

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Pension Law To Be Discussed

A special meeting featuring a discussion on the new veterans' pension law which takes effect July 1, has been slated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars in the area for March 31.

Open to all veterans and the general public, the program will be held at the VFW Hall of the Pontiac Post 1370, at 308 S. Saginaw St. The meeting will start at 8 p.m. "The meeting is very important to all veterans," District Commander William Mader said, "but especially to the veterans who are already drawing pensions. These veterans may stay under their present pension program or may change to the new law, if the option proves beneficial to them." But he warned veterans not to select the new option until they are acquainted with the new program and all its ramifications.

HE SAID VFW officials, fully acquainted with the new law, would answer specific questions and advise individual veterans on what course to follow.

The new law, passed by Congress during the last session, allows veterans to switch from the old pension system to the new, which is based on need and income limitations.

Some veterans, who do not make very much additional income, would gain by switching their op-

tion to the new law, but others could be penalized if their other income was too high. Only one change is allowed.

The new law also takes in widows and dependents of World War II and Korean veterans.

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Promoting World Peace

More than 37,000 miles in world travel will be covered by two groups of American farmers on agricultural study tours. Ford Motor company is sponsoring the trips for nine winners of the 1960 Ford farm efficiency awards and two presidents of national farm groups. Walter T. Murphy (right), 833 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills, Ford program manager accompanied a group that left March 20 on a 25-day trip to the Far East.

Local Resident Returns

Frank S. Scott, 2400 Derby, recently attended a territory management seminar of National Coal association in Washington, D.C. He is district engineer for that organization in Michigan's lower peninsula.

With his wife, Scott has lived in Birmingham for the past two years. Mrs. Scott is an enthusiastic booster for Birmingham.

"I consider Birmingham a self-contained, ideal community in which to live," said Mrs. Scott this week.

Local educational, religious, shopping and recreational facilities are convenient. Previously, we lived in East Detroit and Grosse Pointe, but eventually decided on Birmingham for a permanent residence."

Excuse It Please!

The Eccentric March 17 issue contained stories of the new business activities of two men, Austin W. Dunham and James F. Wainik.

The pictures accompanying the two stories were inadvertently switched. The Eccentric regrets the error.

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