

Ex-Service Men Turn On-The-Job Training

When returning to the civilian life, the ex-service man is often faced with the problem of finding a job. The on-the-job training program, which is being provided by the State Department, is designed to help him in this regard.

The laws under which the training is provided are written to give every advantage to the veteran and at the same time see that he is getting something worth while for the Federal aid involved. Those who start training in one trade, if they find themselves not adapted to that, may change into something more suitable. But changes are discouraged as much as possible.

All veterans honorably discharged who are not skilled at the work they shall earn their livelihood by are eligible for on-the-job training. Disabled men come under Public Law 16 which provided assistance from the Veterans Administration in getting placed on a job. Those not disabled are under Public Law 346.

These men are advised by Mr. Howell to first find an open job and to learn from the employer if his place has been approved as a training agency. If not, he should sell the employer on the idea of becoming approved, and that he can do this by making application to J. D. Taylor, N. C. State College, Raleigh. The local U. S. Employment service office will assist the employer in this.

After getting the employer interested, the veteran should then bring a certified copy of his discharge and, if married, his marriage license, to Mr. Howell. The county service office can be found on Main street in Waynesville during the week except on Tuesdays and Fridays, when Mr. Howell goes to the City Hall building in Canton. The two papers are necessary to forward with the veteran's application for training.

Once both the employer and employee are approved the trainee will be granted his subsistence allowance. The amount is determined by making up the difference in what he is paid by the employer and what that firm usually pays a skilled worker—up to the limits previously mentioned. The veteran's length of service determines for how many months he may draw the allowance.

At the present time, 238 employers in the district composed of Haywood, Madison, Henderson, Buncombe and Transylvania counties have been approved to train 667 veterans in 304 job classifications. In addition are the men training to become farmers. Their program offers similar financial assistance, and is administered under the State Department of Agriculture with direct supervision of

Sheer Sheers Are On The Way

Very sheer nylon hosiery, made of finer than 30 denier yarn, will be coming back soon at special ceiling prices, State OPA Director Theodore S. Johnson said today.

When the price schedule for nylon hosiery was set up, Johnson explained, nylon yarn finer than 30 denier was not obtainable. Now, however, fine yarns are again becoming available.

Very-sheers, he said, are under price ceilings in line with the ceilings on the regular weights that have been made right along. For example, he said, 30 denier nylon, less than 30 denier yarn, will be \$1.70, OPA ceiling. This compares with the current ceiling of \$1.55 for 31-gauge nylon, 30 denier or coarser, and the \$1.40 ceiling for 45 gauge nylons.

\$242,000,000 Alien Property Seized

WASHINGTON—James E. Markham, the Alien Property Custodian, reported he had taken title for the United States to property of enemy nationals valued at \$242,000,000 as of June 30, 1945.

Of this property, Germans owned by far the greatest part and Japanese were next.

Mr. Markham, whose report was submitted to Congress by President Truman, observed that Italian property has been withheld from sale at the request of the State Department.

His figures on seized property did not include any valuation for 46,000 patents, 200,000 copyrights and more than 400 trademarks.

Mr. Markham said the former enemy-owned property was put to good use for the United States during the war.

The custodian said he had sold or liquidated \$39,000,000 of vested property by June 30, 1945 and collected \$13,000,000 as income from such property.

More than \$100,000,000 of the property which is scheduled for sale cannot be sold in the near future or for "perhaps several years" because it is subject to legal action, the report said.

Chauffer Licenses Must Be Renewed By June 30

Samuel L. Gavner, Jr. Assistant Director of the Highway Safety Division, announced that all Driver License Examiners in this state are now ready to issue 1946-47 Chauffer's licenses.

The present Chauffer's licenses will expire mid-night June 30, 1946. All persons operating a motor vehicle as a common or public carrier of persons or property or employed for the principal purpose of operating a passenger motor vehicle, must apply for the 1946-47 Chauffer's licenses on or before June 30, 1946.

All Haywood county taxi and bus drivers as well as other drivers of public vehicles should contact the N. C. Department of Motor Vehicles in Raleigh, N. C. regarding renewal of their licenses.

high school agriculture teachers. "I recommend this highly to men who intend to stay on the farm and are not skilled farmers," states Mr. Howell. The agriculture teachers give the trainees instruction that they would receive in school plus personal help with individual problems on the different farms where they work.

