

NEWS FOR VETS

For the benefit of post-Korean veterans, the Veterans Administration supplied a list of questions and answers on the education and training program of the Korean GI Bill, Public Law 550, dealing with eligibility requirements and the length of training that can be taken. They are as follows:
J—Just what is the education and training program of the Korean GI Bill?
A—It is a program of furnishing financial aid for schooling and training to eligible veterans who served after June 27, 1950, the date of the outbreak of the Korean conflict.
Q—Who is eligible for training?
A—A veteran is eligible if he meets all of these requirements: (1) a discharge or release from

service under conditions other than dishonorable; (2) active military duty any time after June 27, 1950, and before the end of the present emergency, and (3) at least 90 days total service, unless discharged sooner for an actual service-incurred disability.
Q—Must a veteran have served in Korea to be eligible for the training benefits?
A—No. He may have served in the Armed Forces any place in the world—in the United States or abroad—and not necessarily in Korea.
Q—Are there any kinds of military service that do not count, in figuring whether a veteran has enough service to qualify?
A—Two types of services do not count: time spent in a civilian school studying courses offered to civilians, and time spent as a cadet or midshipman in one of the Service academies.
Q—Assume that a veteran

meets all the requirements for training. May he enroll under the Korean GI Bill even though he has gone back on active duty and is in uniform?
A—No. Veterans are not eligible for Korean GI Bill training while on active duty, even though they meet all the law's basic requirements.
Q—How much training entitlement does a veteran get?
A—An eligible veteran's maximum period of entitlement is computed on the basis of one and one-half days for each day spent in service on and after June 27, 1950, and prior to the end of the present emergency period.
Q—What is the top amount of training a veteran may receive?
A—The maximum is 36 months of training.
Q—How much Korean GI Bill training is allowed to a veteran who previously had trained under the World War II GI Bill or Public

Laws 16 or 894 for the disabled?
A—Such a veteran must subtract the period of training he already had from 48 months. His entitlement under the Korean GI Bill may not exceed this difference. Also, it must come within the 36-month limit and may not exceed his entitlement based on his service.

Frank Crane New Labor Commissioner



FRANK CRANE

Some 200 spectators crowded the Hall of the House of Representatives in Raleigh on June 8 as Frank Crane, North Carolina's new Commissioner of Labor, took his oath of office.
Former Chief Justice W. A. Devin, a friend of Commissioner Crane's for many years, administered the oath, while Governor William B. Umstead, who appointed Mr. Crane as Commissioner on June 3, looked on.
In announcing the appointment, Governor Umstead said he would recommend to the State Democratic Executive Committee that Mr. Crane be its nominee in the general election in November.
Mr. Crane has been with the Department of Labor since 1939, when he joined the Department as a factory inspector. Working with the late Commissioner Forrest H. Shuford, he personally organized the Conciliation Service of the Department of Labor in 1941 and has directed that important new branch of the Department since then.
Mr. Crane, now 46, was born in the Marvin community near Waxhaw, in Union County, in 1907. He graduated from Prospect High School in 1927. He graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1931 with an A.B. Degree and did graduate work there during four summer school terms. From 1931 to 1934 he was athletic director and economics instructor at Wake Forest High School in Davidson County. In August, 1934 he was appointed safety director for the N. C. State Industrial Commission and held that post until 1938 when he became administrative assistant in the N. C. State Employment Service. In 1939 Mr. Crane moved from the Employment Service over to the Department of Labor as a factory inspector.
Mrs. Crane is the former Edith Peacock, a native of Elm City. Before she has held one of the top four positions in the legislative branch of the State. They were married in 1938 and now reside at 802 Williamson Drive in Raleigh.
Mr. Crane is a member of the Young Democratic Club; the N. C. and American Forestry Associations; Trail Riders of the Wilderness; Carolina Bird Club; Raleigh Torch Club; and the Association of State Conciliation Services. He has attended the last 20 sessions of the Blue Ridge Human and Industrial Relations Institute. He is a Methodist.
Commissioner Crane is the tenth man to hold the office of North Carolina Commissioner of Labor since the Labor Department's beginning in 1887. His predecessors in the office were Wesley N. Jones of Wake, 1887-89; John C. Scarborough of Hertford, 1889-93; Benjamin R. Lacy of Wake, 1893-97 and 1899-1901; James Y. Hamrick of Cleveland, 1897-99; Henry B. Varner of Davidson, 1901-08; Mitchell L. Shipman of Henderson 1909-25; Frank D. Grist of Caldwell, 1925-33; A. L. Fletcher of Ashe, 1933-38; and Forrest H. Shuford of Cleveland, 1938-54.
Spark plugs must operate in 1,500 degrees temperature, give off 1,000 to 2,000 sparks a minute, and withstand explosive pressures as high as 500 pounds per square inch.



