

We have listed below for your information symptoms reported to us by our members and listed on their claims for Repatriation benefits. Naturally not all veterans are suffering from every one of the symptoms but these are the symptoms that keep cropping up over and over again.

Dizziness, severe headaches, anxiety, tension, depression, suicidal tendencies, emotional instability, restlessness, excessive dreaming, nightmares, insomnia, drowsiness, lethargy, lack of concentration, slurred speech, irritability, bad temper and sudden rages, numbness in hands, feet and joints and convulsions.

Groin rash, body rash, dermatitis, difference in skin tone, skin reaction to extremes of temperature.

High/low blood pressure, liver and kidney disorders, skin cancer, cancer of body organs, ulcers, nausea and vomiting, abdominal tightness - pain and cramps, diarrhoea, constipation, bleeding from bowel and urinary tract, frequency of urination, joint pain and muscular soreness, muscular twitching, tightness in chest, wheezing, coughs, increased bronchial secretion, extreme susceptibility to colds, shortness of breath, increased sweating, increased salivation, clear nasal discharge, blurred vision, poor eyesight, cataracts, ringing in ears, deafness, rapid heartbeat.

Low sex drive, impotence, low sperm counts, sterility.

Many members have reported that their children have problems with their health. Common complaints reported are:

Hare lips, cleft palates, club feet, missing limbs and digits, enlarged heads, spina bifida, epilepsy, skin rashes, internal organ abnormalities, children small in size or underweight, deafness, eye disorders including blindness, turned and open eyes, and slow learning capacity.

#### A VETERAN'S POINT OF VIEW

Since the formation of the V.V.A.A. there has been a growing awareness among members that we are dealing with a much more widespread and serious problem than anyone could have possibly imagined or predicted. The moral fabric of Australian society will be severely tested if the matter is to be speedily and justly resolved.