

### 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.

Are you losing social security benefits? Every year about this time, the Social Security Administration runs a study called Loss of Benefit Survey. Through this survey, we have found that there are persons in this area who are losing social security benefits. You can probably number some of them among your friends and acquaintances. To prevent this loss of benefits you should take stock of yourself right now, and keep this article on hand or in with your personal papers.

There are four times in your lifetime when the Social Security Administration wants to see you, your wife or next of kin. By that we mean, we want you to come in and talk with us. These four times to contact the Social Security Administration are in the event of death, in the event of disability, when you reach retirement age (62 for wo-

### No Comment

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C Washington, D. C.—Economy advocates in Congress warn that there must be no let-down in the public campaign against unnecessary government spending, despite some encouraging results thus far.

They point out that continued expression of public opinion for government economy is essential if the big spenders in Congress are to be held in check during the remainder of the session.

They made clear also that there have been discouraging developments—along with the encouraging ones—and that these could swell into budget-unbalancing magnitude for years to come if restraints were removed.

The Success Factors Economy supporters explain that the success achieved up to the present time is due principally to these factors:

1. The crusade against wasteful spending by leading Democrats and Republicans, including President Eisenhower, which was strongly supported by industry. As a result, the big spenders—in some cases and under some circumstances—have become allergic to the "big spender" label and fearful of public wrath against being denied tax relief by reckless spending.

2. The sharp upturn in business conditions. This completely deflated the New Deal contention that big government spending was imperative to lift the economy out of a recession.

3. President Eisenhower's veto power. Administration leaders put the big spenders on notice that some of the budget-busting

men, 65 for men) or when you reach age 72 and are still working.

All types of benefits paid by the Social Security Administration are covered in these four events.

When one of these events occur, what should you do? You should contact your social security office bringing with you your social security number or that of the deceased.

Any time a person has a social security card and has worked under social security, there is a possibility of benefits being payable. Do not trust your own opinion on possible social security benefits, nor trust the opinion of friends and neighbors however well meaning they are. Come in to the social security office where you can receive a positive and factual determination of your entitlement to social security benefits.

programs would run head-on into a veto if approved by Congress. As a result, some programs, including federal aid for airport and housing construction, were trimmed substantially in an effort to avoid presidential disfavor.

But an ominous threat—"back door financing" to future fiscal solvency continued to receive strong support. This is the practice permitting multi-billion-dollar government spending by bypassing Congressional Appropriation Committees and borrowing directly from the Treasury.

Among the determined opponents is Chairman Byrd (D-Va.) of the Senate Finance Committee. He vigorously denounced the practice in a statement objecting to an amendment, approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which would permit "back door" Treasury financing of development loans to underdeveloped nations throughout the world.

Senator Byrd's Analysis Here is the way Senator Byrd analyzed the situation: "With no consideration of the Appropriation Committees of Congress, the proposal would directly increase the already astronomical federal debt of this country by \$5 billion, at the rate of \$1 billion a year for five years to make foreign loans which do not qualify for financing elsewhere.

"At a time when our debt is at its all-time peak, when we are asked to raise the debt limit to nearly \$300 billion, and when we are asked to raise interest rates to entice people to buy the bonds of the United States, nothing could be more fiscally irresponsible than this proposal."

Presidential Opposition President Eisenhower, too, is on record against the practice. Questioned at his news conference about borrowing from the Treasury to finance foreign development loans, he replied: "I do not believe in borrowing

### ABUNDANT LIFE

by ORAL ROBERTS

#### DO YOU HAVE TIME FOR YOUR CHILD?

"I never counsel with Helen," the woman said during her club's discussion of juvenile delinquency problems. "I don't talk to her about her problems because she doesn't have any! I know what she's doing and where she is all the time."

On her arrival at home, she said to herself, just for good measure, "I'll check on my daughter to see if she is in her room upstairs."

The woman tiptoed into Helen's room. Sure enough, Helen was fast asleep. She then went downstairs to her own room and to bed.

About 3 o'clock in the morning, the woman was awakened suddenly by a loud banging on her front door.

"You had better come quickly," a neighbor called out. "Helen has been hurt."

"Oh, you must be mistaken," the woman said. "Helen is upstairs in her room, fast asleep."

"You had better check again," the neighbor said. "We think Helen is the girl who is hurt."

The woman rushed up to her daughter's room. The bed was empty! The window was wide open. Tied to the steam radiator was a rope made of knotted bath towels. Helen had used the rope to slip off into the night!

The girl, out on a clandestine "date" with a young man, had been involved in an altercation at a local tavern. She had been

badly knifed. By the time her mother reached her bedside in the hospital, Helen was dead.

All during her daughter's ordeal, the woman felt confident the girl was fast asleep, safe and secure in her upstairs bedroom!

Helen obviously needed guidance. Her mother, either through ignorance of Helen's underlying problems, or through laxity while being preoccupied with her own club and social work, failed to meet the need of her daughter.

Had she taken time to counsel with Helen, perhaps she could have helped her exercise more care in choosing her companions.

Do you counsel with your child? Do you have any time to give him? There are many problems facing growing youngsters today. Too often we may put a little too much trust in our children. Trust is a wonderful thing to convey to a child. However, it is good common sense to keep track of the problems facing a growing child!

Every child, regardless of how good he is, must have guidance from his parent or guardian.

We have found that one of the best ways to promote understanding among parents and growing children is through regular family devotions and prayer.

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### State Deficits In 1958 Biggest Of Decade

Explaining their search for new sources of revenue and recent taxes increases, State governments taken together ran practically \$2 billion "in the red" in the 1958 fiscal year as the rise in expenditures outstripped the increase in revenues from all sources by a wide margin, according to the U. S. Bureau of the Census.

Total expenditures in the 1958 fiscal period rose \$3.9 billions to

an aggregate of \$26.1 billions, while revenues increased by \$1.5 billions to \$26.2 billions. In any one year since 1951 have the States taken together run behind, and that was \$700 millions in the 1955 fiscal year.

Eight of the 50 States, which now include Alaska and Hawaii, had total expenditures in the 1958 fiscal year equivalent to over \$200 per capita.

An infection with TB germs, revealed by a tuberculin skin test,

### Health For All

A Germ Is a Germ Is a Germ What would you do if little Johnny came home from school this afternoon and said, "Mommy, I've got an infection?"

After the first shock, you'd probably decide he's just playing with a new word. But down underneath, you'd have a wild impulse to rush him to a doctor. You'd visualize antibiotics, restricted diet, night and day temperature readings, and all the rest of the big guns we wheel up when a germ attacks our young. An infection such as diphtheria or mumps means you have a sick child—and you would act accordingly.

If Johnny's smiling face and cool brow told you that his "infection" did not involve popping him into bed and treating the whole boy, you would prepare to tackle him piecemeal—his big toe, or his ear, or wherever it was the germs had lodged.

On the other hand, it could be that Johnny had just taken part in a tuberculin testing program at his school. His arm had been pricked with a needle two or three days previously. Today he got his "reading" by the school nurse or doctor. And the verdict was "positive."

That's why Johnny said, "I've got an infection." And he was right. He does have an infection. But it's not like other infections.

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