

# \*\* V\*A FACTS

**Q-**My husband, a military retiree, died of service-connected causes in May 1963 and was buried in a private cemetery. I received the \$250 VA burial allowance but did not know there was a \$150 plot allowance available for veterans buried in a private cemetery. Was this in effect in 1963?

**A-**The \$150 plot allowance became effective Sept. 1, 1973. The new law also increased the burial allowance up to \$800 for veterans who die of service-connected causes.

**Q-**I have located a home I can buy under the GI Bill, but the asking price is higher than the VA appraised price. Can I pay more than the market value to get that house?

**A-**Yes, if you pay the difference between the VA appraisal and the price of the home from your own resources (no borrowing). VA cannot approve a loan that exceeds the reasonable value of the home.

**Q-**If a veteran wants to change to a school in another state, where should he file his request?

**A-**His request should be filed with the VA regional office that currently has his records.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Richard L. Roud-

bush recently announced his official selection of a site in Massachusetts for a new national cemetery.

The site consists of a 750-acre tract of land at Otis Air Force Base, seven miles northeast of Falmouth, Mass., which is being deeded to the Veterans Administration for development of a cemetery that will eventually provide 360,000 graves.

Although the VA has developed plans for expansion of existing cemeteries to provide more than 90,000 new grave sites since the National Cemetery System was transferred to the VA on September 1, 1973, the Otis land is the first new national cemetery site selected since 1950.

Of the present 103 cemeteries in the National Cemetery System the last site developed for burial of veterans was a VA cemetery opened in Houston in 1963. The Houston cemetery and 20 other VA cemeteries were incorporated in the National Cemetery System following the transfer from the Department of the Army in 1973.

The Massachusetts site is the first of four national cemetery sites scheduled to be selected by the VA this year. Others are being sought in California, Pennsylvania and the greater Washington metropolitan area.

## Unemployment In Nevada Declined In July

More people working and fewer on the unemployment rolls was the continuing pattern for Las Vegas again in July, Nevada's Job Service chief said Wednesday.

Larry McCracken, director of the Employment Security Department, said, "Unemployment decreased by 500 during the month, down from 17,700 jobless in June to 17,200 in July."

He noted, however, that the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate showed a fractional increase from 10.6 per cent to 10.7 per cent, despite fewer people being out of jobs. "More and more Las Vegans are finding work. Employment is increasing faster than the total labor force, and that is a positive indicator of economic recovery. It's a healthy trend, and the Las Vegas economy is sure to reflect some benefits if the pattern continues," McCracken said.

Total employment increased in July by 2,500 jobs--up from 145,500 to 148,000--while the labor force grew from 163,400 to 165,600, an increase of 2,200.

The busy Las Vegas service industry--including hotels, recreation and gaming--added 1,600 new workers during July.

# RUBY SAYS

by Ruby Duncan

It's back-to-school time again, and maybe you families receiving ADC are wondering what you can do to make sure your children are healthy?

You can start by having them screened at the Operation Life Community Health Center. It is so important to find out if there are any health problems before they get worse. That is what preventive health care is all about.

The check-up is free for all ADC recipients under 21 and takes only a few minutes. Here are some of the things you get:

- 1) Height and weight measure
- 2) Vision and hearing tested
- 3) Heart test
- 4) Dental examination
- 5) Sick cell anemia test
- 6) Kindness and gentleness from friendly nurses

If there are any problems discovered, such as the need for eyeglasses, direct referrals are made to doctors, and this is all paid for under Medicaid. The benefits of early screening and treatment are obvious, particularly in cases where the child needs eyeglasses, because this can have a great affect on how well a student does in school and in sports.

Persons of ages 1 to 21 years old should be seen at our clinic once a year, and babies under 1 year should be brought in every three months. The school ages are the years when your children are growing and developing physically and mentally, so this is the period in their lives when it is extremely important that they receive good health care. That means regular and thorough check-ups and plenty of nutritious foods. When the human body is taken good care of early in life, it is in much better condition throughout adulthood, and you will find that you have far fewer health problems later in life. These are reasons why I always emphasize the necessity for preventive health care and treatment of any problems as soon as they are discovered.

If it has been a year or more since your children were seen at our clinic, please bring them in during the back-to-school months of August and September. Call us at 648-2886 to find out when it is time for children to come in, or make an appointment. It's a big part of making sure they stay healthy, and that helps ensure a successful school year.

You may obtain free transportation to the health center by calling 648-0012. And please don't forget to bring your current Medical cards.

I'd like to leave you with this thought for the week and for the rest of your lives: healthy children are happy children. It's your responsibility as parents to make sure they are healthy.

## THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

- THURS. **28** 250,000 join in March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. 1963
- FRI. **29** Congress passes first Civil Rights Act since 1875 in 1957.
- SAT. **30** Slave revolt planned by Gabriel Prosser in Virginia is betrayed. 1800
- SUN. **31** Liberty Party meeting in Buffalo denounces extension of slave territory. 1843

## September 1975

- MON. **1** The fugitive slave John Price rescued from federal marshals with help of Oberlin students. 1858
- TUES. **2** Oberlin College, founded in 1833, admits both white and Black students.
- WED. **3** At 21, Frederick Douglass escapes from slavery disguised as a sailor. 1838

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