

KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

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

This is the final article in the series about disability benefits under the Social Security Act. One important fact to remember is if you were disabled before January 1, 1957, you must apply to the Social Security office before June 30, 1957. Once this deadline passes, the only people who will be considered are those who have become disabled within one year from the date they file their application.

The amount of the disability insurance payment will depend on your average monthly wage as shown in your social security record. It will be the same amount you would get if you were already 65. Your dependents do not get social security benefits based on your social security account while you are getting disability insurance benefits. Benefits will be payable to your survivors if you should die, or when you become entitled to old-age benefits. Disability insurance benefits are not paid in addition to any dependent or survivors benefits which may be payable under the social security law. If you are eligible for more than one of these benefits, you will only receive the larger. For example,

if you are entitled to widow's benefits or dependent parent's benefits and also entitled to disability insurance benefits on your own, you will only receive the larger benefit.

When you make your application, your Social Security office will give you a medical report form. You will be asked to take or mail this form to your doctor and to places you have been treated for your disabling condition. You are responsible for getting the medical evidence to show that you are disabled. On the medical report form which your doctor or hospital fills out, they are asked to give the medical history of your condition, what they have found wrong with you, how severe it is, what medical tests have shown and what treatments you have received. The doctors or hospitals are not asked whether or not you are disabled. They are only asked for medical information. You will receive a notice from the Social Security Administration as soon as a decision has been reached in your case. Any disability determination does not affect in any way Old-Age and Survivors Insurance benefits.

national defense program.

I believe this approach to be sound. It is not in the interest of the public to permit continued rapid amortization to industry which can still qualify under the provisions of the act. The law was a means of getting fast defense potential in a period of national emergency. To permit legal abuse to continue is shortsighted indeed.

Review

By way of review, you will recall that I voted last year against the government's construction of a dam at Hells Canyon. I gave you the reasons why I voted that way. Briefly, the Federal Power Commission had issued a license to private industry to build the dam. Believing in the free enterprise system, I felt the government should not build the project if free enterprise was willing, ready and able to do the job. Also, I said that lawful contracts had already been made under governmental auspices and that they should be recognized. I also pointed out that the government could take over the dam under the exercise of its power of eminent domain should it develop that the project was vital as a governmental project. Congress approved the free enterprise approach.

Forced Issue

I am firmly convinced that there should be no fast amortization of a project of this nature. Private enterprise should function without the blessings of fast amortization. It is good that this issue is before the Congress for action, and I hope that corrective measures will be forthcoming.

Back Home

During the past week I was able to keep a schedule of speaking engagements in North Carolina. I must admit that this was a pleasant change for me. It afforded me the opportunity of talking over current problems with a great many of the home folks.

I do not propose to press for such action, but it seems to me that Congress would be doing a lot to keep perspective by taking off a week out of each month for members to get among the folks back home.

Needed Study Underway

Last week Congress began

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hearings on a problem that is vital. I refer to the study of atomic radiation and its influence on mankind. Of necessity these hearings have to be highly scientific in nature, but I hope that you are following the hearings carefully. It is a subject on which there is much disagreement even among scientists.

Bible Conference To Be Held In Richmond

R. P. Long, presiding minister of the local congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, announced to the group last week that Richmond, Va., has been selected as the location for the semi-annual 3-day Bible conference. It is scheduled for June 14-16 and is sponsored by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society.

"The purpose of the program," Long said, "is to direct the efforts of the preaching fellowship of Jehovah's Witnesses in the practical application of the Bible and to strengthen our Christian position in a world faced with a rising tide of materialism."

"Tell the Good News" was announced as the conference theme. Local Witnesses will begin immediately to make plans for attending, Long stated. Persons desiring to attend the conference needing transportation, should contact R. P. Long, Edenton.

If the current accident rate continues, the Allstate Safety Crusade warns, two out of every five children in the United States today either will be killed or injured in a traffic accident during their lifetime.