Since the Canton school does not have an agriculture teacher now, veterans in Beaverdam township are advised to contact the one in the nearest other school. The Haywood teachers now working on this program are: Robert C. Evans, Clyde I. A. McLain, Bethel Burge Nesbit, Iron Duff and Crabtree, George Nesbit, Fines Creek, and W. E. Pursley, of Waynesville high school.

On-the-job training is not new, but was tried with success following the first World War. It is similar to the apprentice program which trade and craftsmen for generations have followed. It has its present advantages, its difficulties—but its purpose is to meet the needs of the country for skilled producers and to help the veterans fill in the gap that came into his career when called to his country's service.

SENATE GROUP APPROVES SNYDER



AFTER THE SENATE Finance Committee had unanimously approved the nomination of John W. Snyder (left) as Secretary of the Treasury, he is shown being congratulated by Sen. Walter George, of Georgia, the committee chairman. Snyder, former Reconversion Director, replaces Fred M. Vinson, new Supreme Court Chief Justice. (International)

Square Dance Caller Gives Bus Riders Pep

One city of the nation came through with a new trolley song this week as other oddities in the news ranged from special verification of the left-handed check book to a C.I.'s interlude of slumber among the shores of a display window.

Baltimore recently reported hill billy music finding a new place in the tempo of city life through the musical and square-dancing innovations of George Smorse, a street car motorman, who has inaugurated a system of not telling, but "calling" the passengers off his car.

Smorse, a war veteran, who used to "call off" the square dance "signals" in Kentucky, said he grew weary of trying to reason with passengers to prevent crowding and undue confusion in the trolley. Then he remembered that he used to chant for the dancers:

"Albain left and then to the right. Swing your partners all through the night."

"This he changed to his own version to fit his daily problems on the cars and he now chants: Get on at the front and off at the back. And speed the traffic along the track."

Smorse said that at first people stared open-mouthed at him as he chanted and some chattered the car entrance more than ever, but as soon as they got the idea, they walked or even danced along obediently.

Meanwhile, in Milwaukee police were called to behold the sight of a soldier wrapped up in slumber and a lot of shoes at one of the city's stores. They learned from the soldier, Pvt. Jerry Sherrin, 17, who was in the city on furlough that he did not know how he got into the window. Police were also baffled at the size of the hole with its sharp edges of glass, through which the soldier apparently got into the window, and said they could not understand how he escaped serious lacerations.

The Milwaukee Journal in reporting the incident, summed up the story in this jingle:

Jerry Sherrin took a snooze In the window full of shoes. Later asked, "How do you feel?" Jerry gulped: "Just like a heel!" The St. Louis Post-Dispatch re-

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extent. One day last week one State employee brought around 35 pounds of sirloins and roasts in from N. Wilkesboro, crammed them in his freezer locker. In that region between Elkin and Asheville, meat is relatively plentiful—it one hits the market sufficiently early in the morning.

Agricultural experts believe a great deal more meat will move through black market channels than in the regular routes of trade during the next six months if something isn't done about meat ceiling. Meat handlers' patriotism is being pushed to a low ebb. They watch the nefarious traders make money while they lose business by attempting to operate on a legitimate basis. Eyes are on Congress.

HEARD AND SEEN The State Highway Commission still practices the old "closed door" arrangement now and then despite the efforts of the new publicity man to keep them open. Last week, a highly controversial meeting was held and its said the newspaperman didn't know there was even to be one. However, as a matter of fact, things probably worked out better than if those particular discussions had followed the "open door" policy.

Chairman A. H. Graham said last week that "all-weather" treatment will be applied to 30,000 miles of the State's 48,000 miles of country roads. This to come within 10 years. Treasurer Charles Johnson last week said that teachers need higher pay. But here is a true-as-gospel statement. In proportion to their living expenses, Raleigh stenographers, on the average, are among the lowest paid employees in North Carolina. Some of them are weekly receiving money from home in order to make a go of it.

Pruning Trees Pruning of fruit trees should be done primarily to increase the bearing of quality fruit and to keep the tree in a healthy, vigorous state of growth.

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