



**BROWNIES CONTRIBUTE TO BUILDING FUND** - Tuttle Brownie Troop No. 413, presented a surprise Christmas gift of \$50.00 to the Center's Building Fund at their party on December 22. Carol Goins read a beautiful original presentation note to Mrs. F. J. Carnage, and Sherri Kitchen presented the generous check. Mrs. Avery, troop leader, said this was the girls' own suggestion, and they were delighted to make the contribution to the Center. They have great hopes that the building will soon be completed, and that they will soon have a room with space enough for them to function properly. The girls are, from left to right: Ronda Hyman, Willo Jo Greene, Michell Jones, Kim Rouse, Rondanette Hyman, Betty Hall. Other Brownies on another photo were: Vorda Baker, Kristin Robertson, Joy Bryant, Sherri Kitchen, Carol Goins, Annonette Davis, Yolanda White, Gwendolyn Medlin. Mrs. Betty Hyman is assistant leader.

## Many GIs Will Get More Checks

More than a million GI Bill trainees will receive checks averaging nearly \$450 during November as a result of an increase in their educational assistance allowance approved by the President on October 24, 1972.

H. W. Johnson, Director of the Winston-Salem Veterans Administration Regional Office, said that VA computer personnel are making every effort to complete the necessary changes to get the checks out near the first of

the month. Because the new law permits the Veterans Administration to make the monthly payments to students in advance rather than at the end of each month of training, November checks will include both the November advance and the October payment which was due at the end of the month under the old system. The increases are retroactive to September 1st so those who were enrolled in

in school through October 24 will receive the difference between the old and new rates for any part of September they were attending school, Johnson said. Students need not contact VA if they are already on VA rolls as GI Bill students, Johnson emphasized. Those who are already certified by their schools will receive the higher payments automatically. December checks and all subsequent checks will be paid

at the new rate at the first of the month.

The new rates start at \$220 per month for a single trainee going to school full time. Those with one dependent will get \$261. Those with two dependents will get \$298 and \$18 a month more will be paid for each dependent in excess of two.

Payments for apprenticeship and on-the-job training under the GI Bill will start at \$160 a month for single trainees. Eligible wives, widows and children under the Dependents' Educational Assistance program in approved full time training will receive \$220 per month.

Based on estimates that more than two million will be enrolled under the program during Fiscal year 1973 (ending June 30, 1973) the VA estimates that total costs will be \$2.6 billion for the fiscal year. September enrollment was 806,000 - 23 percent above last year's figure.

The October 24, 1972 law does much more than raise training allowances and authorize advance payment, Johnson pointed out.

These are the changes of greatest interest to students:

Rules on tutoring are liberalized to make it easier for students in need of tutoring to qualify for a special allowance.

New protection is provided for those who sign up for correspondence courses.

Eligible wives, widows and children under the Dependents' Educational Assistance Program are given broader latitude in choosing training programs to include on-the-job training and enrollment in foreign institutions of higher learning. Tutoring for those who need it is also included, and correspondence courses and high school courses are available for wives and widows.

Women veterans may now claim their husbands as dependents in order to qualify for higher benefits on the same basis as married male veterans. Widowers of female veterans will now receive the same training rights as widows.

## SOLVE A CRIME

BY A. C. GORDON

### YOU ARE THE DETECTIVE

"Stabbed to death...in her own bed!" the middle-aged housekeeper, Mrs. Mathews, cries. "It must have happened sometime during the night, and there I was sleeping so close by in the next room...it's horrible!"

The body of the victim, wealthy Abigail Turner, has been taken away by the police and you are now seated in the living room of the Turner home talking with Mrs. Mathews and George Logan, the victim's attorney.

You speak up. "Since you two were the last persons to see Mrs. Turner alive, and since she had no family, and you both come in for huge shares of her estate, I must regard you both for the present as my chief suspects."

Logan accepts your statement very matter-of-factly, but Mrs. Mathews is visibly shaken and blurts out, "But I've already told you - I was sleeping when it happened. I couldn't..."

