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VETS' PROBLEMS

World War I and II veterans who become permanently and totally disabled for reasons not traceable to their war service may be entitled to pensions under certain conditions, the Veterans Administration said.

To be eligible for such a pension, a veteran must have been discharged under conditions other than dishonorable after 90 days service, or else discharged for service-connected disability, VA explained. His income also must not exceed \$1,000 per year if he is single, or \$2,500 if he is married or has a minor child, it was pointed out.

The monthly pension rate for veterans in this category is \$60. This is increased to \$72 after ten years or when the veteran reaches 65.

Funeral expenses, up to \$150, may be paid by the government in the death of any World War I or II veteran discharged under conditions other than dishonorable, the Veterans Administration points out.

These allowances, VA said, are payable only to undertakers or to reimburse the person who paid the veteran's funeral expenses. Claims must be filed with VA within two years from the date of

permanent burial.

Q—Can my National Service Life Insurance include coverage for total disability?

A—Yes. For a small additional premium, there may be added to any NSLI policy a total disability rider which provides monthly payments to the insured while he is totally disabled longer than six consecutive months. Such payments begin with the seventh month of such total disability.

Q—May I assign my National Service Life Insurance to a lender who will lend me money to go into business?

A—No. National Service Life Insurance may not be assigned as payment of an obligation.

Q—I converted my NSLI about a year ago but have since let it lapse. Can my permanent plan insurance be reinstated by the payment of two monthly premiums?

A—No. Only term insurance may be reinstated by the payment of two monthly premiums. In reinstating converted insurance on a permanent plan, all premiums in arrears must be paid with interest.

The average annual damage from all forms of sediment and sedimentation is approximately 175 million dollars, says the U. S. Soil Conservation Service.

Nicholsons Visit From Washington

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nicholson, of Sedro Woolley, Wash., who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Nicholson at Cullowhee and Mr. and Mrs. Fate Wiggins at Bryson City, will leave some-time this week or the first of next week for their home in Washington. They have been living in Washington for the past 13 years.

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