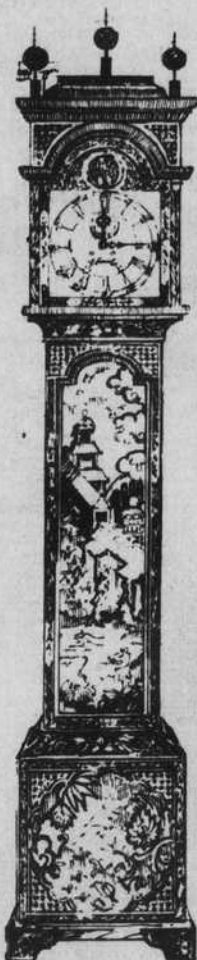


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Letters To The Editor

October 13th

If anyone cares. Hear me. My plea is for help. I need help. It has been said that "once an addict, always an addict." I don't feel this has to be true. Everybody talks of wanting to help the addict - even S.N.D.A.C. But where are they when I need them? Help me now, I need help now. Let's not call the doctor after death. Cooperation is far greater than separation. I've been persecuted, prosecuted and oppressed enough. I don't want to just exist. I want to live. I have the will power and determination it takes, but I need concern and understanding. Those of you who care and that are concerned, help me now.

I am presently living at Frank E. Fitzsimmons Half Way House, one of the programs that come under the umbrella of S.N.D.A.C. Briefly, this is a little of what I have encountered since being a resident at Fitzsimmons Half Way House: The program is approximately one year old. There have been only two graduates - a male and myself. We graduated September 23rd. I was live-in counselor on pay roll at \$6,000 a year along with another counselor. All of a sudden my salary was reduced to \$50,00 a week. The other counselor's salary remained the same. It had been said time and time again that my performance was and still is above average. All I am asking is why - where - how and when???

Odessa Watkins

Pd. Pol. Adv.

VA FACTS

Nearly 141,000 Vietnam - era veterans are treated yearly as bed patients in Veterans Administration Hospitals.

A \$2.75 million Veterans Administration building designed specifically for outpatient and ambulatory care was dedicated recently at the VA hospital in Durham, N.C.

The Veterans Administration, with nearly 24,500 Vietnam - era veterans on its rolls, continues to lead all federal agencies in the employment of this group of veterans.

Veterans Administration pension and compensation payments for widows who lost these benefits when they remarried can now be restored for those who were widowed a second time.

Fiscal year 1974 expenditures for medical and related care and supplies climbed to \$2.8 billion--up \$300 million from the previous year, the Veterans Administration reported recently.

Veterans Administration expenditures for auto grants and adaptive equipment in fiscal year 1974 decreased 27 per cent from the previous year and 53 per cent from fiscal year 1972, reflecting the end of military operations in Southeast Asia.

VOTE

CETA Meeting Goes Thursday

The next Local Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for October 17 at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers at the Las Vegas City Hall. The tentative agenda is as follows: Introductions; Approval of Minutes from August 29 Local Advisory Council Meeting; Election of Permanent Vice-Chairman; Staff Report - CETA Progress; Selection of Subcommittee Chairmen: A. Planning, B. Evaluation, C. Needs Assessment; Old Business; New Business; Time and Place of Next Meeting.

If you have items that you wish to include on the agenda, contact the CETA Administrative Staff Office at 386-6531.

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Q -- When I was discharged from military service last month, I took out a Service Disabled Veterans Insurance (RH) Life Insurance policy. Does the Veterans Administration pay dividends on this type of policy?

A -- No. RH is not a participating policy because the extra risks costs are paid by the government.

Q -- How many spinal cord injury treatment centers and prosthetic treatment centers does the Veterans Administration have?

A -- As of September 1974, VA had 16 spinal cord injury treatment centers and 20 prosthetic treatment centers for amputees, geographically dispersed around the country.

Q -- I'm attending college under the Veterans Administration's program for orphans of deceased veterans. I married two months ago and wonder if my educational allowance will be increased?

A -- Sorry, no. The agency is not authorized to pay additional educational assistance to dependents of participants in that program.

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