

SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

George Dietrich, field representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday at the North Carolina Employment Security Commission office on North Broad Street.

Are you thinking about retiring? This year? Next year? Soon? Sometime? Find out about your social security money. Your social security account means so many tax free dollars a month after you retire. They will be guaranteed payable dollars if you qualify as "retired" and are of retirement age, but chances are they will be the same amount after that for the rest of your life. It will pay you to find out before you retire how much money you can count on for after that day comes.

Your local social security district office urges you to check your earnings record, every three years at least, during your working lifetime. You can do this by sending a postal card furnished by the district office. This postcard will go to the Baltimore accounting office and you will be sent a report two weeks later. It will tell you how much earnings and coverage you have to your credit since you began paying the social security tax. This is the account that will be used to figure your monthly

benefit check when you reach retirement age. Make sure you know that you have all the credit you earned.

Inquire in time, before you retire, so there will be no delay in processing your application for benefits. You will need time to know what you can count on to pay continued living expenses after you retire from working. Social security old-age insurance benefits may be paid in addition to other income you have from company retirement fund, rents, dividends, interest or continued part-time or full-time work after you turn age 62. But, if you work after age 62 or after you qualify for benefits under the social security program, you may not get all of your monthly checks if you earn over \$1200 that year, unless you were age 72 or over.

What is your situation? Any problems? If you want further information, visit, write, or call your local social security district office at 205 Boyd Avenue, Greenville.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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good way of life but not be ready to trust ourselves to him. When we say, "I believe in Jesus Christ," we mean more than mere belief that Christ exists. We mean that we believe enough in Christ to trust him and to commit our way to him. This is what the writer of the Fourth Gospel meant by belief. One who so believes in Christ has already entered into eternal life.

Belief has to do with a basic conviction. It implies not only a strong conviction about something but a reliance upon, a trust in, what one believes.

The writer of First Peter was aware of the need for Christians to be able to give a reason for their faith. The early Christians were confronted with many pagan ideas. Their finest defense was to be able to give their questioners a simple and winsome explanation of their beliefs in a spirit of love and gentleness, as Paul did before King Agrippa. (Acts 26).

How appropriate is this admonition for us in a day when so many false ideas are winning fervent adherents! We need to be prepared to give careful explanations of what we believe. Our main task is not heated argument with those who disagree, but a personal witness in a spirit of love and gentleness.

Religious beliefs have often been regarded as a private affair, having little relation to life's problems. But it becomes increasingly evident in our world that, in the long run, the beliefs men hold do work themselves out into action. We see beliefs that we regard as false affecting the lives of millions and resulting in widespread suffering. The events of our world have made us more conscious that what we do in daily living

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depends upon what we believe. A careful observer does not question that beliefs determine action. Let us, then, walk warily, always remembering that it is in the field of action that our beliefs grow strong and vigorous roots.

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Frankly Speaking

By FRANK ROBERTS

A few columns ago I took a quick check on a few of the new television programs for this season. After viewing a few more new ones, it seems to be a promising season coming up for television. For instance, Edmond O'Brien's new program, based on real-life cases, has provided viewers with entertainment, excitement and food-for-thought. The new program is called "Sam Benedict," and it's a Saturday night offering. A new one on Sunday is called "McKeever and the Colonel," saved, thus far, only by the talented Allyn Joslyn. Following that program, though, a naval affair called "Ensign O'Toole," starring Dean Jones and Jay C. Flippen, which had a very funny initial offering. A new Monday night offering called "It's A Man's World," left me almost completely cold. However, that program was followed by a new entry concerning the newspaper business called "Saints and Sinners," and starring John Larkin and Nick Adams. This one looks good enough to hold on for a few seasons. Loretta Young's new show, on that same night, holds promise for the future, but it needs a good deal of fixin' up. The new Lloyd Bridges show has a bright future. "The Virginian," television's new 90-minute show, was slammed by some critics but I think most viewers will give it more than a second glance. The initial show was excellent, but the sec-

ond one left much to be desired. About the funniest new entry this season, so far, is the one on Wednesday night called "Beverly Hillbillies," with Bud-Jay Ebsen, Davy Crockett's old sidekick, in the starring role. A new medical item about "The Nurses," will probably hold on to its audience for the next couple of seasons. Jack Paar's new Friday night show is an excellent combination of history, humor, song and personality. Of course, many of the old favorites are back, some with new formats, but I just wanted to come up with a quick look at the newest offerings. Happy tele-viewing.

