

For Holiday Labors

Every student who is planning to work during the holiday season will need a social security account number before he takes a job—that is, if the job is with a business, or industrial concern. If he is going to work for the post office or any other Government agency, he will not need an account number card. If his work is for a church, public library, school or other non-profit organization, on a farm or in domestic service or if he is under 21, and works for his parent, he will not need an account number card. None of those jobs are covered by the Social Security Act.

No student should apply for an account number card until he has the promise of a job, according to Mrs. Janet Hall Green, manager of the Gastonia Field office of the Social Security Board, who said that some boys and girls apply for account numbers when they have no prospect of a job. This practice costs the Government money and often causes congestion in the office of the Social Security Board.

Mrs. Janet Hall Green explained that a boy or girl who takes a job, even for a short while, in a shop, mill, store, or in any other business or industrial establishment should have a social security account number in order that he may receive credit on the books of the Social Security Board for every dollar he earns in a job covered by the law. "The Social Security Board has an extensive system of bookkeeping," he added. "When a worker fills out an application for a social security account number, he receives a card, which certifies that an account has been established for him. The card contains the number of the worker's account, and it is in this account that the worker's wage record will be kept, until the time is reached for paying his benefits. This account number always remains the same. It is not affected if the worker changes jobs, if he works for more than one employer, or if he is out of work for a while."

In case a student who previously obtained a social security account card, has lost that card, he should not apply for another number but should ask for a duplicate. If he has a record of the number, it will be easier to obtain the duplicate. If he does not remember the number, it will take some time to get the duplicate card—but it can be done.

To apply for an account number card call at the Gastonia Field office of the Social Security Board located 204 National Bank of Commerce Building, Gastonia, N. C.

A 'SHORT-SHORT' NEW YEAR'S STORY

"Gee, it's funny how that habit which the folks instill in us during childhood helps when stranded in a big city of strangers where I know no one in particular," Netta Carson reflected as she mused over the evening newspaper.

That habit which had become so much to the Carson family was to do—or resolve to do—a good deed for someone during New Year's day.

In recalling her life at home she came on an idea and then jumped to the practical application. Netta Carson sat down at her desk and took a fountain pen in hand. She wrote to the owner of the office building in which she worked. Her purpose was to tell him about the wonderful service Jed, the diminutive elevator boy, was giving, though none of the other building tenants took the time to appreciate it. It

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was almost a month later when Jed stopped and thanked her and informed her that he had received a two dollar raise on the strength of her praise and appreciation of him. Another letter written to the chief of police, which praised the officer on the beat near where his daughter's home was located, she discovered, was responsible for the officer receiving a promotion.

As soon as the head of the department where she bought her stockings and other necessities of life, learned the little sales girl at the glove counter resided in the city, he moved to a better position—that is, to mention a raise in



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