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Rachael, especially the latter, who was the object of Jacob's undying affection, primarily. At the end of that period, Jacob suggested the advisability of leaving Laban's service, but was persuaded to stay on thereafter, on wages, although the crafty Laban thought the terms of payment would work only in his favor. Jacob's keen ability, however, saw to it that his interests were

protected and Jacob grew wealthy year by year until Laban adopted a new attitude. While Jacob was laboring to make Laban rich, it was well and good, but now that Jacob was profiting, Laban's friendliness declined. Jacob saw this and, after talking the matter over with his two wives, decided to depart secretly, fearing that Laban might take his property and his wives from him by force.

It is well to note the character of the relationship between Jacob and Laban. The latter was crafty and selfish, having fooled Jacob in the matter of marriage, having changed his wages ten times in an effort, presumably, to get the better of him, and always proving a hard taskmaster and an exact employer. Jacob had been required to pay for cattle torn by beasts and stolen by night or day "of my hands hast thou required it."

Jacob's service had been efficient; he had come to Laban small in resources and had built up for him great possessions; he had been unsparing in his efforts for Laban "in the day the drought consumed me and the frost by night, and my sleep departed from mine eyes" that proper care be taken of Laban's flocks.

Stealthily Jacob started on his return journey to his native land. Laban pursued him, but, after overtaking him, they parted forever in friendliness. Mizpah was built and it has come down through the ages as a symbol for the separation of loved ones—"The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another."

So, Jacob continued his journey, but no sooner had he eased his mind on the subject of Laban's anger and vengeance, than new specters presented themselves to disturb his peacefulness. Jacob was going home—what of his brother Esau, whom he had wronged, and from whom he had

had no news during these two score years? What fate awaited the home-coming Jacob?

The fear of Esau's wrath possessed Jacob, as well it might, for had not Esau openly proclaimed his purpose to kill him? Jacob did his best to avert such an evil and proceeded diplomatically in his efforts to allay Esau's anger. Messengers were dispatched to "my lord" Esau by "thy servant" Jacob, but the only information they could bring back was that Esau was approaching with four hundred armed men.

No wonder Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed. In his need, he went to God in prayer, the proper thing for any mortal man to do. Confessing his unworthiness, admitting his fears, Jacob plead with God for deliverance. At the same time, he continued his efforts to placate Esau. Goats, sheep, camels, cattle and other animals were sent forward in groups under different servants as gifts and peace offerings.

What surprise and sweetness awaited him. "And Esau ran to meet him and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him."

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ings to Esau, in an effort to make right the wrong of years ago.

No man can avoid responsibility for wrong-doing, however, and the inevitable day of judgment comes. Jacob journeying homeward, saw Esau coming to meet him, hastened the hour when they should meet. Perturbed in mind, he resolutely faced the future. He placed his beloved Rachael and her son, Joseph, in the rear of all his company, and trusting in his God, he bravely moved to meet the advance of his oncoming brother.

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and they wept." Score heavily for Esau, who could forget and forgive, and remark upon the good fortune of Jacob who had wronged a man who had the capacity for mercy. Esau, too, had prospered and was unwilling to allow a worn-out wrong to rob him of the happiness which life could yet afford by the reconciliation with his brother. How badly the world needs such a spirit to-day!

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Washington—The issue of fast amortization of costs in connection with the Hells Canyon project by Idaho Power and Electric Company has caused the Congress to take a careful look at the whole matter.

recently and hearings have been held by the Senate Finance Committee on this subject. The bill proposes to restrict issuance of rapid amortization licenses to those facilities producing new defense items for use by the Department of Defense and the Atomic Energy Commission in the

