

KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

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

The banner of America is progress; and the goal of that progress is a better life for all the people. And this is the measure of progress—how do the people, how does the individual citizen fare?

During his productive years, in a prosperous nation such as ours, the working man and his family fare well. And retirement does not end this happy state of affairs. For medical science has steadily increased the life span, and has eliminated, or drastically curtailed many of the diseases which once afflicted older people.

Today a retiring worker can reasonably anticipate long life, good health, and leisure time in which to enjoy the fruits of his labor, and pursue the hobby, social and civic activity, and cultural interest he didn't have time for during his working years. Moreover, by the exercise of reasonable diligence and foresight, he can make his retirement financially secure.

The man of foresight will plan the economic aspects of retirement, for this is the cornerstone of the better life for retired persons and their dependents. Insurance, annuities, capital investments, home ownership, and company pensions will be considered. And he will not forget his social security, that is, his old-age insurance. This is an asset too often overlooked. It is available to nearly all, (over 9 out of 10) working Americans, and provides a foundation upon which a financially secure retirement may be built.

This social security program provides that upon retirement, insured workers are eligible for monthly benefits ranging from \$24 to \$108.50. The retired worker's wife is also eligible for monthly benefits. The minimum payable to a retired worker and dependents is generally \$45—the maximum \$200.

It is recognized that complete idleness, even for retired persons, cannot be considered a better life, or even a good life, for it is alien to progress and the American tradition. Many persons, after retirement, secure part-time employment or self-employment in addition to the hobbies or other interests pursued in leisure time. In the case of the less provident, or less fortunate retired worker, this additional earned income is needed to supplement retirement income. In view of these realities, the old age insurance program provides that once he reaches retirement age, an insured worker is considered retired, and may collect full benefit payments, even though he earns as much as \$1200 a year; and a worker is considered partially retired, and may collect some benefits, if his earnings range between \$1200 and \$2000 a year. A worker who earns more than \$2080 in a year, and earns more than \$80 wages each month, or is active in self-employment each month, is not considered retired, and may not collect any monthly benefits.

The income restriction does not apply to a social security beneficiary aged 72 or older; and it applies only to earned income (that is, wages or net earnings from self employment).

The social security program also makes provision for benefit payment to disabled workers at age 50, disabled children or retired or deceased insured workers, and survivors of deceased insured workers (widows, children under 18, disabled children or aged dependent parents).



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Mary Frances Nixon, Edenton; Lauretta Weeks, Hertford; Sandra Riddick, Belvidere.

Patients discharged from the hospital during the same week were:

White
Mrs. Minnie Lane, Hertford; Mrs. Edna Stallings, Hertford; William Godfrey, Columbia; Mrs. Justine Donnelly, Hertford; Miss May Belle Ashley; Miss Mamie Parks, Hobbsville; Mrs. Elizabeth Nixon, Edenton; Master David Holton, Edenton; William Nixon, Hertford; Miss Patricia Lane, Hertford; Floyd Swap, Edenton; Mrs. Trudel Hass, Edenton; Mrs. Valerie Owens, Hertford; Master Henry Ward, Hertford; Miss Jacqueline Ward, Hertford; Miss Bonnie Lou Welch, Tyner; Miss Laura Taylor, Columbia; Master Preston Mailet, Hertford; Miss Donna Mailet, Hertford; Miss Fannie Lane, Hertford; Mrs. Betty Paige, Edenton; Miss Alma Griffin, Edenton; Joseph Rhodes, Columbia; Miss Sue Furlough, Columbia; Master Harold Furlough, Columbia; Mrs. Nancy Emma Hassell, Edenton; Miss Violet Walker, Creswell.

Negro
William Bacus, Edenton; Lillie Belle Stallings, Edenton; Lillian Tripp, Edenton; James Martin, Hertford; Chester McCleave, Edenton; Elizabeth Welch, Edenton; Kate Moring, Edenton; Thomas Bembury, Edenton; Sybil Ervin, Edenton; Collins Burke, Hertford; Carlton Elliott, Hertford; Margaret Dempsey, Hertford; Brogie Vaughan, Hertford; Mary Frances Nixon, Edenton; Lauretta Weeks, Hertford.

