

KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

John T. Grossman, representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Hertford the second Wednesday of each month at the Perquimans County Court House.

In my first article on the new amendments to the Social Security Law, I described the program which gives men the option to retire between 62 and 65 with reduced benefits.

In today's article, I want to cover another important change in the law—the one which reduces the length of time a person needs to have worked under Social Security to get retirement benefits for himself or to qualify his family for survivors benefits in case of his death.

Some 160,000 older people will become eligible for cash benefits because of his change in the law—older men and women workers, their wives or dependents, husbands and the widows, dependent widowers and aged dependent parents of workers who have died. First payments to newly eligible persons can be made for the month of August, 1961.

Social Security credit for calendar quarters earned at any time since 1938 can be counted toward the amount of work he needs to get retirement benefits for himself or to qualify his family for dependents or survivors benefits.

If you believe that you or someone in your family may now be eligible for benefits because of this change in the law, get in touch with your Social Security Office promptly.

You may have inquired soon after the law was changed by Congress in September, 1960. But do so again; this is a new change that makes it possible for people to get benefits with even less credit for work covered by Social Security. As before, however, no one can become entitled to benefits with a total of less than a year and a half of work in employment or self-employment covered by Social Security.

Your Social Security Office in Norfolk, Virginia is located at: 220 W. Brambleton Avenue, Norfolk 10, Virginia.

I should point out that credit for work under Social Security is counted in three-month "calendar quarters". Therefore, a person need not have worked for a continuous period of 2½ or 1½ years, as the case may be.

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BRIDAL COUPLE HONORED

Mr. and Mrs. Chancie DeShield Barclift entertained at a rehearsal supper Saturday, July 15, at 6 o'clock at the Tidenton Restaurant in Edenton in honor of Miss Emilie Rebecca White and Carver DeShield Barclift. The dining tables were beautifully decorated with roses and candles. Members of the White and Barclift families and wedding party attended. The bride-to-be was presented a gift of silver.

Shower

Miss Emilie White was honored Saturday night, July 8, at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Jack Rascoe, Mrs. Marvin White, Mrs. Walter Humphlett, Sr., and Mrs. Walter Humphlett, Jr., at the Wintfall Community Building.

The bride-elect was presented a corsage of pink carnations upon arrival, after which several games were played.

Refreshments of punch, mints, nuts, open face sandwiches and petit fours were served from a

table decorated with a centerpiece of gladioli and daisies. A decor of green and white was used.

Thirty guests attended.

Out of town guests attending the Barclift-White wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Chancie Barclift of Durham, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hight, Jr. of Henderson, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crowder of South Boston, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Butt of Washington, D. C., Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Guyer, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Hayir, Mrs. M. D. Boone and son Donnie, Mrs. Dils Galemore, all of Great Bridge, Va., Miss Argent Tucker and Nannie Davice of Gritton, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Gale N. Winslow, Chapel Hill, N. C., Mrs. Eva Adams and Bettie Gale Moore of Leaksville, N. C., Lt. and Mrs. Dolan Winslow, recently from Japan.

One Way Of Doing It

The Waiter — We have given a brush ox tail and some other brushed beef tongue today.

The Customer — In spite of the high cost, you manage to make both ends meet, eh?

Fall Sign-up For Planting Of Forest Trees July 17-31

The planting of forest trees on marginal, sloping, or eroded land provides the best means available of preventing loss of topsoil through wind or water erosion," says H. O. West, local office manager for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Tree planting is a valued conservation practice under ASCS's Agricultural Conservation Program. North Carolina farmers established 168,178 acres of trees during the year 1956-60 under the Agricultural Conservation Program and the Conservation Reserve Program.

The Division of Forestry of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development furnishes the tree seedlings at a nominal cost to the farmer. The Division of Forestry also furnishes technical help to farmers in carrying out tree planting practices and the forest improvement practices included in the ACP.

Farmers interested in planting trees or the forest improvement practice included in the ACP should contact their ASCS County Office or an ASCS county or community committeeman and discuss their conservation needs. "There is still a great conservation need which can be met through the planting of stands and the improvement of stands of forest trees," says Mr. West.

The fall sign-up under ACP in Chowan County is July 17 through July 31.

North Carolina 41st In Education

North Carolina ranks 41st educationally among the 50 states of the Union, according to 30 representative measures of growth and achievement. California ranks first and Montana 50th.

