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Dear Sir:

Being a retired disabled parachute officer of four years service, I have been investigating versions of the G.I. Bill of Rights & other means the soldier may be partially paid for his sacrifice to insure those at home a soft time, and find them all so much political legislation and propaganda. Not only are all the returning Veterans thoroughly disgusted, but most of the civilians are

equally as cold to the Vets legislation where so many toiled so long and accomplished so little.

The thing that tops it all, though, is when we purchase a "Service Men's Guide to the Future" or another book on the G.I. Bill and State Benefits only to find Arizona listed along with a dozen other of the Poorer States who have done nothing! We have always been proud to speak the good

old word Arizona when asked where we are from — go on and tell them how advanced the state really is and ect., but now what?

It is one of the most abominable gestures to those who have given their lives, health and valuable years of life that could be made. The legislature, controlled by a few wealthy cattlemen and ect. do nothing but bring up new legislation

which they will benefit from! Do they ever have time to assist the boys fighting?

Imagine, Governor, Arizona listed with Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and a few of the other South!

You are Governor — you have weight - why not expend some on those who deserve it for awhile.

Thanking You,

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