

## KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

P. E. Bettendorf, representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday at the North Carolina Employment Security Commission in Citizens Bank Building.

Ladies! If you are now 62 years of age or older, or if you will soon be reaching that age—read further!

Do you realize what the 1956 change in the social security law can mean to you? Women, potentially entitled to benefits (if they are otherwise qualified) can start to get monthly benefits before age 65.

Read further to see how you may be affected. If you are a wage earner and entitled to a benefit based upon your own social security account, you may claim your old-age insurance benefit beginning with the month you reach age 62 instead of having to wait until you are 65. However, if you choose to take the payments before you reach 65, the amount of the monthly benefit you receive will be permanently reduced.

The wife of a man who is getting social security retirement payments may also be entitled to benefits at age 62. Like the woman wage earner mentioned above, however, her monthly benefits at the earlier age are also permanently reduced.

It must be borne in mind that if a woman wage earner or a wife of an insured retired husband who is getting benefits chooses to take benefits in a reduced amount before she reaches age 65 she will

continue to get a reduced amount even after she reaches age 65. The choice as to when to file is hers—each woman in these categories should consider fully how she will be affected. The longer she waits before age 65, the higher her monthly benefit will be. She must weigh in her mind whether she prefers to start getting benefits for possibly 36 months before she would have otherwise start getting them, or wait until she can get higher benefits.

The reduction, which applies in the case of an insured working woman or the wife of an insured husband who is getting old-age payments is a percentage which is based on the number of months she is under the age of 65. A widow of an insured worker or a dependent mother of a deceased insured worker may get unreduced widow's or parent's benefits at age 62.

So—ladies—consider all the facts and your own individual circumstances and decide whether you want lower benefits at an earlier age, or more by filing at a later date.

In any event your local social security office can give you complete information regarding your specific case. Booklets covering the entire benefit story are available for the asking.

ties of unions. It would seem that the instinct of self-preservation, if nothing more, would compel a recommendation along this line—for most of the union funds used for political activity go to support candidates opposed to the Administration. It is generally recognized that some union leaders are seeking to attain political domination of the nation. Corporations are not permitted to make political contributions—so why should unions?

**NO COMMENT**  
By JAMES W. DOUTCH

Washington—The most significant aspect of President Eisenhower's message to Congress requesting labor legislation lies in what was omitted rather than in what was proposed.

Members of Congress who have been advocating legislation desperately needed to protect and promote the nation's future were disappointed that the message contained no recommendations to:

1. Apply the antitrust laws to unions, as they already do to industry, in an effort to curb the evils of labor monopoly power. Surprisingly, the message also made no reference to the recommendations to curb union activities drawn up, after a long investigation, by Mr. Eisenhower's own Attorney General's National Committee to Study the Antitrust Laws. And the President's January, 1955 Economic Report described the curbing of "monopolistic tendencies, whether of business or labor" as a "basic proposition" underlying economic actions of the Administration.

2. Provide freedom of speech to employers equally with unions. This was urged by the President in his message to Congress on January 11, 1954, requesting labor legislation. Why it was omitted this time was not explained. The right of speech is fundamental.

3. Assure a secret strike ballot before a worker has to give up his means of livelihood. This also was requested by Mr. Eisenhower in his 1954 message—and the omission now is unexplained. An employee definitely should have the opportunity to express his free choice by secret ballot on such a vital question.

4. Regulate the political activi-

5. End the evils of compulsory unionism. The Taft-Hartley Act—and all but 18 of the states—still permit the union shop, under which an employee must join and pay money to a union in order to get or keep a job. Employees must be given the right to decide for themselves whether or not to join a union.

In addition, Congressmen seeking remedial labor legislation were of the opinion that the problem of federal preemption of states' rights would not be solved merely by giving the states jurisdiction over issues which the National Labor Relations Board did not wish to handle.

The problem is much more basic than that. It grows out of Supreme Court decisions in recent years holding that state laws are invalid if there is a federal law applying to the issue.

This means, in effect, that states' rights, human rights, and business concerns can be destroyed by acts of others clearly unlawful under state law.

This results because the aggrieved parties cannot go to their local tribunals for protection or relief as long as there is any possibility that a federal law might be applicable.

The vast extent to which this doctrine has been carried is shown by the fact that Pennsylvania (and therefore all other states) was prevented from enforcing a state law against communistic activities merely because there was



**CONGRATULATIONS ALL AROUND**—Secretary of the Army Wilber Brucker, left, offers his congratulations in Washington as Dr. William H. Pickering, center, of the California Institute of Technology hears telephone confirmation that the Army's Jupiter-C missile had successfully launched America's first earth satellite. At right is Dr. Werhner von Braun, who directed development of the Jupiter.

a federal law on the subject.

Because of these omissions, the labor message to Congress is regarded by many on Capitol Hill as entirely inadequate to meet the glaring evils of unionism revealed in testimony before the McClellan Committee and elsewhere.