Births
Births during the same week were: Mr. and Mrs. William White of Hertford, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sawyer of Roper, a son; Cpl. and Mrs. Robert Hass of Edenton, a son; Cpl. and Mrs. James Owens of Hertford, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Ervin of Edenton, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodwin of Edenton, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Layden of Hertford, a son; Mr. and Mrs. William Weeks of Hertford, a daughter; Sgt. and Mrs. Roland Canoles of Hertford, a daughter; Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Bochart of Edenton, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Batton of Edenton, a daughter.

Visiting ministers for the week of May 12-18 are: White, the Rev. John Martin; Negro, the Rev. W. H. Davis.

Time Out!
"Have you a recommendation from your last place?"
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VFW Hot Line

Post 9280
By J. NASH

Membership attendance is picking up and it looks as though a little life is being stimulated hereabout. If you've been putting off attending, come on out Tuesday night and get together with your neighbor.

The VFW has undertaken the project to sell season tickets for the Edenton Colonials baseball team. There will be about twenty home games (twice each week) and the price for a season pass from your VFW representative is only \$3.00. Get yours now.

The concession stand at Hicks Field for all home baseball games will be operated by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9280. You'll be able to purchase most everything normally found at ball parks.

The VFW Saturday night dances are continuing at a remarkable rate. You can find some of your neighbors out every Saturday night starting at nine o'clock. Admission is limited to couples only to insure a fine party for all. Incidentally, last Saturday night, we experienced some lighting difficulty when all the outside and parking lot lighting failed. We're sorry if this caused any inconvenience. It is being corrected.

This week's VFW Man of the Week is Bill Perry. Bill is a long standing member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and has served as District and Post Commander. Bill is presently serving as the Post Service Officer of the Edenton post. Bill is and has been active in promoting the well being of the VFW through numerous

hours of work. He is to be commended for his fine work and many hours spent in behalf of Post 9280 and the VFW in general. Congratulations to our man of the week, Bill Perry. Incidentally, Bill is a co-sponsor of the VFW radio dance-party heard every Saturday afternoon at three o'clock live from the VFW Post home on the old Hertford road.

District Supervisors Take Oath Of Office

District supervisors of the Albemarle Soil Conservation District were administered the oath of office at the regular meeting of the board Wednesday night, May 14. The meeting was held in Currituck County at Dr. Romm's cottage on Currituck Sound. Ralph Saunders, Clerk of Court for Currituck County, will administer the oath.

Since the first district law was passed in 1937, district supervisors have been elected by vote of the people but have failed to take the oath of office. This year the State Attorney General ruled that all district supervisors should have been taking the oath of office and that as state officers they would have to be administered the oath before they could serve on the board.

Bryce Younts, state administrative officer for the State Soil Conservation Committee, was present at the meeting. He visited in Chowan County Wednesday to see some conservation work on district cooperators' farms.

A short talk on Soil Stewardship by a minister from Currituck County was on the program. This week, May 11, through May 18, is Soil Stewardship Week, and is being observed locally as well as nationwide in over 2,700 soil conservation districts. Committees were appointed

by Mr. Burich, chairman of the district. Other business included reports on the recent conservation poster contest and the land judging contest.

Guests of the Chowan County Supervisors were Gilliam Wood, Harry Smith and Richard Atkinson.

The pastor, the Rev. B. L. Raines, officiated and burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Louis Nixon, Thomas Lane, Ervin Bunch, Marshall Mansfield, Milton Bunch and Ray Byrum.

The beautiful in character is also the good.

Seagram's 7 Crown

Raleigh — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M., May 12, 1958, is as follows:
 Killed This Year.....296
 Killed To Date Last Year.....357

Mrs. Minnie Bass Dies In Hospital

Mrs. Minnie Byrum Bass, 55, died Friday morning at 1:30 o'clock in Chowan Hospital, after a long illness. She was a native of Chowan County and is survived by her husband, Jep Bass; two sons, Alton Lodge of Edenton and William S. Bass of Suffolk; two brothers, Gilbert Byrum of Tyner and Ores Byrum of South Norfolk; a sister, Mrs. Leslie Hobbs of Hobbsville and two grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rocky Hock Baptist Church, where funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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