"Suppose you tell me exactly what happened last night before you retired," you prompt her.

"Well, Mr. Logan was here, and I could hear him and Mrs. Turner talking in her room... business matters, I think. I was busy in my room straightening things out when I heard her tell him goodnight, and I heard him leave... that was at 7:30. Then I went downstairs to the kitchen

and drank a cup of tea. I got back to my room a few minutes after eight, and not hearing a sound from Mrs. Turner's room, I thought she'd gone to bed earlier than usual. So, after reading for about an hour or so, I went to bed, too.

"I slept very soundly... didn't wake until I heard Mrs. Turner's alarm clock... it's a very loud one... at 8:00. I put on a robe and went into her room to see what she wanted me to fix for her breakfast. There she was, lying face-down on her bed, that horrible knife in her back!"

You turn to George Logan. "Anything you can add?" you ask him.

"I was with Abigail for about a half-hour last evening, just as Mrs. Mathews has told you," Logan replies brusquely. "She certainly was very much alive and in good spirits when I left at 7:30."

"I wonder very much about that!" Mrs. Mathews remarks acidly.

"I was sure from the first that one of you is guilty," you say, "and now I know which one!"

Whom do you suspect, and why?

**SOLUTION**  
Mrs. Mathews. She told you that Logan departed at 7:30 last night and that she was awakened by Mrs. Turner's alarm at 8:00 this morning. If Logan had killed Mrs. Turner before he left, the alarm would have gone off at 8:00 last night (if it had already been set), or it would not have gone off at all the next morning. Mrs. Turner must have set her alarm clock after 8:00 last night, and was killed sometime after that.

## How To Relieve Nose Cold

While some physicians are battling it out over vitamin C, a search of the medical literature provides evidence that if you can't prevent the common cold, there's some pleasure in trying to cure it.

The physician-authors of a book on colds note that "alcohol dilates the small blood vessels in the skin and thus helps re-establish circulation in the mucosal surfaces." It is perhaps for this reason that many cough medicines contain small quantities of alcohol, and many cold victims consume large quantities of it, often dispensed by a local bartender rather than the corner pharmacist.

However, at this time of the year colds are said to "peak" and an estimated \$400 to \$500 million worth of cough and cold preparations are dispensed from pharmacies.

For stuffy noses, drops or sprays are reported to give good results because they shrink the membrane and permit the person with clogged nasal passages to breathe more easily, and the sinus cavities to drain. Phenylephrine hydrochloride, which is most often available as Neo-Synephrine drops are also available in a special strength for infants. Babies have difficulty breathing through their mouths, and the use of a mild nasal decongestant has also been found to help prevent complications such as ear infections.

However, when overused indiscriminately, nose drops can have a rebound effect - i.e. their initial, therapeutic effect may be followed by more congestion.

Many of the effects of alcohol, when taken in excess, are already well known to most readers. Pharmacologists have found that when the imbiber is also taking one or more medications, perhaps for the same or another medical problem, there is always the possibility of an untoward interaction of the alcohol with these drugs as well.

## Saint Paul's Gets \$1000G In Mellon Grant

LAWRENCEVILLE, Va. - Saint Paul's College of Lawrenceville, Virginia has received a \$100,000.00 gift from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in New York. The college is one of six black colleges to receive similar grants from the Mellon Foundation this year.

The grant according to Dr. Nathan M. Pusey, President of the Foundation, is an operational one which can be used to strengthen the educational program of the college. He further stated, however, that the specific use of the grant would be determined by the administration of the college and its governing board, "since the aim of the grant is to help rather than prescribe."

President James A. Russell, Jr., in announcing the grant, expressed great satisfaction in receiving it, and said that it is one of the largest contributions to be awarded to the college this year.

In 1952, Martin P. Durkin, president of the Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union, was designated by President-elect Eisenhower to be Secretary of Labor in the new Cabinet. Mr. Durkin was the first active union official and the fourth unionist to be named Secretary of Labor since the establishment of the Department of Labor in 1913.



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