

Medicare Insurance Premiums Increase

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level at the beginning of the premium period on July 1, 1970.
The medical insurance program supplements the basic hospital insurance part of Medicare by helping to pay doctor bills and a wide variety of other medical expenses in and out of the hospital. The premiums paid by people 65 and older who are enrolled in the medical insurance part of Medicare, cover half the cost of their protection. The other half comes out of general federal revenues. The Medicare law provides for annual review of the costs of the medical insurance program and for any necessary adjustments in the premium rate by January 1. The law requires that the premium rate be sufficient to cover all expenses incurred during each premium period.

THE MIRROR

By MURRELL SMITH

How beautiful the little girl is with her mother's mirror between her hands, her heart dances with the music of youth;
How lovely she is for God has given her the gift of love—the gift of eternal happiness.
In her flimsy cotton dress the wind has blown a million petals for her white feet;
Above her the blue sky is like water that wets the silk curtains of night; at dawn a glimmer of sunrise on her cheeks; in her red petticoat love dwarfs at life, all reasoning; in the happiness of the day her mother touches her tender loveliness; under the ocean of a blue sky love dwarfs men, women and children.
How beautiful the little girl is with her mother's mirror between her hands!
In the evening of life the sweet color of youth will drip slowly "OH" so slowly away like dreams left on a soft white pillowcase.
The dripping of the faucet—in the black of night—dreams of a little girl dripping away in the late winter night.
How beautiful the little girl is with her mother's mirror between her hands!

See It New

The see-through look goes one step further for spring, with wide-legged pants in sheer fabrics to be worn with matching or contrasting see-through tops. Underneath it all—"underthings" that are meant to be seen.

Toe Tale—Just in time for summer's fashionable "dress-up" sandals are stockings and pantyhose with one toe divided from the rest. They're especially designed for wear with thong sandals.

The North Carolina State Highway Patrol arrested 11,684 motorists for driving under the influence during the first six months of 1969—an increase of 32 per cent over the same period for the previous year.

Male drivers account for 59 per cent of the driving population in the United States.



County engineers who have seen this new country road bridge near Montgomery, Alabama, say they "want in". They are attracted by a cost lower than competing designs; ability to build it with their regular road crews; substantially reduced construction time. Also, because superstructure is made of U. S. Steel's COR-TEN steel that never needs painting, future maintenance will be negligible. Road bed is made of precast concrete slabs covered with blacktop. Montgomery County Engineer, Ray Bass, builder of this span, feels it may be the answer for county engineers across the country who must replace thousands of secondary road bridges in the nation at the lowest possible cost to tax payers.

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tion, weed and grass control, fertilization and other topics in peanut production. We feel this will be a profitable meeting for every farmer who grows peanuts. Please mark your calendar and try to attend.
Swine Meeting: The third in a series of swine meetings will be held at the Center Hill Community Building on Monday, February 2, at 2:00 P. M. Jack Parker, area livestock specialist for the Albemarle area, will conduct the meeting on swine buildings. If you are a swine producer or are considering becoming a producer, we feel you will find these meetings very beneficial.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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ment of the individual. For God is ever aware of the humanity of mankind; He judges sternly that which is prompted by innate viciousness; He judges, also, that which is prompted by the striving of man's better nature—and perhaps this gives Him hope for His creation—mankind!
How do we, as professed members of the faith of Christianity, interpret the Christ-like life, as opposed to our own? Do we, in the course of our daily existence, sow tares or good seeds? Are we worth the reaping—or the winnowing?
Only we, as individual persons, can have a clue as to our answer to that question—in our earthly environs, that is; God knows the answer in His vast Infinity—and so shall we be judged!

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