

Social Security Funds To Wilkes Total \$582,377.64

Represents the Amount Paid Through Eight Divisions Thru June 30, 1941

Approximately \$582,377.64 has been distributed in Wilkes County through operation of eight of the ten divisions of the Social Security Act, from its beginning and through June 30, 1941, it is estimated, on a basis of official figures, compiled by M. R. Dunnagan, Informational Service Representative of the U. S. Commission.

Normally, unemployment compensation, or benefits to workers temporarily out of jobs, is the largest item in the program, except in agricultural counties. The more and larger the industries a county has, the more jobless benefits it gets. In the 3 and one-half years of benefit payments, through June 30, these benefits reached \$211,740.90 included in 34,225 checks issued to residents of Wilkes County.

Chairman Fletcher reports that State agencies handling phases of the Social Security Act cooperate with him in supplying figures of their activities, which gives him an accurate picture of distributions in counties of the State. These include the State Welfare Department, Mrs. W. T. Bost, superintendent; Dr. Roma S. Cheek, secretary of the State Commission for the Blind; Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State health officer; and the Department of Public Instruction, particularly T. E. Browne, director of vocational education.

Old Age Assistance, help for needy residents past 65 years of age, in the four years of distribution, through last June 30, amounted to \$190,895.00 in this county.

Aid to Dependent Children, help for those deprived of their normal breadwinners, amounted \$66,390.00 in the same period in this county.

Aid to the Blind, in the 48 months, amounted to \$21,666.88 in the county.

In these three divisions of the Social Security Act, the Federal Government provides one-half of the funds and the State and counties one-fourth each, with a State equalizing fund to help the smaller counties. Prior to January 1, 1940, these three governmental units furnished one-third each for Aid to Dependent Children.

No county figures are available for Old Age and Survivors Insurance. Monthly payments in this division started after January 1, 1940, due to a 1939 amendment, after lump-sum payments for three years. This will, in due time, become one of the most important of the five major divisions of the Social Security Act.

With practically accurate figures, it is evident, Chairman Fletcher points out, that \$490,692.78 was distributed in this county to last July 1, in four of the five major divisions of the Act, exclusive of Old Age and Survivors Insurance.

The other five divisions, classed as "services", are handled by State Departments. Three of them Maternal and Child Health Services for Crippled Children and Public Health Services, are administered by the State Board of Health; one, Vocational Rehabilitation, by the State Department of Public Instruction and the other Child Welfare Service, by the State Department of Public Welfare.

Distribution of funds in the three "services" relating to health is made through district, county or city health departments, and only 80 of the 100 counties operate such departments June 30, 1941, participated in this distribution. (One county, Carteret started organized public health work August 15, 1941). Twenty counties, therefore, received practically no funds in these divisions, and what they would have received, and didn't, went to increase the funds going to counties with health departments.

Wilkes County, with a health department, received \$16,664.11 for Maternal and Child Health Services; \$13,635.06 for Services to Crippled Children and \$54,175.00 in Public Health work from the beginning of the program.

In Vocational Rehabilitation approximately \$6,747.89 has been distributed in the county. In case of Child Welfare Services, county funds are not available. Fourteen counties, Anson, Buncombe, Burke, Chatham, Cherokee, Cumberland, Durham, Mecklenburg, Nash, Orange, Pitt, Rockingham, and Sampson cooperated by supply \$13,026.78 and participated in distribution of \$27,605.63 in the year 1940-41, and 38 other counties had consultant service.

The county figures for the four "service" divisions above are approximate, and not absolute. They

are arrived at by prorating the funds, made up of Federal allotments, most of which is matched by the State and counties, on the basis of State and county populations, 1940 Census, and the length of time the counties have had health departments and thus participated in the three "services" relating to health, Chairman Fletcher explains.

Women Appeal For Unity Of Purpose

Coining the phrase, the Sixth Column, which she characterized as the greatest threat confronting America today, Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, lashed out with a stinging attack on the appalling apathy of the American people toward the dangers confronting democratic governments and institutions.

