

## SOCIAL SECURITY

### Questions and Answers

George Dietrich, field representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday at the North Carolina Employment Security Commission office on North Broad Street.

"Paying social security benefits to 17 million people involves the Government's largest check-writing operation," Icen E. Wilson, District Manager, Greenville Social Security Office, said today, "and we strive constantly to improve our check-writing and mailing procedures."

"But, no matter how much we improve, no matter how modern our equipment is, we still need the cooperation of the beneficiary," he said. "Too often we get a phone call saying, 'My social security check didn't come today and I need it badly.'"

They usually come in during the first of the month, Wilson explained. "Usually the person has changed his address and we haven't been notified."

Mr. Wilson urged any social security beneficiary who plans to move to report his new address as soon as it is known. Changes reported early in the month will be shown on the next check. Otherwise the check will go to

the old address and there may be a delay in forwarding.

Many social security checks are returned every month to the Treasury Department marked "Undeliverable" or "Moved"—left no forwarding address," Icen Wilson said. This happens when neither the post office nor the Social Security Administration has been notified of a new address. To be sure a check is not returned, beneficiaries should send a notice to both agencies.

To change an address on a social security check, write a brief message in a letter or on a post card and show your full name, the claim number, and new address. For your protection, the Social Security Administration requires that changes of address be signed by the payee. The report should be mailed to the social security payment center, or to the district office located at 205 Boyd Ave., Greenville, N. C.

## Area Redevelopment Administration

**Editor's Note:** This is one in a series of articles about the Area Redevelopment Administration of the U. S. Department of Commerce, and its special job of helping to create jobs for people in America's economically depressed communities.

Spend an hour with the mayor of Ironwood, Gogebic County, at the western edge of Michigan's Upper Peninsula on the shores of Lake Superior. He will tell you 30 percent of the people in his town are jobless since the iron mine closed down. Forty percent of the county's budget goes for relief.

This story can be repeated from Lowell, Mass., to Union-

town, Pa., and Beckley, W. Va., from the coal towns of east Kentucky and southern Illinois and the cotton and tobacco towns of Arkansas and Mississippi to the lumber towns of the Pacific Northwest.

These are the areas designated under the Area Redevelopment Act of 1961 as eligible for special Federal aid to help raise the level of farm and family income.

How are these areas designated?

For an urban-industrial area to be eligible, Congress said, it

must have an unemployment rate above 6 percent. In addition, its annual average rate of unemployment must have been 50 percent above the national average in three of the preceding four years, or 75 percent above the national average in two of the preceding three years, or 100 percent above the national average in one of the preceding two years.

But chronic economic blight is not limited to the nation's large urban centers. It is found, as well, in the very small labor markets, on Indian Reservations, and in rural America. For the small areas—the ones with a work force of less than 15,000—the criteria are roughly comparable to those for the large urban centers.

In the rural counties of America, the problem often is one of underemployment: People have jobs, but they earn barely enough at them to keep body and soul together. For these areas, the criteria are based on income. If the median family income in a county is \$1,887 a year or less—that's a bare one-third of the national median—then the county is designated. If the median farm family income is below \$1,415—only one-fourth the national median—then the county is designated. Or designation may be based on low-production farming or on earlier participation in the Rural Area Development Program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The Area Redevelopment Administration makes its decisions on area designations with help from the Department of Labor, the Department of Interior or the Department of Agriculture, depending on the type of area involved.

When economic conditions in an area improve to the point where it no longer meets the criteria, the area's designation is terminated. The goal of the ARA program is to help lift the economies of all of these areas well above these minimal levels, so that they can share with the rest of America in an expanding economy.

Designation of an area is the first step toward revitalization of

the local economy. It is an automatic step. But there is nothing automatic that follows designation, for nothing happens under the Area Redevelopment program without local initiative, investment and planning.

## Revenue Stamp Marks Birthday Revenue Service

### First Commemorative Documentary Stamp Ever Issued By the Government

The first commemorative documentary revenue stamp ever issued by the Federal Government was placed on sale the second of July when the Internal Revenue Service marked its one hundredth birthday.

Pictured on the commemorative stamp is a steel engraving of the Internal Revenue headquarters building in Washington, D. C. This building, completed in 1930, was the first in what is now known as the Federal Triangle between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues.

Buildings for the departments of Justice, Labor and the Post Office were later put up alongside of Internal Revenue as part of the public building program authorized by Congress in 1926. Today, the Internal Revenue building houses 3,500 men and women who are at the nerve center of our nation's self-assessment tax system.

The commemorative stamp is 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimension, arranged horizontally, and printed on Giori presses in blue and green on white paper. It was designed by Charles R. Chickering and Victor S. McCloskey, Jr., of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving.

First, second class and county seat post offices have the commemorative stamp for sale. These stamps are also available at the Internal Revenue office in



**BIG DADDY**—Haystack Calhoun, 601-pound wrestler, is a mighty proud father as he looks at 6-pound 11-ounce daughter, Kathy Elizabeth, at a Charlotte, N.C., hospital.

Greensboro.

Stamp taxes as a revenue measure began in 1797. A common form of these early stamps was an embossed design which was applied in a manner simi-

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Adhesive back stamps were first used in 1862, the year our present-day tax organization came into being.

During the Civil War period, revenue stamps blossomed out in a rainbow of color and design effects. Besides stamps for various denominations and values, there were also special stamps for specific documents and products which came under the stamp tax laws.

Contributing to the variety of revenue stamps was the discount offered to manufacturers who made up their own dies for revenue stamps to be printed by Internal Revenue. This practice put advertising along with government information on revenue

stamps.

The peak in revenue stamp use was probably reached in 1959 when over 20 billion stamps were used on cigarette packages. That year, however, Congress passed a law which eliminated the stamp system on tobacco and some alcohol products. A semi-monthly return system similar to that used to collect most excise taxes replaced the stamps.

Last year, bottle stamps on alcoholic beverages took 1.6 billion of the total 1.7 billion revenue stamps printed by the government. There were 33 million documentary stamps, 61 million playing card stamps, and 11 million narcotic stamps issued in 1961.

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## BLOODSHED BOXSCORE

ON N.C. HIGHWAYS

Raleigh — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M., Monday, August 20, 1962, follows:

Killed To Date ..... 730  
Killed To Date Last Year ..... 682

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# EARL GOODWIN

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"CLASSY" SEPARATES... brief, "Chanel" type jacket tops belted, pleated skirt. Blouse in matching stripe.

THE SHIRT is favored for its classic simplicity, eye-catching print and wearability. Comes in many colors.

PULLOVER SWEATER of bulky, ribbed knit has smart collar, long ribbed sleeves and decorative pockets.

TRIM, WOOL TWEED sheath skirt with coordinated belt is perfect for class with a blouse or sweater.

TEXTURED WOOL SKIRT with unpressed pleats comes in a variety of warm, autumn colors for class or date wear.

THE PERENNIAL BLAZER is more popular than ever, with grosgrain trimmed lapel and crested, breast pocket.

SLENDER, TAPERED SLACKS of bright wool plaid spell style and comfort for leisurely campus hours.

PLAID, FLANNEY CULOTTES are belted and street length to star in any class, dorm or outdoor doing.

# The Betty Shoppe