SCARLET MONKEY FLOWER
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Minulus cardinalis

The best known of the monkey flowers are blue. Some however are yellow, some white and a few like our subject may be red. The scarlet monkey flower is both red and yellow with the yellow for the most part on the outside of the tube. Were it not for the color anyone who would recognize the common monkey flower of the East would name the scarlet kind as a monkey flower.
As is often the case with attractive wild flowers, the scarlet monkey flower is sometimes grown in gardens as an ornamental. With a slight attention to protection in winter it may survive in climates comparable to that of Massachusetts. It grows wild from Oregon to Lower California and east through Utah and Arizona. Like the scarlet monkey flower, it is found in wet places and therefore is to be expected along the edges of water courses.
The scarlet monkey flower is a perennial but may bloom the first year if grown from seeds. The weak, erect stems may reach a height of 4 feet but the height is usually much lower than this minimum. Naturally it gets a support from surrounding vegetation. The plant is slightly sticky and provided with fine hairs. Like leaves are opposite, from 1 to 4 inches long, with sharply toothed margins and without petioles. Prominent longitudinal veins further characterize the leaves of this plant as is shown in the accompanying illustration.
The flowers appear from April through October in the natural range of the species. The fruits are capsules that may be 3-4 of an inch in length and the fine seeds are shed through the upper end.
A yellow flowered specimen of the scarlet monkey flower is found near Lake Mead, Mohave County, Arizona.
While the scarlet monkey flower will grow exposed to the sun it usually does better in the shade. In the southern part of its range, in Arizona and even into parts adjacent to the Mexican border, it is found at elevation up to 8,500 feet rather than in the lowlands. In fact in this part of the range it is not to be expected at below 2,000 foot elevation.
A variety verbenaceae is the plant most commonly spoken of as the scarlet monkey flower. It has a flower with the long corolla tube suggested in the description given here. The typical plant has a corolla tube only slightly longer than the enclosing calyx tube.
The National Wildlife Federation has the scarlet monkey flower, or whose beauty has warranted its cultivation outside its natural range.—E. Laurence Palmer.

characters of Lee is pod-shatter resistance. This variety shatters very little, even if left in the field well beyond the time it matures. This fact, combined with the variety's resistance to purple stain, bacterial pustule, wildfire, and frog-eye, makes it North Carolina's most outstanding soybean.

Tobacco Farmers Are Urged To 'Grade Carefully'

Columbus County Negro farmers were convinced last week that there is still much to learn about grading and marketing their tobacco.
J. M. Spaulding, Negro county agent for the State College Extension Service, says J. E. Jeffries, tobacco grading and marketing specialist, was unusually convincing as he explained some of the more frequently committed errors in grading and marketing.
One of the biggest mistakes made by farmers, said Jeffries, is to become "unconcerned" about their tobacco after it reaches the warehouse floor. "That is no time to become careless.
Sometimes farmers are not informed and are not acquainted with the market average of the previous day and rely solely on "the price support card." If the farmer happens to be away when his leaf is sold, often as not it is just too bad.
Spaulding is urging all his fellow farmers to follow their tobacco right on through the sale. He thinks many of the errors will be promptly corrected when the farmers see what they are doing wrong.

Use The Common Sense Plan When Buying Fall Clothing

"I just haven't a thing to wear!" How many times have you heard that? Or said it yourself?
What is it that makes girls say they have no clothes when they have actually a closet full?
Chances are, explains Mary Em Lee, State College extension clothing specialist that the "I just don't have a thing to wear" disease is prompted by impulse buying. There's something about a "drastically" reduced price that can make even the most sensible buyer part with her money too easily.
According to Miss Lee, clothes that are really right, stay wearable—in quality and in line—over a long period of time. "Make every purchase a right one," she cautions.
"Practically every season, society sets forth certain basic rules that we must abide by if we want to feel well dressed," adds Miss Lee.
Right now, for example, the talk among women is of the Dior Look and what it will do to the feminine silhouette. But regardless of fashion's peculiar whims, not every woman can wear these exotic fashions successfully. Feeling comfortable in your clothing is one of the secrets to being well dressed.
Know your own personality type, which colors are your best before you put out a lot of money this fall for a new suit or coat or

dress. Buy with care and you'll have an outfit you will be proud to wear.