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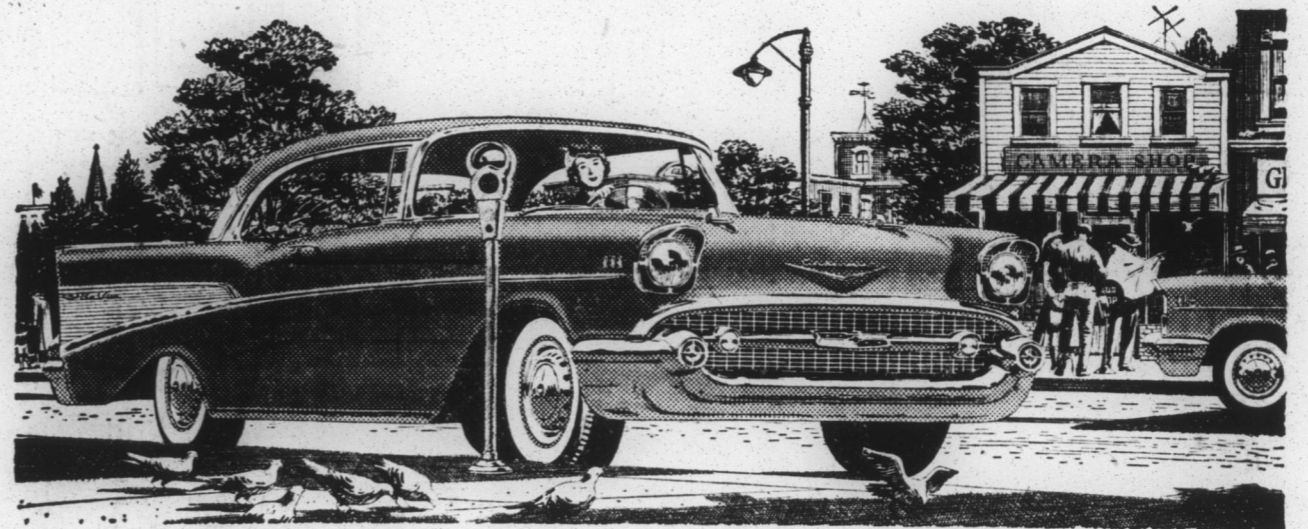
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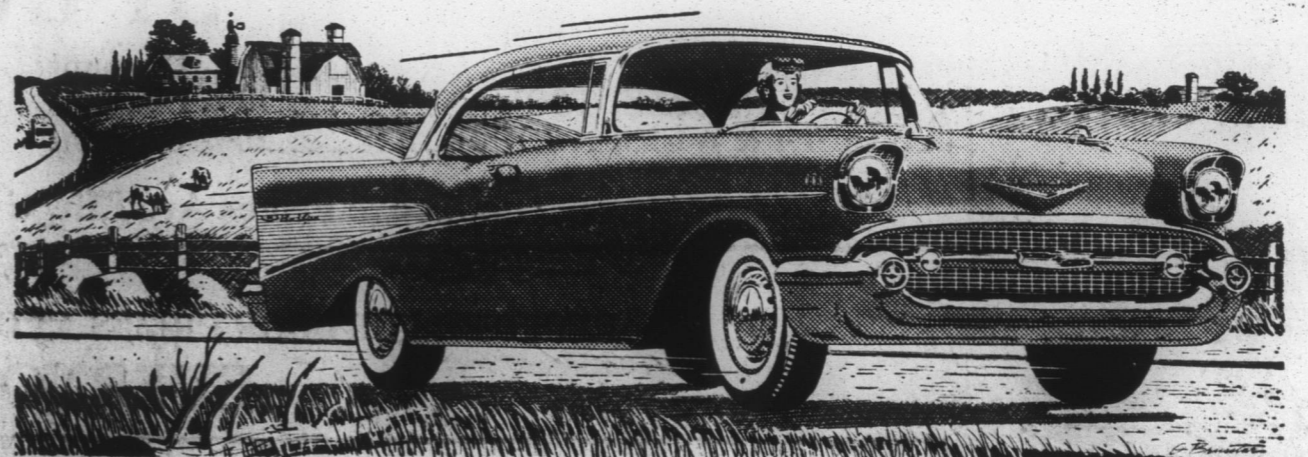
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