Right Guide

This column is designated to give official VA answers to veterans' readjustment problems. Send questions to RIGHT GUIDE, 1380 Sepulveda blvd., Los Angeles 25, California.

A Veteran Wants To Know— "I drew unemployment allowance under the G.I. Bill for a period of 11 weeks after I got out of service. Now after working nearly 18 months my job was discontinued and I am out again. Am I entitled to apply for more of this allowance while looking for work?"

Answer: Each qualified veteran is entitled to 52 weeks of readjustment allowance (unemployment allowance) under the provisions of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G.I. Bill). These do not have to be consecutive weeks. He may be placed on the roll as many times as necessary to exhaust his entitlement.

There are some additional points veterans should remember about this benefit.

(1) Although the Administrator of Veterans Affairs is charged with responsibility of processing and handling the readjustment clause of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, or G.I. Bill, on a national level, veterans deal with state employment agencies locally. In the state of California, the agency is the California State Employment Service. Veterans wishing to apply for this allowance should deal directly with this group. Their offices are listed in telephone directories.

(2) Now that time limitations on the G.I. Bill started on July 25, 1947, the last day veterans may register for unemployment allowance is July 25, 1949, and all payments will cease July 25, 1952. Those in service now and whose enlistment started prior to July 25, of this year will be eligible to apply for the allowance any time up to two years after separation from their present enlistment. However, all payments will cease five years from July 25, 1947, or on July 25, 1952.

(3) Employed veterans may register with the California State Employment Service now or before July 25, 1949, to protect themselves against the possibility of unemployment before this five year payment period is up. In other words, a veteran to be eligible for the allowance after July 25, 1949, must be registered with that agency before that date.

Another Question: A father writes, "My son is in a Veterans Administration hospital. How often may I visit him?"

Answer: Every day if you like. However, children under 15 years of age are generally restricted from visiting in VA general, surgical, tuberculosis, and neuropsychiatric hospitals, except in special cases and then only with the consent of the doctors in charge.

Budget Of MID Calls For Total $80,930 Costs

Torrance Municipal Improvement District No. 1, the central Torrance water district, will operate on a budget of $80,930, according to tentative figures released this week by Wm. Stanger, superintendent of the water district.

Revenue from sale of water is estimated at $68,500, and there are 1,895 domestic, 58 industrial, and 30 irrigation consumers on the system.

Hydrant rental, meter installation and other miscellaneous items make up the balance of estimated revenue other than direct taxes listed at $4,500.

Under operating expense, Superintendent Stanger lists costs of $22,725, of which $11,000 will go for electric power; $5,000 for water purchases from Metropolitan Water District. Maintenance and purification make up the balance of the operating budget.

Distribution costs are listed at $7,850, mostly maintenance and repair.

General expenses are listed at $19,460, with $10,140 marked for salaries. The balance is made up of motor vehicle, shop, warehouse and other miscellaneous expense, communications, insurance, auditing and necessary items.

According to the budget, $11,700 will be paid in interest on bonds and $13,000 in redemption of bonds.

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