Legal follow-through from the adult craze for springtime pink which had every woman looking as though she had fallen into a jar of strawberry jam. Now, deepened and dressed for fall, magenta appears in every hue and every line. This is such a strong, off-beat color that it requires a little care; it usually is not becoming to brunettes, and may tend to wash out a fair little blonde. A brown-haired, blue-eyed lass will do best with it—but not if she has a favorite red sweater or coat.

The ranks of the states are based on twenty of the 68 measures given in the NEA publication; ten educational factors indicating methods and results and ten financial factors indicating ability and effort. The states are also ranked on a combination of the twenty factors. No claim is made that even these combinations furnish a "complete and final answer" to a state's rank in public education. On the other hand, such data summarizes in a significant way some of the "complex factors that must be considered in placing a value on a state's system of public education."

Color Accent Changes On Fashion Market

Although we are still in the middle of summer, fall fashions are beginning to appear on the market. You may be surprised at the changes in color.

Miss Mary Em Lee, clothing specialist for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, says the colors suggest a gentler era, far removed from the flashy world of jets and jeté boxes. Reports show that metal shades are coming up as most important—the soft grey-green of old pewter, the softer grey of silver, the mellow depth of old gold, the steel blue of an antique musket.

The earth-tones, too, are important—massy greens and peat browns. The surprise color is black, brightened by clear, bright, traditional tones in a print or wash plaid or white in a costume.

Neat Education Association in its Research Report, Rankings of the States, 1961. This publication gives the ranks of the states in 68 different measures. The NEA publication does not combine any of these different measures for a composite rank. It does point out, however, that "no single set of statistics provides a complete and final answer to the question of how a State ranks, but a combination of several of them throws considerable light on this complex question."

Tar Heel Farmers Plant More Cotton

Cotton planted in North Carolina this year is estimated at 425,000 acres, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. The report shows a 7.7 percent increase over the 395,000 acres planted last year but 23 percent below the 1959-60 average of 544,000 acres. Assuming the 1961-62 ten-year average abandonment of 3.3 percent would result in about 411,000 acres for harvest this year, this would be the largest acreage of cotton harvested in North Carolina since 1956 when 440,000 acres were harvested.

Mulling It Over

"You've been out with worse-looking fellows than I am, have you not?"

She did not reply.

"I said, you've been out with worse-looking fellows than I am, haven't you?"

"I heard you the first time. I was trying to think."

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A MESSAGE TO THE VOTERS OF HERTFORD

Cast YOUR Ballot IN FAVOR of Legal Control On August 8th

Acting under authority granted it by the 1961 General Assembly, the Town of Hertford will, on August 8, 1961, conduct a special election to determine whether or not an ABC Store is to be established in Hertford.

The Hertford Town Board sought this authority for holding an ABC election on requests submitted by a number of citizens of Hertford. Under the Legislative authority the election will be held between the hours of 6:30 A. M., and 6:30 P. M., at the Courthouse in Hertford on Tuesday, August 8th.

Registration books for this election will open tomorrow, Saturday, July 22, 1961, for registration of eligible voters NOT already registered. If you are registered you NEED NOT register again to vote in this election.

If a majority of voters casting ballots in this election vote Yes, favoring establishment of an Alcohol Beverage Control Board, the Town of Hertford will then have the authority to name an ABC Board which in turn will legally proceed to establish an ABC Store and place sales of beverages under strict legal control.

Under the law, granting Hertford this permission to conduct an ABC election, if the voters of Hertford favor establishment of a legal control store profits therefrom shall be equally divided between the Town of Hertford and Perquimans County schools.

Recognizing that thousands of Perquimans County dollars are being spent each year in ABC stores in neighboring counties, and that the profit on these dollars are being used to support schools and governmental units in those areas, we urge you to join in helping to keep these dollars at home by voting Yes for establishment of an ABC store in Hertford.

Faced with rising costs for services, our schools and the Town of Hertford can use profits from an ABC store for such purposes and at the same time reduce the possibility of needs for an increased tax rate.

Hertford's need for expanding services and installation of a sewer disposal system will cost a heap of money. Part of these funds can and will be secured through operation of an ABC store, if you, the voters, vote for the establishment of such a store here. It's an economic question and you can help keep dollars at home by voting for legal control.

Vote For Economic Progress
Vote For Legal Control
Hertford Committee For Legal Control
Let's Try Legal Control . . . There Is No Such Thing As A Dry Town