"Out of the war in Spain came the term, Fifth Column, as applied to spies and traitors. I would like to coin another term, the Sixth Column, for those who, innocently or otherwise, contribute toward America's greatest enemy today, apathy," said Mrs. Whitehurst. "Sixth Columnists include those who aid Nazi propaganda by listening to its 'softening up' phrases and then asking, 'Why fight?'; by fostering racial and religious discrimination and, through lack of interest and understanding, widening the breach between capital and labor.

"Senator Wheeler and Mr. Lindbergh and others who are vocal on the side of isolation, are, I believe, honest in their conviction. They cannot be classed as Fifth Columnists and un-American because they speak their minds. When free speech is no longer possible, we will not have a democracy to fight for. However, I believe that those men and others who believe as they do, have no idea of the irreparable damage they are doing. I have heard many remarks of disloyalty toward our government and our leaders, following radio speeches by Senator Wheeler and Mr. Lindbergh. I cannot think that they intended to divert our people from their allegiance to our form of government and our elected leaders. But they did. Isolationists should be able to air their views without criticizing and belittling those in power and without stirring up racial and religious hatred. When will we awaken to the fact that in order to sell democracy we must praise it—not criticize it, appreciate it—not denounce it, and then bestir ourselves in order to fight for it, yes DIE for it if necessary.

"Another group of Sixth Columnists is our luxury-loving people, who are unwilling to exert themselves to defend the very democracy which made possible their luxurious tastes and habits. Still another group of Sixth Columnists are those who lack in patriotic fervor. Instead of being taught the fundamentals of patriotism, many children hear nothing but criticism of our government and its leaders in their homes. Recently in a motion picture theatre the President of the United States was delivering one of his most vital speeches, when a 15 year old girl seated near me said: 'Who is that old guy and what is he croaking about?'

"Another group which should be listed in the Sixth Column are those political candidates who try to convince the people that everything is wrong with the government and its leaders, and then after election, stating that 'it was simply campaign oratory.' No activity is of greater help to Germany than this practice of seeing how many condemnatory utterances can be made about an opponent in a contest for public office.

"My appeal is for unity. Even in our effort to dispel apathy we must not create such differences of opinion as will divide ourselves. Such a division of opinion will divert our attention to local problems and make us forget the paramount job ahead of us—the defense of ourselves from the greatest menace the world has ever known—Hitler.

"Women have worked for peace and prayed for peace for so long that they are reluctant to give up the idea of peace and to settle down and prepare for defense, which in their minds means war. Women are the home-makers and the home-keepers of the country, they have the greatest contact with young people. Women suffer the most poignant grief when war comes to a country, therefore it behooves the women to leave the production of armament and other defense goods to the men and to take care of the health, morale and spiritual welfare of our people.

"We women must prepare to meet the challenge with Christian fortitude and with the spirit of our pioneer settlers. I feel sure that the American people will eventually develop that love of country and that enthusiasm

Riot Comedy Fun In 'Niagara Falls'



Marjorie Woodworth, one of Hollywood's most alluring stars is teamed with handsome Tom Brown as the romantic duo in Hal Roach's gay comedy, "Niagara Falls," which will have its first showing at the Liberty Theatre on Monday.

for its defense that will spell success for the 'all out' effort we are trying to make.

"Let us stop talking about the Fifth Column and rid ourselves of that larger and more threatening force—the Sixth Column of Apathy."

RED CROSS WORKERS ARE APPOINTED HERE

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side of B street from Tenth to Eighth; W. K. Sturdivant, south side of B from Eighth to Carolina Mirror corporation; John Hall, A and Cherry streets; A. F. Kilby, north side of B from Ninth to Sixth; highway camp, H. G. Kellar; International Shoe company, J. D. Schafel; Forest Furniture company, J. L. Wells; Oak Furniture company, J. B. Carter; Wilkes Hosiery Mills, P. W. Eshelman; Turner White Casket company, A. B. Johnston; American Furniture company, J. R. Hix; Wilkesboro Manufacturing company, A. G. Finley; P. E. Brown Lumber factory, Paul Osborne; Home Chair company, Boyd Stout; Grier Mills, Mrs. S. B. Moore and R. E. Stewart; Key City Furniture company, Bryce Caudill; Lineberry Foundry Robert Ogilvie; Goodwill store, Maurice Walsh; Meadows Mill company, E. G. Finley; Wilkes Hospital, Miss Toby Turner; Hooper Wilkes, J. B. McCoy.

