This Week in Washington

The government's pattern for reconversion to peacetime living has been announced in detail—but it is evident that many shifts in the blue prints will be necessary as new problems present themselves.

The aims of the government program are, to see that every man has a job (although government spokesmen admit that this will be impossible during the rest of 1945), to keep peacetime production and peacetime wages at a level equal to wartime and thus raise our nation's standard of living, to get rid of wartime restrictions as rapidly as possible, and to prevent price inflation.

Jobs is definitely the biggest problem. Millions of men already out of work as a result of the [illegible] and it may [illegible] may be continued.

Informed opinion in Washington expects that shoe rationing will end within a few months, cheese and canned fish rationing may end any day, butter rationing should end before 1946, and tire rationing may end in the fall. Meat and sugar rationing will probably be the last to go—sometime in 1946.

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Letters to congressmen indicate that there is considerable disappointment among the people over the time it will take to return the men in the armed forces to their homes. But analysis of the situation makes it apparent that the job will be done as rapidly as is possible. In the first place, large armies of occupation are vitally necessary and a large number are needed to supply those armies. As for those who are scheduled to be sent home, the problem is largely one of transportation. If the average transport carriers 1,000 men, it would take 6,000 ship loads to move an army of 6,000,000 men.

ADVICE GIVEN TO VETERANS ON SWINDLERS

In the hope of forewarning veterans against shady business practices, the Better Business Bureau has issued a new pamphlet, "Facts Veterans Should Know Before Starting a Business", which contains a number of examples of what not to do with your money.

The pamphlet points out that many veterans have had no business experience, and consequently may be deceived easily.

"The swindler," it reads, "will try:

To rush the veterans into actions;

To prevent veterans from making investigations;

When this is impossible, to discredit what the swindler knows in advance will be the results of investigations."

The pamphlet presents examples of the typical swindlers—men who seek someone to become their partner in a debt-laden business, brokers of fictitious businesses who ask for advance fees, men who offer profitless vending machines for sale, brokers of failing business, fake brokers for almost every aspect of finding and obtaining jobs or businesses, and loan sharks.

The pamphlet continues:

"You can protect yourself by making sure that you deal only with reliable people and responsible concerns. This you can do by following the Better Business Bureau's slogan, namely: 'Before You Invest—Investigate.'

"Before committing yourself, it will be useful to ask:

"1. What are the facts? Do they agree with representation?

"2. What are the predictions? Are they reasonable?

"3. What is the past record of the seller or agent? Is he worthy of your confidence?

In business transactions, the pamphlet concludes, a written contract provides the most legal protection. But, it warns veterans, learn the meaning of all unfamiliar terms and phrases—and be careful of paragraphs in fine print.

CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR USED CAR TRANSFER

Certificates of transfer for used cars must be submitted, as heretofore, to local War Price and Rationing Boards, it was disclosed today by the OPA Maryland State Office.

Discussing the requirement, Herbert W. Cross, Chief of the Consumer Durable Goods Price Section said:

"Since the discontinuance of number of inquiries indicating that the public is under the impression that it is no longer necessary to submit to the local War Price and Rationing Boards a certificate of transfer on used cars.

"The regulation on used motor vehicles makes it mandatory that a certificate of transfer be completed by the seller and given to the purchaser at the time of the sale of a used car. The certificate must be presented to the Price Clerk at the local War Price and Rationing Board.

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GOOD NEWS!
To All Who Need a Laxative Now-and-Then
When you feel sluggish, stomach upset, low in spirits and somewhat "no account"—because you need a good cleaning out, what you then should try is Kruschen—gently saline laxative—which the Laxative Public the world over has bought in the tune of over 245 MILLION bottles to date.
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