Not-too-helpful suggestions for your Halloween party: as hostess, any of Tennessee Williams' female characters. As host, who else... Vincent Price. For entertainment, a succession of full-color horror movies, including such gems as "The Motel Monster," and "The Scaly-Legged, Two-Headed, Fire Breathing Demon From The Depths Of The Chowan River." For music, such items as "Isle Of The Dead," "Til' Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks," or "The Surry Wit-

Some Snakes 'On Top". Of course, the old-time Halloween parties were replete with witches, black cats, strange noises in the dark. For the modern touch, though, a scary Halloween party should include a reading of the national budget, with heavy emphasis on the tax features. That'll really chill the blood. If you'd like to put some innocent soul in torment, how about a night-long session of rock and roll by such artists as the Six Schizophrenics, Sammy Torquemada or the Twisting Switchblades. For fun and games, such new Halloween favorites as Ducking for Apple-sauce, or charades with such challenging themes as "A Summary of the Reptiles and Amphibians of southern New Jersey," or "I Was An Etruscan Pottery Expert for the F.B.I.?" Or, you can pin the tail on the donkey, and use a real donkey. If you're in the mood for a sing-along (they're so popular these days) you might have a segment, such as "Sing-Along With Leopold Stokowski and the Trinidad All-Steel Calypso Band, in Fireside Songs of the Mau-Mau". Of course, there's always the top favorite Halloween game of trick or treat. Now, though, you can play it with a difference, like: "gimme a steak dinner or I'll burn the house down." Halloween-time is usually mischief time, and if you'd like a few fresh suggestions, read on. You can send anonymous subscrip-

tions to the Daily Worker, to members of the John Birch Society, or you can fill someone's swimming pool with lard, or you can invite the local beatnik group to a reading of the complete works of Edgar Guest, or you can paste a stereo label on an ordinary record and take it to Griffin's Music Center with the complaint that it doesn't sound stereophonic. Anyway, no matter which of these suggestions appeal to the twisted mind

early greetings for a happy Halloween. Closing Thought: A wife is essential to great longevity; she is the receptacle of half a man's cares, and two-thirds of his ill-humor.

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The October meeting of the Edenton Town Council will be held on Thursday night, October 11th, instead of Tuesday, October 9th, the regular meeting date.

Change in meeting was called because of conflicting meetings.

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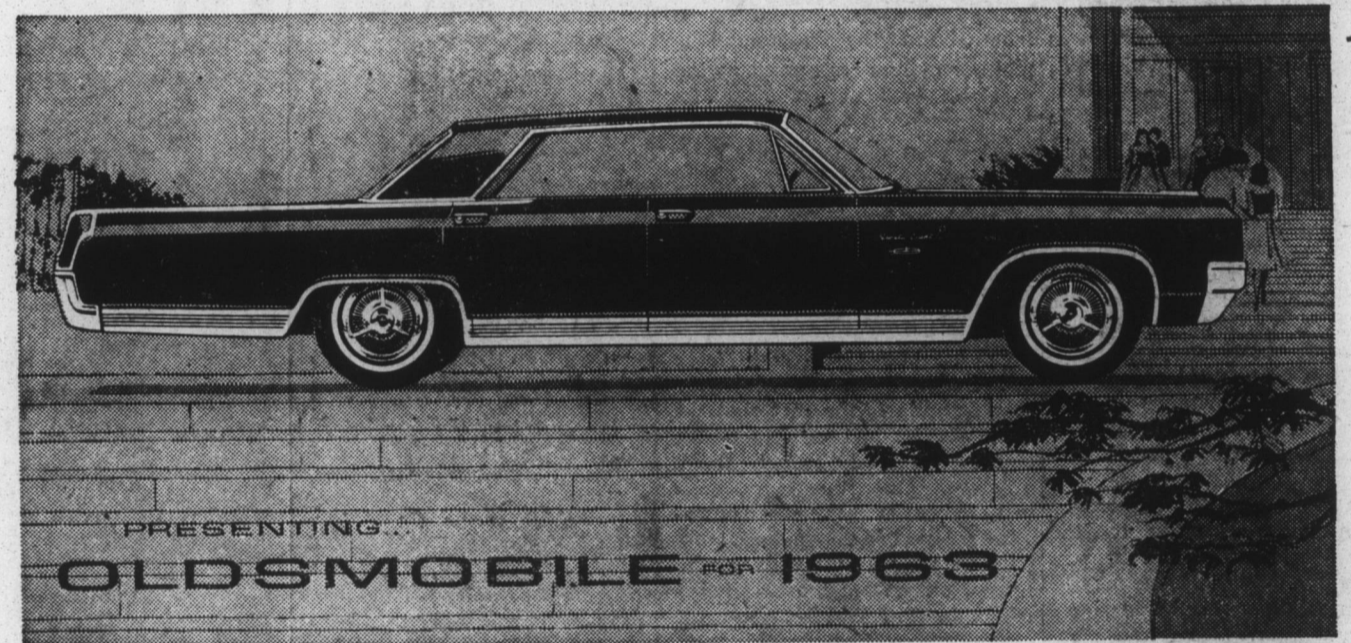
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