Wilkesboro Workers

Dr. J. C. Stokes will be Wilkesboro roll call chairman. Appointed to help him in the business district are Warner Miller, Jr., F. J. McDuffie, Dr. M. G. Edwards and J. B. Henderson.

In Wilkes Schools

Appointed to handle the Red Cross roll call in the following schools are: Wilkesboro, Vaughn Jennings; Moravian Falls, Mrs. Cecil Howell; Ferguson, Lee Settle; Mount Pleasant, P. W. Greer; Maple Springs, D. C. Whittington; Millers Creek, A. V. Nolan; Cricket, Thornton Staley; Mulberry, Udy C. Wood; Mountain View, J. L. Gregory; Traphill, Miss Verna McCann; Ronda, E. R. Spruill; Benham, Coy Durham; Pleasant Hill, Miss Esther Hoots; Clingman, Charles E. Burchette; Roaring River, Miss Zelle Harris; Austin, Carl Cockerham; Lincoln Heights, J. R. Edelin.

Community Canvasers

Key workers in many communities have been named to carry the roll call throughout the county. They are: Moravian Falls, Mrs. L. G. Critcher and Mrs. Walter Reavis; Boomer, Mrs. Arthur Caudill and Mrs. Jesse Greer; Ferguson, Mrs. T. W. Ferguson and Mrs. J. S. Sheppard; Champion, Mrs. J. C. McNeil and Mrs. C. M. Brown; Purlair, Miss Mildred Kilby and Mrs. Ed Hayes; Stanton, Mrs. Beatrice Parsons Eller; Summit, Miss Belva Woodie, Mrs. Dock Besheers; Wilbar, Mrs. Odell Whittington and Mrs. J. M. Staley; Millers Creek, Mrs. C. H. M. Tulbert and Mrs. Lin Bumgarner; Pleasant Home, Mrs. A. T. Nicols and Miss Minnie McNeill; McGrady, Mrs. Wint Osborne; Mulberry road, Mrs. Eugene Sebastian and Mrs. Wade Barlow; Cricket, Mrs. D. E. Turner and Miss Winnie McLeon; Fairplains, Mrs. Noah Greenwood; Mountain View, Mrs. Glenn Drney and Mrs. Paul Church; Traphill, Mrs. John A. Holbrook and Mrs. D. C. Casstevens; Abshers, Mrs. Lonnie Besheers; Moxley, Mrs. S. C. Hutchison; Austin, J. Z. Adams; Doughton, Mrs. J. E. Dejournette and Mrs. J. N. Gentry; Benham, L. C. Carter; Lomax, Mrs. Coy Durham; Sheppards Cross Roads, Dewey Byrd and Will Porter; Pleasant Hill, Mrs. Walter Welborn and Mrs. J. V. Carter; Ronda, Mrs. R. R. Crater and Mrs. Grace Bentley; Roaring River, Mrs. J. B. Church, Mrs. Joseph Porter and

Mrs. W. W. Harris; Clingman, Mrs. Harvey Greene; Cycle, Mrs. L. P. Somers, Mrs. R. C. Jarvis and Mrs. Robert Pardue; Windy Gap, Mrs. Chester Jarvis; Straw, Mrs. Clifford Moore; Union Grove, Mrs. C. L. Comer; Oakwoods, Mrs. Archie Ogilvie; Gilreath, Mrs. Ray Hendren; Iron and Lithia Springs, H. H. Morehouse; Brocktown, Mrs. Floyd Jennings; Pores Knob, Mrs. J. G. Bentley; Hendrix, Mrs. W. O. Barnette; Joynes, Mrs. C. C. Sidden; Vannoy, Mrs. A. R. Miller; Friendship, Mrs. Charlie Wyatt.

Business On Highways

Workers have also been named to canvass business souses on highways as follows: Mulberry road, Ed Dancy and Dewey Minton; Moravian Falls road, Walter Reavis; Millers Creek road, Fred Gaitter and Newton Bumgarner; highway 268 to Ronda, thence to Clingman, highway 421 and back to North Wilkesboro, Allie Hayes and Rex Church; Statesville highway from 421 to Iredell county line, Press Inscore.

