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You may be assured of the fullest cooperation on the part of South Dakota to consider fully your program of acquiring in each state sufficient land for National Cemetery purposes.

I might advise that we already in the state of South Dakota have such facilities of this character.

Our legislative session for the year 1967 has concluded but a new session will convene in January 1968 at which time, I am sure, your request will be given the fullest attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

NILS A. BOE, *Governor.*

TENNESSEE EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
Nashville, March 28, 1967.

Commander A. LEO ANDERSON,
*National Headquarters, AMVETS,
1710 Rhode Island Avenue NW.,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR COMMANDER ANDERSON: Thank you for your letter of March 23, concerning available burial sites in our National Cemeteries and the distressing reduction and depletion of such sites.

As you know, our General Assembly is meeting at the present time, and I note your suggestion that legislation be introduced to provide land for a National Cemetery within Tennessee.

Your suggestion appears to be quite well considered, and I am referring your letter to Mr. J. F. Hudgens, Director of the Tennessee Department of Veterans Affairs. I am asking Mr. Hudgens to investigate this question and recommend appropriate action to me.

Very truly yours,

BUFORD ELLINGTON.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
April 4, 1967.

Mr. LEO ANDERSON,
National Commander, American Veterans of World War II, National Headquarters, 1710 Rhode Island Avenue NW., Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. ANDERSON: I received and read with much interest your letter of March 22, 1967.

While I am not familiar with all the details of this situation, I certainly will review it thoroughly and take appropriate action. Thanks for bringing this to my attention.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

JOHN CONNALLY, *Governor.*

STATE OF UTAH,
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,
Salt Lake City, April 3, 1967.

Mr. A. LEO ANDERSON,
National Commander, AMVETS National Headquarters, 1710 Rhode Island Avenue NW., Washington, D.C.

DEAR NATIONAL COMMANDER ANDERSON: Your letter regarding the need for additional burial sites in the National Cemeteries of our nation was of interest to me.

Since your letter states that AMVETS represents about 27 million veterans, may I make this suggestion. Conduct a campaign requesting one dollar from each of the veterans that AMVETS represents and utilize this income to purchase land for National Cemeteries. If this money-raising campaign is run each year, I am sure that the income received would be sufficient to buy and maintain a great many more National Cemeteries. Thus, rather than asking our nation or state for a donation, the veteran's organizations would be contributing something of great value to our states and nation.

Cordially,

CALVIN L. RAMPTON, *Governor.*