



As pictured the Advance community's 4-H Club County Fair booth. At left Joe Holswell is receiving a 4-H scholarship from R. S. ...

Plans Considered To Enlarge Parish House

Two committees met Sunday evening in the Episcopal Parish House to formulate plans regarding the proposed additions to the present building. The first committee composed of the co-chairmen of the Building Fund, W. E. Malone, David Warren, and John Gilliam Wood, met with the rector, the Rev. George B. Holmes, to report on contributions and to make detailed plans for completing the present campaign. The congregational supper and meeting held Tuesday, March 1, began the campaign to raise sufficient funds to make necessary additions to the Parish House on Gale Street and the season of Lent is being used to accomplish it. The members of the congregation have been requested to give considerable thought and prayer to their contributions, realizing the responsibilities of the parish within the community and to the young people of the

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Town Council that the new athletic field was completed. The cost was \$11,255.26, of which WPA paid \$8,714.44 and the town \$2,540.82. L. Lee Gravely of Rocky Mount, candidate for Governor, spoke at the Edenton Rotary, at which time he said the prospects for the next year's crop was anything but bright. WPA headquarters in Washington notified Representative Lindsay Warren that President Roosevelt had approved a project calling for storm sewer improvements in Edenton. The improvements called for an expenditure of \$4,511. For the first time in several administrations, a report of police activities for the month was presented to Town Council. Bishop W. A. Brown of Southern Virginia was speaker at a banquet held in St. Paul's Parish House.

Benefits From Protection Plans Pace Rise In Personal Income

A development of major importance to the American people and to the nation's future progress has been the growth of personal protection programs in recent years and their steadily increasing role in economic activity as well as in individual security and well-being. Rooted deep in our traditional habits of thrift and providing for the future, these programs taken together have become the fastest-growing section of the personal income stream while performing their basic function of protecting the individual and family against the economic impact of death, disability and retirement. Thus they have become an economic stabilizing force of the first magnitude. With this, too, the funds accumulated behind a number of these programs are an important growth-promoting factor as the source of much of the productive and social capital which our economy requires to grow and to meet the needs of an expanding population.

The Growth of Benefits
With an annual growth that is now about \$3 billions a year, benefits under these individual and family protection programs, public and private combined, have now reached the enormous sum of more than \$30 billions a year. Last year the total of these combined benefits added up to \$29.6 billions, and was the equivalent of close to a tenth of all personal income after taxes for the year, the highest such total and proportion on record, according to figures from Government and private sources. Just under \$9½ billions, or almost one-third of the 1958 benefits, were paid by the life insurance companies, making them the leading source of these payments.

Retirement Plans Lead
Thus the high degree of stability in living costs over the past year has been a constructive development for millions of our older citizens as well as for the growth of the economy. The largest single block of payments under personal protection programs consists of benefits from public and private retirement plans. The combined total here approximated \$11½ billions in 1958, or about 37 per cent of all the year's payments from individual and family protection programs. Social Security payments for the year came to \$6.7 billions, exclusive of survivor benefits. Approximately \$2.6 billions more were paid in benefits during the year by a combination of retirement programs under Government sponsorship—State and local, Federal civil service, Federal noncontributory, and Railroad retirement. Total benefit payments under private pension and retirement programs, insured and non-insured combined, rose to an estimated \$1.3 billions last year.

Benefit payments under life insurance programs totaled \$7½ billions last year. The dominant element in these payments was legal reserve life insurance owned by 112 million policyholders. Excluding annuities and accident and health, benefit payments from legal reserve life companies come to more than \$6.6 billions in 1958. Some \$900 million more in life insurance benefits were paid during the year by veterans' life insurance and by fraternal, assessment and savings bank life insurance programs.

Accident and Health Expansion
Accident and health, a field in which the life companies play a major role, is the largest source of benefit payments of the remaining personal protection programs. Accident and health protection was the source of nearly

\$4½ billions in benefits in 1958, and has shown a high rate of growth over the past decade. Other payments under personal protection programs in 1958 included about \$3¼ billions under veterans' programs and an estimated three-quarters of a billion dollars under workmen's compensation. The public and private protection programs on which the above figures are based do not include unemployment insurance nor public assistance payments. Neither do they take into account the flow of personal income from accumulated savings and investments of individuals in such areas as savings accounts, U. S. Savings Bonds, savings and loan associations, real estate, and corporate securities. Sweet are the uses of adversity; Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous, Wears yet a precious jewel in his head. —Shakespeare.

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