in Sylva at M. V. Higdon's offices, over Bowers Dept. Store Friday, Sept. 13, from 9 o'clock to 4 o'clock.

If you have eye trouble or don't see well you should consult Dr. Downs on above date.

## RITZ THEATRE

WEEKLY PROGRAM

Night Shows: 7:00 & 9:00 P. M.—Mat. Sat.—Late show Sat. 10:30  
Adm.: Adults 35c tax incl.—Children under 12 yrs. 12c tax inc.

Thursday, September 12

### DEVOTION

IDA LUPINO and PAUL HENREID

Friday, September 13

### CONFIDENTIAL AGENT

CHARLES BOYER and LAUREN BACALL

Saturday, September 14

### WEST OF THE ALAMO

STARRING JIMMY WAKELY

Monday-Tuesday, September 15-16

### THE SPIRAL STAIRCASE

GEORGE BRENT and DOROTHY MCGUIRE

Wednesday, September 17

### GAY BLADES

ALLAN LANE and JEAN ROGERS

All Children not in arms will have to purchase a ticket to enter any performance at this Theatre.

### McCrackens Are Visiting In Canada

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. McCracken are spending a two weeks vacation in Canada. Mrs. McCracken is District Health nurse for this section and Dr. J. R. McCracken maintains offices in Waynesville. While away he will attend a Masonic convention.

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