

Your Average Monthly Wage And Your Old-Age Insurance Payments

If you qualify for old-age insurance benefits under the Social Security Act, you will receive monthly payments for life after age 65. The amount you receive each month will equal to a percentage of your average monthly wage, plus a credit of one per cent for each calendar year in which you were paid \$200 or more on jobs covered by the law.

To find your average monthly wage: Add up all the pay you have received on jobs covered by the law from the time it went into effect (January 1, 1937) to the beginning of the calendar quarter in which you retire. Divide this total by the number of months in that same period of time.

To find out what your monthly payments will be: Take 40 per cent of the first \$50 of your average monthly wage, then take 10 per cent of the next \$200 (anything above \$250 a month does not count); then add these figures together. Take one per cent of that amount for each year in which you were paid \$200 or more on jobs covered by the law and add this in. The total is your monthly benefit payment.

For example, say you averaged \$50 a month for 10 years. Take 40 per cent of \$50 and you have \$20. Add one per cent of that for each of 10 years. Then \$2 plus \$20 equals \$22. So you have \$22, which would be your monthly benefit payment.

If you averaged \$100 a month your benefit would be calculated this way: 40 per cent of the first \$50, \$20.00; 10 per cent of the remaining \$50, \$5.00; 1 per cent of \$25 is 25c and 10 times 25c is \$2.50; Total, \$27.50.

Your monthly old-age insurance benefit will never be less than \$10 a month. In other words, if the benefit calculation should come to less, the amount will be raised to \$10.00.

For further information inquire at the North Wilkesboro office of The Social Security Board in the Carter Building.

Three sources of fatal burns in bedrooms are overturned oil lamps, defective wiring, smoking in bed. Be sure oil lamps rest on firm bases and on steady tables. Don't overload electric outlets and have your wiring checked, it's cheaper than a fire. If you must smoke in bed, get asbestos sheets.

Specialist Gives Hints On Storing Clothing

Fall is not far away, and Miss Willie N. Hunter, Extension clothing specialist of N. C. State College, offers her annual hints on storage of summer clothing. She prefaces her suggestions with this statement: "Grooming of clothing, that is, keeping clothes clean, free from dust, dirt, and odors, and keeping clothing in good repair, is as important as grooming of the person."

Here are Miss Hunter's hints for storage of summer clothing: All washable clothes should be thoroughly washed and mended before storing. Cottons and linens should be laundered and stored unstarched because starch left in the fabric for long periods will cause deterioration. All stains should be removed because the substance causing the stain often will injure the fabric.

Making repairs before storing the clothing so that it can be used as soon as it is unpacked next spring. Tissue paper will help keep the material free from wrinkles. Summer hats will retain their shape until next year if they are placed on a cone-shaped stand made out of cardboard before putting them into boxes. Felt hats should be brushed well and aired, but never exposed to sunlight, before storing.

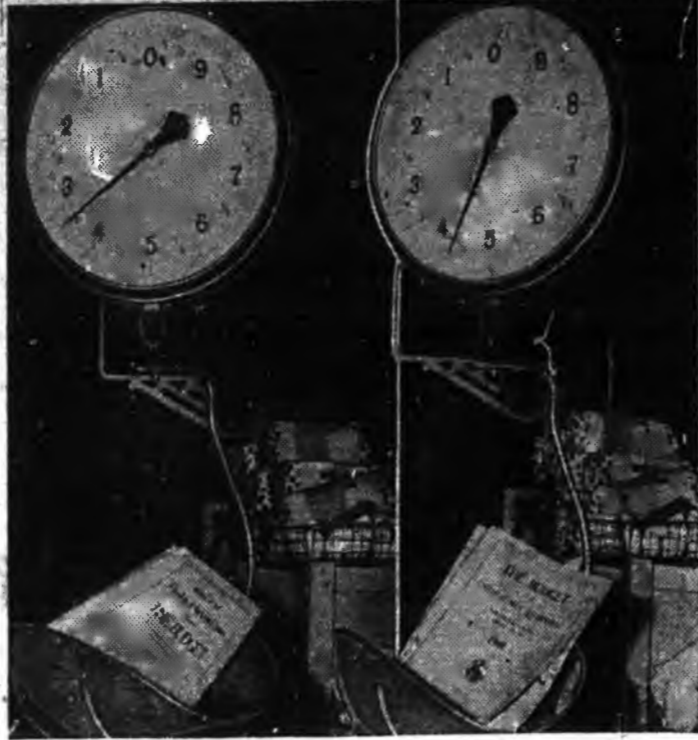
When slightly discolored lace is stored, home economists recommend sprinkling magnesia lightly on the lace and wrapping it in blue paper to restore the original whiteness of the fabric.

Bathing suits should be washed before storing in order to remove all dirt and salt, which serve to decay the material.

Since skirt lengths change each season, it is a good idea to take out the hems of dresses before washing or cleaning. The washing or cleaning will help remove the mark made in the fabric when it was turned up. Next season the skirt length can easily be adjusted and the frock will look fresh. This is especially helpful for children's clothes because they grow so fast from season to season.

Pedestrian fatalities in this state for the first six months of 1940 decreased 12 per cent from those for the same period of last year.