More Farmers Using Machines

Within the last decades, much of the back-breaking work of farming has disappeared—thanks to increased mechanical power. No longer must the farmer rely solely on muscle power to get his farm tasks out of the way.
Wright Parker, Gaston County assistant farm agent for the State College Extension Service, says the increase in farm mechanization has been pronounced since 1940, and especially in the South. Quoting recent USDA figures, Parker said that from 1940 to 1953 the number of farm tractors of all types in this country increased about 185 per cent. For trucks, the increase was about 150 per cent.
Numbers of farm tractors in the southern States bordering the Mississippi River and east of the river increased six times during the same period.
On the other hand, farm automobiles for the country as a whole have increased since 1940 by less than 10 per cent.
Since 1942, the number of farm-type milking machines has increased by about 130 per cent, while the number of field-type combine harvesters has increased about 400 per cent. The number of grain combines on farms in 1953 exceeded 950,000, compared to 375,000 in 1945 and only about 69,000 in 1930.

Pre-Pre-Packaging Aids Apple Growers

Agricultural research has uncovered a new aid for apple and pear growers. It's pre-packaging.
Paul Kiser, County County farm agent for the State College Extension Service, says that transparent plastic films such as Pliofilm, polyethylene, and cellophane have already earned their seat in the pre-packaging of fresh fruits and vegetables. Now some of these same transparent films are proving their worth in pre-packaging certain fruits.
Results of recent USDA studies indicate that certain sealed film box liners for fall and winter pears and Golden Delicious apples substantially lengthen the cold-storage life and maintain the quality of these fruits, according to Kiser.
These box liners also extend the fruits' "shelf life" after removal from refrigerated storage.
Physiological changes in pears, generally associated with progressive ripening of the fruit in cold storage, were definitely retarded by the use of sealed film liners.
While biochemical tests did not always reflect the benefit of sealed film box liners for Golden Delicious apples, visual and taste examination and a check of weight loss of the fruit during storage showed the value of this packing method.
Certain precautions must be taken, however, when fruit is packed in these liners. Fruit should be free of surface abrasions and potential fungal infections, washed with an effective fungicide, and handled carefully to minimize bruising, as moisture conditions within the sealed package are conducive to decay.



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America by 1975 will use almost twice the quantity of minerals it is using this year. Demands for minerals as a whole may rise 90 per cent. Demands for iron, copper, lead and zinc might rise 40 to 50 per cent in the next quarter century.
The National Association of Manufacturers cites figures from the President's Materials Policy Commission of June, 1952, to emphasize the great growth that lies ahead of us.
It shows that beyond the rise in demand for lead, zinc, copper and iron, there might be a 300 per cent increase in use of aluminum, and 1800-2400 per cent increase in use of magnesium.

America by 1975 will have a labor force of approximately 88.6 million, the Research Department of the National Association of Manufacturers has reported.
This means a growth of about 22.1 million above the present labor force, and is an indication of the great growth that this country can expect.
In citing this potential growth in the labor force, it was emphasized that a proportionate increase in our real per capita income may be expected "if our economy continues to provide incentives for people to produce, to invent and to devise better ways of providing the increased goods and services our growing population will require."

FAMED EXPLORER'S NOTES FOUND IN ATTIC

Hailed as the "most important discovery in American history in decades," a batch of old papers found in an attic turned out to be the lost notes of the Lewis and Clark explorations. Read about this sensational find in the September 12th issue of

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County homes in North Carolina are being converted into private boarding homes under a lease agreement with the counties. Persons in these homes, which are licensed by the State Board of Public Welfare, may receive public assistance if they are eligible rather than being supported wholly by county funds.
At the outbreak of World War I, there were only 13,500 men in the United States Marine Corps.

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Farmers To See New Soybean Varieties
Gaston County farmers who attend a special field day at the Experiment Station near Plymouth September 15 will see two of the most outstanding soybean varieties yet developed.
Astor Perry, Nickels for Know-how peanut specialist, says the two new varieties, Lee and Jackson, have many of the characteristics long sought by soybean producers in this area.
Lee in particular has been outstanding in yield, shatter-resistance and resistance to most of the common soybean diseases. Jackson has combined the qualities of the Volstate and Palmetto varieties, giving a tall plant high in yield.
The Lee variety is well adapted to the Ogdan area and the Jackson variety to the Roanoke area. Perry believes that Lee will eventually replace Ogdan and that Jackson will partially replace the Roanoke variety.
Both of these varieties were developed by the USDA at the North Carolina and Mississippi Experiment Stations and represent many years of testing under various conditions. The Jackson variety has been in commercial production by certified seed growers for two years and next year's seed supply should be adequate. Lee, however, was not released until this spring and will not be available in any volume until next year's crop is harvested.
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