Some of the Congressmen, in fact, are of the opinion that some of Mr. Eisenhower's advisors, including Secretary of Labor Mitchell, succeeded in converting the document into a political attempt to placate the unions.

They point out, in support of their contention, that the message to Congress is essentially the same as the address Secretary Mitchell delivered to the AFL-CIO convention at Atlantic City on December 5.

They wondered on December 5—and are still wondering—why the Administration's labor recommendations should be presented first to the AFL-CIO instead of to Congress.

### Hospital Patients

Visiting Hours: 10 to 11 A. M., 2 to 4 P. M., and 6 to 8 P. M. Children Under 12 Years of Age Not Permitted To Visit Patients.

Patients admitted to the Chowan Hospital during the week of February 3-9 were:

**White**  
Mrs. Bertha Martin, Edenton; Horace Hudson, Roper; Sidney White, Jr., Edenton; Pfc. Gerald Fraley, Edenton; Mrs. Mary Robertson, Hertford; Miss Sadie Williams, Edenton; Mrs. Grace Britton, Edenton; Mrs. Gladys Ward, Merry Hill; Mrs. Frances Dale, Edenton; Mrs. Lillian Calper, Jacksonville; H. A. Campen, Edenton; Jesse Rountree, Belvidere; Mrs. Martha Wood, Edenton;

**Negro**  
Marie Norman, Edenton; Melissa Ann Sampson, Creswell; Mary Downing, Edenton; William McDowell, Roper; Mrs. Dora Gibbs, Hertford; Jasper Hardy, Edenton.

Patients discharged from the Chowan Hospital during the same week were:

**White**  
Mrs. Eula Ambrose, Creswell; Mrs. Sabra Spruill, Roper; Mrs. Polyxeny Anderson, Hertford; Mrs. Bertha Martin, Edenton; Pfc. Gerald Fraley, Edenton; Miss Sadie Williams, Edenton; Mrs. Grace Britton, Edenton; Mrs. Gladys Ward, Merry Hill; Mrs. Frances Dale, Edenton; Mrs. Lillian Calper, Jacksonville; H. A. Campen, Edenton; Jesse Rountree, Belvidere; Mrs. Martha Wood, Edenton;

**Negro**  
Julius Roberts, Edenton; Jarvis Melton, Columbia; Willie Charlton, Edenton; Mildred Roberts, Edenton; Marie Norman, Edenton; Baby William Boyce, Edenton; Melissa Ann Sampson, Creswell; Dorothy Lightfoot, Winfall; Dora Gibbs, Hertford.

**Births**  
Births during the same week were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sampson of Creswell, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Norman of Edenton, a daughter; the Rev. and

Mrs. John Martin of Edenton, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Ward of Merry Hill, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Ray Stallings of Edenton, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Alfonza Gibbs of Hertford, a son.

Visiting ministers for the week of February 10-16 are: White, the Rev. B. L. Raines; Negro, the Rev. Mr. Gordon.

### Richard Harrell Dies Wednesday

Richard B. Harrell, 47, died suddenly at his home on Oakum Street Wednesday morning of last week. He was a veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Olivia McClenney Harrell; a daughter, Evelyn Olivia Harrell; a stepdaughter, Carol Ann Phipps; a stepson, Leslie Howard Phipps, all at home; his mother, Mrs. Sally Bess Harrell of Edenton; three brothers, Lonnie J. Harrell, Hoskin Harrell and Joe Lynn Harrell, all of Edenton; three sisters, Mrs. Maude Harrell Lassiter, Mrs. Billy Whitson and Mrs. Walter Heath, all of Edenton.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the First Christian Church with

the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Alexander, officiating. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

### Wrestling Match At Staff NCO Club

Monday night of last week wrestling was featured at the Staff NCO Club at the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station. The first match pitted two women, Violet Ray, the world's lightweight champion, against Lena Kroctov, the Russian women's champion, and was won by Miss Kroctov.

The second match pitted Vern Kelly, the world's lightweight champion, against "The Masked Russian"—and was won by Kelly. The third match was really a good one. It matched Miss Ray and Kelly against Miss Kroctov and "The Masked Russian" in a tag-team match—the United States vs. Russia—and was won by the American team. All of the matches were refereed by "Gorgeous George" Curtis and were witnessed by about 70 Staff NCO's and their guests.

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Sliding Scale But knowledge to their eyes her ample page, Rich with the spoils of time, ne'er unroll. —Gray.

## TAYLOR THEATRE

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Thursday and Friday, February 13-14—  
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Saturday, February 15—  
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Stewart Granger in  
"GUN GLORY"  
CinemaScope and Color  
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"TARZAN AND THE  
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Technicolor

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 16-17-18—  
James Garner in  
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Wednesday, February 19—  
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"I WAS A TEENAGE  
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