\$230,769,230 Per Ounce!



Between 1935 and 1940 federal expenditures have increased by \$3,000,000,000, and the budget has gained 13 ounces in weight. This means that every time the budget becomes an ounce heavier the spending increases, on an average, by \$230,769,230. The picture was prepared by the National Small Business Men's association with headquarters in Chicago.

County Progress Again To Be On Exhibit At Fair

Only about four weeks remain before the 1940 N. C. State Fair opens in Raleigh on October 8, and counties are being urged to begin preparation of their progress exhibits which again will be one of the features of the fair.

F. H. Jeter, agricultural editor of N. C. State College, is chairman of this department of the fair, and he announces that premiums totaling \$2,000 are being offered for the 10 best county progress exhibits. The first prize is \$650, the second prize \$500, third prize \$300, fourth \$200, fifth \$100, and sixth through tenth prizes \$50 each.

Dare and Alamance counties already have signified their intentions of entering exhibits. Caldwell county had the best exhibit last year.

Jeter said that, as in the past, county farm and home agents will take the lead in arranging the exhibits. However, he said it is desired that vocational teachers, school superintendents and principals, boards of trade and

chambers of commerce, manufacturers, civic clubs and women's organizations have a part in planning and preparing the exhibits displayed.

The exhibit should be prepared to cover 30 running feet of space. It will be judged, 35 per cent on the attractiveness of the exhibit, 30 per cent on the balance of the display, 20 per cent on how representative it is of the county, and 15 per cent on the quality of the materials.

"These exhibits are being encouraged that the great resources of North Carolina—agricultural, industrial and educational—may be brought to the forefront in a fitting and comprehensive manner," Jeter said. "The premium money is divided so that exhibitors are assured down to tenth place of a prize which will in part help to defray the expense of bringing the exhibit to the fair."

Four out of every ten of all the fatal falls in the home occur in the bedroom. Watch out for the principal causes—loose rugs on slippery floors, misplaced furniture, toys and clothing on the floor.

\$2,000 In Premiums Is Offered At Fair

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(3 varieties), \$2.00, \$2.00, \$1.00; Collection Jam—3 Pints (3 varieties), \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.00; Collection Jelly—Three 8-oz. glasses (3 varieties), \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.00; Collection Pickles—3 Pints (3 varieties), \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.00.

Canned Meats
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Beef, any cut, \$1.50, \$1.00; Pork, any type, \$1.50, \$1.00; Chicken, \$1.50, \$1.00.

Cured Meat
Ham, \$5.00, \$2.50; Shoulder, \$3.00, \$2.00; Strip of Side or Bacon, \$2.00, \$1.00.

Bread
Graham, whole wheat or white yeast loaf bread, \$1.00, .75; Rolls, white, 1 dozen, \$1.00, .75; Corn Meal Muffins, 1-2 dozen, .75, .50; Baking Powder Biscuits 1-2 dozen, .75, .50.

Cakes and Cookies
Pound Cake or Marble Cake, \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Sponge Cake, \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Angel Food Cake, \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Layer Cake, 2-3 layers, any type filling, \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Devil's Food Cake, any type filling, \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Ice Box Cookies (1-2 doz.), \$1.00, .75, R; Spice Cookies, (1-2 doz.), \$1.00, .75, R; Filled Cookies (1-2 doz.), \$1.00, .75, R; Doughnuts—Cake type, \$1.25, .75, R.

By Children Under 16 Years
Half Dozen Baking Powder Biscuits, .75, .50, R; Layer Cake, any type filling, \$1.50, .75, R; Angel Food or Sponge Cake (not iced), \$1.50, .75, R; Cookies, any type (1-2 doz.), \$1.00, .75, R.

Section 3—Clothing
Best Apron from Chop Sack, \$1.00, .50, R; Best House Dress (Cotton), \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Best General Wear Dress (any material), \$2.00, \$1.00, R.

Knitted and Crocheted Goods
Best Knitted Suit, 2 pieces or more (any type yarn), \$2.00, \$1.00, R; Best Table Runner or Centerpiece (Crocheted), \$1.00,

.75, R; Best Sample Crocheted Trimming, \$1.00, .75, R.
Needle Work
Best Display Cutwork, two or more pieces, \$1.00, .75; Best Display Cloth Stitched Embroidery, \$1.00, .75; Best Display Hand Hemstitching, \$1.00, .75; Best Display Plain Embroidery, \$1.00, .75.

Old Ladies Work—Made by Persons not Under 65 Years of Age
Any Article of Hand Work Made in last 5 years, \$2.00, \$1.00.
Section 4—House Furnishing
Best Home Made Rug, \$2.00,

\$1.00; Best Quilt, patch work or applique, \$2.00, \$1.00; Best Quilt, 50 years old or older, any type, \$2.00, \$1.00; Best Bed Spread, crocheted or plain woven, \$2.00, \$1.00; Best Bed Spread, tufted or candlewick, \$2.00, \$1.00; Best Bed Spread, woven, 50 years or over, \$2.00, \$1.00.

The quality of the 1940 crop of bread grains appears to be somewhat better than that of the 1939 crop, according to the U. S. Agricultural Marketing Service.

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