To Furnish Materials

Materials will be furnished all workers before the beginning of the roll call on November 11. In view of the great amount of assistance given flood sufferers in Wilkes following the disastrous flood in August, 1940, it is expected that the county will show its appreciation to the Red Cross with an enthusiastic response during the roll call.

LEGION POST IS IN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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their posts, to tender their services to local councils of defense as observers, auxiliary fire-fighters, and air-raid wardens.

Universal Service—We reaffirm the principle of Universal Service as applicable equirly to the armed forces, capital and labor, in light of the common sacrifice which we all have to make.

Oppose Subversionists—We reaffirm our unalterable opposition to Communism. We regard Communism, Fascism and Nazism as equally false and dangerous.

Service to Children—The American Legion reminds our country that in these days our children are our greatest asset to our national security. The welfare of the children of our nation is one of the Legion's main objectives. We call upon the citizenry of our beloved country to rededicate themselves for greater service to America's children.

Universal Finger-Printing—Supporting legislation for universal finger-printing for those over 18.

Widows and Orphans—Reaffirming that in no case shall widows and dependents of deceased World War Veterans be without government protection.

Enlarged Service—Requiring that the Rehabilitation and Employment services of The American Legion be extended to new members of all armed forces of the nation.

Employment Assistance—Increased Legion efforts for re-employment and vocational training for workers over 40, reiterating our previous emphasis on employment stabilization.

Disability—Reaffirm the request that the allowance of \$30 per month for total permanent disabilities not due to service be increased to \$50 per month.

Unemployable—Requests a permanent and total rating where there is present any impairment or defect of mind or body which is sufficient to render it impossible for the individual to follow a substantially gainful occupation.

Defense Industries—We demand continuing production in all industry vital to national defense and compulsory arbitration of all labor disputes therein.

Secretary of Labor—We recommend the tender and acceptance of the resignation of the present Secretary of Labor.

Non-Political — Non-Partisan National Defense must be non-political and non-partisan. Military decisions of a commanding officer will not be effective if those decisions are continuously subjected to investigation, cross-examination, debate and ridicule, by those who seek to divide us.

Navy Questions Answered Here

What would happen if I enlisted in the U. S. Navy and became sick? You would receive the finest medical care from trained Navy doctors and surgeons absolutely free.

When do I get my first leave after I have enlisted? In a few weeks after you have completed your recruit training period.

Who pays for my meals and care when I am first sent to a U. S. Navy training station? The Navy furnishes you all transportation and meals.

If I attend a Navy trade school how many hours a week of school work will I have? Navy men in trade schools are given thirty-two hours of school work a week and about three hours of night watches.

Does a bluejacket have to pay for his own food and board out of his Navy pay? No. The government gives you excellent food and board free.

Must my parents consent to my enlistment if I am under 21? Yes. All applicants must be at least 17 years of age and if under 21 years of age they need the consent of their parents or guardians.

How did the term "cut of his jib" originate? In the days of sailing vessels, nationalities of boats could be distinguished by their jibs (type of sail). A Spanish ship had no jib, English ships had one jib, and French ships usually two. The phrase was largely used to apply to men and gradually came into general usage.

If I join the U. S. Navy, will I have to buy my own uniform? No. You receive a complete outfit of uniforms free when you enlist.

What is the cost of torpedoes used by our Navy? Modern U. S. Navy torpedoes cost from \$6,000 to \$15,000 each. They are 21 inches in diameter, are driven by a mixture of compressed air

and alcohol and carry up to 800 pounds of T. N. T. Their speeds vary from 25 to 35 knots and they travel from 6,000 to 30,000 yards.

If I join the Naval Reserve, how long must I serve? Naval Reservists serve for four years. Reservists will be returned to civil life as soon as possible after the national emergency is over, so that the term of active service may be less than four years.

Does the Navy offer retirement pay? Yes, it is possible for an enlisted man to receive as much as \$133.75 a month in retirement pay.

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A "hookie" in the U. S. Navy is called a "hookie". He is ranked as an Apprentice Seaman and receives \$31 a month besides board, clothing and equipment. After four months, automatically becomes a Seaman second class and his pay is raised to \$36 a month.

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